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## NOBODY'S BUSINESS

BY JULIAN CAPERS JR.

Austin—What the senate does about continuing its three-week filibuster against tax bills and the race horse repeal during the final two weeks of the regular session took second place this week among the political observers here to the question of what effect the unprecedented fight between Gov. Allred and the solons may have upon Texas politics next year.

Most interesting was the speculation that the battle over race horse repeal may result in Allred seeking a third term on a "vindication" platform. Close friends of the governor have declared he is toying with the idea, altho no official comment was available from him.

"If they will let a governor alone, he dies a more or less natural political death in two terms," Allred is quoted by one friend as saying. "But if they keep one, it is quite possible they could force a third term upon him." "They" refer to his senate opponents who have held up all important legislation for 23 days filibustering with futile debate on proposed constitutional amendments for a sales tax.

### OTHER CANDIDATES ACTIVE

This report, together with another that Chairman Robert Lee Bobbitt of the highway commission is being urged in some quarters to get into the governor's race, presumably as an Allred standard-bearer, was causing some concern to backers of Col. Ernest O. Thompson, railroad commissioner, and Atty. Gen. William McCraw, both openly, but unannounced, candidates in 1938. McCraw continued his campaigning program of speeches, landing an "ace" with a place on the program of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce convention May 10 at Brownwood. Col. Thompson, whose strategy has been to hold his political fire, nevertheless registered strongly in Washington, when he made the unprecedented recommendation to a congressional committee, that the power of the Texas railroad commission to determine limitation of oil production should be cut down, and the conservation program of the state outlined more specifically by statute. He drew two significant comments from members of the congressional committee. Rep. Pettengill of Indiana suggested Thompson's statue in the Texas hall of fame as the first member of a regulatory body who ever advocated a reduction of his own authority.

Rep. Wolverton of New Jersey added: "Or, I should say Texas should elect you governor." Which suggestion met with the hearty favor of Thompson's Texas friends. They had, it seemed, already thought of it—long before the New Jersey congressman.

### ANOTHER RACE WARNING

Meanwhile, with the session end nearing, interest in the attorney general's race, ranked next to that of governor in Texas elections, was picking up. Friends of Lieut. Gov. Walter Woodul, who is pacing the field by reason of two years of active campaigning, pointed to certain friendly expressions recently voiced by Gov. Allred toward Woodul's extreme fairness in presiding over the state, which Allred is warring with over the race repeal measure, as significant. They hope it indicates a substantial part of the so-called "Allred machine" will swing in behind Woodul, despite the fact that the field of potential opponents of the lieutenant governor includes Sen. Franklin Spears, of San Antonio, Ralph Yarborough, Austin Judge and Allred appointee, and Gerald C. Mann, ex-secretary of state and Allred campaigner, and other Allred friends.

### Politics Breaks Out Early

The whole field of state politics is nearing a boil, with only the question of whether a special ses-

## Two Local Teachers Go To Colorado

Two teachers in the Lorraine school have been elected to positions in the Colorado school. Newby Pratt, football coach and teacher of commercial subjects, has been elected assistant coach and teacher of physical education in the Colorado school. Lawrence Snively, band director and teacher in the grade school, has been elected arithmetic teacher in the Colorado school.

Both of these young men came to our school last fall and have endeared themselves to the people of this community. We hate to see them leave us but are glad for them that they were able to secure a better position.

The Lorraine Bulldogs under the coaching of Mr. Pratt showed more progress last fall than any other team in the conference and the coach who follows him will have a good foundation upon which to build a team next year.

The band has made much progress under the able direction of Mr. Snively. Although hard luck followed the band to Lubbock to the annual contest where a real test of the progress of the band could have been made, everyone is agreed that the band is better than it has ever been.

If you need an egg stamp we will furnish it. The News

session will be held keeping it in check. The senate's action in rushing thru action of three major appropriation bills, and a growing sentiment among the lobbyists to aid in getting a vote on the race track repeal bill before the end, so as to avoid a special session immediately, may be productive of results. The race horse bloc, angered at Allred's two messages this week—one declaring flatly he will call a session the day after adjournment unless a vote is had on race horse repeal, and the other vetoing a joint rule that would have permitted a minority to block votes on this and other questions, at both this and the special sessions—are seeking desperately to defeat repeal, using the plea that "Allred is trying to tell the senate how to run its business." But they have found the going tough, because there are many country district senators, who while they don't like the governor, and don't want to repeal race betting, know that the voters in their district are again race track gambling, and they dare not get on record against killing it. The lobbyists have had very good luck staving off new and increased taxes so far this session, and they are desperately afraid of what might happen to them in a special session. So the senate long jam, under all this pressure, may be breaking up enough to get a vote on race repeal, pass the appropriations bills, and possibly pass some tax legislation. If the first of these two things happen, it is very likely the governor will not call the special session for raising new revenue by taxation until September or October.

### NOTES

The Dallas district judges, after a hard battle, succeeded in getting their pay raise of \$1000 a year thru as an amendment to the bill hiking appeals court judges' pay. They will receive, under it \$7500 a year each—the highest paid district judges in all of Texas, and \$1000 more than the judges of the fifth court of civil appeal at Dallas receive, even with the increase the latter got. Something will doubtless be done some time about the condition of inmates of the state reformatory at Gatesville, in the light of the report of a house committee which visited the place, condemned it as a "crime incubator" instead of a reform institution," and pointed out confining of dependent boys of 8 and 9 years, who have committed no crime, with hardened youthful criminals. A similar investigation of the girls' training school at Gainesville will be made by the committee, headed by E. H. Harrell of Paris.

## PTA Announces Final Program

The officers of the P. T. A. especially invite all members and patrons of the school to be present at the entertainment to be given at the high school auditorium Thursday afternoon at 3:30 in the final program for this year.

We are going to be disappointed if you are not there to enjoy the good program that is being arranged for your pleasure.

The following officers and committee chairmen have been appointed for next year: President, Mrs. W. F. James; vice president, Mrs. M. J. Martin; secretary, Mrs. H. B. Derryberry; treasurer, Miss Edith Wilkerson; chairman of program committee, Mrs. John Johnson; chairman of finance committee, Mrs. T. C. Wilson; chairman of membership committee, Mrs. Earl Jackson; chairman of summer roundup, Mrs. Harold Martin; chairman of publicity, Mrs. Lillie Bennett; parliamentarian, Mrs. Fred Ison.

The following room mothers have also been selected: First grade, Mrs. O. I. Griffin; second grade, Mrs. Alvin Bristow; third grade, Mrs. John Seown; fourth grade, Mrs. Wiley Walker; fifth grade, Mrs. Tolson; sixth grade, Mrs. Wilbur Coffee; seventh grade, Mrs. Clyde Smith; eighth grade, Mrs. Roy Baird; ninth grade, Mrs. L. W. Rhodes; eleventh grade Mrs. C. F. Glass.

Please take note of the fact if your name appears on any committee or as room mother and be sure to be at the school house Thursday afternoon at 3:30.

Mrs. T. C. Wilson, publicity chairman.

## FIRE AT MEEK HOME DOES NO DAMAGE

A brooder fire in the garage at the J. C. Meek home did no damage late Tuesday evening except to kill one small chicken. Mr. Meek said the fire started when the oil tank for the brooder overflowed.

## DR. DANN MOVES OFFICE TO DANN'S HEALTH HOME

Dr. Edwin A. Dann, Chiropractor, who has had his office in the Texas Bank building in Sweetwater since 1930, is removing his office to Dann's Health Home at 207 Pecan Street in Sweetwater, across street from Seari Roebuck.

Dr. Dann has been in Sweetwater since 1923 and his practice has grown until it was necessary for him to get larger and better quarters. He is installing modern equipment for a drugless institution in his Health Home. Read his ad in this issue.

## METHODIST CHURCH NOTES

There were 196 present for Sunday School Sunday morning and a good crowd for church service. Bro. Wright delivered two good messages Sunday.

Next Sunday the primary department will present a Mothers Day program at the morning hour using the theme "Mother, Queen of Our Heart". This is a very interesting program and we hope the people will come and encourage our children; it will be well worth your time.

## FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH W. C. Capps, Pastor

Those who attended all services Sunday received a great blessing, and if you failed to attend you missed a great blessing. We urge that you put forth a greater effort to come next Sunday and let us honor our mothers in a big way, and show her that we really appreciate the teaching that she has given us.

The primary and junior departments will render a short program Sunday morning just after Sunday School and if you miss it you will miss a treat for they really give us something inspirational when they give us a program.

In conclusion we want to urge the young people of the town to come to B. Y. P. U. and enjoy a great blessing with us.

## D. A. R. Holds Meeting Here

The William Halbert Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution Colorado, Texas, met in the last regular session of the year Saturday, May 1, in the home of Mrs. Fred B. Ison with Mrs. S. A. Martin as co-hostess. The meeting was presided over by Mrs. R. B. Terrell, regent. Under the disposition of business, most important items were the reading of a communication from Mrs. C. E. Way, a member who has been ill for some time in Uvalde, Texas but who is greatly improved at this time, change of meeting date to the second Saturday of each meeting month, and mention of future presentation of citizenship awarded to the best citizen from the student body of the Colorado and Lorraine High Schools.

The theme of the program was "Outstanding Women of Today and Yesterday". Roll call was answered with names of noteworthy contemporary women and comments on their achievements. An interesting paper on "Outstanding Women in The United States" was presented by Mrs. W. M. Elliott.

Besides the regent, hostess, and those on the program, additional members attending were Mrs. Sally Doshier and Miss Mary Broadus, both of Colorado, and Mrs. Catherine Morgan of Sweetwater. Also present was Miss Effie McLeod, Week-end guest in the Ison home, from Snyder.

The rooms were attractively decorated with Southern pine-needle baskets filled with native wild flowers, the Indian fire wheel. Refreshments of angel food squares with peppermint ice-cream were served.

Work will be resumed by the organization in October.

## COURT HOUSE NEWS

### Marriage License Issued

R. J. McMillan, Colorado, and Miss Ina Usary, Colorado; D. B. Garnett, Jr., Champion, and Miss Irene Cantrell, Roscoe; David Collier, Odessa, and Miss Frances Cheek, Colorado.

