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Lena Ohlenbusch Married Thursday

Miss Lena Ohlenbusch, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Ohlenbusch of Goldthwaite, and a teacher in the Brownlee school, and James Gann, employed in Sweetwater, were married by the Rev. L. D. Braun at 6:30 last Thursday evening at the Lutheran church east of town.

Miss Ohlenbusch lived here with her parents for a number of years and was graduated from Loraine High School a few years ago. She has a host of friends here.

Following the ceremony a barbecue supper was served to a host of friends in the church basement.

MR. AND MRS. CLYDE WILSON ENTERTAINED

A turkey dinner with all the trimmings was enjoyed Monday evening in the Wiley Walker home, with Mrs. Dunnahoo assisting the hostess.

The occasion was in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Wilson of Fort Stockton who were visiting here during the holidays.

Those enjoying the evening were Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Alfonso Dunnahoo, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Wimberley, and Mr. and Mrs. Russell Cope.

S. B. Powell of Morgan, Texas, spent last Thursday with his brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Thomas.

Christmas at the Home Of Mrs. R. E. Bennett

Christmas activities in the home of Mrs. R. E. Bennett included the reunion and entertainment of the family of her late husband, some of whom had not seen each other in more than fifteen years.

The usual dinner of turkey with all its accessories and trimmings was served from a most beautiful table elaborately decorated with colors and adornments in keeping with the Christmas season.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Bennett of Granbury, Texas, Mr. and Mrs. James Chambers of Clovis, N. M., Dr. and Mrs. James O. Chambers of Galveston, Texas, Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Chambers, Miss Caroline and William H. Chambers of Abilene, Texas, Mrs. R. H. Looney and Mrs. Lula Mae Carlton of Colorado, Texas, Mr. and Mrs. Hal Bennett and children, Ayvee and Bob of Highland community.

After dinner the party retired to the living room where stood a large Christmas tree and after the gifts had been distributed and admired by all an interesting and appropriate program, previously arranged, was carried out. The hostess, in a few well chosen words, emphasized the significance of Christmas and the true purpose for which this day was set apart and designated. She was followed with two special musical numbers by Mrs. Lula Mae Carlton, Mrs. O. B. Chambers and Little Miss Ayvee Bennett. Readings were rendered by Mrs. R. H. Looney, Mr. and Mrs. Hal Bennett, Mrs. C. E. Bennett, Bob Bennett and Avery Lynn Jackson.

The afternoon was further spent in pleasant conversation, reminiscences, etc., so natural on occasions like this where friends and loved ones come together after long absence. Yet through it all there was a thread of sadness because of the chair made vacant by the passing of "R. E." who had so thoroughly enjoyed like gatherings in other days.

At a late hour the guests departed with many expressions of love and appreciation for having been privileged to again come together in this home for their Christmas festivities and celebration.

Mrs. Bennett was assisted in all preparation and entertainment by her brother and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Jackson.

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Templeton Leaves Sunday For Austin

B. L. Templeton and family will leave Sunday for Austin to make their home. Mr. Templeton was recently appointed Examiner for Motor Transport Division of the Railroad Commission by Jerry Sadler and he is to take up his duties after the first of the year.



Mr. Templeton says he will still call Mitchell County home and expects to return here when his job in Austin terminates. He was reared in Loraine and received his high school education here. "I appreciate the many favors the people of Loraine and Mitchell County have shown me in the past, and if an opportunity comes I shall certainly do all I can for the people of this county," said Mr. Templeton Wednesday.

Visitors in the S. H. Hart home Christmas were Mr. and Mrs. Hainey and two daughters, Mrs. W. E. Watson and Mrs. A. J. Holcott, of Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Caswell and daughter Dolly, of Midland; Mrs. H. L. Hart and three sons, J. J. Hunter, and Mrs. Watlington and two children, of Midland; Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Drake and two sons, of Midland; Mr. and Mrs. L. K. Hart and three daughters, of Slaton; Miss Edna Edmondson, of Silver City, New Mexico; Mr. and Mrs. Braswell and children, of Rising Star; Mr. and Mrs. A. K. McCarley and daughter, Miss Florence, of Midland; Miss Blanch, of Stephenville; Mrs. C. L. Hudson, of Colorado; and all of their children from Colorado, Loraine and Buford were at home. It was a happy Christmas for Mr. and Mrs. Hart.

