

# THE MULESHOE JOURNAL

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## Mulleshoe School Has Much Doing

Monday, popcorn and peanuts sold Friday evening. The proceeds will go for the benefit of school piano. The total amount sold was \$8.15. That is a wonderful help to our great aim. We take this privilege of thanking all who helped in this. Opal Morris

The Primary children gave an interesting program Friday night Feb. 20. The proceeds, which are about \$44 will pay for the primary library. D. A. C.

Marie Butt and Alva Douglass absent from school Monday account of sickness. R. B. Margaret Brookshire was absent from school the past week on account of sickness. M. B.

The girls basket ball team of Mulleshoe, went to Olton, Friday Feb. 20th to play the Plainview girls. The score was 32 to 10 in favor of Plainview. This was the first game that our girls lost during the season. S. E. M.

The Junior basketball girls won their first game this year, Saturday Feb. 21st. They defeated Y. L. and West Camp. They were very proud of their victories. O. M.

The Junior boys basketball team played Saturday for the county championship. They were defeated, but got second place in the county. O. M.

## Oklahoma Lane Has Poultry School

The Oklahoma Lane community is having a poultry school, the classes being held on Monday and Thursday nights of each week. Monday night the subject of Feed, for egg production was studied.

On last Thursday night Mr. Gordon Wicks, President of the Curry County Poultry Association addressed this school on the subject of Brooding and Care of Baby Chicks. A full house was present and a session of great interest was conducted. The experience of Mr. Wicks in poultry raising during the past fifteen years qualifies him to speak convincingly on problems of poultry production in Curry County.

## More Than 63 Bales Yield On 80 Acres

Sixty-three bales and a remnant of a half bale from eighty acres of ground is a mighty good dry land yield of cotton. But that is just what E. Hays who farms on the A. C. Brigrance place, six and one-half miles south west of Plainview, took off of 80 acres.

This farm was recently purchased by Mr. Brigrance from Coas. Saigling.

## Irrigating Farmers Put Land In Shape

The farmers in the irrigated belt of Bailey County are all very busy preparing and flooding their land preparatory to planting.

R. L. Brown will plant 10 acres in onions, also cantelopes, watermelons, tomatoes, bell peppers, eggplants, celery and potatoes. We did not learn just how many acres of each he will plant. His land has all been watered and is about ready to plant some of his early crops.

We understand there will be quite an acreage put out this year to vegetables. All kinds of truck do well here and will be shipped out in car lots.

Recil Gorton of Petersburg is visiting in the home of R. R. Gregory in West Camp, this week.

John McMurty is in a Hospital in Amarillo, very ill. His brothers Roy and A. L. are here looking after his interests.

## Whaley Lbr. Co. Hold Election of Officers

The stockholders of the Whaley Lumber Company are showing their faith in Lubbock and the South Plains country. While here this week attending their annual stockholders meeting, they gladly contributed to the building of our new hotel and offered their assistance in developing the gas field in this territory and showed their faith in the country by additional purchases of town lots in Lubbock Littlefield, Levelland and Muleshoe. We also learned that at their meeting they voted to increase the stock of their company to \$250,000 to take care of their nine yards established in this territory the past year.

Many expressions of confidence in the future development of the plains country were made by the officials while here, and they may be depended upon to assist in every way possible in advancing the development program for Lubbock and every community where they have yards.

The following officers were elected at the stockholders meeting here.

J. C. Whaley president; president Whaley Mill & Elevator Co. Gainesville, Texas.

S. M. King, vice president; president of the Lindsay National Bank Gainesville, Texas.

Max Westheimer of Westheimer & Daube, of Ardmore, Okla. Sam Daube, of Westheimer & Daube, of Ardmore, Okla. Dave, Daube of Westheimer & Daube, Ardmore, Simon Westheimer, merchant, of Marietta and Ardmore, Okla.

R. G. Shelton, manager, Lubbock, Texas.

A. A. Boggess, secretary-treasurer, Lubbock, Texas.

The Avalanche

## Muleshoe Loses To Plainview 31 to 10

Plainview High School girls defeated Muleshoe High School Friday afternoon in a basketball game by a score of 31 to 10. This game decides the championship of Hale, Lamb and Bailey counties. It will be necessary for Plainview now to play the winner in the Floyd-Motley contest. The winner in this game will go into the finals at Lubbock to determine the district winner.

## Party Given at Home Of Mrs. D. O. Smith

A party was given at the home of Mrs. D. O. Smith Saturday night by Hugh Taylor and Rufus Gilbreath. The affair was attended by a most happy and pleasant crowd of young folks. The Roubinek Bro's. orchestra with the assistance of Miss Reta Lee Dodson who played Mrs. Smith's new piano helped to make the party very gay. Refreshments were served which consisted of "goodies" which the guests expressed "could never be beaten"

Those present were: Misses Helen Carles, Reta Lee Dodson, Miss Ellis of Star Ranch community, Agnes Baney, Opal Johnson, Jewel and Fannie Anderson, Opal Rutherford, Ethel Cunningham. Messers Hugh Taylor Houston Taylor, Milton Webb, Delma McCarty, Rufus Gilbreath, Clay Johnson, Floyd Pressley, Billy Daniels, M. Hallis, George Clark, Bently Gwyn, Dillahanty and the Roubinek Bros.

## NOTICE

Big Pep meeting of the Chamber of Commerce will be held Thursday night march 5th at High School Auditorium. Prominent speakers will be present. You must be there.

E. L. Vance made a business trip to Kent county this week.

## Week of Prayer First Wednesday In March

The ladies of the Baptist church will observe the first Wednesday in march, as week of prayer.

## PROGRAM AS FOLLOWS

Song: Throw out the life line W. M. U. Watchword-repeat in unison. Scripture reading-kindness. Mrs. Motheral. 2nd samuel. 2nd chapter 3-7 verses. roman 12th chapter 9-21 verses. matthew 5th chapter, 7th verse.

Song-Onward christian soldier. Winning to christ through kindness.---Mrs. W. L. Stewart Sentence prayers. Enlisting through personal deeds.---Mrs. Ray Griffiths.

Lecture. our government.--Mrs. Taylor White. Song---America. Prayer for President and Mrs. Coolidge.---Rev. W. L. Stewart.

## LUNCH

2:30 P. M. Song---Jesus keep near the cross.

Scripture reading.--Love. Mrs. Trussell. 1st cor. 13; John 3-16. John 13 34-35 verses.

Prayer for home missions. Mrs. De Shazo.

The way out--Mrs. Byron Griffiths.

Evangelistic value of Baptist Mountain Schools.---Mrs. Coker. Lecture on good will center work of home mission board. Mrs. Vance. Song--send the light. Prayer by Mrs. D. A. Dodson. Explanation of associational loan fund. Rev. Stewart.

In gathering of free will offering to home missions. Study of manual.

## Gupton Grocery Gets Good remodeling

Last week the interior of the grocery store of C. D. Gupton & son was remodeled and J. W. Higginbotham was employed as meat cutter for the market department. The grocery salesmen have put on neat white jackets and a general appearance of up-to-now was placed over the store.

The office has been fenced off on one side in front, with a neat white railing.

On account of so many new people moving in to our territory Mr. Gupton is trying to give unexcelled service in meats and groceries.

## Lubbock Citizen Buys Business Lots Here

J. D. Hankins prominent business man of Lubbock, was here Tuesday and purchased some business lots on the west side of the court house square. He was carried away with the progress of our city and development of our country. We are informed that he will begin the construction of a building in the near future.

We believe he is using good judgement in locating here as hundreds of people are moving in to take up their new farms, recently purchased.

Come to Bailey county, where you have two chances to one compared to most places. Irrigation and dry land farming.

## Mrs. Vance Entertains Baptist W. M. U.

The Womans Missionary Union met with Mrs. Vance Wednesday afternoon in a business and social meeting. Every one enjoyed the afternoon very much. Cake and cream was served to 22 ladies.

For unionalls, overalls, jumpers, and work shirts see Johnson's Specialty Shop.

Hon. J. D. Thomas was looking after business matters of various kinds in Portales Sunday.

Miss Eula Neely is recovering from the flu.

## H. L. King Of Plainview Dead

Henry L. King, resident of Plainview for 18 years, a deacon and prominent in the affairs of the First Baptist church, died at his home, 610 W. 7th street Saturday Feb. 7th. Funeral services were held at the Methodist church Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock, Rev. W. H. Wynn of Dallas, lifelong friend of the deceased, officiating. The board of deacons of the Baptist church attended the services in a body. Amid one of the greatest offerings of flowers ever seen here, he was laid to rest in Plainview cemetery.

A synopsis of Henry L. King's life was contributed by "One who loved him and will miss him" and we are printing it herewith.

"Brother King was born July 14, 1852, in Knox county, Tennessee. He was married January 13, 1875, to Miss Lydia E. Beatty. The couple celebrated their Golden Wedding anniversary January 13, 1925.

He moved to Texas immediately after his marriage and settled in Coryell county, where he lived until 1906, when he moved to Plainview and he has lived since that time. Four children were born; Judson L., who died in 1916; Mrs. Lula Lee Dalton, wife of a prominent banker of San Angelo, Miss Irma Milderding King, a leading business woman of Slaton, Henry King, a business man and farmer of Muleshoe. These last three with the heartbroken wife and several grand children are left to mourn his going.

His many friends are deeply touched at his death. Bro. King joined the Baptist church when a boy. He was made a deacon nearly a half century ago. He was an honor both to the board deacons and to the church. He was always ready with good spiritual advice and with his money and when off on a visit he always sent his money back for his church work.

How the church will miss him, as a neighbor, none could beat him. I do not think I ever saw a better husband, father, church worker and American citizen, neighbor and friend. He was truthful, honest, loved God and man and we love his memory. To the bereaved, we can say you may be proud of his life."

Plainview News

## The Home Building Program Continues

The following citizens are building new homes in our city. A. V. McCarty, A. W. Coker, H. A. Douglass, L. S. Barron, Mrs. W. C. Bucy and Mr. Sutton of Lockney. These homes are all up-to-date cottages and are going to add much to the appearance of the residence district of our city.

The Methodist Parsonage is nearing completion, and Rev. Farmer of Levelland has been called as local pastor.

There are a number of other people that will build right away. Several business houses will go up as soon as the weather will permit. Our city is truly making rapid strides with onward development of West Texas.

## Baptist W. M. U. With Mrs. Pressly

The Baptist Women's Missionary Union met with Mrs. Levi Pressly last Wednesday afternoon Feb. 18th in a very interesting lesson from the W. M. U. women.

Robert Rundell is improving his farm this week.

Mrs. Laura Cox is having her farm improved. R. L. Moore will farm the place we understand.

The Whaley Lumber Co. is having a well drilled at their yard.

## Urged To Plant Trees In City and County

Citizens of Muleshoe are being urged to plant trees this year and to do their bit, in an enterprise that will beautify the city, increase the value of property, and make life more worth living. A city of trees in ten years is the goal. Trees are an asset to any piece of property within the city limits. Trees cost little, and with the proper care in getting started off they will soon care for themselves, and then you will have an added improvement you would not part with. Every citizen should make it a part of his work to see that influence is brought to bear upon the citizenship for more trees for Muleshoe and consequently more value for the property in later years.

We want to particularly call your attention to the trees planted last year in the block where J. E. Aldridge, Judge Klump, Ray Griffith and L. S. Barron live.

They have only been planted one year and have made a wonderful showing. We would like to see trees planted on every street in Muleshoe, on every farm in the county. Soon our city would be the garden spot of West Texas, the most talked of part of the good old U. S. A.

## West Camp Farmer Has Big Loss By Fire

Mr. Harrington who lives in the West Camp community suffered a heavy loss the first of the week by fire. The fire broke out in his large barn, burning up his harness, chickens, calves and 4500 bundles of kaffir. His cows were badly burned and some of them may never recover. His windmill was also burned. We understand there was no insurance.

We are very sorry to hear of his great loss.

## Mrs. E. Wilterding Has Surprise Dinner

Mrs. E. Wilterding who has been a resident of Bailey County seventeen years was given a surprise dinner by her neighbors and children last Sunday to celebrate her 64th birthday. Every thing was well planned and about ten o'clock the crowd began to come in with their baskets and set a bountiful feast. Those present to enjoy the dinner and wish Mrs. Wilterding many happy returns of the day were: W. M. Wilterding with whom she lives, I. F. Williams and family, D. B. Williams and family, T. E. Miller and son, Mrs. E. Miller, H. G. Hoeking, A. C. Gaede, Mrs. Fritz Gaede, Harry Wilterding, and family.