### Transfers in Real Estate

W. W. Porter et ux to J. L. Ellis, Lots 7 and 8, Block 29, D. S. and M. Ad. to Colorado, \$100; Standard Savings and Loan Ass'n to D. W. Cleveland et ux, Lot 7, Block 69, Colorado, \$1,000; Permelia Schell Merrell to Texas Bitulithic Co., N. 140 feet of W. 150 feet Block 104, Colorado, \$10; John Brown et ux to C. D. Hornberger, Part Lot 2, Block 5, D. S. and M. Ad. to Colorado, \$10.00; C. E. Hammonds et ux to H. M. Moore, Lots 5 and 6, College Block, Colorado, \$2600.

### New Cars Registered

Ottis Muns, Lorraine, Chevrolet truck; E. S. McCord, Colorado, Chevrolet Sedan; I. O. Finley, Colorado, Chevrolet Sedan; W. N. Crosswaite, Colorado, Oldsmobile Sedan; Wimberley Motor Co. Plymouth Coupe; W. R. McEntire Colorado, Buick Sedan; C. C. Curry, Westbrook, Chevrolet Sedan.

## WILLING WORKERS ARE ENTERTAINED

The willing Workers Sunday School class met in the home of Mrs. Marion Mahon last Thursday with Mrs. Lillie Bennett assistant hostess.

Mrs. Hamilton Wright gave the devotional using the fifth chapter of Luke, and asked the class for discussion which was enjoyed by all. Mrs. Bennett led a contest of Bible questions.

Lemon pie with cherry and punch was served to 11 members.

## J. H. GREEN GOES TO BIG SPRING C OF C

J. H. Green, who has been secretary of the Colorado chamber of commerce for years, has accepted the position of manager for the Big Spring chamber of commerce.

## Pressure Is On! One Month to Go



If she can keep it up till June 1, Miss Sara Bernice Homan, student at Texas State College for Women, will be able to point with pride to a Straight-A record in scholarship during her entire four-year college career. She has also taken active part in campus social life, being president of the Y. W. C. A. and an accomplished singer and pianist. Her home is in Anson, Texas.

## Stolen Cow Found; One Man In Jail

A Jersey milk cow, stolen from her pen early Sunday night, was recovered Tuesday at the airport near Sweetwater by deputy sheriff J. N. Narell and John Seown, owner of the cow.

The cow is supposed to have been taken in a trailer to a farm house south of Roscoe Sunday night but had gotten loose and wandered to the airport several miles away. She was traced from where she was found to the farm house by the marks of a chain, which she was wearing, dragging the ground.

When the officers and Mr. Seown approached the house two men hurriedly left going in opposite directions. A man named Porter was caught and placed in jail but the other man got away. He is known to officers, however, and his arrest is expected at any time.

Mr. Seown said his cow has a large brand on her side but the thieves did not attempt to alter it. Instead of changing the brand they cut off the cows ears.

## LORRAINE W. M. S. VISITS COLORADO W. M. S.

The W. M. S. ladies of the First Baptist Church of Colorado invited the W. M. S. ladies of Lorraine to visit them Monday afternoon.

A short business session was held after which the devotional was read by Mrs. Scott. After the devotional Mrs. C. B. Reeder led in prayer. Mrs. Howell of Colorado gave a very interesting review of the book "God's Gift to the Church." After the lesson Mrs. Bud Richburg dismissed with prayer.

Those attending from Lorraine were: Mrs. C. B. Reeder, Mrs. J. C. Hall, Mrs. Bud Richburg, Mrs. Warren Capps, Mrs. Edwin Hallmark, Mrs. S. J. Norman, Mrs. Alvin Bristow, Mrs. Dottie Marshall, Mrs. W. H. Howell, and Miss Maggie Jeter. All report an enjoyable hour. Reporter.

## LATIN AMERICAN NATIONS PREPARING EXHIBITS FOR FAIR

Dallas, Texas, April 30.—Fourteen Latin American republics and one American province have been allotted exhibit space in the Pan American Exposition, which will be held here June 12 through October 31. Venezuela, the last of the nations to announce participation, accepted space Wednesday, April 21, and Frederic D. Grab, attache, department of commerce, cabled from Caracas that his country will bring a display of mineral and agricultural products to 1937's international fair.

## Honor Graduates Are Announced

Honor students in the senior class of Lorraine High School have been announced. In computing the average which determined the honor students the grades for the four years in high school were taken into consideration.

Byron Bennett is valedictorian with an average for the four years of 96.46. W. F. James, Jr is salutatorian with an average of 95.82. The honor girl is Billie Marie Rowland with an average of 92.94. Other honor graduates are Opal Martin with an average of 92.51 and Ruth Anne Hall with an average of 91.92.

There are 23 members of the class this year. They are: Jessie Woodrow Compton, Mary Pearl Merket, Orval Leo Shultz, Dorothy Channess, Lucy Iris Riden, Luella Maurine Robertson, Paul Muncill Barron, Billie Jean Barron, Loyd Terry Brame, Opal Ruth Martin, Ruth Anne Hall, Charles Franklin Glass, Willard Boyd Groom, Selwyn Duane Bruce Byron Jorden Bennett, Bessie Marie Sines, Lillian Drue Hendrick, Wiley France James Jr., Roland Price Hall, Malcolm Olen Mayes, James Aldin Lee, Charles Orman Duke, and Billie Marie Rowland.

## COMMERCIAL FAILURES IN TEXAS LOW IN MARCH

Austin, Texas, May 3.—Commercial failures in Texas during the first quarter of 1937 were generally favorable, the University of Texas Bureau of Business Research has announced. According to reports from Dun and Bradstreet, Inc., the number of failures during March totaled seven, a decrease of 30 per cent from March last year and 50 per cent from February. The number of failures in the first quarter totaled 34, a decrease of 45.2 per cent from the corresponding period last year.

Liabilities of the bankrupt firms during March, \$101,000, were 22.3 per cent below those of March last year and 36.5 per cent below those of February. For the first three months period aggregate liabilities were \$317,000, a drop of 49.4 per cent from those of the like period last year.

Average liability per failure, \$14,000, was, however, up 7.7 per cent from March last year and 27.3 per cent above that of February. For the entire first quarter average liability per failure was 10 per cent less than during the corresponding period of 1936.

## SIGN-UP NEAR COMPLETE IN CONSERVATION PROGRAM

College Station—The final date for acceptance of work sheets under the Agricultural Conservation Program has been set for May 15 by the Texas Agricultural Conservation Committee, according to Geo. Slaughter, Chairman. The committee has approved an earlier closing date for many counties where the sign-up is well advanced.

Indications are that approximately 240,000 work sheets will be signed for the 1937 program. Of these, some 15,000 cover ranches with a combined acreage of 53,000,000 acres which will take part in the range conservation feature of the program.

The sign-up this year is progressing rapidly, and is three months ahead of the 1933 participation in the program. Slaughter pointed out that due to the advanced stage of the sign-up, it would not be possible for the state committee to accept any work sheets after May 15.

The committee urged that farmers who contemplate filling work sheets do so at once in order to avoid any chance of being left out. Slaughter called attention to the fact that submitting a work sheet entitled a farmer to receive payment if he complies with the soil-building and soil-conserving practices indicated in the program; but does not obligate him to enter the program.

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News Review of Current Events the World Over

Supreme Court Bill Opposed by Senate Committee, 10 to 8—Mrs. Simpson Applies for Absolute Divorce—Fish Would End Our Gold Policy.

By EDWARD W. PICKARD

ANNOUNCEMENT of their position on the President's Supreme court bill by three more Democratic members of the senate judiciary committee seemingly made it certain that a body would report the measure adversely to the senate. The line-up at this writing is 10 to 8 against the bill. The three who openly joined the opposition were Senators J. C. O'Mahoney of Wyoming, Pat McCarran of Nevada and Carl Hatch of New Mexico.

WHILE Democratic leaders in congress were disputing over various proposals for achieving the economy demanded by the President, the house without a quorum passed the second deficiency bill, carrying \$79,200,000. The Democrats called it an economy measure because the appropriations were 19 millions less than the amounts asked by the department heads.

Senator O'Mahoney, one of the enthusiastic New Dealers ordinarily, said: "The hearings have been completed. I have listened attentively to everything that has been said, and I have heard nothing to date which has convinced me that any increase of the court is either necessary or desirable."

Senator Hatch declared: "I do not think congress has the power to place men on the Supreme court to affect decisions in any way whatsoever. To do so would be an exercise of judicial power by the legislative branch of the government. If we place men on the court to change the trend of judicial opinions we thereby invade the province of the court and do that which many people have charged the court with doing."

Senator McCarran addressed the judiciary committee, in executive session, for an hour and a half and later said to the reporters: "In my judgment, the Supreme court should not be a department of government subject to the will of either of the other two branches of government. While the Supreme court and every other court that interprets the law should at all times keep abreast of the law and therefore be progressive, it is not for any other branch of the government to say it should reform its views to carry out the will of another branch. For that reason I am opposed to and will continue to oppose the President's bill."

The committee agreed to begin voting on the bill and on proposed amendments on May 18.

SENATORS, representatives, department heads, and almost everyone else in Washington officialdom were worrying themselves over expenditure reductions, taxes, rising prices and falling revenues, and Supreme court reformation. But President Roosevelt was gaily sailing the waters of the Gulf of Mexico, angling for tarpon. He was on the Presidential yacht Potomac, which he boarded at New Orleans; his vessel was escorted by three destroyers, the Moffett, the Schenk and the Decatur. At Galveston Secretary Marvin McIntyre set up a temporary White House, and Mr. Roosevelt planned to land at that city when he got through fishing.

SIX months having elapsed since Mrs. Wallis Simpson was granted a provisional decree of divorce, and the lady having behaved during that period in a way approved by the king's proctor, her solicitors petitioned the court to make the decree absolute. It was expected this would be done after the six days' interval required by legal procedure.