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Burdine of Midland spent Christmas here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Martin.

D. L. Gumm Dies Suddenly Xmas Day

Funeral services for D. L. Gumm, 65, were held from the Baptist Church Monday afternoon at four o'clock with the pastor, Rev. M. H. Godfrey, officiating. Interment was made in the Loraine cemetery under direction of G. W. Hendrick.

Mr. Gumm died suddenly about two o'clock Christmas day. He had not been in good health for some time but was not considered in a serious condition.

David Lee Gumm was born in San Francisco, California, August 14, 1873. He moved to Texas when a small lad after the death of his father, and lived near Belton and Lampasas. He came to Loraine some three years ago. He was married to Lela Jenkins at Weatherford, Texas, May 4, 1903, to which union two children were born.

Besides his wife he is survived by his two children, Mrs. L. Burrus of Loraine, and G. Gumm of Albany and four grandchildren. He is also survived by three sisters and one brother, Mrs. T. L. Williams, Chickasha, Oklahoma, Mrs. Bob Walsh, Ft. Worth, Texas, Mrs. J. M. Boyer, Brownwood, and Arthur Biven, of Iowa Park.

BRIGHT RESISTANT MILO SEED AVAILABLE NOW

College Station, Texas, Dec. 26.—Bright resistant milo seed will entirely replace the old strain in Texas within the next two years, E. A. Miller, agronomist of the Texas A. and M. College Extension Service, has predicted.

About a million pounds of the new strain will be available for sale by certified grain sorghum seed grower next spring and another million pounds will come from 99 farmers in 52 counties who grew the milo this year through the cooperation of county agricultural agents and vocational teachers.

Milo blight, or milo root rot, appeared in Texas fields a few years ago and spread rapidly until the disease had yielded by upwards to 10 million bushels annually. A selection process, carried by the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station under the direction of R. E. Karper, resulted in the finding of the blight resistant strain.

Demonstrations in the field and at substations at Lubbock, Chillicothe, and Spur produced large, fine heads and a heavy crop while adjacent fields of the old strain returned poor yields of light, chaffy heads, Miller said.

The following program for the Baptist W. M. S. will be held at the basement Tuesday, January 3rd.

Song "All Hail the Power of Jesus Name"

Bible study, "Doing the Will of God" by Mrs. Mearse.

Prayer that we will do the will of God through this year.

The Great Commission and the Cross by Mrs. R. E. Bennett.

Song "I Love to Tell the Story"

The Great Commission and Personal Service by Mrs. Dan Butler.

Prayer that we will fill the year with personal service done for the glory of Jesus and the extension of His Kingdom.

What shall this year be? Talks and Resolutions led by Mrs. Lester Jarratt.

Benediction.

EAST SIDE SINGERS TO MEET AT SILVER SUNDAY

The East Side Mitchell County Singing convention will be held at Silver next Sunday. Singing is to begin at 11 A. M.

Singers from out of the county are expected to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Cook Jr. of Coleman, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wyatt of Colorado spent the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Cook.

Westbrook Man Buried Here Monday

Funeral services for A. E. Anderson, 65, were held from the home of Mrs. Richardson here in Loraine Monday afternoon at two o'clock with Rev. M. H. Godfrey officiating. Interment was made in the Loraine cemetery under direction of G. W. Hendrick.

Mr. Anderson, a former resident of this community, died at the home of a son near Westbrook Christmas morning.

Augustus Edward Anderson was born at Commerce, Hunt County, Texas, in 1873. He was married to Lillie May Wheeler 15 years ago, to which union 11 children were born, seven of whom survive. His wife died about three years ago. Besides his children he is survived by 25 grand children and 2 great grand children.

Mrs. C. L. Harrison, whose husband taught at Brownlee for years, is a daughter.

REV. SHEWBERT TO ATTEND MISSIONARY MEETING

The General Missionary Council of the Southern Methodist Church will meet at San Antonio January 3-6. This is the last meeting of this council before unification. Plans are going forward to make this one of the greatest of all missionary meetings.

