

DALLAS NEGRO IS BRANDED AND THE LASH IS APPLIED

GREAT BRITAIN IS FACING PARALYSIS OF HER INDUSTRIES

SET IN MOTION MACHINERY FOR RATIONING FOOD RESULT STRIKE.

TRAIN SERVICE TO BE REDUCED 25 PER CENT

Many Allied Industries Have Begun To Close Down—Thousands Are Idle.

By LLOYD ALLEN
United Press Staff Correspondent.
LONDON, April 2.—Great Britain
is facing a paralysis of industry today
as a result of the nation-wide strike
of the coal miners.
The government, viewing the situation
as grave, set in motion the machinery
for rationing food and curtailing
transportation. All train service
will be reduced 25 per cent beginning
Wednesday.
Many allied industries have begun
to close down and scores of thousands
of persons are expected to be thrown
out of work.
All of the northern iron works, the
mills and factories in Yorkshire and
the Scottish steel plants were stop-
ping work.
Tens of thousands of dock workers were
idle yesterday and four thousand more
were expected to be laid off in the
Sheffield district today.
The strike, which began Thursday
and which involves more than a million
miners, already had caused losses
of millions of pounds through the
flooding of scores of mines throughout
the country.
One pit in north Wales had been
ruined and it was feared that many
slawyers would be damaged beyond
recovery. Owners sent out a general
call for volunteers to man the pumps
and prevent complete disaster.
Apprehension was caused by the
possibility that the strike would
spread to the railway and transport
workers. Even should the latter re-
fuse actually to walk out they could
make the situation more dangerous
by refusing to handle coal.
The discipline of the strikers ap-
peared to be perfect. No case of violence
had been reported from any of the
hundreds of pits involved.
Political as well as economic issues
have begun to complicate the situation.
Some officials predicted that a
general election would be called soon,
involving the miners' federation and
Premier Lloyd George had turned
over all negotiations, so far as the
government is concerned, to Sir Robert
Horne, who today assumed the
important part of chancellor of the
exchequer. He just returned from the
first vacation he has had in seven
years.
The strike will kill itself, as well
as scuttle the miners' federation, one
government official predicted today.

WANTS \$100,000 FOR ALLEGED FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH CONTRACT

J. J. Sallaska has begun action in
the 8th district court for \$100,000
against the Columbia Petroleum Com-
pany and others in which he alleged
that the defendant failed to comply
with the terms of contract in which
they agreed to drill two wells on a
certain oil and gas lease that he owned.
The plaintiff alleges that his lease
was in proven territory in block 74 of
Red River Valley Lands and that there
were wells brought in on all sides of
his lease that produced oil in com-
mercial quantities.
He contends that the contract called
for the drilling of two wells to the
depth of 2,000 feet if necessary but
that the defendant did not drill either
one of the two. The plaintiff is of
the belief that had the terms of the
contract been carried out that the
lease would have produced at least
\$200,000 worth of oil and that he was
entitled to one-half.

OFFICERS DENY REPORT OF "TIP" TO ROB TRAIN

BUFAULA, OKLA., April 2.—County
authorities here today denied reports
that they had received "tips" that an
attempt would be made to rob the
south bound Missouri, Kansas and
Texas passenger train when it passed
through here early today or that steps
had been taken to frustrate such an
attempt.

NEW DIRECTORS AT AMERICAN NATIONAL

J. R. Hyatt and N. Henderson Elected
Friday—H. G. Burlew and R. S.
Nixon Resign.

J. R. Hyatt and N. Henderson were
elected directors of the American Na-
tional bank Friday afternoon, at a
meeting of stockholders of that in-
stitution. At the same meeting, the
resignations of Rhea S. Nixon, as vice-
president, and of H. G. Burlew, as
director and vice-president, were ac-
cepted.
Neither Mr. Nixon nor Mr. Burlew is
as yet ready to announce plans for the
future.
J. R. Hyatt, one of the new directors,
was recently appointed cashier of the
bank.

CARRIED TO WOODS NEAR CITY BY A MOB OF FIFTEEN MEN.

REPORTERS "KIDNAPED" TO WRITE THE STORY

Was Charged With Intimacy With
White Women In a Fashionable
Hotel Of City.

By HARRY CAYLOR
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DALLAS, TEXAS, April 2.—The
"Ku Klux Klan" held midnight court
again in the south last night.

Symbols of the order were burned in
fiery acid upon the forehead of Alex
Johnson, negro, "tried" with a mob
around his neck, amid the lonely hills
of Dallas county, and "found guilty"
of intimacy with a white woman.

Between twenty-five and thirty
lashes were applied to Johnson's naked
back and later, beaten and bleeding,
the letters "K. K. K." in his forehead
as a "warning" to other negroes not
to associate with white women. He was
turned loose upon the steps of the
fashionable hotel where his alleged of-
fense was committed and commanded
to tell other negro employees there his
fate.

With the "solemn" fifteen standing
in a circle about him, he was made to
take oath he would never associate
with another white woman. He was
given the choice between this oath and
death.

A "trial" was conducted by men
in white masks—all were properly
dressed.
Reporters for newspapers, "kid-
naped" by a mob and taken to the
scene of "court" to "write the story,"
were commanded to write truthfully
what you see and hear, and were
warned that all who do not, will be
punished. A "press table" was set
up.

Trial was held under a great elm
tree in the "court room" which only by
the dim flare of a flashlight played
upon the scared faces of the
negro. The wind rustling leaves was
the only noise that sometimes
interrupted the proceedings. Johnson,
a negro, was made to kneel, and
his hands were bound behind his back.
Members of the "Klan" slipped the
negro, who had been taken to the
scene of "court" to "write the story,"
and he was taken to the scene of "court"
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Johnson, the negro, "tried," whipped
and branded was recently arrested in
Dallas. He had been taken to the
scene of "court" to "write the story,"
and he was taken to the scene of "court".

The negro, badly frightened, with
the rope still around his neck, was
asked questions, the procedure begin-
ning.
"What is your name?"
"Alex Johnson," was the reply.
"What do you do for a living?"
"I was bell boy at a local hotel."
With the space under the tree light-
ed only by flashlight, the question-
ing proceeded until the alleged con-
fession.

Johnson was not badly injured other
than by the lashes with the black
snake, it was declared. Twenty-five
lashes were applied.
The masked men seized Johnson and
after riding several miles, released a
few hours before on bond on a charge
of vagrancy after it was alleged he was
found in the woman's room.

A "trial" was then conducted after
the manner described in stories of
the followers of the fiery cross in past
years. Johnson was alleged to have
been taken to the scene of "court" to
"write the story," and he was taken to
the scene of "court".

Whether the mob last night was a
bona fide chapter of the Ku Klux Klan
was unknown. The crowd, how-
ever, went through all the rites of the
old southern order, and a chapter of
the Klan was known to exist in Dallas,
having been organized only recently.
Both the sheriff's office and police
department are investigating the af-
fair, but as the men were masked and
numbers, along with other identifica-
tion, had been carefully removed from
cars, no clue had been uncovered. The
men disbanded as mysteriously as
they gathered.

DISTINGUISHED AMERICANS OF A HALF CENTURY AGO



This rare old photograph was recently found in Virginia City, Nev. It shows General U. S. Grant and mem-
bers of his party on a visit to the Consolidated mines in Virginia City, Nev., on October 2, 1877. The men in the photo
were among the most distinguished Americans of their day. Left to right: John W. Mackay, promoter of the
Mackay-Bennett cable, and one of California's early millionaires; Mrs. D. Gillette, U. S. Grant Jr., Mrs. U. S.
Grant, General Grant, Mrs. James G. Fair, Governor J. H. Kinkhead of Nevada, and James G. Fair. Mr. and Mrs.
Fair were the parents of Mrs. William K. Vanderbilt and Hermann Oel-dichs. John W. Mackay was the father
of Clarence H. Mackay, at the present time head of the Postal Telegraph company.

STILL IS CONCEALED UNDER FODDER STACK

Sheriff Fred Smith and Electra Offi-
cers Confiscate Outfit And
Mash.

A large still, concealed under a large
stack of sorghum fodder near Electra,
was confiscated Friday evening by
Sheriff Fred Smith and officers from
Electra. The still was destroyed and
400 gallons of mash and a small quan-
tity of finished product was poured
out.

No arrests were made as the alleged
owner of the outfit was not at hand
when officers arrived. The man is
known, however, and his arrest is
momentarily expected.

The still was found in a small room
in a barn. The room was confamilied
so that except with careful investiga-
tion it could not be disclosed. Sorghum
fodder had been piled on top of it and
on all sides so that it gave the ap-
pearance of a large stack of fodder.

A steam boiler, one hundred feet
from the barn furnished the steam
with which the mash was distilled.
People in the vicinity are said to have
been led to believe that the boiler fur-
nished the power for a laundry in the
house.

MASS MEETING FOR ALL UNION LABORERS

Central Body Calls a Special Meeting
To Be Held Saturday Afternoon
At Four O'clock.

Following the announcement Friday
of the proposed cut in wages of car-
penters from \$10 to \$8 per day, the
central body in its regular session Fri-
day evening called a special mass
meeting for all union labor men to be
held Saturday afternoon at 4:00
o'clock.

The announcement carried with it
that the meeting was of the greatest
importance and urged that every
member of any of the union be in
attendance. The exact nature of the
questions to be taken up was not dis-
closed.

It is believed, in view of recent hap-
penings that the question of wage re-
ductions was taken up, although this
is not official.

PLAN REFERENDUM VOTE IN UNIONS ON WAGE REDUCTIONS

By United Press.
CHICAGO, April 2.—Building trade
workers, numbering 55,000, were pre-
paring today to vote on whether they
will accept a wage reduction.

The decision to all a referendum on
the proposal of contractors that wages
of skilled employees be cut from \$1.25
to \$1 an hour and unskilled from \$1 to
70 cents an hour was reached by the
labor council last night.

The referendum will start at once.
The result will be made public next
week.

Contractors, in stating their case,
said if the reduction was accepted
100,000,000 worth of building contracts
would be let off the next 30 days and
that the 55,000 union men in building
industries would all have jobs.

More houses will mean less rent,
they said.

Painters on Strike.
SPRINGFIELD, ILL., April 2.—
Strike of union painters was called
today when contractors refused to
continue the scale of \$1 an hour.

Several Hundred Out.
ST. JOSEPH, MO., April 2.—Several
hundred plumbers, electricians and
painters struck today rather than
accept a decrease in wages.

Refuse to Accept Reduction.
DES MOINES, IOWA, April 2.—Fif-
teen hundred men in building trades
were idle today. They refused to ac-
cept a wage slash.

Many Walk Out.
OMAHA, NEBR., April 2.—Many
building trades workers walked out
today because of a 20 per cent reduc-
tion in pay.

Building at Standstill.
ST. LOUIS, APRIL 2.—Building was
at a standstill today following refusal
of workers to continue after their
wages had been slashed 50 per cent.

Strike at New Haven.
NEW HAVEN, CONN., April 2.—Two
hundred and fifty painters were on
strike here today as the result of their
refusal to accept a 20 per cent wage
cut. The proposed scale was for 80
cents an hour.

WEST TEXAS A. & M. BILL IS VETOED BY NEFF FRIDAY NIGHT

By Associated Press.
AUSTIN, TEXAS, April 2.—Five bills
were approved and two vetoed by Gov-
ernor Neff Friday night just a few hours
before the expiration of the time al-
located to him by law in which to act
on bills after adjournment of the leg-
islature.

The bills approved were the univer-
sity expansion bill; the supplemental
rural school bill; the anti-alien land
ownership bill known as the anti-Jap-
anese bill; the soldiers' monument bill
and another monument bill with a
small appropriation.