When Edward, duke of Windsor, and Mrs. Simpson will be married is not yet known to the public and probably not yet determined by the principals in this most famous of modern romances. The duke was so angered by reflections on his fiancée and himself in "Coronation Commentary," a book written by Geoffrey Dennis, that it was reported he might set the wedding date before coronation day; but later there were rumors that Mrs. Simpson, seeking to avert further criticism, had persuaded him to wait until after his brother had been crowned. Edward demanded that the book be withdrawn and that the author and publisher apologize. This demand was complied with, but nevertheless he had his solicitors in London start suit for damages on the ground of libel.

John G. Pollard, chairman of the board of appeals of the Veterans' administration and former governor of Virginia, passed away in Washington of bronchial pneumonia. He was sixty-six years old.

FROM all quarters of the earth men and women of much, little or no importance were flocking to London for the coronation; the diplo-

Labor Now Big Boy of America

Wins Great Triumph in Wagner Decision; Agriculture Warned to Be Up on Its Toes

By EARL GODWIN

WASHINGTON. — Agricultural and rural America had better be right up on its collective toes, wide awake as to what is going on down here in Washington, or else the new Big Boy in American life will crowd everybody else away and take it all for himself. I mean "Labor is on the March" as John Lewis has so truthfully said, because labor is in part headed by new and mentally agile young men who have just received a new lease on life by the Supreme court. The five-to-four opinion upholding the constitutionality of the Wagner labor act means that the federal government guarantees labor's unionizing efforts. This is indeed a tremendous triumph for labor, whose organized members constitute an important minority in American political life.

There are only three and a half million members of labor organizations out of the twenty-four million workmen and workwomen in industrial centers. The farm population two years ago was 32,799,000 according to figures of the census bureau. The point is that a well organized and professionally led minority of skilled and near-skilled workmen in industry are getting closer to their ideals in this era and this administration than ever before. Others in the general American scene who play just as important a part in the economic picture would do well to emulate some of the cohesive activities of their industrial friends.

Henry Wallace, secretary of agriculture, who is one of the deep thinkers of the day, makes a plain statement when he says in Iowa English that farmers are not getting their proper percentage because they have not been able to "grab off" as much federal power as have industrial corporations and labor unions. He does not want to see a competitive race for power between economic groups—a cut-throat affair in which every man is for himself with no regard for the other fellow. But Wallace certainly believes that farmers must have more effective organization in order to gain their fair share of what he terms "the federal power."

Before the World war the farmers were getting a per capita income that was 60 per cent of the per capita income of industrial and other workers. If they were to get the same proportion of income now it would be 15 or 14 per cent of the national income, whereas they are actually receiving between 10 and 11 per cent. Government payments have not been enough to keep the farmers' income at the historic percentage level.

Labor wins a tremendous advantage by the Supreme court reversing itself and declaring that manufacture is, after all, commerce. But the court has yet to take the shackles off agriculture and declare that the tremendous business of raising and shipping farm products is an interstate and not a local affair, which was the reactionary finding of the court in the AAA case. That is what cramped the government in its efforts to bring about parity prices between farm and factory. Somehow or other I cannot escape the feeling that the Supreme court followed the election returns insofar as labor was concerned—for the three-and-a-half million organized workmen kept their story before the public. Not so the farmers.

The administration had planned to revive the effect of AAA by a series of conservation operations such as cash payments to farmers. An attempted farm-tenancy program was coming through. There was to be control of surplus crops, commodity loans, and a general extension of the forward movement for agriculture—but this sudden cry for economy (and it's necessary) has probably put an end to everything new in the farm program. That does not mean the Department of Agriculture will close up shop, but unless the farm community asserts itself in some politically effective way, the farm program will bear an unduly heavy share of the economy cut. The farm program will undoubtedly include the present conservation program with its compensating payments to farmers who plant soil-conserving crops in acres formerly devoted to cash crops.

All of this may be rather dry data to some people, but certainly not to farmers who own 160,000,000 acres of woodlands on which grows a large part of the forest harvest that feeds the mouths of the 20,000,000 sawmills that supply our people with lumber and certain other wood products. Incidentally, the cash that went into farmers' jeans from these 160,000,000 acres of woodland yielded around \$200,000,000 a year—which was of great help in getting through the depression.

farm folks let some other group put the whole burden of economy on rural America then they deserve to be stung!

There are tens of thousands of useless items in a general government spending budget—and a thorough pruning would save a great many million dollars for constructive agricultural program purposes.

Before passing on to some other topic, there is considerable of a row down here over the proposal of the financiers of the administration who fear speculation—a land boom—and the inevitable collapse—unless the emergency 3 1/2 per cent interest on land bank loans be increased. Principal proponent of increased interest is Governor Myers, farm credit administration chief. Principal opponents of his views are Senator Wheeler of Montana and Senator Borah of Idaho. These two statesmen think that Governor Myers is entirely wrong—and there the matter rests. So far no move has been made to increase the interest rate, but it may be done after all.

Unfortunately there is one of the ugliest sectional fights in congress since Civil war days. It is the division over the Gavan anti-lynching bill which passed the house 277 to 119—the minority being southerners who resent the idea of the federal government policing the South. The author of the bill, Congressman Gavan, represents a New York city district with a numerous colored population, which gives the bill a political complexion. As the bill now stands it seems to me to be completely unconstitutional and almost impossible of administration, regardless of any merit in its principles. The bill places the responsibility of lynching on the state or county where the crime occurs; places severe responsibility on sheriffs and other peace officers who must guard the life or person whom the mob is seeking—and if he fails—then the sheriff is likely to be tried in a federal court. The county where the lynching takes place is liable for damages to the lynched man's heirs up to a limit of \$10,000. This latter provision seems to be grossly unfair when you realize that a mob could grab a man in Jones county and run him over to Henry county in the middle of the night, and execute mob injustice on the man there. Under the law as it passed the house, both counties are liable—but there is grave doubt that any such provision would be upheld in any higher court. Nor does federal experience with the Volstead act indicate great success for the Gavan bill if enacted.

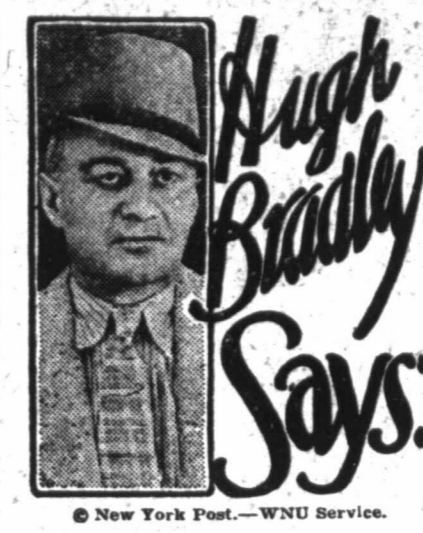
Be that as it may, the ugly thing divided the Democrats because of racial prejudices. Southern members are extremely bitter. They have assailed city members of congress who supported the bill, bringing home to the public that the lawlessness, the gang murders, the abductions, vice-racketeering and general immorality in large cities is something the local politician yinks at—or maybe takes part in. The general attitude toward the city congressman is: "Wipe your own slate clean before you start on the rural South."

If the senate passes the anti-lynching bill I believe the President will sign it, because congress would be deemed to be doing what its constituents want. Inasmuch as the bill is a deadly one for the Democratic party politically, I have an idea it will be smothered or talked to sleep in the senate. The late Huey Long filibustered against a similar measure several years ago, the congress adjourned before a vote could be taken on it. But the leaders point out that lynching is on the wane in that section—while street crime and worse is at its peak in the northern and other industrial centers—and the South has been the backbone of the Democratic party for more than 50 years. A sustained and successful filibuster against this measure in the senate would be a political fact of major importance.

No less a homely institution than the farmer's woodlot received gracious attention in congress and elsewhere in Washington within the past few weeks, and it now appears that there has been so much conservatism applied to American forests that the time has come to pay as much attention to cutting up trees in the sawmills and factories as it has been to keep from cutting them down in the forests. Wood as a farm crop attracts attention here. There have been speeches in congress, and a large convention of lumber, forest and conservation people. For years there was a large "No" sign on the forests; but if today's indications are true we have reached the point where the forests will dwindle and die unless we use more lumber. The reason is that modern forestry and all that goes with it teaches that one tree should be planted where one is felled, so if we keep on saving trees they die and none take their place.

All of this may be rather dry data to some people, but certainly not to farmers who own 160,000,000 acres of woodlands on which grows a large part of the forest harvest that feeds the mouths of the 20,000,000 sawmills that supply our people with lumber and certain other wood products. Incidentally, the cash that went into farmers' jeans from these 160,000,000 acres of woodland yielded around \$200,000,000 a year—which was of great help in getting through the depression.

How it was that the Dodgers did not take Gabby Hartnett when he was offered to them by the Cubs? Gabby, one of the smartest and most popular players of recent years, still should have a season or two of top catching and hitting left in him. Are experts and scouts taking proper note of the football line N. Y. U. will have next fall?



Bob Feller Is Shy; Publicity Has Not Swelled His Head

THEY said the kid was upstairs in his room but that it would be a good idea to hurry for it was about time for he and Weatherly to start out for the night. They seemed to say that the young man was a bit of a holler—and at a tender age of eighteen—but it seems he is nothing of the sort.

"Yeah, we're startin' out—Stormy and me," said Bob Feller. "But come in. Yeah, we were goin' to the movies. Me—I like Westerns, specially Hopalong Cassidy. Stormy does, too."

The two young Indians sat down. Weatherly is small and pudgy and twenty-two, but looks even younger than Feller. They have been roommates ever since Feller joined the club. Feller's father stipulated that his boy must be roomed with a young man of good character before he'd sign any papers. Every one agreed that Weatherly was the answer.

"We get along great," said Stormy. "Like the same things, like to go to bed early. We're gonna have a small apartment in Cleveland this summer."

Feller was sitting silently. He is a shy youngster, terribly afraid that people will think all this publicity has gone to his head. Everything he does is studied, on or off the field.

His dad visited him at New Orleans and some one asked if Pop would spend much time in Cleveland this summer.

"No, Dad doesn't like big cities," he said. "If I have a good year, though, he'll probably do a lot of visiting. But if I have a bad one I'll probably do a lot of visiting myself—to Van Meter."

He pitches three-quarter fashion now, but doesn't wholly approve of the plan.