## Entertainment at Kennedy Home

Mrs. W. C. Kennedy entertained the Woman's Missionary Society of the Methodist church Wednesday afternoon. Those present were Mesdames: R. L. Faulkner, C. C. Mardis, W. T. Elrod, Roy Elrod, Carl Elrod, E. R. Hart, I. W. Hardin, Connie Gupton, Black, A. P. Stone and Miss Burns. Delicious refreshments of sandwiches, salad and chocolate were served. The next meeting will be with Mrs. E. R. Hart next Wednesday.

This organization will serve lunch at the Green-Hicks motor Company Saturday March 28th.

Try our place for work and dress shoes. Johnson Specialty Shop.

C. W. Mick of Big Square, is reported very ill.

Mr. Robertson of Lariat, was here Wednesday on business.

## Another Big Ranch Gives Way To Plow

One by one the big ranches of this section are giving way to the onward march of the land hungry people. During the past year more than 150,000 acres of once famous ranches of this section have succumbed to the call of humanity for a place to call "home" and as fast as the folks come in and claim their land, the cattle are rounded up and shipped to market. Drive out in any direction now, and where new homes are not being erected, the surveyor's stakes are seen standing indicative of the fact it is only a matter of a very short time until the new homes will be started.

Last week the Watson ranch, the last of the big ranches of this section, and located in the southwestern part of Bailey county, was cut up and put on the market. This ranch was formerly known as the old "69," being a part of the Iron county school land.

The large majority of land in this ranch is excellent farm land. It is being sold on the very best of terms and will doubtless be taken up rapidly. With the exception of two leagues of Hale county school land, this cleans up the ranch land in Bailey county south of the Sand Ridge.

## H. M. Davis Will Build Business House

H. M. Davis of Lakeview, was here the first of the week looking after his interest, and while here he saw the need of business houses. We understand he contemplates building in the very near future. He will build across the street from the McGee Drug Store.

This will indeed be a welcome for Mr. Davis, as there is not a day that passes, that some one does not come here looking for a building to enter business.

## Produce House Opens For Business Here

G. W. Sollack has completed his building one block east of Gupton's and will be ready for business on March 2nd. He is going to offer the highest market prices for your produce, and will be able to give you real service in the produce line. Later on he expects to handle your cream. Call and get acquainted with our produce man.

See his ad in this issue and watch it closely each week for he will send you a message that way.

## Clovis Man Visits Muleshoe Tuesday

James M. Roden, advertising manager for Kendall Dry Goods Company of Clovis, was here Tuesday visiting the many new people who are moving in so rapidly also renewing friendship with old friends and customers of the firm. He was surprised at the rapid growth of the city of Muleshoe and the wonderful development of our trade territory.

In this issue you will find a big ad from his firm. Look over the lines represented here in Muleshoe and if you can't find what you want here, then visit the Kendall Dry Goods Company and get it. Muleshoe people should patronize home merchants first and then the Clovis merchants that advertise in the Muleshoe Journal. For they are helping to make it possible for us to have a newspaper of our own made in Muleshoe.

The Johnson building has been treated to a good bunch of signs this week.

See our calendars at the JOURNAL OFFICE: Most complete line ever shown here.

# DAIRY FACTS

## CLEANLINESS QUITE IMPORTANT ON FARM

One of the things which should receive first consideration in dairy farming for the production of a high quality of milk or cream is cleanliness, with special reference to clean barns, clean milking practices and clean utensils.

It is very essential that the barn be kept clean. The manure should be removed at least once each day. Cobwebs and dust should not be allowed to accumulate. Whitewashing the interior of the barn at least once a year is a cheap means of improving the appearance and sanitary conditions. There should be plenty of fresh air, and flies should be kept out as nearly as possible. Some people have screened their barns against flies.

Before milking begins, the cow's udder and flanks should be wiped off, preferably with a damp cloth. The milking should always be done with dry, clean hands. It is a filthy habit to milk with wet hands, and it is a mistaken idea that milking with wet hands makes milking easier. As a matter of fact, in cool weather not only is it hard on the milker, but it also has a tendency to cause the cow's teats to become sore. It is well to strain the milk immediately through a clean cloth, or preferably, through a fine mesh gauze strainer.

All utensils which come in contact with milk and cream should be kept clean at all times. It is well to use pails with a partly covered top, because this keeps out 50 per cent of the dirt and other impurities which would otherwise get into the milk. Milk pails and other utensils should be free so far as possible from crevices where dirt may lodge and be hard to remove. Cream separators and other dairy utensils should always be cleaned properly immediately after use. The washing can best be done by first rinsing the utensils in cold water and then washing in hot water containing grease-free washing powders. This should be followed by rinsing in scalding water, after which they should be placed in the sun to dry.

## Common Scrub Cows Can Be Graded Up Quickly

No experiment station has demonstrated more extensively than the Iowa experiment station that common scrub cows can be graded up in a comparatively short time and that from ordinary scrub herds can be established in a comparatively short time. Some years ago, the Iowa experiment station purchased some scrub cows from Arkansas. They were about as poor a lot of cows as one could find anywhere, although under good management as to feed and care they improved very rapidly in milk production. The production of milk and fat was probably fully 40 per cent higher after good feeding than it had been in their original homes, but even at that their average yield was only 188 pounds of fat and 4,034 pounds milk during the first year.

## Don't Overfeed Calves During First Two Weeks

Calves from the modern, highly domesticated dairy cow get too much nourishment in the first two weeks of their lives. That, as much as any one factor, explains why mortality rates are higher for calves, comparatively, than for other classes of stock.

Improvement in the digestive ability of the calf has not kept pace with the increasing richness of the milk. As a result a calf, if allowed free access to the cow for the first two weeks, will often overeat.

The best way to control this is to reduce the amount of milk given to the calf at first. Increase the milk ration gradually as the calf grows older, and add a little alkali, such as sodium bicarbonate, to neutralize the acids formed by the excess of fat in the milk.

## Dairy Notes

It's never too late to start keeping records on your cows.

A warm cow may not always be contented, but a contented cow is always warm.

It may not be necessary to feed grain after the calf has reached a year old if it is on good pasture.

A good ration may not make a poor cow profitable, but may make a lot of difference in the returns from a good cow.

The silo is indispensable for cheap milk production.

Start the new year right by keeping daily milk records and feeding each cow in proportion to her production and size.

A grain ration consisting of 30 pounds cracked corn, 30 pounds oats, 20 pounds bran and 10 pounds oil-meal makes an excellent mixture for calves getting mixed clover and timothy hay.

## Potato Reliable Farm Vegetable

### In Spring Plow, Disk and Harrow Until Soil Is in Good Condition.

The "Irish" potato seems to me, says a writer in an exchange, to be one of the most profitable and reliable vegetables than can be grown, as it is a crop that very seldom fails.

For early potatoes an ideal place should be selected, such as an old garden spot that has been improved for several years, or a place where clover has been plowed under for several years in succession. The clover causes the land to be rich and loosens up the soil. The soil should be of a medium nature, light sandy just enough to be in a good state of fertilization. Manure the patch broadcast with good stable manure. In doing this not so much is needed in the row at planting time. Break the ground good and deep, then in the spring plow, disk and harrow until the soil is in a good pulverized condition. Lay off the rows 3 or 3 1/2 feet wide, making the rows good and deep. If possible cut your pieces of potatoes so as to have two eyes on each piece and use the whole potato in doing so, as the larger the piece the better the germination and start the young plant will have.

Plant Quite Early. Plant earlier than any of the rest of your neighbors, say in March, covering the potatoes after dropping, with manure and then deep with soil. Even if the ground does freeze on top the potatoes are getting a start. As soon as the freezing weather has passed take a drag and run it across the patch, then give a harrowing which will again loosen up the soil. Planting at this time, we know it is too cold for the young potatoes to come up, but the pieces will sprout and take root and young potatoes will begin to set on even by the time the plant reaches the top of the ground. Try a small patch planted at this time and see the results, then compare with your neighbors and see if you don't have earlier and better potatoes.

Strawing Late Potatoes. In strawing late potatoes prepare your ground in the same manner as you would if going to plant without the straw, having it in a good condition for planting. Lay it off in rows about 2 1/2 feet wide and drop the potatoes about 10 or 12 inches apart, covering them with an inch or so of soil. Now bring on your straw and scatter it over the entire field of potatoes to a depth of 3 feet, as after a rain or two the straw will settle down. After the planting is all done, nothing more is required until digging time.

In digging a manure fork is used, the straw being lifted off and your potatoes are found lying on top of the soil. Planting in this way saves a great deal of time and extra work and they will stand more of a drought than those planted in the soil. The straw, when once it becomes wet, holds the moisture, thus causing the small potatoes to continue growing while, if in the soil, they would not have enough moisture, as it soon becomes dry and hard.

## Tricks of Trade During Winter Orchard Pruning

Growers of fruit trees who do their own pruning will find it both interesting and profitable to apply some of the "tricks of the trade" during this winter's pruning. One of the most interesting of these is to put living ties in the tree. They are of principal value when applied to young vigorous trees. If a tree of this type is found to have a scaffold limb which is not firmly knit to the trunk of the tree it can be tied there by twining together two twigs from 6 to 18 inches above the crotch and one of which has its origin from the weak limb and the other from the more solid part of the tree. These should be wrapped around each other as tightly as is possible without breaking the wood and the ends should not be cut off until after several years' growth and the twigs have firmly grafted together. Such treatment will form a living tie which will have a greater strength than any artificial tie that could be put in.

## Balanced Grain Rations Favored for Dairy Cows

The following balanced grain rations to feed dairy cows cost approximately the same. They are recommended for supplementing corn silage and alfalfa hay, and should be fed at the rate of seven pounds for each pound of butterfat produced.

The first ration is 600 pounds corn-meal and 400 pounds bran. The second consists of 500 pounds corn and cob meal, 400 pounds ground oats, and 100 pounds cottonseed meal. The first ration, with corn at \$1 per bushel—allowing 12 cents per hundredweight for grinding and bran at \$1.25 per hundredweight—costs \$1.05 per hundredweight. The second ration—allowing the same price for corn and with ground oats at \$1.85 per cwt. and cottonseed meal at \$2.45 per cwt.—totals \$1.68 per cwt.

## Feeding Baby Chicks

Baby chicks must not be fed under 48 hours from the time they are hatched, declared A. G. Phillips, of Purdue university. The yolk of the egg which the chick takes into its body before it is hatched, is provided by nature to furnish food during this length of time. If additional food is given, diarrhea and other digestive troubles are likely to result.

## Crop Rotation Big Benefit in Garden

### Good Way to Avoid Perpetuating Diseases.

The same crops should not occupy the same space in the garden from year to year. There are several reasons for this. One of the chief ones is to avoid perpetuating disease which may have afflicted some of the vegetables the germs of which may carry over in the soil. As members of the cabbage tribe and the bean and pea family suffer from different ailments, their positions should be switched in order that any such pests may be discontinued.

A good plan is to reverse last year's plan and then change it back again next year, thus furnishing a rotation of crops. If this is not done, at least the arrangement should be changed by moving the sections devoted to one vegetable this year to some other position in the garden removed a few feet at least next year.

A good rule would be to plant the root crops next year where the leaf crops such as lettuce and spinach have grown this year or to give the root crops the space next year where the legumes, a term applied to members of the pea and bean family, have been this year. It will not be a difficult matter to study out this arrangement with a little practice.

Planting the taller growing crops such as corn and tomatoes on one side of the garden one year and then moving them over to the other side the following season will be a convenient method of securing rotation. If rotation cannot be conveniently arranged because of the small size of the plot, the best way is to make up for the deficiency by careful fertilizing and occasional liming of the soil to sweeten it up.

## Should Get Acquainted With Various Machines

During the winter months is a good time to get acquainted with the farm machinery and equipment. The more you know about our machines, the more efficiently they will be handled, and the less trouble will be encountered, and the more pleasure we can obtain out of farm life.