The two bills vetoed were the West
Texas A. & M. bill and the bill ap-
propriating \$2,000,000 to aid rural
schools for the next two years. The A. & M.
bill appropriated \$50,000 to purchase
the site of the proposed institution in
west Texas. Governor Neff said that
the democratic convention in Fort
Worth had opposed establishing this
school at this time and that it was
undecided whether to print and pass
details of the manner in which Charles
would be taken across Austria to
Switzerland and some declared that
the former monarch had left Steina-
manger last night.

Reports from Hungary, however,
failed to show matters have reached
such a stage. It has been learned
that arrangements were completed
yesterday for Charles' return from
Hungary to Switzerland and that he
would be escorted by British, French
and Italian army officers, who would
be in command of picked forces of
gendarmes.

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which at one period last week, it is
admitted, had nearly a chance of suc-
cess, promises to have a very different
effect. The social democratic plan to
introduce in the national assembly
resolutions demanding that the gov-
ernment take steps to hurry ratifica-
tions by France and England of the
Trianon treaty, pending the return
of west Hungary to Austria and
making provision for the protection
of Austrian frontiers by the en-
tente.

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to prevent further royalist attempts
at restoration.

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ment for the safe conduct of Charles
across the country was not secured
without difficulties of a political na-
ture. At first the former emperor must
travel ostensibly as a prisoner under
guard on Austrian soil, while the
Christian socialist opposition in the
parliament, demanding respect for the
person of the royal family. The three
leading political parties have agreed
to make separate statements before
the assembly, placing themselves as
being opposed to the return of the
Hapsburgs.

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terday to bring about the adoption of a
joint statement prepared by them and
chiefs of the greater German party, but
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OKLAHOMA CITY, April 2.—Gov. J.
B. Robertson today stood acquitted
of the charges brought against him
by a house committee that he was cor-
rupt in office, that he willfully neg-
lected his official duties and that he
evaded his income tax.

Acquittal came when the house last
night, after reviewing the charges of
the committee, rejected the report
recommending the impeachment of the
governor. Eight legislators were ab-
sent.

FORMER EMPEROR CHARLES GIVES UP FIGHT FOR THRONE

EXPECTED TO LEAVE FOR SWIT- ZERLAND SUNDAY OR MONDAY.

NEGOTIATIONS WITH ITALY DELAY HIS DEPARTURE

Does Not Consent Formally To Abdi-
cate As Requested By Hungarian
Government.

VIENNA, April 2.—Former Emperor
Charles will leave Steina-manger for
Switzerland Sunday evening or Mon-
day, it is reported here. It is planned
for him to make the trip by way of
Italy. The delay in his starting has
been occasioned by negotiations with
the Italian government for permission
for him to pass through that country.

WILL RETURN TO HIS EXILE IN SWITZERLAND

PARIS, April 2.—Reports that for-
mer Emperor Charles has finally given
up his attempt to regain the Hun-
garian throne and will return to his
exile in Switzerland, without, however,
consenting formally to abdicate, as re-
quested by representatives of the Hun-
garian government. These reports
were confirmed today by the de-
parting emperor, who stated that he
therefore received with considerable
relief.

Dispatches relative to the failure of
the attempted coup d'etat in Vienna,
which has an old reputation as "Eu-
rope's imaginative news center."
The Temps declares the source of
these reports "must be connected with
the Austro-Hungarian monarchist
party" and competent opinion here
remains somewhat skeptical. It is
admitted, however, that the departure
of Charles from Hungary is more prob-
able than his success.

Telegrams from Vienna are delayed
and it would appear that reports from
Budapest are being checked at a
sorely. The United States news tele-
graph line to Budapest failed yester-
day afternoon, but the last news re-
ceived stated that everything
was quiet there.

VIENNA, April 2.—Newspapers of
this city appear to be certain that the
episode resulting from the attempt of
former Emperor Charles to re-establish
himself as king of Hungary is
ended. They today printed details
of the manner in which Charles
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PROPERTY OWNERS MAY BLOCK FAVORED HIGH SCHOOL SITE

Members of Council And Citizens Give
Views—Selection Not Favored
By Judge Carrigan.

A site covering four blocks of High-
land Heights, and comprising about 17
acres, will be used for the new high
school if the owners of the lots do not
make it impossible by asking too high
prices for their holdings, it was de-
cided Friday night at a meeting of the
school board.

Two sites have been under considera-
tion, the one chosen, and one of about
equal size in the northern part of
Floral Heights near the park recently
given the city by J. A. Kemp. The
latter site was favored by Judge A. H.
Carrigan, president of the board, but
other trustees favored the site near
Highland Heights. The latter is recom-
mended by J. E. Kessler, city planner.

The site favored is near the end of
the eighth street, along with high-
land heights, and is a general yard
of about 17 acres. It is on one of the
highest points in the city.

Members of the board made it plain
that they would not consent to pur-
chasing the site at the present price,
which is between \$67,000 and \$68,000
or at the rate of about \$1,000 per lot.
The other site can be had, it is believed
for about \$15,000 less.

Before calling for a vote of the
board on the question, Judge Carrigan
requested opinions from Mayor Cline,
Walter S. Curlee, W. M. Priddy, C. C.
Randall, and E. F. Haney. Mr. Priddy
was the only one who spoke in favor
of the site near Highland Heights. The
other citizens, together with W. W. Brown
and Mr. M. Adickes of the board, vigor-
ously contested the site and spoke
strongly in favor of the south tract.

The chief objection to the northern
location was that it was in the way
of the proposed street, which would
be a barrier on the north and the east
was of course out of the question. He
was supported in this by all present
with the exception of Judge Carrigan
and Mr. Adickes, who favored the north
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THE STORY.

KATE DOUBLEDAY has journeyed to the far west to visit her father.

BARB DOUBLEDAY, who deserted her mother years before, and whom the girl has never seen. This strange father she finds engaged in certain dubious enterprises which he does not see fit to explain, but she shows a furtive affection for the girl and establishes her in a cottage at Sleepy Cat Junction with

BELLE STOCKLEY, a woman of the neighborhood whom he has engaged to run his eating house in town. Kate hears mystifying references to her father's affairs from

HARRY VAN HORN, a dashing cattleman, whom she likes, and

TOM STONE, foreman at Doubleday's ranch, whom she does not like at all. Also, she hears much talk of one

JIM LARAMIE, about whose character there seems to be sharp differences of opinion. Laramie, she gathers, is a figure of some importance in a way which is being waged between cattle thieves and the big ranch owners of the country. One day, meeting a stranger whom she believes to be a marshal with papers to serve on her father, Kate lures him away into the plains on the pretext of taking a ride with her, only to find, to her chagrin, that the man is not a marshal at all, but Jim Laramie himself. Soon afterward Doubleday closes his eating house at Sleepy Cat Junction and Kate goes to her father's ranch. Then the arrival of a baby in the household of

HARRY TENISON, gambler and hotel man, is made the occasion of a celebration at the Tenison establishment, and a general roundup of the men of the neighborhood, including

ABE HAWK, a taciturn character with a reputation as a "bad man," as well as Doubleday, Van Horn, Stone, and many others. Laramie, too, is present, and at Doubleday's suggestion Van Horn takes him aside to propose that he line up with the Doubleday outfit in the feud that is under way.

FOURTH INSTALLMENT

Laramie Counts Five.

LARAMIE paused. After a moment he turned his eyes on his questioner. "No hand. This is not my game."

"Make it your game and your game in this country is made. Doubleday and Dan Pettigrew want you. They're the men that run this country—what do you say?"

"The men that run this country can't run me."

Van Horn in spite of his assurance felt the blow. But he put on a front. "What makes you talk that way?" he flared.

"This is the same bunch," continued Laramie evenly, "that sent two different men to get me two years ago—and when I defended myself—had me indicted. That indictment is still hanging for all I know. This is the bunch that owns the district court."

Van Horn made a violent gesture. "What's the use raking up old scores? That's past and gone. That indictment'll be quashed the minute you come in."

"This is the bunch," and Laramie spoke even more deliberately; he looked directly, almost disconcertingly at Van Horn himself, "that sent the men to rip off my wire a while ago. I tracked 'em to Doubleday's and if I'd found Doubleday or you or Stone there that day—if I'd got my eyes on Barb Doubleday that day—you'd've turned the men that pulled that wire over to me or I'd know the reason why."

"Now these same critters and you have got the gall to talk to me about joining hands. Hell, I'd quicker join hands with a bunch of rattlesnakes. When that crowd want me let them come and get me. I'm not hiding. They talk about cattle thieves. Why, your outfit would steal the spurs off a rustler's heels. And when men like Hawk and Yankee Robinson and Gorman set up a little ranch with a few head of cows for themselves, your bunch blacklists them, refuses 'em work anywhere on the range. Where did Dutch Henry learn to steal? Working for Barb Doubleday."

He brandished mavericks for him, played dummy for his land entries, swore to false affidavits for him. Now when he turns around and steals the steers he stole from Barb, Barb has the gall to ask me to round him up at my proper risk and run him out of the country?"

Van Horn rose: "That's the answer, is it?"

Laramie sat still. He looked dead ahead: "What did it sound like?" he asked, as Van Horn stood looking at him.

"Just the same, Jim," muttered Van Horn, "the rustlers have got to go."

Laramie looked across the office. "That all may be," he observed, rising. And he repeated as Van Horn started away: "That all may be. And the men that ripped off my wire have got to put it back. Tell 'em I said so."

Van whirled in a flash of anger. "You talk as if you think I'd ripped it off myself."

"I do think so."

For the second the two men, confronting, eyed each other. Van Horn's face aflame. Both carried Colt's revolvers in hip holsters. Van Horn's gun slung at his right hip, Laramie's slung at his left. Both were known capable of extremes. Then the critical instant passed. Van Horn broke into a laugh; without a yellow drop in his veins, as far as personal courage went, he had thought twice before attempting to draw where no man had yet drawn successfully. He put out his hand in a frank fashion:

"Jim, you wrong yourself as much as me when you talk that way."

He made his peace as well as it could be made in words. But when his protestations were ended, Laramie only said: "That all may be, Harry. But whoever pulled off my wire—and left it in the creek—will put it back—if it's ten years from now."

The two men, Van Horn still talking, made their way back to the billiard hall—Laramie refusing to drink and halting for brief greetings as assailed by acquaintances. After they parted, Van Horn, as soon as he could escape notice, passed again through the door leading to the hotel office. He walked up the main stairway to the second floor, thence to the third floor, and following a corridor stopped in front of the last room, slipped a pass key into the lock and, opening the door,

entered and closed it behind him.

Two men sat in the room, Doubleday and Stone. Stone was just out of the barber's chair, his hair parted and faultlessly plastered on both sides across his forehead, and his face shaven and powdered. His forehead, drawn in horizontal wrinkles rather than vertical ones, looked lower and flatter because of them. To add to the truculence of his natural expression, he was now half under the influence of liquor, and looked perplexed.

Van Horn did not wait to be questioned; he walked directly to the table between the two men and took a cigar from the open box:

"Can't do a thing with that guy," he reported brusquely.

Doubleday by means of questions got the

tation without further protest. "A man will try anything once," was his only comment.

As he uttered the words he felt a point pressed tightly against his right side and, what was of greater import, heard the familiar click of a gun hammer.

It was too late to look around; too late to make the slightest move. All that Laramie could get out of the situation, without moving, he read, motionless, in Tenison's eyes, for Tenison was now looking straight at the assailant and with a frozen expression that told Laramie of his peril. The next instant Laramie heard rough words:

"Turn around here, Jim."

They told him all he needed to know, for in them he recognized the voice. In the la-

"I won't do what's right, will I, Laramie?" demanded Stone thickly.