"I'd like to be a pitcher like Walter Johnson," he said. "He pitched side-arm, didn't he? And he lasted a long time didn't he? Well, I think I should pitch side-arm, too. That's the way I threw back on the sandlots and I did all right there. It's my natural way of throwing."

"How many do I think I'll win? I just wouldn't say, couldn't say. I'll be satisfied if my average is as good as it was last year."

Last year in his short time with the club he won five games, lost three. If he averages a victory a week he'll come up with twenty-three decisions.

Business Manager Slapnick's recent statement that Felleg would pitch once a week doesn't meet with his heartiest approval.

"Why, back home I used to pitch three times a week," he says, "and it never bothered me."

Never Tries Bean Ball but Batters Beware!

Some one suggested that perhaps the American league was a little different than the sandlots of Iowa.

"Well, not to me, it's not," he replied. "All I do is rear back and let it go, whether it's in a sandlot game or up here."

Some one else wondered if, when he improved his control, the batters wouldn't gain more confidence.

"I just won't improve that much," he said. "I never tried to hit a batter in my life, but after all, getting out of the way of a ball is their business, not mine."

"What about Hubbell, what do you think of him?"

"I guess he's the greatest pitcher I've ever seen," he said. "He must be the best. I know I never saw a ball do the things he can make it do."

Then some one asked him if he had a girl back home and the meeting sort of broke up.

"Well sort of," he said. "But we'll discuss that later."

NOT IN THE BOX SCORE:

THE Yankees figure Detroit is the team to beat this year. They insist Cleveland is over-rated and that Bob Feller can be beaten by a combination of waiting him out and bunting. The best National league club, they say, is the Cubs. Players, by the way, gossip that times have not changed in Cleveland. When Walter Johnson was manager Billy Evans tried to run the team. New Cy Slapnick, who succeeded Evans as business manager, is trying to do all the thinking for Manager Steve O'Neill. . . . 95 per cent of the horsemen racing in Florida last winter voted against that Australian starting gate with which New York's turf overlords opened the season at the Jamaica racetrack. . . . Ken Smith, the very able baseball writer, once was a freight agent.

Nasty mens insist that all is sweetness and light among Cornell football folks. They insist that Graduate Manager Jim Lynch recently called in Coach Carl Snavely to chide him about proselyting activities and that Carl has been doing a bit of lip-biting since. However, chide or no chide, they also insist that poor but honest boys still are getting a-looksers from Cornell and that the Pittsfield, Mass., district was well gandered at two weeks ago. . . . John Meketi, Giant rookie pitcher now with Jersey City, is one of the best harmonica players in the baseball. . . . Marty Glickman, the Olympic sprinter, is shunning sports for a short time due to complications caused by low blood pressure. . . . Add look alike—Julius Solters of the Indians and Joe Medwick of the Cards.

Although Temple loses 14 letters by graduation Pop Warner wears a bigger smile at spring football practice than he did 12 months ago. . . . Rivington Bisland, the eminent sports box-office man, used to pitch for Louisville. . . . One of the sights at the St. Nick's boxing arena is Jasio Condon jumping up from Pop Warner's ringside seat and cheering whenever his bodyguard, Al Reich, referees. . . . Daye Soden, Brooklyn tax appraiser and ardent sports fan, is being talked about as the next president of his borough. . . . The National league may add Andy Kolk, an umpire let out by the International, to its staff this summer. Pretty good man, too. Because so many customers think he was robbed during the Montanez fight Lightweight Champion Lou Ambers, who previously never had been much of a drawing card, now should be one of the best gate attractions.

Vinnie Richards again has been invited to coach the Australian Davis cup team in preparation for the Aussies' North American zone finals with the United States at Forest Hills May 29-31. His acceptance depends upon whether or not he goes abroad. He offered his services to the Americans but was ignored in favor of George Loti and Karl Kozeluh even though Davis Cup Committee Chairman Walter Pat credited the Australians' victory last year to Vinnie's tutoring. . . . Bill Tilden must really be cracking up at last. The other day he remarked that he was tempted to pile all his racquets in the center of the court and make a bonfire of them.

Dick Gill, Boston college's gas-house blond, is due for plenty of shoving around on the intercollegiate tracks this spring. Eddie O'Brien and Jim Herbert are reported as still being exceedingly sore over the way he elbowed and jostled the slender Charlie Beetham in a recent meet. . . . Although he is best celebrated as a football center, Ivy league pitchers are worried about the hitting prowess of Dartmouth's Mutt Ray. . . . Jake Flowers, who might have been a great infielder if he had not been troubled by ill health during his Dodger and Cardinal days, now has entirely recovered. He weighs 182 pounds and is seeking either to manage a Class B team or play in the International league. . . . Mrs. Payne Whitney, the Greentree lady, must be America's ace turf fan. Her friends claim she reads every single line about racing in every paper and magazine published in this country.

If Ken Sandback, the Princeton quarterback, does turn pro he is more likely to go with Brooklyn than with the Giants. That is because he should get more chance to play with the Dodgers, who need a good quarterback and passer, while the Giants are somewhat averse to shoving first-year pro performers into their regular lineup. Both clubs are bidding for him, though, and it also is gossiped that alumni are making attractive business offers to keep him away from the pay-for-play sport. . . . Col. Matt Winn, the Kentucky Derby impresario, has ten grandchildren. Two of the boys are under sixteen years of age and have viewed eleven Derbies. The colonel, incidentally, first viewed the Louisville show in 1915 from atop his father's grocery wagon.

In spite of the pressure being put upon them, the New York boxing commissioners are unlikely to okay a Ross-Montanez bout. Aside from a few little trifles such as contracts signed for other bouts the commissioners figure that Ross, a welterweight, and Montanez, a lightweight, have sufficient opportunities for diversion in their own classes.

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# THE GARDEN MURDER CASE

by S. S. VAN DINE

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I wandered into the den, the door of which was ajar, and walked aimlessly about the room, looking at the various pictures and etchings. Just then Vance entered. As he came in he threw the door open wider, half pocketing me in the corner behind it, where I was immediately noticeable. I was about to speak to him, when Zalia Graem came in.

"Philo Vance," she called his name in a low, tremulous voice. He turned and looked at the girl with a quizzical frown.

"I've been waiting in the dining-room," she said. "I wanted to see you before you spoke to the others."

I reigned immediately, from the force of her voice, that my presence had not been noticed.

Vance continued to look squarely at the girl, but did not speak. She came very close to him now.

"Tell me why you have made me suffer so much," she said.

"I know I have hurt you," Vance returned. "But the circumstances made it imperative. Please believe that I understand more of this case than you imagine I do."

"I am not sure that I understand," the girl spoke hesitantly. "But I want you to know that I trust you." She looked up at him, and I could see that her eyes were glistening. Slowly she bowed her head. "I have never been interested in any man," she went on—and there was a quaver in her voice. "The men I have known have all made me unhappy and seemed always to lead me away from the things I longed for. . . . She caught her breath. "You are the one man I have ever known whom I could care for."

So suddenly had this startling confession come, that I did not have time to make my presence known, and after Miss Graem finished speaking I remained where I was, lest I cause her embarrassment.

Vance placed his hands on the girl's shoulders and held her away from him.

"My dear," he said, with a curiously suppressed quality in his voice, "I am the one man for whom you should not care." There was no mistaking the finality of his words.

Vance smiled wistfully at the girl. "Would you mind waiting in the drawing-room a little while? . . ."

She gave him a searching look and, without speaking, turned and went from the den.

Vance stood for some time gazing at the floor with a frown of indecision, as if loath to proceed with whatever plans he had formulated. I took this opportunity to come out from my corner, and just as I did so Floyd Garden appeared at the hall door.

"Oh, hello, Vance," he said. "I didn't know you had returned until Zalia just told me you were in here. Anything I can do for you?"

Vance swung around quickly. "I was just going to send for you. Everyone here?"

Garden nodded gravely. "Yes, and they're all frightened to death—all except Hammie. He takes the whole thing as a lark. I wish somebody had shot him instead of Woody."

"Will you send him in here," Vance asked. "I want to talk to him. I'll see the others presently."

Garden walked up the hall, and at that moment I heard Burke speaking to Markham at the front door. Markham immediately joined us in the den.

"Hope I haven't kept you waiting," he greeted Vance.

"No, Oh, no," Vance leaned against the desk. "Just in time."

Markham had barely seated himself when Hammie strutted into the den with a jovial air. Vance nodded to him brusquely.

"Mr. Hammie," he said, "we're wholly familiar with your philosophy of minding your own business and keeping silent in order to avoid all involvements. A defensible attitude—but not in the present circumstances. This is a criminal case, and in the interest of justice to everyone concerned, we must have the whole truth. Yesterday afternoon you were the only one in the drawing-room who had even a partial view down the hallway. And we must know everything you saw, no matter how trivial it may seem to you."

Hammie gave in. "First of all, then," said Vance, without relaxing his stern gaze, "when Miss Graem left the room, ostensibly to answer a telephone call, did you notice exactly where she went?"

"Not exactly," Hammie returned; "but she turned to the left, toward the den. You understand, of course, that it was impossible for me to see very far down the hall, even from where I sat."

"Quite," Vance nodded. "And when she came back to the drawing-room?"

"I saw her first opposite the den door. She went to the hall closet where the hats and wraps are kept, and then came back to stand in the archway until the race was over. After that I didn't notice her either coming or going."

"And what about Floyd Garden?" asked Vance. "You remember he followed Swift out of the room. Did you notice which way they went, or what they did?"

"As I remember, Floyd put his arm around Swift and led him into the dining-room. After a few moments they came out. Swift seemed to be pushing Floyd away from him, and then he disappeared down the hall toward the stairs. Floyd stood outside the dining-room door for several minutes, looking after his cousin, and then went down the hall after him; but he must have changed his mind, for he came back into the drawing-room in short order."

"And you saw no one else in the hall?"

"No. No one else."

"Very good," Vance took a deep inhalation on his cigarette. "And now let's go to the roof-garden, figuratively speaking. You were in the garden, waiting for a train, when the nurse was almost suffocated with bromin gas in the vault. The door into the passageway was open, and if you had been looking in the direction you could easily have seen who passed up and down the corridor." Vance looked at the man significantly. "And I have a feelin' you were looking through that door, Mr. Hammie. Your reaction of astonishment when we came out on the roof was a bit overdone. And you couldn't have seen much of the city from where you had been standing, don't you know?"