The local pastor, Rev. Shewbert, plans to attend this meeting and will leave next Tuesday morning. Rev. Shewbert has been appointed as District Missionary Secretary for the Sweetwater District Staff Council. All missionary secretaries will meet next Thursday for special instructions regarding the years plans.

NEW YEARS MESSAGE AT METHODIST CHURCH SUN.

J. E. Shewbert, pastor

Last Sunday was a good day with us as well as a big one. Of course our Sunday School was considerably off because so many were either out of town or entertaining guests for Christmas.

Nevertheless we had a fine group out. The Sunday School opening program with Mrs. Arlie Martin and Miss Josephine Palmer giving readings was impressive. The pastor brought a Christmas message and Mr. Arnold Marshall brought a splendid message in song at the morning worship hour. Sunday night the pageant, "The Greatest Gift" was given before practically a full house. We appreciated the presence of every one and trust they received a blessing by coming out. I appreciate, as does the church, those that were responsible for the putting on of this program.

Next Sunday we will look for all of our members out for Sunday School and Church, both morning and evening. As this is the first Sunday in the new year of 1939 every family should come out and start the new year right. Make it your new year's resolution to be present at your church services each Sunday. Build your life upon things spiritual and it shall endure.

An opportunity will be given again next Sunday for those who desire to contribute to our Methodist Orphanage Home at Waco. Several have asked that they be given this opportunity. So bring yours unless you put it in last Sunday.

Remember each Wednesday night at 7 we hold prayer services. Come out and be with us.

Our Sunday night services are being given special attention and we trust all will come out to these. A blessing awaits you we feel sure.

Next Sunday the League groups will hold their regular services. All young people are urged to be present. Time 6 P. M. We will see you next Sunday. Let us wish for you a New Year that will find you walking closer to God; then we know it will be a happy one.

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Stuhldreher Speaks



Harry Stuhldreher, football coach at the University of Wisconsin, was among speakers at the National Collegiate Athletic association's annual convention opening Wednesday at the Hotel Sherman in Chicago. The conference made rule changes for the 1939 football season.

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Soil And Water Conservation Week

College Station, Texas, Dec. 26.—Texas could stop her disastrous floods and halt the silting of reservoirs within the next 10 years by holding rainfall on individual farms and ranches, C. (Dutch) Hohn, specialist in soil and water conservation with the Texas A. and M. College Extension Service, said in commenting on Governor James Allred's proclamation, made December 27, creating January 8-14 as Soil and Water Conservation Week.

"The conservation job in Texas is already more than a third finished as far as the crop land of the state is concerned, and the run-off of water and loss of soil is much greater on cultivated land than on pastures and ranches," Hohn pointed out.

"The 20,000 dams built by farmers and ranchmen during the past two years as water reservoirs for cattle alone have a capacity of more than 200,000 acre feet of water, or over one-fifth the capacity of the great Buchanan dam," he declared.

Texas, one of the last states to realize the value of protective measures against loss of soil and rainfall, has been a leader in conservation work since the Extension Service began conservation work in 1910, Hohn said. County agricultural agents, vocational teachers, AAA workers, civic organizations, commissioners' courts, the Soil Conservation Service, and farmers have combined to protect Texas land through terraces and contouring at the rate of some 3 million acres a year for the past two years. Some 18 million acres of crop land remain unprotected, he estimated.

"The church, the press, civic organizations, service clubs, and just plain unattached business men are joining in to make Soil and Water Conservation Week a great occasion," Hohn stated. He said many programs had been arranged during the week and that numerous ministers would make conservation their theme on Sunday, January 8.

Well, the old year is about gone. The year just closing has been a good year for our church. More than 100 have united with the church; the Sunday School has grown; the finances of the church are in good shape, but best of all the fellowship is good and I think we have a mind to push on in the Lord's work and suppose we just start next Sunday by having the largest Sunday School we have ever had, and all stay for the preaching service and come for the evening service, and some who were absent last Sunday bring the offering for both Sundays and feel good over it.