Start with the tractor and automobile; they are similar in a good many respects. Get the instruction-book and study the motor; note how it operates, how the carburetor works, how the gas is ignited, how the mechanism is lubricated, why some parts need more and a better grade of oil than others. Study the troubles of the motor, and the causes. After the motor and its accessories are thoroughly understood, go to the transmission, then the wheels. On the automobile, find out all you can about tire repairing.

Other machines can be studied in the same way, the lighting system, the water pump, the spraying machine, and the farm implements. They can not only be studied with the idea of using them more efficiently, but so that repairs and adjustments may be made without outside assistance.

## Fertilized and Limed Soil for Clover Crop

At the Ohio agricultural experiment station on land that has been properly fertilized and limed and worked into a good seed bed, six pounds of clover seed per acre has produced a seven-year average yield equal to that from twelve pounds of seed under the same conditions.

Slightly acid soils now in winter wheat, according to L. E. Thatcher, associate agronomist at the station, may be put in good condition for red clover by top-dressing the wheat with a ton or more of finely ground limestone per acre when the ground is bare and frozen. A top-dressing of acid phosphate or 0-14-4 fertilizer early in the spring before sowing the clover will greatly help the stand and reduce the amount of seed needed.

# FARM FACTS

Let's adopt now a permanent policy of legume growing.

Fruits and vegetables are health, and health is more than farm profits.

Top-dressing with manure is decidedly beneficial, with little danger of injury.

"Like father, like son" is as true in the plant world as among men and animals.

Flax may be seeded early in the spring or up to June 15. The earlier seeding is generally better.

A farmer in one community can capitalize on the experience of farmers in other communities through the medium of the county agent.

A one-cent postal card may bring you from the agricultural college publications worth hundreds of dollars towards better farming.

The best time to sow alfalfa is undoubtedly in August, after the first good rain, but a spring seeding may be successful if the conditions are good.

Hogging off corn has been found to be a very satisfactory method of harvesting the corn crop and finishing pigs for the market and is becoming a popular practice.

## Peas Should Be in All Gardens

### Several Other Standard Vegetables Are Entitled to Good Attention.

Peas ought to be in every garden the whole season through. Alaska for the earliest, Fillbasket to follow Alaska, and possibly Gradus or Nott's Excelsior will more than supply you with early varieties. Main crop varieties to furnish you peas to can for winter include Dwarf Champion, which is far and away the best variety for the small garden.

The biggest and best sweet pepper is considered to be the Chinese Giant. Ruby King is another well known mango pepper but usually not as good as the Chinese Giant. Then among the hot peppers there is Red Cayenne, and a little of this pepper will go a long way.

Among the pumpkins one of my favorites is the Cushaw, says a writer in the Successful Farmer. Some classify it among the squash, for it has the shape of a squash in some measure, but it makes a pie like pumpkin. Sugar, and Buff Pie or Quaker Pie are first-class pumpkins, and, by the way, it is a mistake not to have pumpkins to put away for winter, so plant enough.

Table Queen Squash. There is a new squash, commonly termed Table Queen, which ought to be in every garden. It is a small individual size, fine biter and a good keeper. Plant these and one larger late variety and you can even get along without sweet potatoes if you find them hard to grow.

The early squash comes along at a time when your appetite is just set for them. The White Bush Scallop and the Summer Bush Crookneck varieties are standards.

Radishes are usually about the first things out in a garden, or at least radishes generally make the first returns. Besides the early ones such as Bird, Bird, Scarlet Egg, and all those, have a few summer radishes such as Icicle or Chartier, and try just a few of those winter radishes, such as Chinese Rose Winter, one of the best, or Celestial, or Scarlet China.

With tomatoes for the home garden you will make no mistake with Earliana, Chalk's Jewel, New Stone, and Ponderosa.

## Turnips in Abundance

Turnips in abundance will be had from one or two ounces of early seed, or if you eat as few as some of us, a packet or so of early seed. White Milan, Sarly Snowball are good early varieties. Late varieties, of which you should plant in order to store plenty for winter, include White Egg, or the old standby, Purple-top Strap Leaf.

In addition to these standard vegetables you are going to lose half the fun and good of your garden if you fail to raise some of the special crops such as salsify, endive, kohlrabi, okra, parsley, kale and the many other odds and ends that after all make a variety of foods that not only please the appetite but return dividends in health.

## Oiled Paper Wrappers to Control Apple Scald

The use of oiled paper wrappers, developed recently by the bureau of plant industry, United States Department of Agriculture, to control scald in boxed apples, has now become common among apple growers. These wrappers have not controlled apple scald completely, but they have caused such a marked reduction in this trouble that the trade recognizes them as an essential part of the industry.

Another method of using oiled paper developed by the department is in the shredded form for the prevention of scald in barreled apples. Paper in this form was tried out for some time experimentally and last year a number of commercial growers in the East used it to a small extent. It has been found that 1 1/2 pounds of the shredded oiled paper, well distributed through the barrel, produces fairly satisfactory results.

## Believe Legumes Enrich Soil by Using Nitrogen

The clovers, alfalfa, beans, peas, in fact all the legumes, are believed to enrich the soil by taking part of their nitrogen from the air and leaving large stores of this element of plant growth in the soil for following crops.

This is true if the legume be inoculated with a bacteria which forms nodules on the roots of the plant as they gather nitrogen from the air.

The species of bacteria generally differ for the different legumes. This makes it necessary usually to inoculate the seed or soil for a legume the first time it is grown in a field. There are a few exceptions to this rule, such as alfalfa after sweet clover.

## Jolting Bee Hives Will Likely Break the Combs

In moving bees move them in a wagon with springs or an auto truck, every precaution being taken not to jolt them. Jolting the hives is likely to break the combs, which would ruin the hive at this season, according to E. S. Prevost, extension bee specialist.

Be very careful and do not disturb the bees any more than possible. It is dangerous for the bees to be disturbed to great activity while the weather is cold.

In buying bees, be absolutely sure that the bees have no disease. Each shipment should bear a certificate stating that they have been inspected within 60 days and found free of disease.

## Small Potato Will Make Good as Seed

### Tubers Reproduce Plant From Which They Come.

The old question about the size of potato seed comes up this year. Some people think that a small potato will be sure to give a hill of small tubers; that is, that it will reproduce itself. That is not always true, says the Rural New Yorker. The potato seed, whether large or small, is likely to reproduce the plant from which it is taken. Seed taken from a large, well-developed hill will be likely to reproduce the yield, whether the seed is small or large. A hill of potatoes giving only two or three large-sized tubers would not be selected for seed under what is known as hill selection, because the tubers would reproduce the plant from which they come and give only a small yield.

A small tuber taken from a hill giving a heavy yield would be likely to duplicate that yield, and it is not likely that a large tuber taken from the same hill would do any better. The plan followed in hill selection is to study individual hills and select the tubers from those hills, or those plants which give finest yield. Of course, where the crop is dug and all thrown together, it is impossible to know the parentage of any particular seed, so that it is usually better when taking seed from the bin just as it comes, to select the large tubers, or those of medium size, for planting, but when the percentage of the seed is known and the best hills are selected it is quite likely that the little potatoes will serve for seed just as well as the large ones.

## Few New Varieties Are Recommended for Garden

Added to a farm is found very few new varieties. It generally is recommended directly for profit, but to the family with the good things to eat which it could not otherwise have.

If your farm garden is like most others you will have a pretty good idea just what varieties of different vegetables you will plant. These varieties will be the ones that have succeeded best for you in the past. By all means, make these your main planting.

But there is one thing that every one who is planning the farm garden should do. He should plan on experimenting with just a few novelties or new introductions.

Most of our standard vegetables were at one time novelties or new introductions. All the time new varieties are being developed. These are manifestly not all improvements, but there is always a chance that something new will be unusually good. Hence, while it pays to go slow on anything that will readily increase the amount of time the garden will require for its care, the annual tryout of a few new varieties is almost sure to be amply repaid in the long run.

## Consider Saltpeter for Stumps Is Big Failure

In a recent letter from A. J. McAdams, land reclamation specialist for the University of Missouri, concerning the much-discussed method of using saltpeter for rotting stumps so they could later be burned out, he states that they tried out this method thoroughly in Wisconsin and could see no results or benefits at all. Also that it has been tried out without results in the Pacific Northwest, and that he understands that the land clearing specialists in Minnesota have had the same negative results.

If these several land clearing experts, after carefully testing out this method, pronounce it worthless for practical purposes, we think we can safely agree with their conclusions. However, we are always open to conviction. One or two isolated stumps mean little or nothing, however, unless they can be compared with similar ones not treated.

## Iowa Ratton No. 11

Here is Ratton No. 11, recommended by the Iowa experiment station. The mash is as follows: Two hundred pounds ground oats, 100 pounds ground corn, and 100 pounds of 69 per cent tankage. This is fed with scratch feed composed of 200 pounds shelled corn and 100 pounds oats. It is considered one of the lowest priced and one of the most practical rations, the college states, that can be recommended for farm conditions.

## Poultry Hints

Gather eggs twice a day.

Keep the eggs in a cool, fairly dry place.

Remember quality is essential for best prices.

Know the shipping requirements of express or railroad companies when you use their services.

Market eggs at least twice a week. Delay in marketing means selling stale and deteriorated eggs.

Keep an abundance of clean litter on the poultry house floor. Clean floors mean fewer dirty eggs.

Don't crowd the winter. Each hen should have at least square feet of floor space. A flock is confined in the maximum egg production.

Provide one nest for every five hens and make the nests material. Plenty of clean material. Number of stolen eggs is reduced.

Any soil that will produce good crops of corn or potatoes will produce good crops of sugar beets, provided the sugar beets are properly cared for.

# POULTRY

## HATCH CHICKS EARLY FOR WINTER LAYERS

Early hatched chicks are the ones that make the early and consistent winter layers. However, this does not mean that earlier than around March 15 is desirable. Neither does it mean that late April and May hatched chicks are the desirable kinds. The problem is to have the chicks hatched sufficiently early to have winter laying pullets and yet not have them so early that they will molt in the late fall. Again, the quicker-maturing, smaller breeds like the Anconas may be safely hatched later than the large breeds like the Wyandottes. Yet, in all, it appears to me that in far too many cases, the hatching of chicks on farms is too late and that few of the early hatched chicks coming out too early, writes A. C. Hartenbow of the Oklahoma Farmer.

Whether to incubate the eggs on the farm or to buy baby chicks, must be governed to no small extent by the equipment on the farm, by the price of eggs when compared with that of baby chicks, and by the breeding stock available. In many cases, it will be a paying proposition to purchase baby chicks from reliable breeders to the end, especially, that good stock may be had to replace the mixed stock now on the farm, while in still other cases where the farmer makes consistent improvement in his flock of pure bred chickens, culling, using high-class males, keeping a breeding pen, it would be folly to send away for baby chicks. I know there are thousands of dollars practically thrown away each year in purchasing baby chicks for the simple reason that the equipment at hand for caring for the chicks is not suitable, and the result is a good per cent of the young chicks never reach maturity. In other words, the cost of those raised is away out of reason when compared with what they will bring when sold either as breeding stock or on the market.

## Incubation of Eggs of Various Fowls on Farm

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Duck eggs in an incubator require a temperature of 102 degrees. This is also satisfactory for turkey eggs. The guinea eggs will hatch at 102 to 103 degrees. Incubators are very satisfactory for duck eggs. Turkey eggs are seldom hatched in incubators. Neither are guineas.

A mixture of equal parts of bread crumbs and rolled oats, and a sprinkling of about 3 per cent sand is a good starting feed for ducklings. Bread and milk is also satisfactory. Stale bread soaked in milk and squeezed nearly dry is a good first feed for poults. When three weeks old they can be worked over to rolled oats and fine chicks' scratch feed, and larger grains added as the birds develop. There are many good rations for turkey poults but do not use sloppy mashes. Guineas like bread crumbs and rolled oats and can soon eat fine chick feed. They are great foragers and insect eaters and will soon gather most of their ration.