Hammie cleared his throat and grinned. "You have me there, Vance," he admitted with familiar good-humor. "Since I couldn't make my train, I thought I'd satisfy my curiosity and stick around for a while to see

what happened. I went out on the roof and stood where I could look through the door into the passageway—I wanted to see who was going to get hell next, and what would come of it all."

"Thanks for your honesty," Vance's face was coldly formal. "Please tell us now exactly what you saw through that doorway while you were waiting, as you've confessed, for something to happen."

Again Hammie cleared his throat. "Well, Vance, to tell you the truth, it wasn't very much. Just people coming and going. First I saw Garden go up the passageway toward the study; and almost immediately he went back downstairs. Then Zalia Graem passed the door on her way to the study. Five or ten minutes later the detective—Heath, I think his name is—went by the door, carrying a coat over his arm. A little later—two or three minutes, I should say—Zalia Graem and the nurse passed each other in the passageway, Zalia going toward the stairs, and the nurse toward the study. A couple of minutes after that Floyd Garden passed the door on his way to the study again."

"Just a minute," Vance interrupted. "You didn't see the nurse return downstairs after she passed Miss Graem in the passageway?"

Hammie shook his head emphatically. "No. Absolutely not."

Vance took another deep puff on his cigarette. "One more thing, Mr. Hammie: while you were out there in the garden, did anyone come out on the roof from the terrace gate?"

"Absolutely not. I didn't see anybody at all on the roof."

"And when Garden had returned downstairs, what then?"

"I saw you come to the window and look out into the garden. I was afraid I might be seen, and the minute you turned away I went over to the far corner of the garden, by the gate. The next thing I knew, you gentlemen were coming out on the roof with the nurse."

Vance moved forward from the desk against which he had been resting. "Thank you, Mr. Hammie. You've told me exactly what I wanted to know. It may interest you to learn that the nurse informed us she was struck over the head in the passageway, on leaving the study, and forced into the vault which was full of bromin fumes."

Zalia Graem was the first to enter the den. She glanced at Vance appealingly and seated herself without a word. She was followed by Miss Weatherby and Kroon, who sat down uneasily beside her on the davenport. Floyd Garden and his father came in together. Miss Beeton was just behind them and stopped hesitantly in the doorway, looking uncertainly at Vance.

"Did you want me too?" she asked diffidently.

"I think it might be best, Miss Beeton," said Vance. "We may need your help."

At that moment the front door bell rang, and Burke ushered Doctor Siefert into the den.

"I just got your message, Mr. Vance, and came right over." He looked about the room questioning-ly.

"I thought you might care to be present," Vance said, "in case we can reach some conclusion about the situation here. I know you are personally interested. Otherwise I wouldn't have telephoned you."

"I'm glad you did," said Siefert blandly, and walked across to a chair before the desk.

Vance lighted a cigarette with slow deliberation, his eyes moving aimlessly about the room. There was a tension over the assembled group.

The taut silence was broken by Vance's voice. He spoke casually, but with a curious emphasis.

"I have asked you all to come here this afternoon in the hope that we could clear up the very tragic situation that exists."

He was interrupted by the startling sound of a shot ominously like that of the day before. Everyone in the room stood up quickly, aghast at the sudden detonation. Everyone except Vance. And before anyone could speak, his calm authoritative voice was saying:

"There is no need for alarm. Please sit down. I expressly arranged that shot for all of you to hear—it will have an important bearing on the case."

Burke appeared at the door. "Was that all right, Mr. Vance?"

"Quite all right," Vance told him. "The same revolver and blanks?"

"Sure. Just like you told me. And from where you said. Wasn't it like you wanted it?"

"Yes, precisely," nodded Vance. "Thanks, Burke."

The detective grinned broadly and moved away down the hall.

"That shot, I believe," resumed Vance, sweeping his eyes lazily over those present, "was similar to the one we heard yesterday afternoon—the one that summoned us to Swift's dead body. It may interest you to know that the shot just fired by Detective Burke was fired from the same revolver, with the same cartridges, that the murderer used yesterday—and from about the same spot."

"But this shot sounded as if it were fired down here somewhere," cut in Siefert.

"Exactly," said Vance with satisfaction. "It was fired from one of the windows on this floor."

"But I understand that the shot yesterday came from upstairs," Siefert looked perplexed.

"That was the general, but erroneous, assumption," explained Vance. "Actually it did not. Yesterday, because of the open roof door and the stairway, and the closed door of the room from which the shot was fired, and mainly because we were psychologically keyed to the idea of a shot from the roof, it gave us all the impression of coming from the garden."

Zalia Graem turned quickly to Vance. "The shot yesterday didn't sound to me as if it came from the garden. When I came out of the den I wondered why you were all hurrying upstairs."

Vance returned her gaze squarely. "No, it must have sounded much closer to you," he said. "But why didn't you mention that important fact yesterday when I talked with you about the crime?"

"I—don't know," the girl stammered. "When I saw Woody dead up there, I naturally thought I'd been mistaken."

"But you couldn't have been mistaken," returned Vance, half under his breath. "And after the revolver had been fired yesterday from a downstairs window, it was surreptitiously placed in the pocket of Miss Beeton's top-coat in the hall closet. Had it been fired from upstairs it could have been hidden to far better advantage somewhere on the roof or in the study." He turned again to the girl. "By the by, Miss Graem, didn't you go to that closet after answering your telephone call here in the den?"

"The girl gasped.

"How—how did you know?"

"You were seen there," explained Vance.

The girl turned back to Vance with flashing eyes.

"I'll tell you why I went to the hall closet. I went to get a handkerchief I had left in my handbag. Does that make me a murderer?"

"No, Oh, no," Vance shook his head and sighed. "Thank you for the explanation. . . . And will you be so good as to tell me exactly what you did last night when you answered Mrs. Garden's summons?"

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## IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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### Lesson for May 9

#### ABRAHAM A MAN OF PRAYER

LESSON TEXT—Genesis 18:17-32. GOLDEN TEXT—The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much. James 5:16. PRIMARY TOPIC—Abraham Praying for His Neighbors. JUNIOR TOPIC—A Great Man's Prayer. INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—Praying for Others. YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—The Ministry of Intercession.

Prayer—how many are the books that have been written on that subject and the sermons preached, and yet how little it is actually practiced. One can attract an audience to hear it discussed, but only a handful will come to pray. We as Christians agree that it is God's appointed way of blessing. We put up mottoes such as "Prayer changes things," or "More things are wrought by prayer than this world dreams of," and then (may God forgive us!) we try to change things ourselves. We struggle with problems when we ought to pray.

The lesson of today, from the life of that great hero of faith, Abraham, stresses the importance of intercessory prayer, that is, the giving of ourselves to pray for the temporal and spiritual welfare of others. In an age characterized by a grasping spirit of acquisition for personal advantage it is like a breath from heaven to read of this man's prayer for others.

#### I. The Nature of Intercessory Prayer.

1. It is a Privilege. Abraham had been honored by a visit from God. The covenant had been renewed, a son had been promised. The three visitors looked out toward Sodom. God who had thus appeared to Abraham in visible form and had shared the hospitality of his home now extends to him the privilege of sharing in God's purpose. How glorious to be on such terms of confidence with God, to know him and to know his will and purpose!

2. It is a Responsibility. "Abraham stood yet before the Lord"—why? To pray for Sodom and Gomorrah. Privilege and responsibility go together. Those who have audience with the King of kings are there to carry the blessed burden of prayer for others. Are we praying for our children, our families, our church, our nation? If not, who will pray?

3. It is Objective, not Subjective. Some modern "religious" leaders would devalue prayer by making it a sort of spiritual exercise which has only the value of developing our own soul. The prayer room is to them a sort of spiritual gymnasium where the soul develops its strength and a spiritual sense of well-being floods the soul.

Undoubtedly the very fellowship with God which is inherent in prayer is spiritually beneficial, but prayer actually deals with such things as cities, men, sin, sorrow. It concerns men's physical well-being, their material prosperity, as well as their spiritual welfare. It is the means designated by God for the release of his power on behalf of the object for which we pray.

#### II. Characteristics of Intercessory Prayer.

1. Unselfish. Abraham already had his promise and his blessing. The cities of the plain were wicked, yet he prayed for them. Those who know the spirit of God are not selfish in prayer.

2. Courageous. Note the reverent boldness with which Abraham pleaded the cause of the condemned cities. The Bible reveals that God honored men who had a holy courage. History tells the same story. We celebrate this year the centenary of one who prayed boldly—and believed, and labored—Dwight L. Moody.

3. Persistent. No one likes a "quitter." Christ spoke of a man who was heard for his importunity (Luke 11:8). See also Luke 18:1-8. Some one has said that when we pray we are all too often like the mischievous boy who rings the doorbell and runs away without waiting for an answer.

#### III. Results of Intercessory Prayer.

The cities were destroyed, but the righteous were saved. God hears and answers prayer. This is the testimony of His Word, of countless Christian men and women of all ages, yes, of the men and women of our day. We know by experience that it is true—"I cried; he answered." He says to you and to me, "Call unto Me and I will answer thee and show thee great and mighty things, which thou knowest not" (Jer. 33:3).

#### A Long Life

He lives long that lives well, and time misspent is not lived, but lost.—Fuller.

#### They Also Serve

They also serve who only stand and wait.—Milton

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#### Getting a Child's Confidence

You don't need to "teach" a child a great deal, if you admit him into your conversation on the plane of equality.

If you want to flatter a man tell him he is working too hard.

No matter how persistently you say, "I told you so," nobody remembers that you did.

When you're frightened, keep still. You may pass muster as a brave man.

How many people do you know who, you know, will be glad to see you? Isn't it a restful feeling!

#### Foreign Words and Phrases

Aequo animo. (L.) With equanimity.

J'ai parle. (F.) I have spoken.

Arbitr elegantiam. (L.) An authority on matters of good taste.

Zum Beispiel. (Z. B.) (Ger.) For example.