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HAPPENINGS AT THE BAPTIST CHURCH

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M. H. Godfrey, Pastor

MARRIED

L. C. Caswell and Miss Mary Yarbrough, both of the Champion community, were united in marriage at the Baptist parsonage Friday night by Rev. M. H. Godfrey.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Broadbuss of Colorado, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Rose of Odessa, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Thomas and family, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Thomas and son, Glen Thomas, and Homer Bodine, all of Colorado spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Thomas.

H. L. Willis and family spent Christmas with relatives in Brownwood.

Weekly News Analysis

Relief Crisis Faces Congress

As WPA Runs Short of Funds

By Joseph W. La Bine

EDITOR'S NOTE—When opinions are expressed in these columns they are those of the news analyst and not necessarily of the newspaper.

Relief

Already well worked out in White House circles are major points for leisurely congressional consideration. The points: (1) addition of millions to social security's tax-and-benefit plan; (2) a federal-state health program to cost \$850,000,000 annually in 10 years, and to cost the U. S. government \$65,000,000 the first year; (3) defense through rearmament and industrial mobilization; (4) railway aid, to be proposed jointly by management and labor.

Far more acute is the problem of feeding 3,262,000 U. S. citizens registered on relief rolls November 5, and whose number has since been slashed drastically to make present funds last as long as possible. When congress voted \$1,425,000,000 for relief last winter it stipulated the money must last until March 1, 1939, but gave President Roosevelt the right to advance this deadline to February 1 in case of an emergency.



JOHN L. LEWIS
Not \$600,000,000, but \$1,000,000,000.

cy. Either forgetting this stipulation or hoping to scare the new congress into immediate action, Acting WPA Administrator Aubrey Williams now warns that WPA must shut down February 7 unless legislators gallop to the rescue with additional funds.

How fast congress will gallop is another matter. Though President Roosevelt predicted last July that a \$500,000,000 deficiency appropriation would carry WPA from March 1 to the end of this fiscal year (June 30), he has now announced through Senate Majority Leader Alben W. Barkley that an additional \$100,000,000 will be needed. The anticipated situation: G. O. P. and independent Democrat legislators will fight for a thorough investigation of WPA "graft" and "politics," and will probably be reluctant to make a new appropriation until their curiosity is satisfied. But whether this reluctance will be displayed over the \$600,000,000 deficiency fund or next year's regular relief appropriation is anybody's guess.

Loudest protest has come from John L. Lewis, president of the Congress of Industrial Organizations. Demanding that congress appropriate not \$600,000,000 but \$1,000,000,000 for immediate deficiency needs, he demands "no cuts" in relief rolls until private business can absorb the unemployment slack. The Lewis prognostication: "Unless action is taken within the first week of January, 3,200,000 American workers and at least 10,000,000 human beings who depend on them will face disaster."

Medicine

Thus far no court has determined whether a medical association can be considered a trade under meaning of the Sherman anti-trust act. But last October 17 the U. S. justice department's Trust Buster Thurman Arnold decided to find out. Placed under investigation was the District of Columbia Medical society. The charge: That organized Washington medical men fought the Group Health association (a medical cooperative of government workers) by harassing its doctors, keeping its patients out of hospitals and preventing members from getting proper care.

Only two months had passed before Mr. Arnold's investigation was complete. At Washington, a federal grand jury found cause to indict three organized medical associations and 21 professional leaders for violation of the Sherman act. Among indicted associations: the District of Columbia Medical society, American Medical association, Harris County (Texas) Medical society. Among indicted individuals: Dr. Morris Fishbein, editor of the A. M. A. Journal; Dr. Olin West, A. M. A. secretary and general manager; Dr. William Dick Cutter, president of the association's council on medical education and hospitals.

Law provides for one year in prison, \$5,000 fine or both as penalty for conviction, but at best Mr. Arnold's case is nothing more than a test. From Washington's federal district court, a conviction would finally

end up in the U. S. Supreme court, by which time the government will probably see no more nuisance value in its case.

Behind the battle is organized medicine's loud objection to socialized medicine proposals made at last summer's public health conference. Adamant to the point of anger, A. M. A. called a board of governors' meeting in Chicago and modified its original stand. Since then California's medical society has endorsed a public health program and several other associations have shown favorable inclinations. Having started its investigation, the U. S. found it held a hot potato that could not be dropped. Long before the case reaches its final stages, congress will probably approve a federal-state public health program.