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# PAY GRAVEL

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## "NUMBER ONE"

**SYNOPSIS.**—In the late summer of 1878, Peter Dinsdale, on his way to the Black hills to join the throng of gold-seekers, makes the acquaintance of the keeper of a Deadwood gambling house, San Juan Joe, who is returning to Deadwood. On their way through Red Canyon Dinsdale and Joe hear shots, apparently far ahead of them. Riding carefully, they meet a young woman running from a party of Indians. Dinsdale takes her on his horse and the two men ride through her pursuers, killing several. The girl is Lottie Carl, and she has Scissors, from Deadwood they overtake a prospector whom Joe calls as old "Iron Pyrites." At Deadwood City San Juan Joe, popular in the community, is given an enthusiastic welcome, which is extended to Dinsdale. Dinsdale tells Joe of the robbery of a Union Pacific train at Ogalaia, and the gambler informs the crowd. Joe takes Dinsdale and Lottie to the house of a woman of the town, Kitty the Schemer, Joe's mistress, where the gambler had intended to install Lottie. Dinsdale refuses to allow it, and after a somewhat bitter quarrel he leaves, taking Lottie to a house where she will be safeguarded, and finding other lodgings for himself. Dinsdale saves an apparently half-witted individual, known as Scissors, from mistreatment at the hands of a "bad man," Bandy Allen, who vows vengeance on Dinsdale. Some days later Dinsdale again meets Scissors, whose nickname is derived from his ability to cut, with paper and scissors, remarkable likenesses of persons, or anything that strikes his fancy. Dinsdale takes to him.

## CHAPTER IV—Continued.

"But if these gentlemen of the road knew you talked like this they might not like it. They might give you some lead instead of gold," warned Dinsdale.

Scissors' fatuous face showed much alarm.

"Don't you tell them that I've talked," he begged. "I'll keep my mouth shut after this. If any of them hear I've talked and speak to you, you just say it isn't so."

Dinsdale smiled curiously. "So you're taking me for one of them," he murmured.

Scissors became flustered and backed away from Dinsdale as if suddenly afraid of him; but he repeated:

"Just tell them it isn't so. Now I must make a picture of 'Horseshoe' Webb, over at the monte table."

A pause and a sharp glance at Dinsdale's expressionless face.

"He's very ugly or very good-natured in his drinks. Just now he's good-natured."

With a hasty duck of his head, which the big owl seemed to imitate, he sidled his way to the monte table, where Horseshoe Webb was twisting his huge black mustache and smiling amiably. Webb wore a gayly-embroidered buckskin coat and carried an ivory-handled revolver at the front of his belt. From below the skirts of the coat protruded the decorated sheath of a long knife.

Dinsdale shifted his position so that he might study Webb more closely. He was large and gaunt of frame, and yet was very vain. He covered his uncouth figure with the softest of buckskins and received his name from a horseshoe of brilliant worn in his neck scarf. And he was inordinately proud of his long black mustache.

Dinsdale surveyed him for a minute and would have departed had not a flap at the rear been raised to admit a man. Before the canvas fell back in place Dinsdale glimpsed a door, and for the first time realized there was a wooden annex to the tent. Second glance told him the newcomer was Iron Pyrites, the peripatetic prospector. Pyrites was gazing absent-mindedly at the busy scene and did not sense Dinsdale's approach until the latter's hand touched his shoulder.

"Back in town to outfit for the great trip, eh?" greeted Dinsdale.

"Joe's friend!" exclaimed Pyrites, trusting out a hand. "Joe's shooting friend! Yes, sirc! The big trip is what's coming next. One big strike and I'm going back East. Joe's all right. He's my friend and partner, but he don't have enough sabc, not enough faith. Just been talking to him. He shows no more interest than if I was talking about buying and selling eggs."

"Why, man, I know several big prospects that oughter make him give this outfit away and hoot for joy; and he don't give a hang. There's gold back near where I met you fellows or the road. Heaps of it! No five and ten cents to a pan, but dollars to a pan! Sounds big? It is big. Then there's silver indications near Bear butte, right under our noses. There's oceans of silver there. I know it. Why, man, just me and my burro have at five miles of silver ledge, by accident. Hunting gold a nugget that was almost washed down from some high hills.

Was enough for old Iron When I've developed the prospects I'll take out ore that'll hundred ounces to the ton! red dollars to the ton!

small mill, at the least, will reduce twenty-five tons a day. Five thousand dollars! A small custom-smelter will turn out—well, we'll say a thousand-ounce brick a day. Good lord! And I can't get Joe halred up next!"

"Then you'll go after silver next?" prompted Dinsdale.

Pyrites scratched his nose and wrinkled his brows.

"I'm a gold miner," he finally decided. "Silver's good. I always like to feel I've got a good silver ledge back of me for a rainy day. Mebbe I'll take one more whack at the gold before getting that silver. It's safe. No one else will find it. Going in to see Joey?"

"I dropped in to see him, but he's busy."

"He's runnin' the private games in there and sitting in a big one. Uses the house for the private games. Perhaps you'd better wait if you ain't hunting for a big game. His good nature just now is like a rash-vein wide on the surface and tapering away to nothing underneath. Every time he gets back from a trip he's crazy for a killing."

"Maybe I'm feeling hungry for a big game," said Dinsdale.

Pyrites darted a quick glance and wrinkled his weather face in a grin.

"Young blood! Always the same. Excitement even if they have to play against their own money. Rather rake in five dollars on a pair of jacks than to locate a bonanza mine. Well, if you're keen to be skinned all you got to do is to pass through the door and tell the haliboy to hand your mine and business. I never touch cards. I don't like taking risks."

"There wouldn't be any Deadwood City if it wasn't for a man's love of risks," lightly responded Dinsdale.

He passed under the canvas flap and through the narrow door. There was a long hall with several doors on each side. No voices were to be heard—gold was doing all the talking. As Dinsdale stood irresolute, a Chinaman emerged from a door at the end of the hall, carrying a tray of glasses. On discovering Dinsdale he glided forward, his stolid face demanding the intruder's business. Dinsdale found pencil and paper in his pocket and wrote:

"I'm hankering for action."

Signing it, he directed the servant to give it to San Juan. The Chinaman entered a room on the left and closed the door behind him. Fully a minute passed—then the servant reappeared and beckoned for Dinsdale to approach.

San Juan Joe and three men were seated at a table. A glance told Dinsdale two things: It was a case of tiger eat tiger, for each of the strangers wore the facial brand of the professional gambler. San Juan rose and shook hands coldly. He was no long-

asked, his voice scarcely audible; and to show he was in proper form he dropped a heavy bag on the table.

Dinsdale drew a thick package of greenbacks from an inside pocket, as fresh looking as if direct from the government press, and placed it before him. The quartette flashed their hawk gaze over the unaccustomed sight of paper money, and French Curly's bloodless lips drew back like a famished animal's.

"There's three thousand in that heap. Call it table stakes and make it brief," said Dinsdale.

The four nodded their approval and reinforced their table cash. No further talk was indulged in, pantomime and chips sufficing. Dinsdale played a winner at the first, then began to meet with reverses. French Curly's lips became fixed in a snarl of triumph as the greenbacks began their travels, and his breath became choked and disagreeable to hear. At midnight the last of Dinsdale's table stakes were swept away by Curly.

"That lets me out for the evening," said Dinsdale, rising. "Enjoyed myself very much. Suppose I can have my revenge?"

"That's what we're here for," said San Juan Joe, beginning to discard the cold department of the table.

He called the haliboy and after refreshments had been served told Dinsdale:

"I'd like to have a word with you in private. You gentlemen will excuse me."

Passing down the hall he led Dinsdale into a room next to the kitchen. Pushing forward a chair he genially said:

"I'm mighty glad you dropped in, Dinsdale. I've been expecting you for two days. If you hadn't shown up tonight I should have sent you a message. He paused as if undecided just how he would proceed.

"Play," prompted Dinsdale.

"It would be awkward to say it if you hadn't got through the canyon together. Do you know French's talk being made about you since I saw you last? I'm afraid, Pete, that Kitty is getting in her work. She isn't called the 'Schemer' for nothing."

"You're breaking bad news, eh?"

"Let's hope it hasn't reached the point where we must call it bad. But it might be much better. That little devil has started talk about you, and others are passing it on. You came here without even a pack-animal. You're connected with no outfit. You don't seem keen to get into business, or do any prospecting. You're well heeled with guns and money. And you arrive in a way that makes you a marked man."

"The hour is late for me, Joe," yawned Dinsdale. "Get down to cases."

"You tipped me off to tell the crowd about the Ogalaia holdup, and the crowd knew you passed the word. First they had heard of it. Then the Sidney stage driver arrives and inside an hour is bleating about the robbery to the men at the I. X. L. He tells them that the robbers got a large amount of new greenbacks."

Dinsdale blew a ring of smoke and quietly remarked:

"And on top of tipping you about the holdup I gave some greenbacks to Lottie Carl. I understand, Joe, as well as if you talked a month. Folks are wondering. Greenbacks did it. Well, what comes next? You wouldn't tell me this unless you had something to add."

"French Curly will try for another game tonight and, failing, he'll blow some of his winnings at Kitty's place. Before morning the town will be telling how you lost an enormous amount of money—in new paper money. Well, here is the true word. Get an outfit and go prospecting at once. Make believe you're a miner. With so many strangers floating in and out a week's absence may see the loose talk forgotten. Old Pyrites starts in a day or so on one of his fool trips. Why not go along with him? I'll pretend I'm tired of grub-staking him and you can take my place and let on you believe all his yarns."

"Thanks. That might be good medicine. Will he agree?"

"He'd take a grubstake from the devil and old Satan for a pard if no other way was open to him. Where are you stopping?"

"Bed Rock. Chicken fixings and flour doings."

The gambler smiled whimsically and applauded:

"Good nerve. Need any money?"

"You didn't clean me, Joe." And Dinsdale tapped his breast pocket.

"The man Curly did something I didn't like in picking a chip from the floor. I felt I was your guest, so I quit before going to a showdown with him. Then again the fellow is three-fourths dead already."

"Dinsdale, I like you. Curly seldom is awkward. But you're after my own style. So you don't need money. Breast pocket. Must be more greenbacks."

"Easier to pack than dust."

San Juan's black eyes sparkled in keen appreciation of the other's bearing. "Words aren't necessary between us, Pete. If it wasn't for that woman! It's in the cards that I'll make a

fool of myself. I'll have a talk with Mayor Farnum. Accidental-like, I'll find out if Kitty has passed a bad word to him, or the city council. Will Bill's death makes the situation ticklish."

"But folks are saying the gamblers planned that. I'm done out of three thousand my first game in town. Can't brand me as much of a gambler."

"I drop," surrendered San Juan. "But I feel that you and I ought to have another talk—one that might lead to you getting some work—highly paid work."

"The only kind that would interest me, Joe, I'll think over the prospecting proposition. Perhaps I've made a mistake in being too free with greenbacks and not going to work. But work hates me."

"You'll make no mistake in listening to my next talk. It's work that'll suit you fine."

This ended their conversation. Each had refused to speak plainly, yet each was working toward the point where he could talk plainly. San Juan returned to the card room and Dinsdale passed out into the big tent.

Keeping close to the canvas wall he avoided the congestion around the different games and gained the open space. He glanced over the assemblage and finally focused his gaze on the bar. Then he advanced to the side of Horseshoe Webb and invited:

"Have another little touch of trouble?"

"Who the h—l are you?" viciously growled Webb. It was plain he had entered the dangerous stage in his drinks.

"I'm the galoot that's just been done for three thousand in greenbacks and yet has something left for the bottle," Dinsdale murmured.

Webb's drunken malevolence slowly died out and he stared thoughtfully at Dinsdale. "Huh, I'll drink with you," he mumbled.

After bolting his drink Webb slyly remarked:

"You tore a likely lot of paper money round with you, I reckon."

"Always like to be well heeled—with money and guns."

Webb nudged at his mustache and furtively studied Dinsdale's profile.

"Have another," he grunted.

"Thanks. But not tonight. We'll make it on demand. I must be going."

As he strode to the exit he could feel Webb's gaze boring into his back. As he stepped into the darkness of the street a hand touched his arm and caused his own hand to close on a gun. Two round yellow eyes were blazing at him. The voice of Scissors addressed him, and he knew the eyes belonged to the big owl.

"Got my two ounces," exultingly whispered Scissors. "That satisfies me some of the Ogalaia gang is in the tent tonight."

"You'd better keep that talk to yourself," shortly warned Dinsdale. "And keep away from that man Webb. He's feeling ugly."

"Oh, I know when to catch him. Scissors knows when to get them. He's wakan wifshasta. Old Sitting Bull here knows more'n most humans. I can tell by his eyes whether to go ahead or draw back."