Sans facon. (F.) Without ceremony.

In puris naturalibus. (L.) In a state of nudity.

Quet-a-pens. (F.) An ambush.

Flacre. (F.) A public hack.

Exeunt, exeunt omnes. (L.) They go out, they all go out.

Amende honorable. (F.) A satisfactory apology; reparation.

Ancien regime. (F.) The old order of things; the rulers of the ante-Revolution period.

Et id genus omne. (L.) And everything of the sort.

Egalite. (F.) Equality.

Vale. (L.) Farewell.

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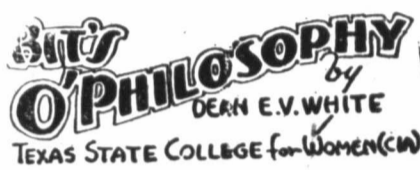
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**THE NEWS HAS BIRTHDAY**

With this issue The Mitchell County News is starting its 7th year of existence in Loraine. In May 1931, W. E. Edmiston established the paper and in the fall of the same year sold it to the present owners. During the six years The News has done very well in spite of the depression and short crop years. We have been able to continue giving the people of this territory an eight page paper every week which contains the very best features and comes along with the local news. At times the going has been tough but we have bowed our necks and continued, and we expect to continue to give Loraine the best paper possible as long as we are able.

During the six years Loraine merchants have not patronized the paper as well as we sometimes thought they should but we have realized the condition of the country financially has held them down to some extent, and we are hopeful that in the future The News may progress as the town progresses.



To give away only what you cannot use is the worst form of charity.

The poorest boss is he who exhibits the greatest authority. If you can't improve your looks, try to improve your mind. Saving dimes and spending dollars won't make you rich.

How you go through college is not as important as how you come out.

He who cheats another cheats himself more.

**Uncle Jim Says**



"Grasses and legumes check costly soil losses and help provide cheap feed for livestock."

Texas farmers have learned that soil losses on minor slopes can be prevented by cover crops or by reverting the crop land on such slopes to pastures.

Legumes take nitrogen from the air and make it available in the soil for subsequent crops. Legumes are high in protein and minerals; when livestock have access to legumes, a saving in grain and protein supplement necessary to balance the ration is usually realized.

Many of the clovers have an excellent physical effect on the soil in that their roots penetrate to unusual depths and loosen up the subsoil. One of the direct benefits of this action is that the soil can absorb and store more moisture.

The farmers of Texas are using more legumes. The 1930 census figures show that 394,555 acres were devoted to legumes in 1929; while the 1935 census figures list 773,783 acres of legumes in 1934.

The past year saw Texas farmers, in compliance with the Agricultural Conservation Program, plant 1,776,868 acres to legumes.

Pastures which contain a combination of legumes and grasses provide a longer period of grazing and a more balanced ration for livestock; tend to check erosions and soil losses; and build up the soil by adding humus and nitrogen.

The Agricultural Conservation Program contains provisions for carrying part of the financial burden of conservation practices, and offers aid to farmers in the task of improving and maintaining soil fertility.

**WEEKLY HEALTH LETTER**

Austin, Texas May 3, Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer, characterized typhoid fever as a National disgrace and an unnecessary evil, while discussing this preventable disease. He said, "Each year about four hundred Texans die of this disease and approximately four thousand are sick with it. The average duration of illness is about six weeks; this means that the disease is responsible for the loss of 168,000 days in Texas each year."

Typhoid vaccine is a harmless solution. This is injected under the skin in the upper part of the arm, in three doses, usually at weekly intervals. It ordinarily protects against the disease from two to three years or longer, although one who is definitely exposed to infection should be re-vaccinated more frequently.

Typhoid fever can be controlled by the use of pure water, pasteurized milk or clean, milk, clean foods, proper disposal of sewage, screening against the fly and destroying its places, by search for and care of human carriers, and by the general practice of vaccination.

Certain people, apparently healthy, carry the germs of typhoid in their intestines or urinary tract and cause many cases of

typhoid each year through handling foods with unwashed hands. They are called typhoid carriers and many cases result from personal contact with these carriers.

In selecting a place for a vacation choose one where you know that the water and milk supply is pure. Be sure that the kitchen and dining room are screened to protect food from flies. When camping it is best to boil water used for drinking, unless you know that it is pure. Clear, sparkling spring water may be polluted by drainage.

**METHODIST CHURCH NOTES**

Mothers Day will be fittingly observed at the Methodist Church Sunday. The motif of both Sunday School and of the preaching hour will be mother or memory of mother. The pastor will bring a special Mothers Day sermon.

All members of the church whose mothers are alive and resident here are requested to bring them to church Sunday morning.

Last Sunday our church school attendance was 196, just four short of the goal set for the day. Let's make the attendance 225 to 250 next Sunday.

Many from the local church attended district conference at Colorado Tuesday and Wednesday. The pastor was re-elected secretary of the body for another year.

Prayermeeting Wednesday evening was led by Miss Wrenola Martin. She had prepared a special program for the occasion with numerous members taking part. Many miss blessings who do not attend these midweek services.

**Closing Date Set For Farmers Sign up**

"Definite final date for farmers to sign Work Sheets for the 1937 Agricultural Conservation Program has been set for Saturday, May 15," stated B. J. Baskin, County Agent. "Every farmer in Mitchell County is urged to sign a Work Sheet. No farmer is under any obligation to comply

with any program in case he signs. However, should he fail to sign on or before May 15, then he should not make an 'Application For A Grant' even though weather conditions or insect damage cause him to change his 1937 Cropping Practices in such manner as would qualify him for any Benefits."

Any farmer wishing any detailed information regarding his farm or the 1937 program is urged to call at the County Agent's office.

**METHODIST W. M. S.**

The Womans Missionary Society of the Methodist Church met at the church at 3:30 Monday. The meeting was opened by singing Help Somebody Today and Our Best Prayer was offered by Mrs. Jim Manly.

The devotional was given by Mrs. T. C. Wilson, using the parable of the talents found in the 25th chapter of Matthew.

We were favored with a special song by Mrs. Hamilton Wright who sang The Beautiful Garden of Prayer.

Mrs. Jameson of Colorado gave a very interesting talk on Christian Service for Women. We were glad to have Mrs. Jameson and Mrs. Manly with us.

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**F**R instance, there are Gene Byrnes' "Reg'lar Fellers," as likely a band of youngsters as ever busted a schoolhouse window. Jimmie Dugan, Aggie Riley, Pudd'n'head and Pinhead, Bump Hudson and the dog Bullseye are worth a chuckle in every line.

**D**ESPERATE Ambrose, who becomes doubly dangerous when donning his vendetta hat, Pop Wimpus and Old Timer have become national institutions in the uproarious strip, "S'Matter Pop?" by C. M. Payne. One of the wildest, craziest comics in the world, this is still as true to life as cold oatmeal or corned beef hash.

**S**LIGHTLY daffy, of course, are "The Featherheads," but only daffy enough to do the things that all of us do that are good for a million laughs in our daily lives. Car-

toonist Osborne's funny folk also come to you every week in this paper.

**A**ND Finney. "Finney of the Force" is the answer to the charge that nobody loves a policeman. This genial flatfoot's humorous adventures, as portrayed by the young artist, Ted O'Loughlin, are a lot of fun for him and even more for you as you watch him walk his beat.

**M**ESCAL IKE" by S. L. Huntley brings you Mescal himself, Pa Piffle, Miss Sally Price, Dirty Shirt Mulloney, Muley Bates and the other salty citizens of Cactus Center. This hilarious strip has the excitement of a diamond-back's rattle, a kick like an untamed mustang and all the dry humor of a desert mule.

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**Assembly Programs**

For the past two weeks the Public Speaking class has been practicing and directing plays. One of the plays was presented in assembly Wednesday directed by Ruth Anne Hall. The characters of the play, "Ann Drives the Car," were: Ann—Iona Callahan, her fond husband, A. G. Furlow, and her mother, Opal Martin. The actors kept the students in a roar of laughter from the time Ann got in the car to drive until she wrecked it in the ditch. Needless to say everyone enjoyed the performance.

Friday the fourth grade put on a little playlet, "The Masquerade." The characters seemed to enjoy attending the party though it was only in a play and the student body really did enjoy "The Masquerade."

**Honor Students**

With the last six weeks as the final decision for honor students, the honor students are to be an-

nounced. Valedictorian for the 4 years work is Byron Bennett with an average of 96.46. Salutatorian for the four years work is W. F. James, Jr with an average of 95.82. The honor girl is Billie Marie Rowland with an average of 92.94.

Other honor students are Opal Martin 92.51, and Ruth Anne Hall 91.92.

Don't fail to see "In the Corner Cupboard" Friday night at 8:00.

**Band Trip to Lubbock**

The L. H. S. band left last Friday morning at 8 o'clock to go to Lubbock to the annual band contest. We arrived in Lubbock at 12:30. Iris Riden placed in the second division of clarinet solos, Jack Lankford, second division in horn solos, and Melvin King, third division in trombone solos.

There were forty bands in Lubbock, therefore there was plenty of music everywhere we went. Saturday morning we heard some of the class A and B bands. The higher class bands were all very good and very interesting to hear.

Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock a parade was given including about 15 bands, the parade being led by the Tech band.

Miss Alexander and Mrs. W. W. Rowland accompanied the girls and Mr. Snively and Mr. King, the boys. Everyone had a grand time and received a great benefit from the trip.

**Fire Drill**

Tuesday morning at 9:15 the students of L. H. S. were roused from their seats by a continual ringing of the fire bell. A few seconds later every student was out of the school and excitement was running high.

Other fire prevention movement was the writing of themes on some phase of fire prevention in the 9th and 11th grade English courses.

Come and see what is "In the Corner Cupboard" Friday night at 8:00 o'clock. Admission 10c and 15c. Come one, come all!

**Freshmen Frolics**

The last lap is nearly ended and are the "Fish" happy. We are all working hard so as to rase with our fellow classmates. Our class for the few remaining weeks have adopted as their motto: "Work hard and pass."

As eight months of our first year in high school have passed the "Fish" are learning how to conduct themselves better in the study hall; but Miss Hoskinson doesn't think so.