There were probably fifty men in the room. As if by instinct each of them already knew by what a slender thread one man's life hung. Hawk, the quickest and surest of Laramie's friends, stood ten paces away, at the upper end of the bar, but the silence was such that he could hear every deliberate word. Glasses, half-emptied, had been set

five cartridges in their revolvers, leaving the hammer for safety on an empty chamber. Laramie had parleyed with Stone only long enough to quit his purpose.

His right arm shot out at Stone's jaw. As his fist reached it, the gun against his stomach snapped viciously. But the hammer, already raised six times came down on the sixth and empty chamber. It was the chance Laramie had played for.



There was not a chance of escape. Feeling that he had his victim dead to rights, Stone halted him: "Laramie, there's some men's lives in this country too long."

stant before hearing the words and obeying, a singular change took place in the falling wall ranchman's eyes. Looking over at Tenison, his eyes had been keen and clear. Slowly and with a faint smile he turned his head the other way. When his eyes met those of Tom Stone, who confronted him pressing the muzzle of a cocked Colt's forty-five gun against his stomach, they were left soft and glazed. Laramie had changed in an instant from a man that had not tasted liquor to a man half tipsy.

It was a feat, but a feat made with an accurate understanding of a dangerous enemy.

There was not a chance of escape. Laramie's left arm was resting on the bar. Under the overhang, Stone, as he faced Laramie, pressed the gun with his right arm into Laramie's stomach. For Laramie to attempt to knock it away with his own right hand would be to take an almost fatal chance; while for any friend of his to touch Stone or shoot him would mean as certain death to Laramie. Feeling that he had his victim dead to rights, Stone halted him:

"Laramie," he began, fixing his eyes on those of his victim, "there's some men's lives in this country too long."

The words carried the irritable nasal tone familiar to Stone's acquaintances. Laramie's eyes merely brightened a little with the effort to reply: "Tom," he declared, with just enough of hesitation to play the game, "that's the first thing my wife said yesterday morning."

Stone stared: "When," he demanded with a drunken oath, "did you get married?"

"Put up your gun. I'll tell you about it," Stone only grinned: "I can hear pretty well, right now."

"If you want to see her picture, Tom, uncock your gun."

"Not a little bit, I've got you right."

Laramie smiled: "Sure, Tom, but there's plenty of time; put down the hammer." Stone, without moving his gun, did silently lower the hammer. Laramie counted one. Then he began to describe his trick bride: Stone cut him off. He cocked his gun again: "Show me her picture," he snarled.

Tenison took the chance of leaning impressively across the bar. He pointed a long finger at Stone. "Tom," he said with measured emphasis, "no man can pull a gun here tonight and get away with it. That'll be enough."

Stone scowled. "Harry, this scout is through; nobody wants him any longer in this country," he said.

"Take your quarrel somewhere else to-night—this is my celebration—do you get me, Tom?"

Under the implied threat of the determined gambler the hammer of Stone's gun came down. "I o'n get along with any man that'll do what's right," asserted Stone, trying to keep his head clear. "Laramie won't."

"Why, Tom?" expostulated Laramie, reproachfully.

The revolver clicked; the hammer was up again.

Stone sank like an ox. As he went down his head struck the footrail. He lay stunned. A great wave of relief swept the room. Men drew long breaths. McAlpin, stooping in a flash, wrenched Stone's revolver from his hand and with a grin laid it on the bar. Laramie, watching Stone coldly, did not move. His left foot still rested on the rail, his arm on the bar. But, without taking his eyes off the prostrate man, he in some way saw the white faced bartender peering over in astonishment at the fallen foreman.

"It seems to take you a good while, Luke," protested Laramie mildly, "to open that bottle."

When the eating house at the Junction was closed Harry Tenison sent for Belle and offered her the position of housekeeper at the Mountain House. This Belle declined. She had long had in her head the idea of taking a place and serving meals on her own hook, as she expressed it. Her instinct for independence, always strong, had not only prevented her getting married but made her restive under orders. She was stubborn—her enemies called her abusive names and her best friends admitted that she was sometimes difficult. At Sleepy Cat she took a cottage in lower Main street. She had a little furniture, and, having a little money saved and a little borrowed from McAlpin, Belle bought a few new pieces, including a folding bed secured at a bargain, and opened her doors for business. And whatever her faults of temperament, Belle could cook.

Kitchen's barn was headquarters for the small ranchers from the north and for the falling wall men, and McAlpin soon had a trade seeking Belle's place. The cottage itself faced the side street, but a little shop annex opened on Main. In this and in the cottage dining room Belle served her meals. Very soon, however, she had McAlpin in trouble. It developed that she would not serve anybody she did not like, and as her fancy was capricious, she gave most of McAlpin's following the cold shoulder instead of the hot steak. He spent much time in the beginning hot-footing it, as Belle termed it, between the barn and the cottage trying to straighten things out. In the end he gave over and told Belle she could serve if she wanted to. Whereupon she said she did want to; and McAlpin, snatching off his baseball cap, as he did when greatly moved, and twirling it in his hand, asked for his money, which he did not get.

Yet one man among the hardy friends of the barn boss did find favor at the cottage, and he the last whom McAlpin would have picked for a likely favorite. This was Jim Laramie. Laramie became a regular customer of Belle's and his friends naturally followed him.

The closing out of her father's interests at the Junction was without regret for Kate, since it sent her up to where she wanted to be—at the ranch. For some time after establishing herself there she rarely came into Sleepy Cat. Then as the novelty wore off and small wants made themselves felt she

rode often to town—mail and shopping and marketing soon established for her a regular round, and when she did ride into Sleepy Cat she nearly always saw Belle; sometimes she lunched with her. Belle was a stickler in her home for neatness, even though her experience in the cyclone might have been supposed to harden her to dust. Then, to some women is given one talent and to some another; to Belle it was given to make things taste good, and in this she stood alone among cooks in Sleepy Cat.

More than this, Belle knew what was going on—she had the news. Little in the daily round of the town and its wide territory got by the modest scrim curtains of Belle's place; she became, Kate's reporter. Men would say that this was the principal attraction for Kate, and that the cooking came second—not so. The real reason Belle got the gossip of the country was because her customers were men. Kate was probably the only woman, certainly almost the only one, among her patrons. Belle explained this by saying that none of the rest of the ranchwomen would spend their money for lunch. The truth really was that Belle did not like women, anyway—Kate she tolerated.

It was the day after Tenison's big celebration that Kate rode into town for the mail, and after some shopping walked down to Belle's for lunch. Belle was at the butcher shop across the street, telephoning. She came in after a moment.

"It seems to me you spend a good deal of time with that butcher," said Kate, significantly.

"O, no, he's got a club foot. Has Harry Van Horn been shining up to you?"

Kate was taken aback, but she had been to blame for giving Belle an opening and could only enter a confused denial.

"The first serious symptom," said Belle, garrulously, "will be he'll have a headache; he'll ask for cold cloths on his forehead. When that works pretty well he'll tell you your hair is like his sister's, and some evening he'll ask you to take it down. He asked me one night to take mine down. I handed him my wig. Say! he was the most surprised man in Sleepy Cat. I've been trying for an hour to get that rascally milkman on the telephone—there's not a drop of cream in the house. Well, how are you, stranger? Was Tom Stone home when you left?"

One question followed another. Kate had not only not seen the ranch foreman—she had not heard of the excitement of the night before. From Belle she got the details of Stone's attempt to murder Laramie. The story lost nothing in Belle's hands. She had heard all versions and was pretty good at story telling herself.

"After McAlpin picked up Stone's gun, Laramie told him to turn it over to Luke; and he told Luke not to give it back to Stone till this morning—but I guess they hid Stone last night." She wound up with an abusive fling at Doubleday's foreman. "What do you keep such a beastly critter around for?" she asked, looking at Kate hard for an answer.

Humiliated and sore at the recital, Kate thought it time to say something herself: "Why do you ask me a question like that?"

Belle arched her eyebrows belligerently. "Well, why shouldn't I?" she demanded. And bridling with further criticism of Stone and by implication of those that employed him, she let fly again.

Kate tried to ignore her outburst. "I know perfectly well," she said firmly, "I have nothing to say about the ranch, or how it is run, or who runs it. And I don't care to listen to any comments on that subject."

"Then you needn't come here," retorted Belle, flaming.

The two were standing at the cook stove where a steak already was on the broiler. "While I am here," returned Kate with tart dignity, "please don't abuse me."

"I say what I please to anybody if it's right," exclaimed Belle rudely.

"You'll be ashamed of yourself when you cool off," Kate returned, pointing to the broiler: "Please give me my piece of steak before it burns up," she added, with what sternness she could muster.

"It's not going to burn up," muttered Belle. Her face was fiery, but professional sense prevailed and she rescued the steak with vigor—dipping it hot into a platter liberally sprinkled with dices of butter and with pepper and salt.

"My conscience, Belle," exclaimed Kate, as Belle held the steak up between her two forks, "you'll bankrupt yourself. You don't expect me to eat all that."

Belle answered with an offended dignity of her own: "I expect Jim Laramie to eat the biggest part of it. And there he comes now!"

The front door opened, in fact, while she was speaking; Kate stood with her back to it, and though by turning around she could have peeped through the curtained archway, she would not have looked for a million dollars. If Belle wanted her revenge she had it at that moment. Kate could not sink through the floor to escape, but how she wanted to! She did step quickly aside, hoping she had not been seen, and retired to the farthest corner of the kitchen. Belle's mouth before the stove set grimly and with her left hand she gave her wig the vigorous punch she used when wrought up. Kate motioned to her frantically. Belle regarded her coldly, but did come closer, and Kate caught at her sleeve. "For heavens sake," she begged in a whisper, "don't let him know I'm here."

Basting forks in hand, Belle returned to the fire. Kate eyed her anxiously, but

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Belle's face was hard, and quick, firm steps were coming from the front door.

"Hello, Belle!" was the greeting. Had they been Kate's death message the words could not have frightened her more. She knew, too well, the voice.

"You didn't get my message," were the next words flung through the archway.

"I got it," answered Belle, going forward and providentially stopping Laramie before he reached the curtains.

"Sit down right there," she added, pointing to a table at the rear of the luncheon room. "I hurried all I could, but that really milkman hasn't been here yet and there's no cream for your coffee. Your steak's most ready, though."

She started back to the kitchen.

"Not enough for two, is there?" asked Laramie.

"Who's coming?" demanded Belle, stopping in her tracks.

"Belle, you're suspicious like a cat. Nobody's coming, but I'm dead hungry."

While he continued his banter she served him and attempted to serve Kate behind the curtains. By persistent, almost despairing, pantomime Kate dissuaded her from this—

she meant the enemy should have the whole steak. But at that moment the front door opened again, a brisk greeting was called out, and a heavy tread crossed the uneven floor of the outer room.

"John Lefever!" Laramie got up to welcome the big deputy marshal. "Just in time. Take off your manners and sit down."

A bubbling laugh greeted the ally: "Jim, I just can't do it."

"O, yes, you'll eat with me. Where you from?"

"Bear Dance; and Medicine Bend on the next train. Heard you were in town and dropped off for just one hour."

"You like Medicine Bend, don't you?"

"Too many people there. John settled gloomily back. Then with wide open eyes, he started suddenly forward. "Give me a gun, Jim, he cried, a gun and a horse and a north wind—and a country!" the sweep of his arm was magnificent—"where you can't see a damned thing in any direction for a hundred and fifty miles."

Though talking vigorously, he was eating, without protest from Laramie, everything in sight.

"Jim," came next between mouthfuls, "what was that story about you being up

at the Junction the day I wanted you to serve those papers on old Barb Doubleday?"

"I went up there that day because I had business of a different kind with Barb."

"About the wire ripping, yes. But I heard you got served up by a skirt and didn't talk wire to Barb at all."