"He's telling you now to shut off that talk about train robbers being in town," Dinsdale sternly warned him. "That talk is poor medicine."

As he walked away he could hear Scissors chuckling and mumbling.

## CHAPTER V

### A Bad Break for Dinsdale.

In a dark room at the back of a Chinese washhouse several men sat in silence, waiting. Then the Mongolian stationed outside the door raised a sing-song voice and was answered briefly in Chinese. The group in the room straightened to attention. Some crossed the room and drew the inside bolt. The door opened, but even had there been a light the inmates of the room would have beheld a figure so heavily muffled as to defy recognition. As it was, no man could see his neighbor.

"Who comes?" softly demanded the man who had admitted the other men.

"The one who always comes last. Number One."

"We are ready for your talk," announced the first speaker, returning to his chair.

"How are you known?" asked Number One.

"The one who always comes first to the meeting place. Number Two."

"Whom have you admitted?"

"Three, Four and Six."

"Five?"

"Unreliable tonight. Drink."

"Unreliable this night from drink, he will be unreliable on other and more important nights," said Number One. "He should be dropped from the rolls even as we have threatened to drop him twice before this. He might send us all to the noose. How do you vote?"

There was a slight pause, then in sequence the different voices called out:

"Two."

"Three."

"Four."

"Six."

"One. It is unanimous. How shall it be best done? He must have no chance to talk."

"If it can be left for me, Number Two, to arrange."

"It is left for you to arrange within forty-eight hours," ruled Number One. "Now let us finish quickly. None of us is satisfied with the results. Only fifteen thousand taken from the stages within the last six weeks. Passengers have been warned at Cheyenne and Sidney to bring but little money in on their persons. The horse-

is better paying in the hills than the treasure-ture

comes when it will be useless to try for such a prize."

"Then let's get the next one to go out. It's been held over and will carry a full load," eagerly said Number Two.

"First, we've got to have more men," croaked a harsh voice. "We ain't strong enough to handle twelve guards and get away with the bullion."

"Number Three, you speak only a half truth," corrected the leader. "We have enough men. It's too late to take in new hands. But we can't handle a dozen until we plan to place our men to the best advantage. Then it will be simple. We must have at least two of our men among the guards, thus cutting their number down to ten."

"Two of the regular guards will get through just before the coach makes the trip. Two of our men must at once ask for jobs as guards. The time will be too short for the management to hesitate. Number Three will be one of the men. Number Four shall be the other man. In brief the plan is this:

"The day and spot being known, Number Three must ride ahead with the advance guard. Number Four

must be one of the eight riding beside the coach. When Number Three gets opposite our ambush he should be out of sight of the coach, as the ambush will be beyond a bend in the road. He will strike his man down. We in ambush will pull the fellow out of the road and take care of his horse. Number Three will ride back a bit and signal for one of the coach guards to join him. If more than one rides up, all the better. This guard, or guards, must be disposed of quietly as was the first. We in ambush will be using the noose if possible. Their horse must not be frightened and must be secured in the woods. At the very least we will have cut down the number of guards to eight, with but seven by the coach, one of these being Number Four. Number Three will wait opposite the ambush until the coach comes up. He and Number Four will take the six guards by surprise, covering them with four six-guns. We in ambush will instantly take a hand and secure the six. Three and Four will then gallop back to meet the two rear guards and take them by surprise. I already have a safe cache for the bullion. This is the plan in outline. Any suggestions or questions?"

"The only drawback is that Three and Four will be marked men," spoke up Number Two.

"Bad for us on the inside less we settle the hash of the ten," grumbled Number Three.

"That would be going it too strong," protested Number Four, with a silver in his voice.

Number One sharply said:

"Both Three and Four are already wanted for murder. One in Idaho; the other in Nevada. Yet they live here in Deadwood City and move about openly. Once we get the treasure we will scatter. The hills game is nearly played out. Let others stay and pick up the crumbs and a rope."

"Seems as if I was getting the hot end of the poker," growled Number Three.

"Might as well sentence me to death and be done with it," bitterly complained Number Four.

"Rewards are offered for both of you and you haven't done a scaffold-dance yet," grimly replied the leader. "A swift horse, a change of stamping-ground, a new name, and with forty or fifty thousand dollars to blow you'd be fools to be caught. But if either of you refuse to play the part I pick for you, say so now."

There was an uneasy shuffling of feet, but the threat concealed but poorly in the leader's words was fully understood.

"I'm game," muttered Number Four. "I never squealed yet," snarled Number Three.

"Then that's settled, and woe to the man who tries to back down," said the leader. "Anything else?"

"I have a suggestion to make," spoke up Number Two. "Let Three and Four draw lots to see who shall take the inside job and leave the second place vacant until I can try to secure another man for the second guard. It doesn't much matter what happens to him after the job is finished. He will know nothing about the rest of you, and if, by any chance he is captured there will be nothing he can tell."

Both Three and Four were eager to accept any scheme which would give them a chance to dodge the dangerous position of coach guard. They proclaimed their satisfaction and the lot-drawing to be conducted at the spot.

Number One said:

"No lights to be shown at our little meetings. We must remember the rules. Lots may be drawn within a few days if we decide to adopt Number Two's plan. I rely on his judgment. I will talk with him about this new plan of his. But until I have decided, the first order stands and there will be no drawing of lots. You will now wait the usual time before leaving the room."

While this secret conference was being held—and the hour was yet early for Deadwood's night life—Dinsdale was forgetting San Juan Joe's warning of the night before and was busily making local history. He began in "Keno" Frank's place. The moment Dinsdale entered the hall he drew the attention of all. Even those placing their bets took time to glance at the "greenback man." The story of his game at San Juan's place was commonly known, thanks much to French Curly's advertising; only his losses were said to have been twenty thousand. Curly was at the faro table, losing his poker winnings, when Dinsdale entered and brusquely walked to the bar and invited the house to join him.

Because of his losses Curly was more venomous than usual, if that be possible. He fingered his few remaining chips and stared at Dinsdale, convinced it was a personal misfortune that the newcomer should throw away money which might so easily be taken from him at cards. The "greenback man" had forgotten his losses at San Juan's place, or else they were immaterial to him, and now was in a rare humor. Carelessly throwing more money on the bar he directed that drinks be served again to all who might care to partake. The acceptance was general.

French Curly could endure the spectacle no longer. He rose and sauntered to the bar and took a position beside Dinsdale, his cadaverous face attempting to assume a genial expression. Dinsdale smiled genially and invited:

"Name it."

"No, thanks," declined Curly, his eyes eagerly watching the hand dipping into the breast pocket for more paper money. "But what say to a little game in Frank's room?"

"This is my drinking night. I never mix cards with liquor," laughed Dinsdale.

"A man of spirit finds one time as good as another."

"So he does; and tomorrow is as good as today. But if you're hankering for action I'll cut the deck for a thousand a cut; any one of the men here to shuffle the cards for us," lightly countered Dinsdale. "Cutting the deck doesn't call for much brain work, and luck's with me tonight."

French Curly began to lose his evil temper. Heads were twisting, necks were craning, as Dinsdale's reckless offer was made; and the gambler—willing to stake his soul on a game of chance—had no thousand dollars to risk, nor any respectable portion of that sum. Had the invitation to the small room been accepted he had planned to borrow money from Keno Frank. With a sneer on his pallid face he said:

"You'll need lots of luck. You'll do well to stick to luck."

"Especially after I find a game crooked," loudly retorted Dinsdale. "What was you doing at that sid table when you pretended to be using the gold scales?"

Those who had emptied their glasses gently replaced them on the bar. Those about to drink postponed the ceremony, and there was a general withdrawal to the opposite side of the room. French Curly wet his pale lips and quietly said:

"You'll explain those words if you can. If you can't you'll eat them."

Dinsdale tossed off his drink and laughed vacuously and retorted:

"Then I prefer explaining. Something happened in the game last night I didn't like. I let it pass, as I didn't want to raise a row in Joe's place the first time I was there. It was when you stooped and picked up a chip and placed it on the table beside the little gold scales."

"Meaning I worked something crooked?" hissed French Curly.

"Darned if you haven't hit it dead center! Have a drink."

"Swallow it!" curtly commanded the gambler, pulling a large bore derringer from a side coat pocket.

With a movement so quick that none could follow it Dinsdale knocked the derringer to the floor. French Curly dived to recover it, but snarled in fear and threw himself backward as a bullet struck the door under the weapon and jumped it to the center of the room.

Then with both guns working alternately Dinsdale caused the derringers to spin and hop toward the door, the shots coming almost together and each furthering the flight of the weapon.

"Look out!" some one howled.

He wheeled in time to behold French Curly half over the bar and reaching for the bartender's gun.

"Quit it," calmly commanded Dinsdale, walking toward him. "You didn't count right. I have a shot left."

The gambler dropped back to the floor and Dinsdale put up his weapons.

Next in order is an encounter between Allen and Pete. Can you figure out what happens?

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

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The Muleshoe Journal  
R. B. Boyle Editor.  
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John Sewell, that congenial real estate man returned from the Rio Grand Valley the first of the week where he has been on business. He said he was glad to be home again in Muleshoe, "In the Promised land."

Mrs. A. A. Huke and two daughters, Clara and Edith and Miss Ruth Bennett of Amarillo, were here Sunday the guests of Miss Lottie Huke who is connected with M. P. Smith Dry Goods.

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E. C. Young and Baffel Kesseler of Turkey were here the first of the week prospecting.

J. B. Daniels and wife and M. D. Davis of Chillicothe, were here the first of the week looking over the city.

Dr. A. J. Hays and John Laney of Frederick, Okla. were here the first of the week prospecting.

Nick Matthiesen returned home after a short visit in Iowa.

Mrs. J. E. Johnson of Rosco, is here to see her son W. D. Johnson His wife is very ill at the Baptist Hospital in Clovis.

The Journal wants to print your 1926 Calander what about it? can we see you? Or call at office and see samples, at once.

WANTED—To have a chance to figure on your carpenter work painting and paper hanging, W. F. Davis, Muleshoe, Texas, 1-2-p

E. G. Bailey and W. R. Vandenberg of Ryan, Okla. were here Wednesday, looking for a business location.

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E. M. Nixon of Tulsa, was here Saturday on business and while here subscribed for the Journal and left an order for some cards. Mr. Nixon is an auctioneer with years of experience and will follow his profession this spring.

L. E. Hill of Hall, County purchased a fine farm here last week He will move here and build a complete set of improvements.

The Y. L. School is having it's furnace put in this week. The above school is one of the most progressive in this part of the state. It has a wonderful territory and is settled up with a fine citizenship.

Get your carbon paper at the Journal office, good grade and a little cheaper.

Sam Lawrence and wife were in Clovis, Monday on business. Mr. Lawrence is a new subscriber to the Journal.

Connie Gupton and family were in Clovis Monday.

The Jennings brothers purchased an International tractor from E. R. Hart Lbr. Co. They are going to do some real farming this year.

Otto Tridieder was in the first of the week hauling out more material to improve his farm.

Chas Long is improving his farm.

The White Front Garage wants your business, give us a trial.

W. A. Matthis south of town is doing some improving.

J. J. Robinson is building a home here.

We notice the new Governor has lined up with Calvin Coolidge on his economy plan. She has cut the number of Texas Rangers and plans much economy in the State; now it will be up to the county and city officials to fall in line.

L. B. Hagerman of Slaton was here last week looking over Muleshoe for a business location. He was very much impressed with the rapid development of our intire country. He may locate here.

T. D. Rozell of Clovis, has sold his business lot to H. J. Seale of Lamesa. This lot is located by the Smith Cash Grocery, facing the West. We understand Mr. Seale will build right away and put in a business.

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John Lacy, Curtis Taylor and K. K. Smith were in Clovis Monday.

M. P. Smith returned home from Mineral Wells, where he has been visiting his family.

Let the Muleshoe Journal order your art metal office files, desk ect

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J. W. Masters out east of town is doing some improving this week.

Chester Mardis of Friona, is here visiting his parents C. C. Mardis and wife.

O. M. Long of Baileyboro, was here Tuesday on business.

You are invited to attend the Epworth League Sunday at the Methodist church.

There will be services at the Baptist Church Sunday morning and evening you are invited to worship with them.

If you want a good paper have some news ready for the editor when he comes.

The County Commissioners met last Saturday and one of the things looked after was the selecting of plans for the new court house.