**A Winner**

Several weeks ago the Seniors of L. H. S. entered a contest sponsored by the Sweetwater Business College. The past week Miss Hoskinson received notice that the second place winner was our own Billie Marie Rowland. The essays were written as a part of English work on the subject of "Why I Need Business Training." A boy from McCauley high school won first place. As

second place winner Billie Marie receives free tuition for a business course in the Sweetwater Business College.

The essay follows:

Loraine High School  
 March 26, 1937.

**Why I Need Business Training**  
 Would you call business training a career? not necessarily so because a training like that is valuable even in home life.

A good business training practically assures you a source of income. There are always openings in large cities for good secretaries, business accountants, etc.

In my one year of typing I have enjoyed trying to raise my rate of speed and accuracy. To work in an office has always been pleasing to me. It is not laborious and if one likes it, a business training is what he should invest in.

Going to a business college is not very expensive. At a regular college you would get only the principles of business work in the same length of time you learn practically all of it at a business college. The cost is less by far.

In business colleges the very best courses of English are taught. In order to stay in a business training school you must make an average of 90 or above in your English. Good English helps you in all connections with other people. You can never get a good job if your English is poor.

Good business training and good English will assure you a job if there are any possible openings. To be able to type and

take dictation saves you much time. To write a letter in long-hand is a waste of time in this swiftly moving world of today.

The filing clerk and accountant must be neat and efficient. One bad move on their part and time or money or both might be lost while the mistake is being corrected. Training in filing and accounting increases efficiency in all walks of life. Efficiency is one of the greatest assets that a person can have.

To be happy one must know many people and mix well with them. Working in an office brings one in contact with many people every day, thus, developing one's personality. A good personality is bound to send you higher in the business world.

"Today, perhaps more than at any other time in the history of the world, there is a growing consciousness of the importance of definite preparation for business education." Even though more people are training for business the field is still open for many more trained business workers.

In all the advantages for taking a business course, seven main ones stand out in my mind as the best reasons that I need business education. Obtaining a business training is not expensive, and I like the work; so I feel that I should train myself to fill one of the many openings for the profession. The education that would be gained in English, Two things are very important and essential, to be

and efficient and to be able to budget your time well. I should improve myself greatly if I could only better my personality.

I think it will be well worth my time to obtain all of these necessary things. A business training is exactly what I need and I hope I shall get it as soon as I graduate from high school.

**Introducing the Seniors**

Who is the best piccolo player of Loraine High? You guessed it. Billie Marie Rowland was born October 31, 1920 in the little city now the home of the fighting Bulldogs. At the present time she is a young lady of 5 feet 7 1/2 inches and carries around with at all times a personality that few young men have failed to notice. Billie Marie is a brunette with a pair of sparkling brown eyes. Beauty is not her only asset however for she is an excellent declaimer, having declaimed for L. H. S. for a number of years. She is an honor student and recently definitely established that fact by winning a scholarship from Sweetwater Business College through the medium of a theme.

Billie Marie has been with the Seniors now throughout their school days, and they have come to know her well. I am sure that they will all agree that with her intelligence, personality, and industry she will surely carve a niche in the shadowed halls of destiny.

**"In the Corner Cupboard"**

Once upon a time there were 4 girls in a summer camp and what should happen to them but excitement, thrills, romance, and great mystery. But they all come out alive even though some of them do get hurt, and believe it or not they do not all get married in the end, (as usual). This is the story connected with the "In the Corner Cupboard" so don't fail to see the play given by the Senior class on Friday night at 8:00 o'clock at the high school auditorium. The admission is only 10 and 15 cents.

The characters are: Sally Sayre who wishes for a bandit or a burglar—Iris Riden; Linda Lee, who wishes to do nothing—Ruth Anne Hall; Priscilla Potter who wishes for a mine—Billie Rowland; Janet Jessup who owns the mountain home—Lillian Hendrick; Ted Lee who substitutes for the convict—Duane Bruce; Tony Gates who effects a capture—Lloyd Brame; Stephen Sylvester who plans an elopement—Opal Martin; Hannah who helps things along—Maurine Robertson; Hubert Lewis who plays a little game of his own—W. F. James; Percy Wells who lives next door—Byron Bennett; Don Davis who strikes a snag—Pricie Hall.

Be sure and see "In the Corner Cupboard."

**Band News**

The band went to Lubbock Friday to the annual band contest of the western division of the state. It was unable to play, however, because of an injury to the lip of the solo cornet player. We listened to other bands and learned quite a bit from them.

There were three soloists who entered in the solo contests. Iris Riden and Jack Lankford placed in the second division and Melvin King placed in the third division. The judge offered them some good advice as to how to improve their playing and this was well worth the trip.

Some of the band members seemed to suffer with insomnia Friday night, at least they didn't sleep any all night. For further details see Roy Junior and Bud.

Ask some of the girls about a sudden shower that hit the hotel about 3:30 A. M. It seemed to come from the window above.

**Latin Club**

The Latin club held its meeting last Thursday. The roll call was answered by the name of a Roman child. A short program followed the reading of the minutes, which included the following: Roman toys and pets, by Marion Rhodes; the Ceremonies after the birth of a child, by Wylene Brown; the Education of girls, by Nina Pearl Brown.

A committee was appointed to arrange for a picnic in the near future.

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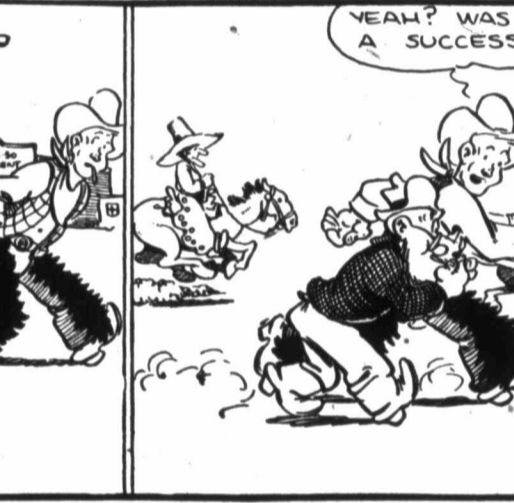
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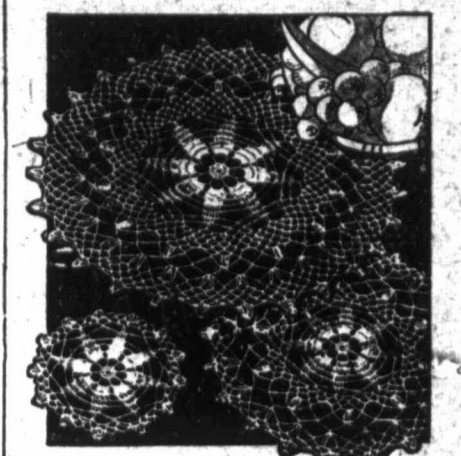
### That's Art!

Son—Daddy dear, what is an actor?  
Daddy—An actor? My son, an actor is a man who can walk to the side of a stage, peer into the wings filled with theatrical props, dirt and dust, other actors, stage-hands, old clothes and other clap-trap, and say: "What a lovely view there is from this window." —Sheboygan Press.  
**Chit-Chat**  
Officer (to colored driver who has been whipping his horse)—Don't whip him, man—talk to him.  
Driver (to horse by way of opening conversation)—Ah come from N'Awleens. Wheah does you-all come from?—Southern Lumberman.  
**Horrible Thought**  
She (gushingly)—Will you love me when I'm old?  
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By Bebe Daniels  
Film Star  
**Fruit Salad**  
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Wife—Don't bother, Milburn. I've read it already—found it in your coat pocket.

### MIGHTY DIGIT



"Fancy a woman getting \$5,000 damages for the loss of a thumb!"  
"Perhaps she kept her husband under it."

### Sweet Chimes

They were trying to decide whether the church should have a new chandelier or not. After much discussion, both for and against, one devout and earnest deacon arose and threw in his viewpoint: "I don't object to buying the thing at all, but who can play it after we get it?"

### School Days

She was a pretty young school teacher, and was reading sentences to her class, letting them supply the last word. "The Sphinx," she read, "has eyes, but it cannot see." "See," cried the children. "Has ears but cannot hear." "Hear," they responded. "Has mouth but cannot eat." "Eat," came the chorus. "Has nose but cannot wipe it." "Wipe it," thundered the class. — Border Cities Star.

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### THE CHEERFUL CHERUB

I like to dine in grand hotels with folks of wealth or great renown, and every now and then I do when our rich uncle comes to town.

## UNCOMMON AMERICANS

By Elmo Scott Watson

### Man With Branded Hand

IN EVERGREEN cemetery in Muskegon, Mich., stands a monument which bears the inscription "Capt. Walker's Branded Hand" and below it a bas-relief of an open hand with the letters "S. S." on the heel of the thumb. This monument recalls one of the stirring incidents of pre-Civil war days and marks the grave of a man who played a part in bringing on that conflict.

Capt. Jonathan Walker was a Massachusetts sea captain and in 1844 was engaged in coastwise trade. Hating negro slavery, Walker tried to help seven blacks, who had fled from a Florida plantation, escape to the Bahamas. He was arrested, brought to Pensacola, tried as a thief in federal court and found guilty. He was sentenced to be branded on the right hand with the letters "S. S." (slave stealer), to stand in the pillory one hour, be imprisoned fifteen days and pay a fine of \$150.

After the first part of the sentence had been carried out, he was led again into the courthouse. Ordered to put his hand on the post of the railing in front of the judge's bench, Walker protested when the marshal bound it fast to the post. He declared that he could hold it firm during the ordeal, but his protest was ignored and the branding took place.

After his release from prison, Walker went back to his home in Massachusetts to find himself a hero and a martyr. John Greenleaf Whitier wrote a poem in which he besought Walker to hold his branded right hand aloft for all the world to see. Abolitionist leaders recognized in the incident a potent argument for their cause. Accompanied by a fugitive slave he traveled through the North and lectured on the evils of slavery.

"The Man with the Branded Hand" became a famous figure and he did much to arouse the North and put it in a receptive frame of mind for Harriet Beecher Stowe's "Uncle Tom's Cabin" as a faithful picture of the horrors of slavery. In the '50's Walker and his family moved to Wisconsin and a few years later bought a small fruit farm in Michigan. There he lived during the remainder of his days and there he died in 1878, an almost forgotten figure who had played no little part in bringing on the greatest civil war in history.