"No more of that as you love me, John."

"What was there to it?"

"I guess there was."

"A ride or something—what?"

"Something, John."

"Thunder! It must have been the ride. I had a deputy marshaling all lined up for you if that hadn't happened. And, believe me, boy, a deputy marshaling isn't lying around loose every day."

Kate listened keenly for Laramie's comment.

"The ride was worth the price, John," was all she said.

"Some skirt, eh?"

"No matter; no matter. I'll get it all from Belle some day. And after you get through with your wire thieves we'll tell the story of your brief romance."

"Over my grave."

"You've got lots of time, John," he added as Lefever looked at his watch.

"I haven't!" exclaimed his companion.

"I've got to send a message. Come over to the train."

"I've got to write a couple of letters."

"Come over to the station and write your letters."

Laramie shook his head: "I couldn't even get to the station by 1 o'clock. Every man in Main street wants to talk about Tom Stone. You'd think I had a million friends among the cattlemen this morning."

"I heard old Barb Doubleday is grinning like a hangman today."

"If Belle's got some ink I'll write my letters right here."

Kate's spirits, which had risen at the hope of being so luckily rid of one who might prove troublesome, fell at his refusal to leave. John urged, but Laramie only asked Belle again for the ink. Lefever tried to coax Belle to go to the train with him. Belle would do almost any fool thing, but this time she must have had pity on Kate and would not leave her unprotected. Lefever went his way. From a shelf near where Kate, with clasped hands, sat in silence Belle took paper and ink in to Laramie and began to look the table.

At this unlucky moment the front door was opened swiftly and a boy from the butcher shop stuck his head inside.

"Miss Shockley," he called, "the milkman is on the phone, if you want him." Closing the door, he hurried back across the street. With a sense of her wrongs keen within her, Belle, forgetting her charge in the kitchen, hurried across after him.

Even then Kate hoped that by keeping deathly still she might escape an unpleasant meeting. She never breathed more carefully in her life, yet she was doomed. She heard Laramie's chair pushed back and heard his footsteps. She could not be sure which way he was walking, but she thought only of flight. As stealthily and rapidly as possible she started for the back door. Without looking around she felt as if he had come to the archway and was looking at her. With courage and resolve she grasped the knob to open the door. It was locked. She fumbled with the key. Behind her, silence. She locked and unlocked the door more than once, and with a fast-dying hope, for the wretched door would not open. Flushed with annoyance, she turned around only to see Laramie standing precisely where she had imagined him.

They faced each other. Kate could not have found a word to say had her life de-

pend upon it. Laramie held in his left hand an ink bottle, in his right a pen. He, too, seemed surprised, but he recovered himself. "You are certainly unlucky with doors," he said. "If you'll tell me where Belle keeps her ink I'll tell you how to open that one," he suggested calmly.

Kate stiffened and shrugged her shoulders the least bit. "I haven't an idea where Belle keeps the ink," she replied, clearing her throat of its huskiness.

He pointed to beyond where she stood: "I think the ink supply is on that shelf; she gave me an empty bottle. Should you mind handing me one with ink in it?"

Kate turned to the shelf. "There seems to be two kinds here," she said as coldly as possible.

"Any bottle with a hole in the top will do," he suggested. "This one"—he held up the bottle in his hand and looked at it—"seems to have a hole top and bottom. Give me the blue ink, will you?"

"I am sure I don't know which is which. Perhaps you had better help yourself," Kate said icily.

"Thank you. But I'll show you how to open the door first."

[To be continued.]

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AUTO DEALERS PLAN TO MARK HIGHWAYS LEADING INTO CITY

MOVEMENT IS LAUNCHED AT SEMI-MONTHLY MEETING HELD FRIDAY NIGHT.

REPORTS ARE MADE ON RECENT STATE MEETING

Advisability Of Wichita Falls Trying To Land Next Convention Is Discussed.

A plan to mark the principal highways leading into and out of Wichita Falls, in order that tourists may have a better opinion of the progressiveness of this section of the country, was launched at the regular semi-monthly meeting of the Wichita Falls Automobile Dealers' association held in the private dining room of the Kemp Hotel Friday evening. Secretary A. B. Booth, presiding in the absence of President P. D. Keim, announced that President Keim, would appoint a special committee to take this work in charge at a later date.

The feature of the meeting was an address by J. M. McFall of McFall Bros., local Dodge distributors, on the accomplishments of the annual convention of the state association, held at Fort Worth ten days ago. Mr. McFall said that the state association is very much upon the map, and there to stay. Among other accomplishments the state association has expended over \$25,000 during the fiscal year just closed for improvements in business conditions for automobile men of the state, and practically no work incident to unfavorable legislation.

Mr. McFall repeated almost verbatim some of the remarks of notable northern and southern automobile manufacturers who addressed the convention. One of the most important subjects at the state convention, he said, was that of standardization of parts. In recent years hose piping, for instance, has been so standardized that the number of kinds and sizes has been reduced from over four hundred to only thirty. He said it was also the opinion of the prominent visitors that in the course of years there would be far fewer dealers, with those who survive handling much larger lines of cars. One of the most prominent speakers at the convention, A. R. Drove of Chicago, will address the automobile dealers of the state at Dallas on April 12, which comes during automobile show week in that city.

On the reading of a wire from the Corpus Christi Automobile club requesting Wichita Falls to aid that city in securing the 1927 state convention, there was considerable discussion as to the advisability of Wichita Falls going after the 1927 convention, but no action taken.

Before adjournment President Keim was instructed to appoint a committee of accessory dealers to draw up suitable amendments to the local association's constitution and by-laws. This was necessary by the fact that the association was originally formed for automobile dealers exclusively, and its constitution and by-laws have not been altered to properly care for the needs of the accessory men.

GREEK FORCES ARE DRIVEN FROM CITY

Reported In Full Retreat With Turkish Cavalry Pursuing Troops In Flight.

PARIS, April 2.—Greek forces which were driven out of the city of Eski-shehr, Asia Minor, by a Turkish counter attack early this week, are in full retreat, says a Constantinople dispatch received here. Turkish cavalry is reported to be pursuing the Greeks.

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JUBILEE'S PARTNER

Illustrations by Judd Mortimer Lewis

I was glad when I woke up that it was Saturday, because a fellow like to have it be Saturday once in a while. If a fellow goes to school all the time he would get tired of it. I bet a fellow gets tired of it when he goes to school any of the time. All at once Jubilee raised up in bed and stuck his ears up, and then he heard it thundering, and it sounded like rolling a lot of big wooden balls across the top of a lot of bumpy clouds, and maybe that is the way it is done. I expect I will find out some of these days. I hope if that is the way it is done that I will be let do it.

When I had let Jubilee down by the rope in his teeth and had come in from milking the dummed brutes my mother was singing while she was getting breakfast and she said to me: "April showers bring May flowers," and she seemed to feel good about it. It was raining when I had it and me and Jubilee went around past Youniss house and she said that she was setting out toolips, and Youniss asked me if I would take care of one if she would give it to me. I said that I would and she put one in a jar with a hole in the bottom and covered it up with dirt, and her mother said if I would take it home and give it lots of water I would get something that would surprise me.

Then I stayed and helped her plant a lot of them, and then she let me let Youniss make some fudge with peanuts in it and then she said to me, "I don't suppose you want to stay to dinner do you?" "No," That is a hairy fellow to eat a fella to stay to dinner. After dinner we all dug some worms and went and set on the dam and fished for sunfish and sunfish, and caught quite a lot. I don't know what the matter with bullheads and sunfish because they will not live very long in a

TRAGEDY OVERTAKES TRAVELING FAMILY, WOMAN DIES HERE

Funeral services for Mrs. L. C. Lamb, who died at the Wichita General Hospital early Friday morning, were held at 3:00 o'clock in the O. W. Hines funeral chapel. Burial was in Riverside cemetery.

Mrs. Lamb is survived by her husband and two small children. She had been traveling with her family in a covered wagon, her husband in search of work, but left the party Thursday afternoon and wandered off alone. She was suffering from a severe abscess of the throat and infection of the chest, which is said to have caused her death.

She was found prostrate on the Fort Worth road several miles from the city and was hurried to the medical institution but died within a few hours time. She was 24 years of age.

NEW INCINERATOR SITE IS SELECTED, NEAR TURKEY BEND

A deal was tentatively closed Saturday morning for a new site for the city's incinerator. Dr. Douglass and City Engineer Montgomery recommended a tract on the river, near what is known as Turkey Bend, about a mile east of the Denver tracks. There are no residences near the site, which is close to the sewer outlet. The land is owned by P. Langford, who agreed Saturday to sell a small tract to the city for this purpose.

Material for the incinerator has already been unloaded on the site at Turkey Bend. It will be moved at once to the new tract, where work will probably start next week.

TWO WILBARGER COUNTY FARMERS KILL 507 RATS
VERNON, TEXAS, April 2.—With the aid of two dogs and as many sticks, P. C. Mints and John Larky, living 20 miles southwest of Vernon, killed 507 rats on the L. A. Foster place. All of the rodents were captured from one crib. The men drove the rats from their hiding places and then dispatched them with dogs and sticks. Mints and Larky reported having killed 184 rats in two days.

5-ACRE TRACT GIVEN Y. W. C. A. FRIDAY BY EX-MAYOR MARLOW

DONATES SITE FOR SUMMER CAMP AND MAKES TENTATIVE OFFER OF LARGER GIFT.

WILL GIVE CLUB LAKE IF ROADWAY IS BUILT

Announcement Is Made Friday At A Meeting Of Building Committee Of Association.

A site for a summer home and camp for the Young Women's Christian association, consisting of five acres west of the city, was given to the organization Friday afternoon, by J. B. Marlow, former mayor. In making the gift, Mr. Marlow announced his readiness to donate the 25-acre club lake to the association if it could be connected up with the Tenth street parking.

Mr. Marlow's gift is located near his home just west of the city, and it was announced at a meeting of the association's building committee, to the members of which it came as a delightful surprise. Appreciation of the gift was warmly expressed by Mrs. W. W. Silk, president of the Y. W. C. A. board.

In making the gift, Mr. Marlow spoke of his long residence here and of his efforts to be of service to the community.

THIRTY FAMILIES DRIVEN TO STREETS BY AN EXPLOSION

CHICAGO, April 2.—Thirty families were driven to the streets in their night clothes early today when a black-blasted the North Side Italian section.

The blast let loose in the front of a four-story brick building where several families dwell. The front of the building was demolished and the families, including 18 children, rushed to the streets after being blown out of bed.

Tenement houses adjoining the blasted building were damaged and inhabitants fled.

Rosario Campinelli, owner of the building, was handed a black-hand threat recently demanding \$1,500. Refusal, the note said, would mean a bomb.

Campinelli turned the letter over to the police.

None was seriously injured.

ANOTHER GAMBLING HOUSE SHORT LIVED

Texas Rangers Bring In Ten Men From Newtown Friday Night On Gambling Charge.

Another gambling house fell into the hands of the Texas Rangers Friday night. Texas Rangers McCormick and Gonzales appeared on the scene when it is said money was passing quickly and in large amounts.

The 10 men who paid fines were W. D. Abernathy, D. P. Self, John Mayo, Boyd Dean, R. L. Crabb, Charles Knight, Cy Williams, R. E. Cates and C. O. Morrow. C. L. Brewer is being detained on the charge of operating the house.

As far as could be learned the house has been in operation for the past six days and information was given the officers that at several times there was as much as \$200 on the table.

Suits Filed in 20th District Court.
Oll Well Supply Co. vs. Pickle Oil Co. et al. debt.

Lloyd Weaver vs. J. G. Collins, debt.
J. F. Pickle vs. J. A. D. Smith et al. debt.