A. P. Stone was called to Lubbock the first of the week on account of his mother being very ill.

Mr. Shafer and wife of Hereford were here Wednesday prospecting.

M. R. Usleman was the first party to subscribe for the Journal under the new management. L. S. Barron placed the order for the first job from the job department. A. P. Stone came in and purchased the first copy off of the press, the first newspaper ever printed in Muleshoe.

John W. and J. H. Jackson of Shamrock, I. M. Fulcher and C. C. Terry of Wellington, were here Tuesday looking over our country. They were delighted with our rich soil, shallow water and shipping conveniences. They said they wanted to find a place that had better water than Shamrock. Here is the place to locate gentlemen.

The legislature has ordered that the dome of the Capitol building be illuminated. The legislature has probably heard the report that was circulated during the last campaign that if certain members of the State Capitol family were elected that the dome of the building would be stolen. The illumination is probably a precautionary measure. Better safe than sorry. -Avalanche

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Congressmen have asked President Coolidge to raise their pay from \$7,500 to \$10,000. This is not in line with his plan of economy, so I guess he will use the veto axe on it. We would.

Every civic organization in Muleshoe should begin to branch out at this time of the year, and a good way to do that effectively is to get everybody to plant trees. In this way the town will be beautiful and that will be a great thing. Muleshoe could be a pretty town as well as a good one, if the people will co-operate on town beautifying as well as they do on town building. What you say? Let's go.

Wonder what those headliners on the newspapers down in central Texas would think if they were out in this country these days. They have been picturing this as a snow capped section of the state, but the thermometer is standing at 80 in the shade Without fire in the furnaces as we write this. Not so cold after all. Fellows come on out to the balmy South Plains and see real progress. Bring along your last summer's B. V. D.'s too.

The roads leading to Muleshoe should by all means be put in good shape as soon as possible. Not much can be done at this time on account of the dry weather, but it certainly is one of the big assets to the town to have good roads. It is one of the best trade getters and holders that any town can have, and we hope that every road leading to Muleshoe will be given the attention of the road builders at the very earliest possible date.

### Our City Great Shipping Point; Irrigation Helps

The Bailey county farmers are finding that our city is the best market to be found for many miles. Just to prove to you that we are getting our share of the products we have looked up the following data:- 100 cars of Sudan seed, 300 cars of cane, maize and kaffir, 7 cars of cantelope. Something over 2640 bales of cotton was made in the county. much of that was marketed here. Watermelons, spuds, onions, tomatoes, peppers, cabbage and in fact every kind of vegetables were raised here.

Onions made as high as 10,000 lbs. to the acre, and where a good stand is had one can make 20,000 lbs. to the acre. They generally sell at 4 cents lb. at gathering time, this makes for the grower from \$400 to \$800 per acre, with no fertilizer. Irish spuds and tomatoes can be grown here by using a phosphat fertilizer.

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The county commissioners met last Saturday and among the things looked after were the selecting of plans for our new \$60,000 court house.

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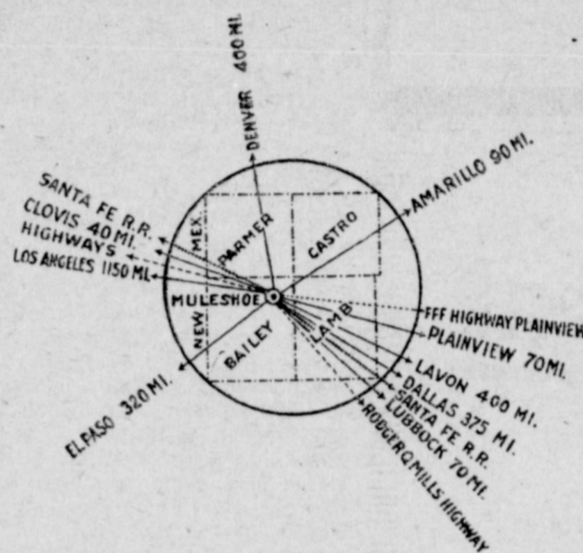
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### Clyde, the Clown

By ROSCOE G. SCOTT

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EVERY town has a Clyde Davis. God saw fit in His great plan for this world to send down into each community somebody to make other people laugh. Everything Clyde Davis did was funny—at least to us, who spent our rather listless days in Middletown, Ind. When he came after his mail the post office always rang with a good shout of old fashioned merriment. Our church socials went flat if Clyde happened to be away in Indianapolis seeing a show. He won more baseball games for our school team than all the members of the nine.

In our amateur theatricals he shone best. Our home newspaper would merely have to say:

The play given next Tuesday evening at the Opera House has a talented cast, the chief comedy role falling into the capable hands of our true humorist, Clyde Davis.

That was the trouble with Mildred Walker. She took Clyde's love making as a joke. Not that she didn't care. She did. Mildred Walker would tingle under the quaint bits of love making performed by our town humorist—until she saw his face and then she would break from his arms with laughter—saying his face looked so much like Buster Keaton's.

A year before, Millie graduated from the local high school. Clyde had been out of school three years and was trying with friendly overtures to build up a defunct little garage business taken over from a slipshod uncle. He had the promise of a good automobile agency when he got on his feet and he would have been standing there erect months ago, had he had Mildred. But she pool-pooled such an extravagant compliment.

Then to make matters far worse, two things came along. The first was a catastrophe—Millie Walker inherited nearly a hundred thousand dollars from her Grandfather Walker. The second was the advent of a dramatic coach, who hailed from Boston and coached plays for a living, after an alleged successful fling in metropolitan vaudeville. The whole thing looked like the makeup of the old fashioned melodrama with Clyde Davis the dejected hero, Millie, the pure hearted heroine, and DeVoss Langdon—the villain. Langdon talked knowingly of "back stage acting" and "hogging the spotlight" and very early he branded Clyde a "ham comedian"—but he retained him in the cast, for there was none other to be found.

One hesitates to jump to conclusions, but at the local hotel several of the boys unwisely told this Langdon of Mildred's fortune, by way of getting reflected glory for ourselves.

The night of the play I saw Clyde take Millie to the darkest corner of the theater and I saw her run away from him. I knew the jig was up between the two. Clyde muffed every chance at a laugh that night and was funny only because he was so miserable and acted so rottenly.

She came to him afterward. I think she felt guilty maybe. He told us that De Voss was leaving after business arrangements the next night and Millie was going away with him. He confided in me the whole story. Millie had told him that her folks were set on Clyde and thought her love for the coach infatuation. "But gosh, Be," he said to me tragically, "it's the real stuff." He told me how he had offered his clowning to help her get away, for the Walker home is less than fifty yards from our little depot and facing away from the tracks onto the Main street. Clyde was to amuse the family with stunts just at train time and Mildred was to beat it with her suitor. My protests were hushed. He said he wanted to.

I watched him the afternoon of the elopement. I had a point of vantage that nobody has ever seen. He started his fooling with Millie's little sister, Bessie. But nothing would tempt the parents from the house. For some strange reason Clyde's feeling had lost its charm. He clowning with the little sister, with Millie's great Dane, he called in vain to the house for them to see his stunts; once Mrs. Walker came to the door; but she went back and far away the engine of the East-bound train whistled for Middletown. Her folks had always come out before to smile over his antics. Millie might think he was not honest in his desire to serve. If he failed she would only despise him. De Voss had gone to the train in the hotel hack fifteen minutes before. Millie was prisoned by parental eyes.

An idea! His fooling was forgotten. I saw him stagger about. I heard him shriek, "Oh God, I am dying!" Then he fell headlong and before I could get to him, Millie's father and mother were bending over him and he was half laughing, half crying. Into our circle came Mildred, parting us savagely and taking up his head in her arms. I heard him whisper to her in a true stage whisper that she must rush. But she held on and he was not allowed to explain. And the Boston dramatic coach disgustedly boarded the train and the villain had been—true to form—foiled.

"I am so glad you did it, Clyde," she said as she cried over him. "I thought it was all real and then I knew how much you meant to me." Which all goes to prove that the old melodramas were not so far off after all!

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Curtis Taylor, K. K. Smith and mother made a business trip to Clovis, Tuesday.

J. D. McIntyre bought a farm west of town Tuesday and will move his family here.

Mrs. R L Faulkner and daughters; Mrs. W C Bucy Mrs. Lila Daniels and son Billie, and Miss Margaret Brookshire were Clovis visitors Saturday.

E. J. McCullum of Baileyboro, was here Wednesday on business.

Henry King was in Plainview Sunday.

The Bonds for the erection of the new \$60,000 court house will be offered for sale Saturday Feb. 28th a large crowd of bidders are expected.

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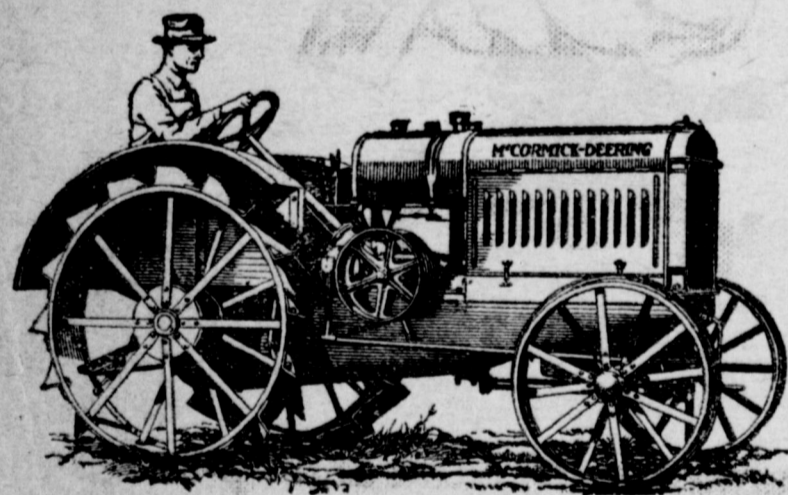
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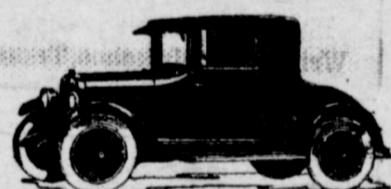
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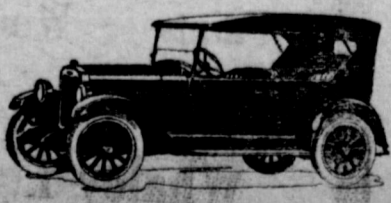


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**The White Hyacinth**

By NELLE R. EBERHART

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SIDE by side they sat in the beautiful auditorium in orchestra chairs. It was Marcia's birthday and this concert with a little supper afterward had weeks before been chosen by Judson for an extravagant celebration.

Such luxuries were few, yet they wasted little breath in lamentations. Young, healthy, in love, their simple pleasures were many. A Sunday morning walk in one of the parks, a ferry trip to Staten Island, a moonlight bus ride along the Hudson, the nine o'clock singing hour at St. Mark's-on-the-Bowery, the discussion of their daily affairs, the details of his study, the planning of their future home—these joys were unending springs of delight.

One thing they lacked—passionately fond of music, they never heard enough good singing, for Judson's salary was small, he was attending night classes as well as educating a talented brother. Marcia, herself, supported her mother and high school sister.

From this strange soil the thought of the concert had bloomed like an orchid on a window sill. It was a wonder, an excitement, an entrance—ment; an operatic concert, too—almost as good as the opera. And for once they were to hear the performance early instead of from the dizzy heights of the family circle.

For the occasion, Florence had fashioned her a straight, sleeveless gown from three yards of midnight blue moire. She had no ornaments, but her slim white arms needed no further adornment than the dimple at the elbow and the adorable young curve of her wrist.

Knowing that many men wear business suits to concerts, Judson contented himself with buying a handsome tie and a new pair of gloves.

Then, suddenly, their first quarrel. Sitting now in the luxuriousness of her velvet seat, her eyes strained to her program, Marcia, thinking back, could scarcely remember what had caused the unexpected flareup. Seemingly without provocation they quarreled bitterly and parted in frigid silence.

In the early next morning's mail, Marcia had received a stiff note from Judson enclosing the tickets and requested her to take Florence with her as he would be busy that evening.

Marcia had been aghast and had flown to the telephone just in time to catch him before he left for business. There had been a compromise but no reconciliation. Marcia returned Judson one ticket and they had each gone alone, hurt and aloof.