Spain

Last December 9, Rebel Generalissimo Francisco Franco planned to start a whirlwind offensive in the Lerida area. Suddenly two sets of plans were missing, one smuggled across to Loyalist officers by a colonel. Later a British vice consul was found carrying more war plans in his brief case, though he was exonerated of responsibility. In the end General Franco stopped his war temporarily, arrested 800 plotters and decided his position was not so favorable as he might well desire.

Chief reason for Rebel dissent is the presence of Italian fighters along Franco's frontiers, but to remove Premier Mussolini's troops would cost the army considerable strength. Nor can the general blink at huge espionage activities, which mean that Rebel territory is heavily populated with Loyalist sympathizers. Thus General Franco will probably delay his long-awaited offensive, to strengthen the moral position at home. Meanwhile, Loyalist Spain will be able to relax and recuperate, strengthening its own forces through the delay.

This situation looms important in the light of Great Britain's plan to grant General Franco belligerent rights. With Loyalist hopes much brighter, it would be foolish for London to make this concession to win the friendship of Italy. Moreover, since the U. S. Red Cross plans to distribute wheat freely to both sides in the Spanish conflict, Great Britain might thus find herself at swords' point with Washington.

Great Britain

Periodically since the Munich treaty, Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain has held his breath while parliament voted on a motion of non-confidence. Each time he has won, yet each time the opposition gets stronger. Though still not powerful enough to threaten Mr. Chamberlain's personal position, his foes have found two definite points of vulnerability on which the prime minister must soon act:

Appeasement. Since last summer Mr. Chamberlain has believed that England can avoid war only by keeping Germany and Italy contented through concessions. But every concession has been followed by more demands, and parliament is getting tired of it. On January 11 the prime minister will go to Rome, where observers predict he will offer



LESLIE HORE-BELISHA
He put his boss on the spot.

fer to win French territorial concessions for Premier Mussolini. If he does, and if he gets no adequate compensation, Mr. Chamberlain will become a virtual political suicide as the result.

Armament. Though anxious to appease, England is also anxious to protect. During September's crisis trenches were dug, gas masks distributed, anti-aircraft guns installed and defense literature distributed. When the crisis passed, highly publicized War Minister Leslie Hore-Belisha arose to tell parliament how hopelessly inadequate and muddled-up the defenses had been. Though this situation was Mr. Hore-Belisha's responsibility, nothing happened to him. But while Mr. Chamberlain journeys about Europe in the role of peacemaker, level-headed homebodies are beginning to demand removal of the war minister and the institution of a greatly speeded, greatly expanded defense program. This would be a personal defeat for the prime minister, who appointed Mr. Hore-Belisha to his present important post.

Agriculture

Each winter a new crop of agricultural ax-grinders appears in congress. Not to aid this year's crop, but because the law requires it, Secretary Henry A. Wallace's farm experts have just released salient information on 1938 production. Facts and figures, with background from 1933:

Taking total farm production from 1923 to 1932 as 100 per cent, succeeding years have seen the aggregate slump to 88.2 per cent during 1933's drouth and cotton-plowing; drop again to 71.6 per cent in parched 1934; zoom to 94.6 per cent in 1935; sink to 79.6 in 1936; skyrocket to 113 in 1937. But in 1938, though acreage was 3.5 per cent below the 10-year acreage, lush Mother Nature came through with a crop of 104.8 per cent. Samples for 1938:

	1938	1937	10-yr. av.
Wheat	930,801,000	875,000,000	752,891,000
Corn	2,542,238,000	2,651,000,000	2,306,000,000
Oats	1,053,839,000	1,162,000,000	1,042,441,000

Thus, though the total went down, wheat went up. Meanwhile prices on everything went down and foreign nations became more self-sufficient than ever. Three-fifths of U. S. senators and congressmen know their farmer constituents have an acute problem, as does Secretary Wallace. But while congressional ax-grinders may attempt to throw out AAA (possibly substituting the domestic allotment plan which would peg home prices and dump surpluses at world prices) Secretary Wallace hopes congress will give AAA another chance.