T. F. Young vs. M. R. Sanguinit et al. debt.

Urencia Jones vs. Glen Jones, divorce.

State Trust Co. vs. C. V. Ayers et al. debt.

Sam Kelly et al. vs. J. F. Proberg, specific performance.

Suits Filed in 20th District Court.
Johnston vs. Maud Johnston, divorce.

Suits Filed in 20th District Court.
William R. Johnson vs. Willie L. Johnson, divorce.

Suits Filed in County Court of Law.
McMurry Mfg. Co. vs. Brown and National Supply Co. vs. Southern Drilling Co., debt.

Marriage Licenses.
A. J. Renard and Beulah G. Hefner.

MARKETS

COTTON MARKET.

New York Cotton.

NEW YORK, April 2.—The cotton market showed the unsettling influence of the British labor news at the opening. The market was also unsettled by news of a strike in the western cotton markets late yesterday.

On the whole, however, the trading was attracted chiefly to the opening of accounts pending a change in condition fairly steady at a decline of 1/4 to 1/2 points. Fluctuations were irregular. May sold off to 11.45 at the start, making a decline of 24 points from yesterday's closing.

There was a spurt of covering during the middle of the morning, but after selling up to 12.35 for July, within five points of last night's close, the market eased under renewed liquidation. July sold off to 12.15 and the close was barely steady at a net decline of 12 to 10 points.

Cotton closed barely steady.

NEW YORK, April 2.—Cotton spot quiet; middling 11.90.

NEW ORLEANS Cotton.

NEW ORLEANS, April 2.—Accumulation of night orders for cotton worked against values on the opening of the cotton market today. In the local market, however, prices were not so low as 22 points which carried May off to 11.34. Weather conditions (the belt) were strong with a moderate extent.

The cotton market was free sellers of contracts here and they sent in reports that the crop in the early counties of that state was looking remarkably good progress, predicting unusually early new bales as a result. Late in the season selling was more sufficient to widen the decline to 22 to 23 points and to send May down to 11.20.

The market closed steady at net declines of 14 to 18 points.

NEW ORLEANS Spot Cotton.

NEW ORLEANS, March 2.—Spot cotton quiet. 22 points lower when the spot 33 bales, to arrive 200. Low middling 8.50; middling 11.25; good middling 12.00.

TEXAS Spot Cotton.

DALLAS, April 2.—Cotton quiet; middling 10.20; steady. At Houston, 10.70; steady. At Galveston, 11.50; quiet.

GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

CHICAGO, April 2.—New low levels were reached in grain and provisions at the start today. The selling was general and with a lack of support, prices declined steadily. Active export demand was in evidence for wheat with some sales made via the Gulf.

Opening prices, which were 1/2 to 1/4 lower than Friday, May 11.24 to 11.25, and July 11.15 to 11.16, were followed by sharp declines and, then a moderate rally.

The development of an active export demand for wheat was the probable cause of a sharp rally near the close. The final prices, which were unchanged to 1/4c lower, with May 59 1/2 to 59 1/2, underwent a further setback and then a slight rally.

The rally in corn was slight and the finish was nervous with prices unchanged to 1/4c higher with May 59 1/2 to 60.

Oats started unchanged to 1/4c lower, with May 34 1/2 to 35, then ascended and descended readily.

Provision losses ranged from 1/4 to 1/2c below the previous close.

Weekly Grain and Provisions.

CHICAGO, April 2.—The effect of a big yield of winter wheat have been powerful this week in tumbuling down all grain and provision prices. The lowest prices yet of the season, a general 1915-16 level. Compared with a week ago wheat this morning showed a fall of 1/4 to 3/4 a bushel, corn was off 1/4 to 1/2 a bushel, oats 1/4 to 1/2 a bushel, and provisions 1/4 to 1/2 a bushel.

Notwithstanding announcement that the visible supply of wheat ready for immediate use had been curtailed to the smallest total in more than thirty years, traders were quick to turn to the bear side when opinion became prevalent that recent low temperatures had been a benefit instead of a detriment to the new crop of winter wheat.

The cold was said to have given a finishing blow to the green bug pest and also to have operated as a check against unduly rapid growth. Two authoritative estimates of the probable yield at a figure much in excess of the 1920 production.

Hard stock in sight had a bearish effect on corn and oats, and so too, did assertions that corn planting in the south would be increased. Best sugar opened at a nominal decline, but soon extended its loss to four points. Atlantic Gulf, which was under severe pressure in yesterday's final dealings, forfeited a large fraction on the sale of the block of 5,000 tons of immediate delivery. Sumatra, Tobago, Baldwin Locomotive and Mexican Fe-

TWO WOMEN ARE HELD AS MATERIAL WITNESSES IN LAWTON MURDER CASE

LAWTON, OKLA., April 2.—Mrs. L. Duff and Eva Hult, arrested with two men companions at Perryton, Texas, and held as material witnesses in connection with the murder of Russell Sprague, Lawton service car driver, were lodged in the county jail here today. They were returned to this city from Perryton last night by County Attorney Fletcher Riley and several deputies.

When it became known the women were prisoners in the jail, a crowd of about 50 persons assembled outside, but soon dispersed when extra guards were placed around the building.

It was reported here today that Cleo Gobin and Will Tate, arrested with the women, and who are charged with the murder of Sprague, had been lodged in the county jail at Oklahoma City.

Answered a ring at the door. His assailant fled in an automobile.

Authorities were told by the housekeeper that just before the priest was summoned, there had been a knock at the door of her apartment in another part of the house. This, officers believe, was an attempt to make sure the priest answered the front door.

Notice to Odd Fellows.

Odd Fellows are requested to meet at the hall on Scott avenue, between Sixth and Seventh streets, Sunday afternoon at 3:30 to attend the funeral of our late brother, S. S. Boston. C. O. Signmon, secretary.

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PRIEST CALLED TO DOOR FRIDAY NIGHT AND KILLED

DETROIT, April 2.—The identity and motive of the persons who shot and killed the Rev. Leo Jarecki, rector of Our Lady of Mount Carmel church at Wyandotte, near here, last night, remained a mystery today. Authorities established, however, that a person familiar with the household was implicated. Father Jarecki was shot when he

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Editorial Echoes

It Will Never Be Done.
(Amariello News.)

Much disappointment was expressed in Northwestern Texas, following the adjournment of the legislature, to redistrict the state. Among the number of disappointed ones, from whom statements have been heard, were numerous newspaper editors. The feeling was shared in measure by all residents of this portion of the state, where the injustice of the present redistricting of the legislature is a fact of life. The measure of representation to which they are entitled.

This feeling of disappointment is taking the form of demand that the state of Texas be subdivided, so as to make of Northwestern, Western and Southwestern Texas an independent and separate state from Texas. The lead in this agitation is being taken by some able, conscientious and good editors, including L. P. Loomis, Canadian Record; Fred Hackett, Childress Index, and Ben Smith, Lockney Beacon. Despite the sincerity of these gentlemen, despite their evident honesty of purpose, they will never see the grand old state of Texas divided. There is a tie of kinship existing that will not down, and Texas will remain solidly bound together.

The fact that the seat of government is far away from the geographical and population centers of the state, as is that of the United States, that the more populous districts elect the preponderating force of the state officials, and that we in this country fall many times to receive the recognition of the United States, are insufficient reasons for dismembering the Lone Star, most glorious in all the Union. It will be recalled that others at different times have tried to divide the state, but such have resulted badly.

There would be as much reason in demanding the establishment of more national governments of the United States, as there is in a division of Texas. Many times the United States congress has failed to grant the territory by certain sections of the country, and there seems to be a showing of reason for the accusation that some territories have not received the attention to which they are entitled, but this state of affairs does not constitute adequate cause for demanding another national government. The capital city of the United States is not centrally located, either with regard to geography or population, and yet, this is no reason for a division of the country.

Texas stands united with every state in the United States, and yet at the head of all of them in diversity of soil, climate and population. Her population is bound to be the greatest in the country, and with that will come other showings of supremacy. To settle this great section of Texas, to make it blossom as the rose, to increase its population, to multiply its production, is the way to get the recognition so richly deserved and so greatly desired. Dividing the state is not the answer to the question of the part of the state. This section of Texas is great inherently, but it needs the other sections of the state. This portion of Texas produces much of the things produced in other parts of the state. The people of this territory are excellent citizens, and there are no other sections of the state. It is an unfair assumption that all of the virtues are to be found in certain areas.

Texas is a glorious state, and its glories are made up of the virtues of each subdivision within its confines. It would not gain, but lose, by the division. When this section of the state has sufficient population, it will have the recognition and will yield a much greater power than it has at present. The present partially settled, imperfectly developed state.

Texas will never be divided, and no amount of contention on the part of friends who see the matter in an entirely different light, will ever bring division about. The time will come, however, when the state will be divided, her size, her population, Texas will have a power not at present dreamed of, by even the most hopeful of her citizens.

Where's The Money Going?
(Denison Herald.)

At the rate being held in Dallas before a representative of the interstate commerce commission at the request of the vegetable and fruit growers of the state, a most peculiar and anomalous condition is shown to exist, and that is that nobody is making any money these days. The fruit growers and orchardists declare, and back up the statement with figures, that despite the lowered cost of living they are not earning sufficient money to maintain a decent standard of living and any reduction in freight rates would cause widespread deprivation and suffering.

The manufacturers say they are losing money every day and offer in proof the innumerable closing of industries because of inability to dispose of surplus stocks. They are offering for sale, and say they are not making any money by reason of high freight rates, taxes and insurance coupled with the depressed demand for goods and merchandise of all descriptions. And so it seems to be true that those named are in fact not making money. Then who is making it? Certainly somebody is getting by somehow. Fred Brown, a reasonable for everybody to be losing. It has long been recognized as an axiomatic truth that there is one man losing and another gains. But if the statements with which the public is regaled are true, then this seems to be a time and the occasion when the exception must be relied on to prove the rule.

However, The Herald does not believe any of the complaining interests are going to suffer. They are all passing through the period of readjustment preparatory to settling down upon a normal and equitable basis. The ponderous war machinery has not yet ceased its grind and until it does and until the eggs brought into place, we can expect a generally disturbed financial condition that will affect every interest and every citizen.

At the Churches

Christian Science Society.
Jewish Synagogue, corner Burnett and Eleventh streets. Sunday school 9:45 a. m. Lesson sermon 11 a. m. Subject "Unreality." Testimonies meeting 8 o'clock Wednesday evening. The public is cordially invited to attend these services. Pupils up to the age of 20 years are welcome to the Sunday school.

First Presbyterian Church.
Sunday is communion day at the First Presbyterian church. The subject of the sermon will be "Tender Hearted." Miss Veele will sing. An opportunity for church membership will be given after sermon. The official boards will meet Tuesday evening at 7:45.—N. E. GRAFTON, Pastor.

Brangelstein Church.
Corner Fifteenth and Broad streets. Sunday school, 10 a. m.; morning worship, 11 a. m.; Junior League, 3 p. m. Mrs. Martha Mahler, president. Y. P. A. 6:45, followed with preaching service. Regular prayer meeting Wednesday evening 7:30, followed with Y. P. A. business meeting. All Y. P. A. members are requested to be present as we have some very important business to attend to. Women's Missionary Society meets Thursday afternoon 8 o'clock at the home of Sister Ernel, 1510 Fifteenth-st. Teachers training class meets Friday evening at 7:30 in the church followed with choir practice.

Church of Good Shepherd.
Holy communion, 8 a. m.; Sunday school, 9:45; Holy communion and sermon, 10 a. m. Easter music at this service. Subject of sermon, "The Resurrection." Evening Bible theatre, 7:45. We are still taking care of the crowds at the Bible theatre. Great services for Sunday night. Fine singing led by orchestra. Always a Gospel message and a good wholesome picture. Everybody welcome.—FRED T. DATSON, Rector.