Marcia sighed—without response; Judson's gaze explored the parterre, the grand tier, the dress circle, the balcony; it dared the family circle and dropped to the stage as the conductor took his place, yet never brushed the edge of Marcia's gown. Very sleek and handsome was Judson in his well pressed suit and new tie. Marcia thrilled with pride, casting furtive, hungry glances toward his stony profile. In her abstraction, the overture left her cold. Then a familiar strain; Marcia caught her breath; Judson's immobile features changed indescribably. This was Judson's song—Judson, who could not sing a note but nightly voiced his love to her in De Gorgorza's phonograph record of Massenet's "Fleeting Vision." Now for the first time they were to hear it sung by a living voice, yet they were not to enjoy it together! Through all its heavenly melody they were to sit apart, though side by side, separated by a foolish, almost forgotten, misunderstanding. And this was her birthday treat!

Marcia recalled what Judson had said when he first shared with her his golden idea: "Suppose I can't afford the money, Marcia. Suppose I have no spring overcoat and Chester needs a new piano. This concert is to be a white hyacinth for our souls."

Marcia's prudent objections had died. She had added joyously: "And we'll remember it afterward, note for note, word for word, to help us over the hard places."

Marcia sighed again as the music stopped and the applause assaulted her ears; she looked openly, invitingly at her lover. His stubborn mouth had relaxed, his hands gripped the chair arms, he looked woefully tired. And here was his beautiful thought for her, carried out at the cost of wearisome self-denial, coming to a pitiful end. If she spoke now they would still have an hour of music and the intermission together. One of their plans had been to promenade the Metropolitan corridors during the intermission.

Impulsively she turned to him and intercepted a shy, fleeting glance. Before her lips opened, however, she heard the prelude to the Habenera. She sank back mentally following the glorious voice and translating: "Love is like a woodbird rebelling." Her hand slid over the chair arm, found Judson's, which stole to meet it. With tears raining down her face, oblivious of the surrounding audience, she turned to her lover. To her joy, his transfigured gaze met hers.

"L'amour! L'amour!" Their hands clasped fervently. Inspired by the spirit of song, their hearts again reached to the music of the spheres.

As a white hyacinth for their note for note, word for word, they would go with them even to the gates of Paradise.

# SPRING EXHIBIT OF NEW FASHIONS

You know that there never was a Springtime when Fashions failed to bloom! By the calendar Spring is but a few weeks ahead—by the calendar of fashion, Spring is here!

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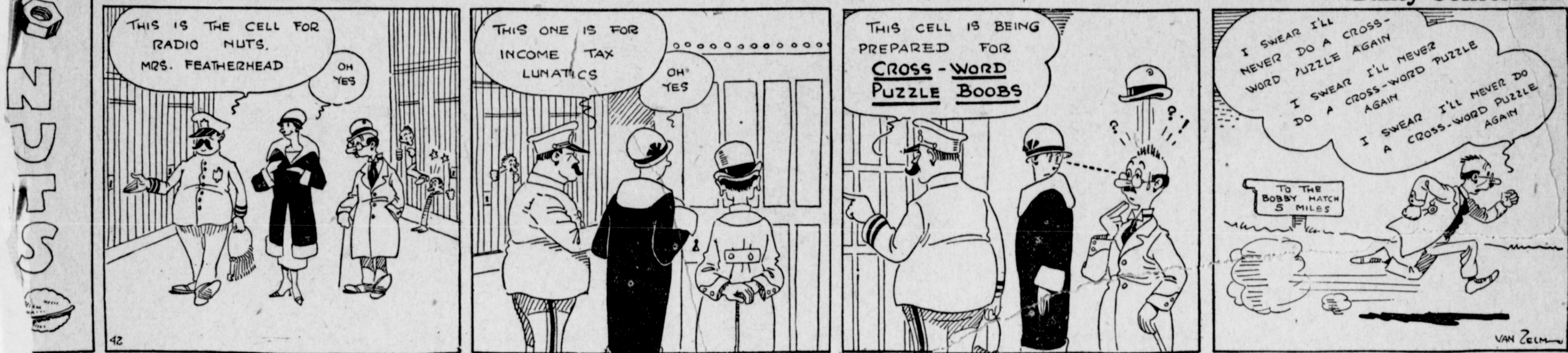
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# Paris Pyjama Is Worn in America

Launched last autumn by Molyneux and worn at that time for the promenade by the ladies along the Lido, the pyjama has now definitely penetrated into these more conservative shores, and today is a part of the wardrobe of every smart American woman, asserts a fashion writer in the New York Herald-Tribune. In France its purposes have been many. Originally worn as a substitute for the nightgown its sphere has widened until now it appears at the informal tea hour, as a robe d'interieur, at the beaches and for the promenade. In this country its use has so far been limited to informal and intimate home gatherings, but it has been noted occasionally at the southern resort beaches, and it is quite possible that the pyjama will become an out-of-door costume during the approaching spring and summer.

The fabrics and designs of the pyjama costumes run directly counter to the accepted tenets of the current mode. Unadorned sophisticated simplicity is discarded in favor of ornate styles, ornate fabrics, lavish trimmings and vivid color combinations. Crepe de chine, velvet, lame, satin, and jacquard silk and cotton combinations are trimmed in an oriental manner by materials similar to those used on robes du soir. In addition to the plain colored fabrics, printed silks of obvious oriental inspiration are also used.

### Reaches to the Hips

The pyjama coat reaches generally to the hips. It is cut on wide, ample lines and shows no trace of the molded bodice of the formal mode. Chinese and Russian blouse effects, slipping on over the head, are the most usual types, but the pyjama coat is generally substituted in new ensemble costumes. The pyjama ensemble is a three-piece combination consisting of pyjama jacket, trousers and either negligee or boudoir robe. The pyjama trousers are similar in each case, but the coats vary in length. With the negligee a seven-eighths-length coat appears—equally long blouses are also used—while in combination with the breakfast robe a short coat is employed which can also serve as a matinee or sacque. The ensemble negligee reaches to a little below the pyjama jacket while the boudoir robe, although much shorter, also extends to a little below the abbreviated pyjama coat.

Dressing gowns of the more conventional type also emphasize striking colorful effects. Printed fabrics are most modern—notably panne velvet, crepe de chine and cretonne. The prints are principally in large floral designs—a very novel feature is the emphasizing of these designs with beaded embroideries so applied that the outstanding characteristics of the flower become more vivid.

### New French Underthings.

The impeccable Parisienne has always indulged herself in the vanity of the daintiest lingerie—even in those frilly yesterdays when the silhouette was not as delicately molded at it is now. Today her vanity is no longer a

It is evident that neither the molded bodice nor the straight back can be disturbed by the dissonance of careless or awkward underthings if they are to retain their esthetic appeal. The classic lines of antiquity, upon which the present mode is founded, were unhampered by lingerie, high shoes, corsets or any of the other restraining accessories which have been acquired with advancing civilization. Even the graceful Aphrodite would have romped around rather awkwardly if she were clad in the numerous unnecessary of the Mid and Late Victorian.

### Reduced to Minimum.

The underthings of the Parisienne of 1925 are quantitatively few and qualitatively sheer. They are as invisible to the outward view as the most ar-



Slip Developed From Orange Crepe de Chine, Medallion Trimmings.

dent Grundy could desire and their importance in the modern scheme of fashions derives from the fact that they must be always present but never accounted for. The sheath-like lines that always appear somewhere in the contemporary silhouette are never interfered with—the progress of the back-to-nature march of modern fashions is never retarded. In a word, lingerie, to the present-day Parisienne, is a fundamental necessity reduced to an absolute minimum—steps and a chemise are sufficient unto any costume.

The neckline of the new underthings is not as important as it was last season. The high neck which distinguishes the newest frocks makes it a comparatively simple matter for the chemise to remain in its necessary obscurity. Of course, if your frock has either a deep sloping line of a V cut, it will naturally be necessary that the lingerie conform.

The waistline is of the utmost importance in the choice of underthings. The waistline of the outer costume has been generally neglected in the tubular silhouette of recent seasons but there is a strong tendency to define it more clearly in the spring models. Clearly defining in this instance is a comparative term—as a matter of fact the contour line will be very delicately marked as compared with past waistlines, and it will be the function of the lingerie to gently stress this effect where possible. For the long-waisted frock there is a silk chemise which maintains straight lines to the lower than normal waist.

### Laces Used for Trimmings.

Neither the wide skirt nor the flared hem is in any way dependent upon the underthings. Tunics, tiers, platings and various other manipulations of the frock itself are quite sufficient to obtain all of the new skirt effects.

Fabrics are various but always fragile. Among the silks crepe de chine is more popular than georgette this season while the principal cottons are still voile and batiste. Linea faded from the picture a year ago and there are no indications of its return.

For trimmings, laces are used principally. They are not employed in anything like the profusion of the past and seldom appear except as edgings, or medallions. Valenciennes, chantilly and alencon are used again this season and in addition duchess and a-lais have been added.

Color is obviously an unessential in this season's lingerie and yet the Parisienne has manifested a distinct preference for the cyclamen and lilac shades which are being generally exploited for the spring collections of millinery and frocks as well. All of the pastel shades are en vogue, notably flesh and Nile green, and occasionally a darker tint creeps in.

Color, fabric and trimming are only incidentals to the lingerie of 1925. The line's the thing and it must conform in a completely self-effacing manner to the molded, often sinuous, lines of the new sophisticated silhouette.

## COATS MAKE NEW DEPARTURES; NECKWEAR IS MOST IMPORTANT

AMONG the numerous envoys that announce the coming of spring, the coteries of coats are unmistakably in the retinue of this particular spring. New features in cut and in adornment stamp them as belonging to this season and they wear the colors of their mistress. Comparing them with their forerunners of late winter, it is easy to see what stylists are minded to give us by way of change.

They have made many departures from the straightline silhouette, but they have not discarded it. It appears oftener in coats of somewhat formal

tan, beige, rosewood and light green are dominant colors.

All the shops are showing quantities of neckwear to finish off the new spring frocks and to add a crisp touch to plain tailored clothes or sports clothes. Linen, lace and silks share honors in the fabrics chosen for collar and cuff sets, or collar and attached vestee. Net, batiste and lace make the gumpes, jabots, frills and also many collar and cuff sets of the daintier types.

For tailored and sports wear plain colored linens are emphasized, in sets



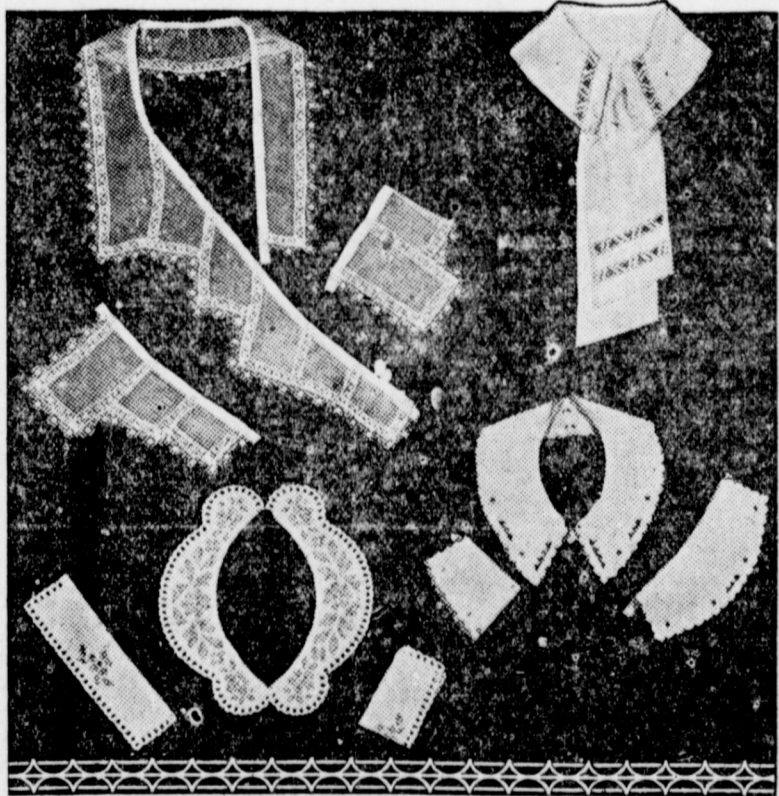
COATS SHOW NEW FEATURES IN CUT

character than in utility coats and the graceful wrap-around models lend themselves to supple fabrics. They are made of satin or ribbed silk, usually in black, and lined with cashmere twill, crepe de chine or colored silk. Ribbed silk may be manipulated to form borders or bands, with the rib running in directions contrasting with that in the coat. The straightline coat is also well represented in plain utility garments of twill, homespun, kasha and suede-finished cloths. But there are many new coats that introduce sprightly flares in their skirts or achieve considerable fullness by means of plaits; the new season is marked by easier lines. A modified raglan sleeve is another characteristic and tailoring that is faultless.