### Cap'n Streeter, Squatter King

FIFTY years ago it was only a sandbar on the shore of Lake Michigan opposite Chicago's famous "Gold Coast." Today towering skyscrapers, huge office buildings, a famous hotel and a great university stand on land valued at half a billion dollars. But Chicagoans still call it "Streeterville," thereby honoring the memory of Cap'n George Wellington Streeter, who battled valiantly against "them dern capitalists" and held out for 30 years before they finally dethroned this famous "squatter king" from his "Deestriect of Lake Michigan."

Streeter was a Civil war veteran who became a boatman on the Great Lakes. In 1884 he built a 100-ton ship in which he started for Honduras to take part in a revolution then in progress. But his ship went aground on a sandbar and the skipper found himself marooned several hundred yards out in Lake Michigan from the Chicago shoreline. So he decided he might as well stay right there. Out of the timbers of his ship he and his wife, Maria, built a little shack on their sandy island and settled down.

But the rich owners of property in that part of Chicago were extending their riparian rights into the lake. As the little peninsulas of filled-in land reached out toward the captain's island, which had been enlarged by drifting sand, they decided that his shack was an eyesore and should be removed. They called on the law to evict these squatters and five husky constables started out to do it. Cap'n Streeter put on his fighting costume—a high silk hat and a frock coat—he and Maria took their muskets in hand and the constables retreated hastily.

Streeter found an old map of the city on which the boundary of Lake Michigan was plainly marked. He contended that the "made land" was outside that boundary, therefore it was under federal jurisdiction and he claimed it by right of discovery. But the courts refused to recognize his claim to this "Deestriect of Lake Michigan." He and Maria were evicted time and again but they always came back. So the struggle went on year after year, in a court and out of court.

"Cap'n" Streeter died in 1921. But his second wife, "Ma" Streeter, true to her promise to him, carried it on for several years more. Finally she had to give up the fight and Chicago's "Thirty Years' war" with the "squatter king" came to an end when she died last year.

## Suits Stress Short Fitted Jackets

By CHERIE NICHOLAS



THE coronation of the king and queen of Great Britain is reflecting no little influence throughout the world of fashion. Which perhaps accounts for the tremendous vogue for handsome suits tailored of handsome wools which is sweeping throughout fashion's domain. Since London is proving a magnet for designers and merchants who wish to keep in touch with what's going on in a fashion way where such striking epoch-making events are taking place, their first reaction would naturally be in favor of stunning woolen tailored apparel since English women set pace for the world in this direction.

At any rate this is proving an outstanding season for the tailored suit and all that goes with it in the way of chic accessories. The new wools are as an intriguing lot as ever launched forth on a fashion career. While most any length jacket is accepted this year as good style, yet when it comes to top-notch swank the fashion-wise are centering their interest about the jaunty short-jacket types.

The suit to the left in the picture combines nubby wool sheer tweed with even nubier knit and you know that the nubier the smarter is the word this season for woolsens. The short fitted jacket in brown and beige tweed has three half-moon pockets lined with the brown knit of the skirt. There's a brown knit ascot, a belt and buttons that are amusing in their oddity. By the way, you can add to the lure of a costume like this by wearing a blouse that fastens with fruit or vegetable buttons. Seeing is believing in regard to these whimsical buttons, some of which are miniature strawberries or perhaps wee apples or peaches. If you prefer oblong buttons ask for the lilliputian bananas they are displaying this season or the teeny-weeny ears of corn, each and all

in the realistic colorings of Nature.

The two-piece suit of pin-checked wool tweed on the seated figure is being flecked with white, according to Schiaparelli's fabric version. Such an exciting color theme as beige has grown to be this season! It's beige for your suit, for your furs, for your monotone crepe afternoon gown and for accessories with your navy or black suit beige is a most important message. The diamond shaped composition buttons that fasten this jacket are decidedly a novel and therefore impart the exclusive look. Panels form ingenious breast pockets. A navy blouse peeps from under the stand-up collar.

Check and double check! Here you see the game played in the suit to the right in the group. A navy and white box-swagger coattee in soft wool with large patch pockets and rounded lapels over a single breasted jacket to match makes this one of the smartest and most practical suits of the season. A navy monotone tweed skirt in simple lines is a pleasing variation from the check of the jacket. Wear with this costume a white baku breton sailor with roll brim faced in patent leather, for you must know that patent leather touches are ace-high chic.

The checked swagger-and-jacket suit just described is a good example of the fashion now prevailing for ensembles that are that composite they furnish quite a complete wardrobe in themselves. The present scheme of costume design that includes several items such as skirt, jacket, roomy topcoat and often an added cape denotes a very practical turn of affairs. These are so related in color and technique that, combine them as you will, they never fail to form a perfect unified outfit.

### "AMOUR" SILK PRINT

By CHERIE NICHOLAS



The love affair that startled the world takes on a fashion note. Look at the silk over-blousette which this perfectly coiffed and hatted lady is wearing and you will be able to decipher the word "amour" designfully patterned in stripes on the printed silk. The blousette is worn over a black silk crepe dress. The silk print is done in black and gray on a white silk crepe. The breton sailor she wears flared off the forehead instead of tilted forward is a "last word" hat fashion.

**Nosegays for Buttonhole**  
A smart Paris wrinkle is an evening corsage of dahlias in seven different tones or one with three lilac sprays, white and mauve violets.

## AROUND the HOUSE Items of Interest to the Housewife

**Date Pie**—Two cups milk, half pound dates, two eggs, one-quarter teaspoon salt, nutmeg. Cook dates with milk twenty minutes in top of double boiler. Strain and rub through sieve, then add eggs and salt. Line pie plate with paste, pour in filling and bake in quick oven at first to set rim, decrease heat afterwards.

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**Bechamel Sauce**—Melt a quarter cup butter in saucepan, add one-quarter cup flour, stir until smooth. Add gradually one and a half cups of highly seasoned chicken stock while stirring constantly. Add one-half cup of hot cream

and beat until smooth and glossy. Season with salt, pepper and fine grating of nutmeg. If a yellow sauce is desired, remove sauce from range and add the beaten yolks of two eggs diluted with one-quarter cup warm cream. Do not allow sauce to boil after adding egg yolks.

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**LOCALS**

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Mr. and Mrs. Bill Britton of Carlsbad, New Mexico, Buel Bulard and family of Loraine, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Terrell of Sweetwater, and Mrs. L. T. Britton of Loraine were dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Clint McCollum Sunday.

Still have a few sacks of maize head chops on hand, good feed for little chicks and laying hens. J. C. Meek, Ice and Fuel.

Jack Coffee of Carlsbad, New Mexico, was here over the week end. He and his wife moved to Carlsbad Sunday.

Our cleaning and pressing is the best at all times. Leggotts Tailor Shop.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Steel and daughters of Roscoe spent Sunday in the A. Callahan home.

Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Bennett attended the golden wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Welch in Colorado Sunday. The affair was given in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Welch's daughter, Mrs. C. P. Gary. Mr. and Mrs. Welch are the grandparents of Mrs. Harold Bennett.

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Mr. and Mrs. Ben Caswell and Jessie Scott of Hermleigh visited Mrs. John Griffin and Mrs. Eunice Lee Sunday.

Mrs. Williams, who has been visiting in the home of her son Ed Williams, returned to her home in Grandbury Saturday.

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Mrs. G. A. Hutchins visited in the home of her daughter, Mrs. B. L. Templeton, in Colorado Sunday.

W. H. Howell spent several days last week visiting his daughter in Albany.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Martin of Abilene visited Dr. and Mrs. T. A. Martin here last week.

J. L. Bird returned Tuesday from Abilene where he spent several days visiting friends.

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Marie Jarratt, daughter of A. E. Jarratt, underwent an operation for appendicitis at the Young Hospital in Roscoe Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hallmark spent last week end visiting Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Richey at Coleman.

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**CEMETERY ASSOCIATION TO MEET THURSDAY, MAY 6**

President O. I. Griffin announced Monday that the regular meeting of the Cemetery Association will be held at the Methodist Church Thursday evening, May 13 at 7:45. Everybody is invited to be present.

Leon Crutcher, who will receive his B. A. degree at Texas Tech in June, has been notified of his appointment to a position in the Government Department at Louisiana State University. The fellowship will pay \$360 for the long term beginning in September. Leon merited the fellowship because of his excellent standing in Tech.

**CARD OF THANKS**

We wish to thank the good people of Loraine for their kindness and help in the loss of our home by fire. We are especially grateful to the fireboys for their splendid work. Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Crosby.

Miss Velma Cranfil had her tonsils removed Thursday morning in Dr. Johnson's office.

**CHAMPION NEWS**

Rev. Cone Merritt filled his regular appointment Saturday night and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Dyess are the parents of a baby boy. The baby is seriously ill. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Pierce of Midland are here at the baby's bedside. Mrs. Pierle is a sister to Mr. Dyess.

Mrs. Floyd McBride and daughter Thelma Ree visited her parents. Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Mearse, Monday.

Jimmy Max Wright has been brought home from the Young Hospital where he was taken several days ago after following an injury received when he and his horse were knocked down by a car driven by Mr. Greer. The boy was riding his horse along the road and the horse jumped in front of the Greer car and it hit them before Mr. Greer could stop it. Jimmy Max is doing nicely.

The Petty children and Jackie Damer, grandson of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Meador, are ill with measles this week.

The juniors met at the home of Mrs. Lohrus Sunday afternoon for a program.

Mr. and Mrs. John Pitman and William Blankenship of Mesquite attended church at Champion Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Mearse attended services in the home of Mrs. Porter near Mesquite Sunday afternoon.

day afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Edd Althoff visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ector Hunter Sunday.

Mrs. Talmage Wiman has been on the sick list the past week.

Mrs. Tisdale of Midland is visiting her brother John Dyess and family.

The club ladies met last Wednesday with 30 present. All had a nice time. Mrs. Ruth Garrett was hostess. Mrs. B. C. Greer will be hostess at the next meeting.

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