Floral Heights Music.
Among other good musical numbers at the Floral Heights Methodist church the choir announces special anthems, "Therefore With Angels," by Heyner, and the violin solo, "Madrigal," by Simonetti, to be played by Mrs. O. E. Nichols, who is to be pipe organist for the new church.

Floral Heights Methodist Church.
A few more Sundays in the tabernacle. Full attendance upon every service is expected. Be present to hear plans, exceptional good music, Gospel sermons and cordial people. Pastor's evening sermon will be at 7:45. A welcome to all.—W. L. TITTLE, Pastor.

International Bible Students association.
will meet Sunday at 10:00 a. m. at the Labor Temple, 703 Travis room 10, for Sunday school. At 11:00 a. m. to study "The Better Sacrifices" and again in the afternoon at 3:00 to study "The Medium of the Atonement." All are cordially invited to study with us. Please bring your Bibles.

Seventh Day Adventists.
Hold their services at Floral Heights Presbyterian church, corner Kemp boulevard and Avenue G. Bible study on Saturday, at 2:00 p. m.; topic "Christ a Revelation of the Father." Preaching at 3:00 o'clock; subject, "God's Attributes." Service at 7:30 o'clock, instead of the usual Sunday night service. Subject, "The Good Shepherd." What was the purpose of the Cross? Prayer meeting at the church every Wednesday night. All are cordially invited.—GEORGE W. SPIES, Pastor.

Lamar Avenue Baptist Church.
Corner of Lamar and Fourth streets.—Sunday morning service at 10 a. m. 1:30 p. m. Subject for the morning service: "Eternal Life and Those Who Have It." Subject for the evening service: "The Wages of Sin." "There's Sunbeams at 3:00 p. m. Junior B. Y. P. U. at 5:00; seniors at 6:30 p. m. The friends and members of this church will please be present to hear the power which is given by Mr. James King, have been installed.—A. J. HOLST, Pastor.

Floral Heights Epworth League.
Meets at the tabernacle, Tenth and Denver, 6:30 Sunday evening. A live and hearty but less chatty program which has short talks and good musical numbers that you will enjoy. The League is divided into two sides and are starting a contest in a stock in an airplane transportation line. It is a membership contest and much interest is being manifested. You are invited.

Floral Heights Baptist Church.
Corner Tenth street and Kemp Blvd. Sunday school, 10 a. m.; Chas. H. Smoot, superintendent. Preaching 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. by Dr. Virgin of Amarillo, who is assisting in our revival meeting. At 3:30 p. m. Dr. Virgin will address a mass meeting at the church on the subject "Somebody's Daughter, Please God Not Yours." Junior B. Y. P. U. at 5:30 p. m. If you do not avail yourself of the opportunity to attend the services, you may rest assured that you are missing something and you are cordially invited to be present.—J. W. LOVING, Pastor.

Floral Heights B. Y. P. U.
Corner Tenth street and Kemp Blvd. Regular meeting at the church Sunday at 6:30 p. m. Subject for April 3, "With Jesus in the Wilderness." Leader, Miss Mildred McMurtry. Again let us call your attention to the fact that we need your presence at these meetings and will try to make you feel that you need us. Come.—ROY ERWIN CARTER, President.

First Baptist Church.
Sunday school 10 a. m. The Junior, Senior and Intermediate and adult departments are asked to meet at 9:45 Sunday morning and begin their work promptly and be ready to assemble in the main auditorium for a service preparatory to the meeting. During this service I will tell the boys and girls about a wonderful magician. This get-together service is of greatest importance and I hope every teacher and parent will co-operate heartily in assembling their classes promptly at 9:45 in the auditorium. W. C. Ashford, general superintendent. Preaching at 11 a. m. Subject, "Preparing for a Revival." Evening service at 7:45. Subject: "Eternal Punishment." The evangelistic services will begin at the First Baptist church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. It is to be remembered that for the past six years has been the pastor of the First Baptist church at Sherman, Texas, but who has recently accepted the call to the First Baptist church at Knoxville, Tenn. The latest church in the Southern Baptist convention; a church whose laymen furnished a man who contributed \$50,000; the greatest amount contributed by any individual to the 75 million campaign; a church of great strategic importance and spiritual power will do the preaching. Dr. Brown succeeds Dr. Lange G. Broughton, an international preacher. Dr. Brown is a young man of splendid personality and of great address, whose heart is aflame with a passion for lost souls. We hope to make gospel music a leading feature of the meeting. A good chorus

choir and congregational singing will be led by W. C. Ashford, associate pastor. We hope to have an orchestra of several instruments led by E. V. Ray. Mr. Ray and Mr. Martin will do special solo work, and we cordially invite all musicals and singers of the city to join us. Don't wait for a personal invitation to come but if you have a desire to help in the work consider this a personal invitation to you. Come be with us at the Sunday morning and Sunday evening services. Mr. Ray and his sisters will give some special music, and you are cordially invited to come. Don't wait for a personal invitation to come but if you have a desire to help in the work consider this a personal invitation to you. Come be with us at the Sunday morning and Sunday evening services. Mr. Ray and his sisters will give some special music, and you are cordially invited to come. Don't wait for a personal invitation to come but if you have a desire to help in the work consider this a personal invitation to you. 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A tragic story from real life will be told by

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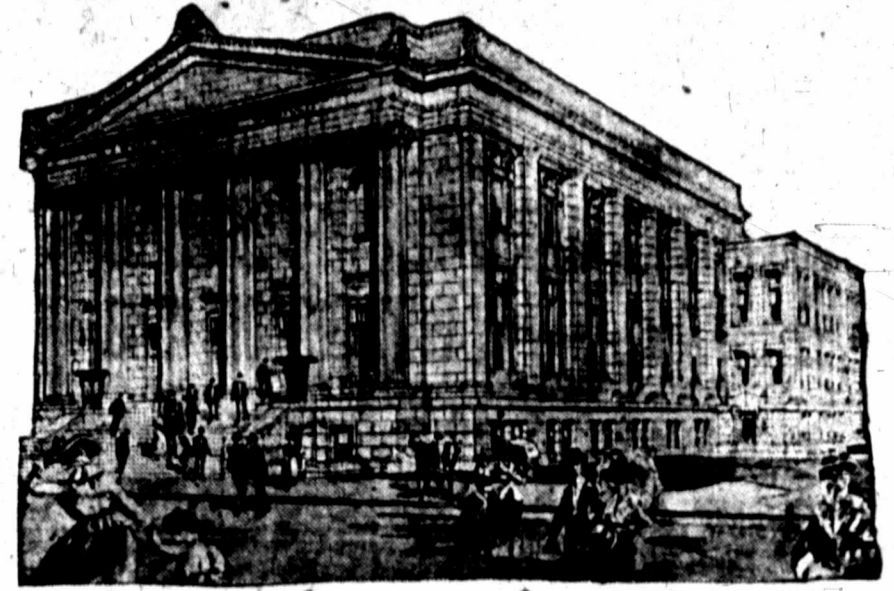
Corner Tenth and Lamar, Sunday Night at 7:45 o'clock

The story is as startling, terrible and dramatic as a Sherlock Holmes' detective tale. Bishop Dubose plays the role of detective.

At 9:30 at the Olympic theater, Dr. Knickerbocker lectures to men. Subject, "A Model Fighting Man." Every "red-blooded" man should hear this lecture.

At 11:00 a. m. at the church the subject of the sermon will be, "The Mother of All Vice" and the Father of All Infidelity."

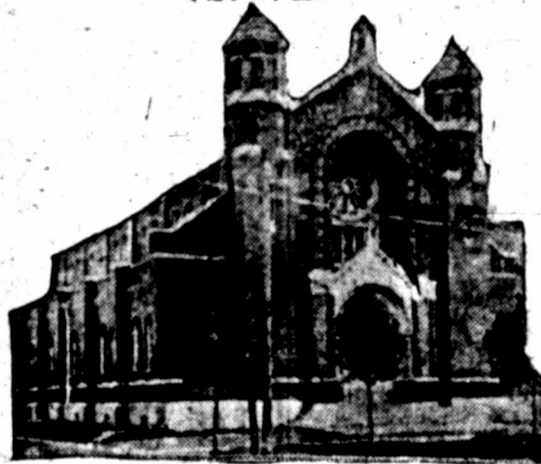
At 9:30 Sunday the Sunday school is "going after" an attendance of 1,000.



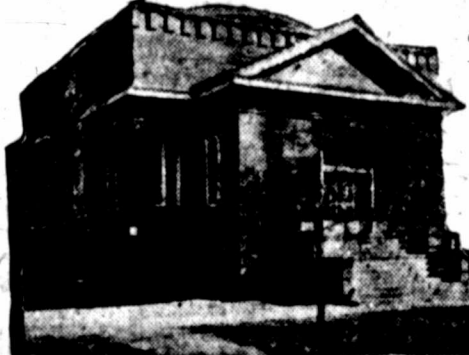
First Baptist Church
Ninth and Burnett Streets
O. L. POWERS, Pastor
Services at 11:00 A. M. and 7:30 P. M.



St. Paul's Lutheran Church
Eleventh and Holiday
C. M. BEYER, Pastor
Services at 10:30 A. M.; Bible Class at 7:30 P. M.



Sacred Heart Church
P. BONIFACE, Pastor
Services at 8 A. M. and 10 A. M.



Central Presbyterian Church
GUY DAVIS, Pastor
Services at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M.

Saturday Sermonette

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WORK

By RICHARD LLOYD JONES

NO job is so difficult and none so disheartening as that of avoiding work. The idler is the man above all others to be pitied.

Work is for the living. He who avoids work never lives for he never comes to know the joy of doing, the contentment that comes from creating, the glory of serving; nor does he know the luxury of recreation and relaxation, for without work there is no rest.

Repose is not the aim of life. Work is the aim; repose the pay.

The universal cure for misery is work, for it gives a strength both to the body and to the mind.

Every man wants to think that he is worth something. No man can know what he is worth without work. Work is the test. The man who is afraid of work will find that in the end it pays better to work out than to rust out.

The man who avoids work because he wants tranquillity of mind will find that he has lost the capacity to work when that tranquillity comes, for tranquillity comes only through work.

Man's record in this world is the record of his work, not of his recreation.

Work is man's noblest expression. All men wish to be noble. All men wish to leave a rec-

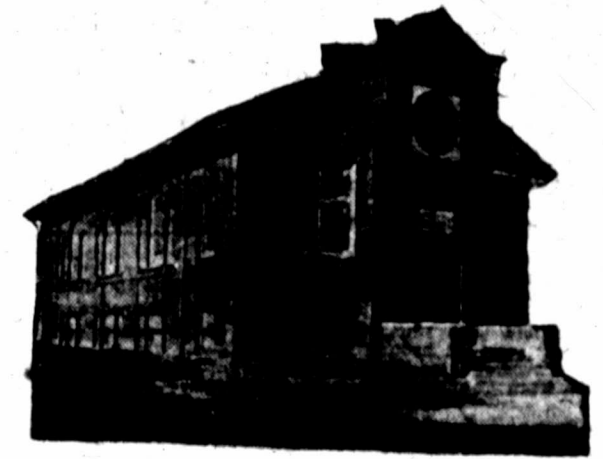
ord. Therefore even they who are idle feign work; they wish, at least, to appear as workers.

Genius is sometimes looked upon as a God-given means of making a record without work. However God-given genius may be, it never accomplishes anything without work. The men of greatest genius have always been amongst the most plodding, hard working and intent,—their chiefest genius being their genius for work. It is men of their kind who know that no true work is menial. They who look upon their work as menial are they who fail to invest in that work the patience, persistence, and power which lifts them above it.