Quite a number of spring coats introduce fur in banding at the bottom but nowhere else. By way of decoration applique figures in bands, braidings, embroidery—all in embroidery ef-

finished by narrow bindings of plain white or of small plaids. White linen with colored embroidery, in small dots or wheels, makes very pretty sets in white, with pink, blue, yellow, lavender or green embroidered. For tailored and sports wear plain, barred and striped silk poplin and fancy silk crepes are used for collar and cuff or collar and vestee sets. Usually the colors appear in strong shades against light blue, cream or tan backgrounds. Natural linen sets, finished with white bindings are sometimes further adorned with a little feather-stitching in white, and this is also favored on white linen. Little pearl buttons, as usual, contribute to the finish of linen sets.

Almost a volume could be written about scarfs, which are shown in plain and shaded crepe de chine, printed, plain and shaded georgette, in knitted fiber silk and in fiber silk lace, which is also colored in ombre or shaded ef-



SOME OF THE LATEST IN NECKWEAR

fects—are repeated again and again. Bonnaz embroidery, on collar and sleeves, in "peasant" colorings, is effective and Chinese patterns are often chosen, so that scenery is depicted as well as curious and colorful motifs. Bandings of these decorations are noted occasionally as borders on the skirts as well as on collar and sleeves. But there are numbers of wholly unadorned and smartly simple cloth coats that will prove their adaptability to wear with any sort of frock.

In fabrics, suede-finished types and kasha cloths lead, followed by twills. Cheviots and bordered cloths are used for sports coats and many of these have scarf collars, or scarf ends attached to the collars. The ribbed silks and satins are chosen for dressy types. Black, navy, brown (in many shades),

Nearly all the heavier materials are finished with silk fringe, but hemstitching and picot edging take care of the sheer fabrics. They are all in gay and dainty colors and among the most important and useful of dress accessories.

In all the shops there are embroideries and made-up laces by the yard, which it is easy to convert into the collars or sets required by many spring frocks.

In the picture three collar-and-cuff sets and a collar and jabot are shown. Organdie, lace, embroidery and linen are used for making them. The lace-trimmed organdie set is for wear with dresses or coats which feature a side fastening.

JULIA BOTTOMLEY.  
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## BETWEEN-MEAL MILK GOOD FOR CHILDREN

Relished by Youngsters During School Session.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

"Piecing" or eating all sorts of things indiscriminately between meals, has always, and very properly, been discouraged by careful mothers. The habit of nibbling at cookies, cakes, or candy tends to lessen a child's appetite for its regular meals, and in that way to reduce the amount of necessary foods taken at table, particularly vegetables, fruits, and milk.

There is something to be said, however, according to the United States Department of Agriculture, for the between-meal glass of milk especially for those who find it difficult to drink the necessary quantity with their meals. Many schools make a practice of serving milk to pupils about 10:30 a. m. Often this mid-morning glass of



Milk Between Meals, Especially After School.

milk supplements a breakfast that has been too meager and eaten too hastily, or it may be the only time certain children can be persuaded to drink any milk. While not really a beverage, but a food, children think of milk as a drink, and either because they are thirsty by the middle of the morning, or because they see other children enjoying milk at school, they will take it then rather than at home.

Mothers find that after a full day at school, especially when the child has carried a sandwich lunch, he or she comes home at three o'clock quite hungry. A light lunch of milk and perhaps crackers at this time is often very helpful. The mother can consider the mid-afternoon milk lunch as a regular fourth meal for her child.

### Handling Dough

When making biscuits, doughnuts, cookies and jumbles, the softer you can handle your dough after turning it on to the board, and the less you handle it, the better the results you will get.

## PRUNE RECIPES ARE GAINING IN FAVOR

Various Dishes in Which Fruit May Be Used.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Prunes are frequently seen in fruit salad, either chopped and blended with other fruit or used as the main part of the salad. In the latter case, they are usually stuffed with cream or cottage cheese and served with mayonnaise dressing. Fruit cocktails offer another place for introducing prunes. A number of preserves can be made with prunes as a basis. The prune and date jam, for which the recipe by the United States Department of Agriculture is given below, is easily made. Prune marmalade may be made by using equal parts of prunes and sugar, with the juice of a lemon for each two pounds of fruit. It will be noticed that the addition of a small amount of lemon juice to prunes is recommended in many instances. Prunes in ice cream have possibilities, either as a distinct flavor in a cream or mousse or as a component of tutti-frutti ice cream. Among confections made with prunes are the large prunes stuffed with little ones, prunes dipped in chocolate and Parisian sweets, for which the recipe is given. Stuffed prunes may also be made with chopped nuts, raisins or apricots replacing the stone. Preserved ginger makes a stuffing acceptable to some people.

### Parisian Sweets.

Use equal quantities of figs, dates, prunes and nuts. Raisins may be added and the nuts omitted. Put through a food chopper. Mix well and roll in a little powdered sugar or grated coconut.

### Stuffed Prunes and Dates.

Soak the prunes overnight; dry, and replace stones with chopped nuts, raisins or apricots. Wash dates dry and stuff same as prunes. Roll in granulated sugar.

### Prune Relish for Mutton.

Fruit relishes, especially those which are spiced or slightly tart, are excellent with roast mutton or lamb, and also very palatable when the cold sliced meat is served. Equal parts of raisins and prunes may be used in the recipe below if preferred.

1 cupful prunes 1/2 teaspoonful cut in small ground cinnamon pieces.  
1 1/2 cupfuls water. 2 tablespoonfuls 3 table spoonfuls currant jelly sugar. Juice 1/2 orange.

Boil together the prunes, water, sugar and cinnamon until the prunes are soft, then add the jelly and orange juice while still hot and let stand until cold. One-fourth cupful of butter is sometimes added.

### Spiced Prune Preserves.

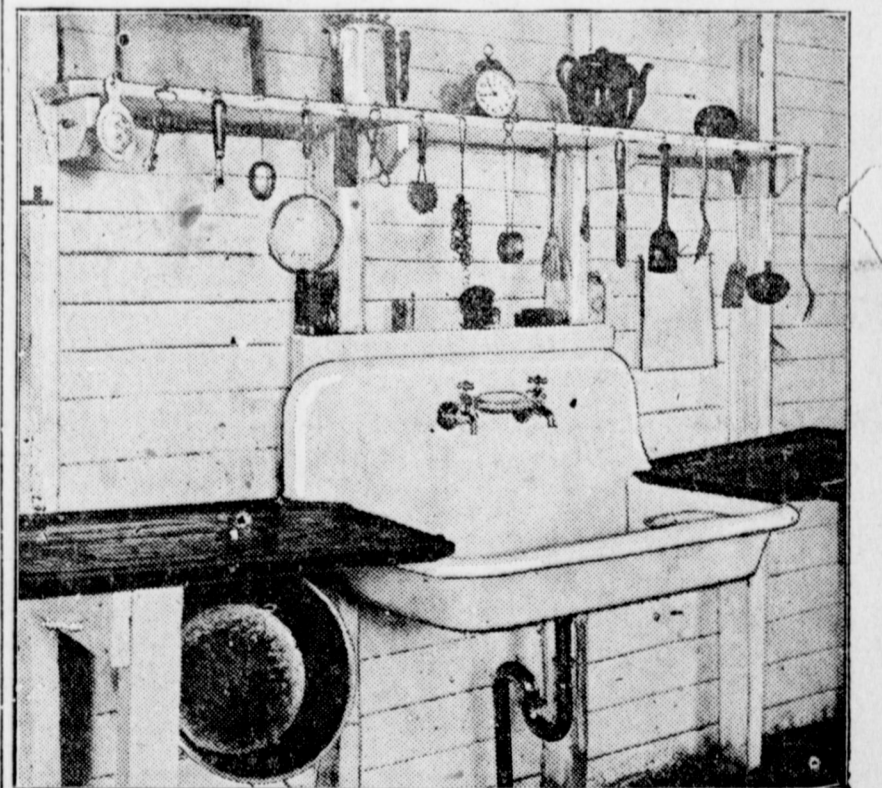
After soaking dried prunes from 4 to 6 hours, or overnight, using 2 pints of water to each pound of prunes, the water should be drained off. In it should be put, for each 2 pounds of prunes, 1 pound of sugar, 1/2 cupful of vinegar, 1 teaspoonful of cinnamon, 1 teaspoonful allspice and 1 teaspoonful cloves. Put the spices in a bag or cloth. Boil all together without the prunes for 15 or 20 minutes, until syrupy, then add prunes and cook slowly about 30 minutes.

### Prune and Date Jam.

1 pound prunes. Juice from 1/2 lemon.  
1 pound dates. 1/2 cupful sugar.

Cook prunes until tender in a small amount of water. Remove stones and add dates, stoned and cooked, also in a very little water. Add lemon juice and sugar. Cook the mixture until thick. In the same way prunes may be combined with figs.

## SOME GOOD FEATURES OF SINK ARRANGEMENT



Good Sink Arrangement in Virginia Farm Home.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.) Several good features of sink arrangement are shown in the picture, which was taken by the United States Department of Agriculture in a Virginia farm home. To begin with, the sink is enameled iron, easily cleanable, and placed sufficiently high for the housewife to work without bending over. It has a drainboard on each side, and hooks on the narrow shelf just above it from which are suspended in plain sight all of the small pieces of equipment needed in cooking and cleaning. Whenever any of these articles are washed they are hung up immediately, thus saving steps. The soap basket suspended between the faucets is useful, also the sink colander, the soap shaker, the nearby towel bar, and the handy place for keeping the dishpan. Well-thought-out details in a kitchen are what contribute to comfort in doing the necessary work.



Pyjama Costume—Blue Satin Trousers and Rust-Colored Satin Coat.

soluble—the modern slenderizing mode requires careful building from the ground up, and while correct underthings are not actually the essence of the new clothes, they have become an important fundamental.

Lingerie and the silhouette travel together in the new order of things and this is so, no matter which of the various modish outlines is adopted by the lady. The boyish straight line of recent years, the hemline flare of this winter and the Russian silhouette all share characteristics—they mold the figure at some point between the under and the knee and may exploit the classic straight back. It was, of course, numerous variations of these three silhouettes, but this combination includes the two salient features.

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Bud Morrison of Spur, was here the first of the week buying feed for his ranch.

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The undersigned was at the February term, 1925, of the County Court of Bailey County, Texas, appointed Administrator of the estate of Harry W. Phelps, deceased. These are therefore to notify you to present such claims to me. My resident and P. O. address is Muleshoe, Texas.

L. S. Barron  
Administrator, Estate of Harry W. Phelps. F-20-27-M-6-13

NOTICE

To the Sheriff, or any Constable of Bailey County—Greeting: You are hereby commanded to notify all persons interested in the estate of Harry W. Phelps, deceased, by causing a copy of this writ to be published in some newspaper, of general circulation in this County, and by posting copies hereof at three public places within the County for at least 20 days before the 1st day of the next term of the County Court of Bailey County, which will convene at Muleshoe Texas, on the 1st Monday in May, 1925.

In cause No. 9, in Probate, the estate of Harry W. Phelps, deceased, L. S. Barron has on the 13 day of February, 1925, filed his application to sell the Southeast quarter of Section 25, Cartersubdivision of Hansford County, school land leagues, in Bailey Co. Texas at private sale for cash for the purpose of paying the expenses of Administration, and debts owing by deceased in such estate. And all persons interested in such estate are required to appear at the term named above, and show cause why such sale should not be made, should they choose to do so.

HEREIN FAIL NOT, but of this writ make your return, as the law directs.

IN TESTIMONY HEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and seal of the County Court, at Muleshoe Texas: this the 13 day of February, 1925.

C. C. Mardis  
Clerk County, Court,  
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