But with all this, work alone is not living. It is the means of living. Man was not made for work; work was made for man. The man is lost who is servant to his work. The strong man is always master of his job.

Work is an educator and he who would be educated always seeks work which is above him, to which he must grow rather than work beneath him to which he must descend.

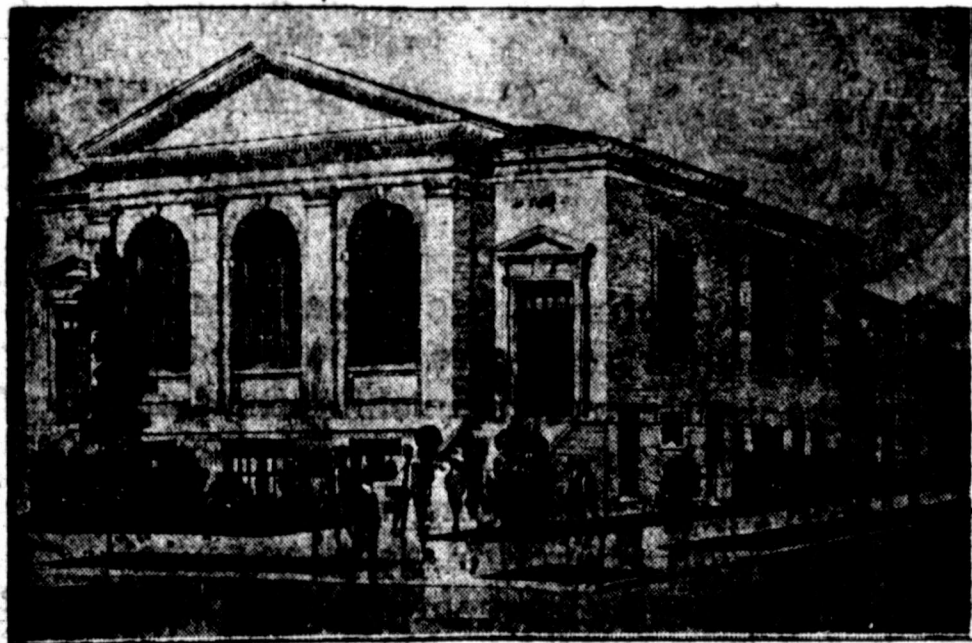
Real rest comes not through idleness, but through change of work. We have work to do to gain our bread. We have other work to do for our delight. Both must be done heartily, strenuously, and with a will,—else we fail.



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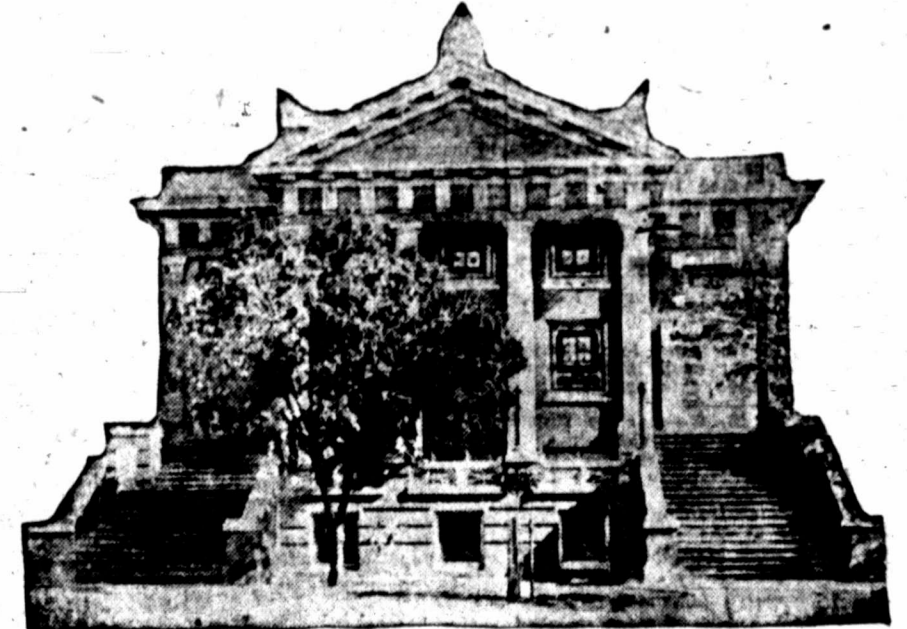
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ALL THE NEWS OF ALL THE SPORTS ALL THE TIME

TIGERS SHOULD HAVE HARD HITTING CLUB

Team is Stronger in Every Department Than It Was Last Year.

By H. C. WALKER
Sport Editor Detroit Times
(Written for the United Press)

DETROIT, MICH., April 2.—Many experts have picked the Detroit Tigers to finish not better than sixth. Manager Cobb refuses to pick for the club a higher place, but it is known he expects to do better.

The club is stronger than last year in every department but the most noticeable improvement is in the speed. Cobb spent days driving the men on base running, bunting and sacrifice hitting and has developed a whole team on good bunters.

The Tigers will carry 11 pitchers this season, four of whom are southpaws. Leonard and Oldham, veterans, seem much improved and Cole and Stewart, new men, are the promising left-handers.

In Cole, Middleton, Hollins, Sutherland, Cobb believes he has found a quartet of hurlers who will win many games.

Low Blue, a left-handed first baseman, looks like one of the best fielders in the league while Jimmy Bassett, a new catcher, looks very promising. Joe Sargent is another infielder of great promise.

These are the best looking recruits and all have clinched their jobs. Cobb has a great outfield in himself, Veatch and Reilman which can be depended upon to hit around .320 and cover wide territory.

The infield with Blue, Young, Bush and Jones may hit around .300 due to the improvement in the hitting resulting from Cobb's instructions.

SPORT BRIEFS

NEW YORK.—An effort is being made by Promoter Tex Rickard to match Benny Leonard and Rocky Karsen for a bout in Madison Square Garden here the night of May 2.

NEW YORK.—Two brothers, Fred C. and Frank T. Anderson of Brooklyn, were opponents today in the final for the national indoor tennis championship.

NEW YORK.—Revival of the Shantley Cup golf tournament, an event for players 50 years old and over, was announced today. It will be held over the course of the Lakewood, N. J., country club, May 5, 6 and 7.

BOSTON.—The Boston American league team is reported in dispatches from Nashville today to be in excellent trim and ready for the season's opening.

NEW YORK.—The New York American league team was scheduled today for the opening contest of a two game series with the Brooklyn Nationals.

Manager Huggins remained at Shreveport today suffering from a slight attack of appendicitis. His condition is not considered serious. He is expected to return to the club in a few days.

As a result of a fight at Mobile, Ala., between Cosy Dolan, coach of the New York Nationals, and Edward Laason, Western league umpire, both were arrested and called into a Mobile court today.

HAVANA.—Play in the seventh game of the world championship chess match between Jose R. Capablanca and Dr. Emanuel Lasker will begin tonight. The sixth game of the series was drawn on the 44th move last night.

CLEVELAND.—Walter Malls, star left hander of the Cleveland Indians pitching staff, who has been suffering with a sore arm, is ready to go into the box, according to advices from Houston.

DETROIT.—Swimmers entered into the national championship meet at the Y. M. C. A. pool tonight include several holders. The more important events are the 440 yard breast stroke championship for men and the men's plunge.

Norman Ross and Robert Skelton of the Illinois A. C. Chicago; Steve Rudy, New York A. C.; Jack Howell of the Olympic club, San Francisco.

DETROIT.—One game margin separated the leading contenders for the amateur three cushion billiards championship when the semifinals were reached today. W. R. Brewer of Chicago and E. W. Leibaugh, Lindenwood, Ill., had each won five games and lost one. Walter Calderwood, Detroit, was in third place with four victories and H. B. Kuhns, Chicago, was fourth, having won three and lost one.

ST. LOUIS.—The two local major league teams will open their annual spring series here this afternoon.

PINEHURST, N. C.—A close finish in the north-south golf championship was expected today when the field played the final 36-holes here. Jock Hutchison of Chicago and George Fotheringham of Bretton Woods, who led the field at the close of yesterday's play, were paired together this morning.

DETROIT.—Two long distance runners were ready to start in the second annual Automobile City Marathon today, the entries including a score of prominent runners from Chicago, New York and various Canadian athletic clubs.

ANN ARBOR, MICH.—The University of Michigan athletic board of control is to meet tonight to decide whether Derrill Pratt, baseball coach, shall be released from his contract to join the Boston Red Sox.

BROWNS AND CARDS OPEN ANNUAL EXHIBITION SERIES

ST. LOUIS, April 2.—St. Louis Cardinals and St. Louis Browns are scheduled to meet in the first game of their annual spring series of seven games here this afternoon.

The betting is about even. Twenty-five thousand fans are expected to file into Sportman's park for the first of the series.

The batteries probably will be for Browns: Sothern, Davis or Schocker, pitchers, and Seaver behind the plate; for the Cardinals: Haines is picked to pitch and Clements to catch.

COBB'S NEW SYSTEM HAS WORKED WONDERS WITH DETROIT CLUB

Georgia Peach's Innovations Will Be Put To Test Here Monday And Tuesday.



TY COBB.

Tyrus Raymond Cobb, in his career as a major league, covering a stretch of 15 years of intensive pastime, succeeded in establishing a new school of baseball. His attack changed the entire defensive system of the major leagues and likewise brought about a new style of offense.

Now that he has assumed the managerial role, Cobb is just as active in setting new precedents. First crack came the order that the Tigers would not hold morning practice this year. For the first time in the history of major league baseball, a club is going along without the morning workout.

Cancelling this time-honored custom was considered a baseball sacrifice, but Cobb went through with it and the Tigers worked out never before noon.

His physical and nervous energy, particularly those in the major leagues, for they always eat little if any lunch. Before this heavy breakfast even begins to digest, the players are on their way to the ball park. And then, on full stomach, they engage in a strenuous workout. The result is apparent. The body, in no condition for hard work, is forced to it and the digestive organs are impaired. The player drags himself to the park, works, and then at 11 o'clock, when the morning session ends, he changes clothes, hustles back to the hotel and has a light lunch. He stretches himself in a chair, fagged out. Before he even starts resting his tired muscles and is recuperating, he is starting to digest his breakfast. Once more he climbs into his uniform and again he drives the tired muscles into action. He drags through the afternoon workout. His physical and nervous energy, spent in the morning work, has had no chance to recuperate, and when work for the day is finally ended, the player has received a few benefits, probably more harm than good.

Are Ready For Practice. Under Cobb's system of work the players eat their breakfast at 9 or 9:30 o'clock. They then rest from two to three hours. They do not eat lunch. Their morning meal has been fully digested before they start for the ball park. They are at the height of their physical power. The muscles are ready for action. The workout lasts three hours and then the players have three more hours to fully recuperate before meal time.

This system has worked wonders for the Tigers this year. The result can well be judged by the team when it comes here for a real contest. The players are all in physical and playing shape. Local fans can judge for themselves the wisdom of this first most radical move of Cobb.

The Dixie Damon has other innovations. Precedent means nothing in his young life, for his reputation has been built upon the fact that he does things differently, as well as better, than any other player. And he is going to manage a ball club differently than one has been managed before.

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The SPORTLIGHT

By Grantland Rice
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AN APRIL CALL.
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Where Spring has melted over the snow,
Why should we daily longer here
To find where deeper pleasures dwell
Who have so far to go?

Since life can show but these two things—
Why should we daily longer here
To find where deeper pleasures dwell
Who have so far to go?

THE WORLD'S WORST SPORT.
The world's worst sport, beyond any debate, is the "caddy cuss" of the golf course.

This type is beyond the ultimate pale. The average kid, with a bit of kindness, instruction and helpful suggestions, can be made into a good caddy in a few rounds. But when he is called down, bawled out, hauled and snarled at by a lot of older alibi experts, his progress is bound to be slow. Each course has its share of these "caddy cusses," none of whom should be allowed within fifty miles of a golf club. They are ranker than the crab grass which kills off the greens.

THE ALL-AROUND STAR.
Who, queries a reader, "is the greatest all-around star in baseball?" Ruth, we might ask in turn, has anything in this respect on Slater and Ruth? Each is a good pitcher, a good first baseman, a good outfielder and a hard hitter.

Here we have fine ability on four different jobs. Hornsby, a hard hitter, can play second, third or short, but they are all infield positions. His versatility, after all, isn't up to that of Slater and Ruth.

THE MISSING MEMBER.
The season swings under way and most of the limelight heroes resume their accustomed place in the parade. Dempsey, Ruth, Tilden, Slater, Leonard. But there is one vacant chair—an eminent star who will be missed more than any one else—

And the name is Man of War. This super horse deserved at least one more year's competition on the track. For the thrill of battle was in his blood. To see him leap at the raised check, you can figure out the possibilities of such a machine. The Browns only had no one dependable workman. With a team batting average of .308, the Browns were still unable to win half their games, the same being an unseemly jolt for their pitching department.

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The Adventure of the Empty House

By A. CONAN DOYLE
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The story thus far:
The Honorable Ronald Adair, second son of the Earl of Maynooth, was found murdered one night in the house where he lived with his mother and sister. He had been playing whist that afternoon with Mr. Murray, Mr. John Hardy and Colonel Moran. He had lost a little, but a few days before he had won over four hundred pounds. So his losses could not have troubled him. He went to a front, second-floor sitting room at ten o'clock. When his mother and sister returned about an hour later they found the door locked. On getting no return they had broken in and found him shot dead by an expanding revolver bullet. There was no revolver in the room. A fire was burning in the grate, and the window was undisturbed. On the table were some money and some papers and the young man had apparently been fighting. Holmes, who was called in by the police, found the figure of a man in the doorway of the room in which Adair was found. Holmes explained the plain-clothes man and an awkward old fellow with some books under his arm, who was shadowing him, as a friend of his.

Later in the evening the old book-seller came to see him, threw off his disguise and revealed himself as Sherlock Holmes. Watson fainted from surprise and some papers and the young man had apparently been fighting. Holmes, who was called in by the police, found the figure of a man in the doorway of the room in which Adair was found. Holmes explained the plain-clothes man and an awkward old fellow with some books under his arm, who was shadowing him, as a friend of his.

Then seeing above him a friend of Moriarty's, who tried to kill him, by dropping a stone on him, Holmes fled through the mountains and escaped. Days afterwards he was found by a friend, who knew he was living. That was three years before. He had returned to London and was waiting for his murder. He and Watson went out and entered the back of an empty house in London and was waiting for his murder. He and Watson went out and entered the back of an empty house in London and was waiting for his murder.

Holmes told Watson to look across at the window shade. There, sharply outlined against the wall, was the figure of a man. It was a bust in wax which the landlady moved from time to time, that the shadow might not seem too queer. Holmes explained that his old enemy, Moriarty's friend, knew he was in London and was waiting for his murder. He and Watson went out and entered the back of an empty house in London and was waiting for his murder.

Finally Holmes heard someone creeping up the stairs. They hid in the shadows. A man stole into the room and placed a chair in front of the window, aiming it at the shadow on the curtain opposite. He fired. Holmes and Watson fell on him and in answer to Holmes' whistle two policemen and a detective entered the room. The man was Colonel Moran, and Holmes told the detective to arrest him. Holmes went over to Watson and looked at the bullet that had shattered the wax bust.

PART SIX.
"Plumb in the middle of the back of the head and smack through the brain," said Holmes. "He was the best shot in India, and I expect that there are few better in London. Have you heard the name?"

"No, I have not."

"Well, well, such is fame! But, then, I remember right, you had not heard the name of Prof. James Moriarty, who had one of the great brains of the century. Just give me down my index of biographies for the shelf."

He turned over the pages lazily, leaning back in his chair and blowing great clouds from his cigar.

"My collection of M's is a fine one," said he. "Moriarty himself is enough to make any letter illustrious, and here is Morgan the poisoner, and Meriwether of abominable memory, and Mathews, who knocked out my left leg in the war. I served in Fowaki campaign, Afghan campaign, Chirashai (despatches), Sherpur and Cabul. Author of 'Heavy Game of the'

Western Himalayas' (1881). Three Months in the Jungle' (1884). Address: Conduit street. Clubs: The Anglo-Indian, the Tankerville, the Bagatelle Card club."

On the margin was written, in Holmes' precise hand: "The second most dangerous man in London."

"This is astonishing," said I, as I handed back the volume. "The man's career is that of an honorable soldier."

"It is true," Holmes answered. "Up to a certain point he did well. He was always a man of iron nerve, and the story is still told in India how he drew down a drain after a wounded man-eating tiger. He showed some real Watson, which grew to a certain height, and then suddenly develop some slightly eccentricity. You will see it often in humans."

"The chief of the staff," Moriarty supplied him, "interesting little problems which the complex life of London so plentifully presents."

"It will be verified or disproved at the trial. Meanwhile, come what may, Colonel Moran will know me as much older than himself. Probably he acted as I suggest. The exclusion from his club would mean ruin to Moran, who lived by his ill-gotten gains. He therefore murdered Adair, who at the time was endeavoring to work out how much money he should himself return, since he could not profit by his partner's game. He locked the door lest the ladies should surprise him and insist upon knowing what he was doing with these names and coins. Will it pass?"

"You have formed one, then?"

"I think that it is not difficult to explain the facts. It came out in evidence that Colonel Moran and young Adair had between them won a considerable amount of money. Now, Moran undoubtedly played foul—that I have long been aware. I believe that on the day of the murder Adair had discovered that Moran was cheating. Very likely he had spoken to him privately, and had threatened to expose him unless he voluntarily resigned his membership of the club, and promised not to play cards again. It is unlikely that a youngster like Adair would at once make a hideous scandal by accusing a well-known man so much older than himself. Probably he acted as I suggest. The exclusion from his club would mean ruin to Moran, who lived by his ill-gotten gains. He therefore murdered Adair, who at the time was endeavoring to work out how much money he should himself return, since he could not profit by his partner's game. He locked the door lest the ladies should surprise him and insist upon knowing what he was doing with these names and coins. Will it pass?"

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EAST SIDERS WILL FORM ORGANIZATION FOR IMPROVEMENTS

FRIDAY NIGHT'S MEETING FOR PROTEST ON INCINERATOR PLANS CLUB.

NO OBJECTIONS VOICED TO NEW SITE PICKED BY CITY

Residents Discuss Number Of Matters Affecting Their Section—Yates Addresses Meeting.

Plans for a permanent neighborhood organization, to obtain needed improvements and to watch out for the interests of the community, were set on foot Friday at a meeting of residents of the district east of the railroad tracks. The meeting was held at the Travis school, which was "burglarized" in order to admit the citizens greatly to the indignation of the janitor when he discovered it. About 60 attended.

The meeting was called as an indignation meeting against locating the city incinerator at Front and Oak streets, the residents having been led by erroneous newspaper reports to believe that the council was planning to use the site originally chosen. However, when Dr. Douglas, city sanitary officer, told the citizens that the site had been abandoned, and a new one chosen near the sewer outlet, the meeting was left with nothing much to indignate about, but complaints of the treatment accorded that section of the city were freely voiced along several lines.

One candidate, R. L. Yates, accepted the invitation to address the east side. Fred B. Massey, who was one of the delegation that presented the original protest to the city council, was chairman of the meeting.

Although permission of the school board had been obtained for use of the school building, it was locked when the east side gathered, and more than one of those present accused the school authorities of trying to prevent the meeting. Finally, one of the windows was forced open, and the doors unlocked from the inside. Shortly before the meeting broke up, the janitor appeared, highly indignant, that the building was being used. He was invited to put the meeting out, if he thought he could get by with it. A motion prevailed to request the school board to fire him.

F. B. Massey called the meeting to order and explained its purpose. Dr. A. H. Douglas, city sanitary officer, said that any report that the site at Front and Oak streets would be used, was in error; that he and City Engineer Montgomery had inspected a number of other places, and had decided upon a tract near the sewer outlet, some distance east of the Oak street site.

Several of those present at once declared that the new site would not be objectionable. Mr. Massey, recalling his appearance before the council on the incinerator matter, said that he had made some pointed remarks to the council on that occasion, and that he might have been a little hasty, but that he hadn't thought the council had given a square deal to that section of town in assuming that the incinerator could be located there.

Mr. Anderson declared he had no objection to the new site, but he would fight the other to a finish. Mr. Massey

said that there was no definite promise from the council as to the site. Judge Carlton said that Dr. Douglas' report indicated there was no danger of the Oak street site being chosen. He made a report on what had taken place at the council meeting, and said he was sure members of the council hadn't realized the disadvantage of the original site. Judge Carlton recounted some of his experiences as an alderman in another city.

Somebody changed the subject just as by inquiring how many had a sign. Councilman Bralley on this side of town. One resident had seen him, it appeared. The chairman said he didn't want to censure anybody, but that the meeting had not been called for political purposes.

A woman resident told of the origin of the incinerator protest, and also complained of light and water service in that section.

"They treat us like a step child," she said.

R. L. Yates, candidate for alderman, place No. 1, next spoke.

"If you think the police department matter isn't one of the past 18 months, don't vote for me," he said, "because all I can do is guarantee you a change."

He said he resided on the east side in 1925 when much of the city that now has conveniences of all kinds was known as "Huff's pasture." The council seemed to have forgotten, he said, that the east side was one of the oldest residence sections. He didn't think the council had ever looked at the Front street incinerator site before they decided on it, and he believed it was too close to the residence district.

Mr. Yates promised to protect the east side's interests on the incinerator matter, and said his one vote would do so, and that he would oppose putting an incinerator on Front street "just as strong as he would putting it next to Walter Cline's house."

"The council doesn't pay enough attention to what's going on," Mr. Yates said, "they're all well to do men on the east side, and a dollar looks like a dime to them. They don't know what's going on."

Somebody asked Mr. Yates if he were going to put outsiders on the police force; he answered with an emphatic negative.

"It will be a 100 per cent Wichita Falls force," he said, "we don't have to send to Waco for a chief of police."

He discussed the letter from Judge C. F. Spencer, indorsing Councilman Bralley, which letter appeared in public prints Friday morning, and said the letter gave some of the ancient history of Montague county. It wasn't necessary, he contended, "to go to the hills of Montague county for an official."

The speaker said that Wichita Falls either had too many policemen, or that they weren't scattered right. He paid a tribute to Chief McClure of the fire department, and said that branch of the city government was efficient and well cared for.

Discussing the gas rate situation, Mr. Yates said that gas bills at present are frequently 25 per cent of a man's total wages.

Several of those present spoke of the scarcity of fire alarm boxes, fire hydrants and other conveniences on the east side, and the suggestion was made that an organization should be formed to work for improvements. This met with considerable favor, and a motion prevailed to call a meeting for next Friday night at the school, the janitor permitting, when it is expected that a permanent organization will be formed.

It was pointed out at the meeting that the north side had such an organization that is accomplishing things, and it was time for the east side to "have a chamber of commerce of its own" as one man expressed it.

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There has been considerable criticism of late over the valuations and tax rate here. It is charged by a few that these are excessive. However, commissioners state that when the board of equalization met last spring, citizens demanded that higher taxes be levied for needed extension work and accordingly valuations were raised 50 per cent to meet the popular demand.

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