Critics of AAA maintain that recent referenda on marketing quotas for cotton, rice and tobacco gave Mr. Wallace's program a rebuff, but the secretary thinks otherwise. While rice and tobacco growers turned thumbs down, cotton producers accepted what he calls "the most extreme and controversial



SECRETARY WALLACE
Will AAA get another chance?

phase of AAA." Like the farm bureau's Edward O'Neil, Mr. Wallace thinks his program sound: "I am confident that (AAA) principles will be continued and that they will be strengthened and improved to be of more benefit to farmers."

Meanwhile, not waiting for the much-feared acreage reduction orders (which will possibly be smaller than many anticipate), U. S. winter wheat farmers are voluntarily cutting production in the hope of raising next year's price. First estimates on the new winter crop call for 385,000,000 bushels, the smallest crop since 1935.

China

Last autumn China's Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek picked up his coat tails and fled to the interior, looking little more important than one of his untrained, unkempt soldiers. With Japan pressing him hard, the smart, benevolent dictator set up headquarters at Chungking. Western democracies, watching Japan close China's "open door," thought Kai-shek was as futile a hope as their once-prosperous trade with the Orient.

But during December both the U. S. and Great Britain made a surprising turnaround, granting China huge loans to develop her western provinces. At first it looked like democracies were merely applying a clever squeeze play against China, but late developments prove that Chiang Kai-shek—not the U. S. or Britain—did the squeezing.

The well-confirmed report: That Kai-shek called both U. S. Ambassador Nelson T. Johnson and British Ambassador Sir Archibald Clark Kerr to his Chungking stronghold, telling them bluntly that democracies could choose between (1) giving him aid and protecting their interests in the Orient, or (2) watching him turn to Russia—or even Germany—for help against Japan.

Meanwhile U. S.-British action has given China confidence and aroused Japanese hostility. While French labor leaders began calling for a boycott on Japanese goods, Tokyo papers urged use of "actual power" against Great Britain and the U. S. One idea: To return Britain's crown colony of Hong Kong to "Chinese" sovereignty.

Miscellany

At Detroit, public bus drivers were ordered to take passengers to their own doorsteps New Year's eve between hours of midnight and 5 a. m.

At Mexico City, the government-owned telegraph system announced a one-hour daily period when complaints can be sent by Mexicans to President Cardenas free of charge.

A WARNING

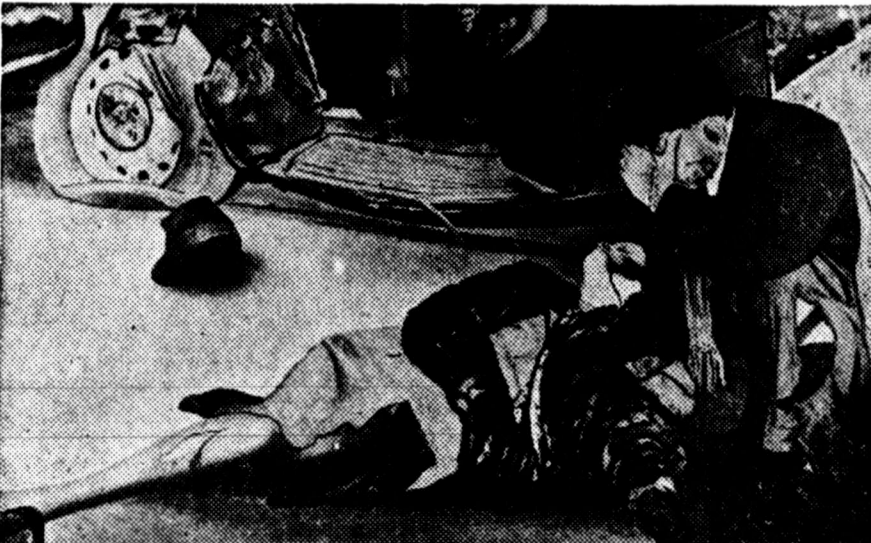
One Drink May Lead to Another,
So Be Careful New Year's Eve!



Here's a graphic warning about your New Year's Eve celebration. Congenial drinks have a habit of following each other in insidious succession.



It's had enough to risk your own life by driving after drinking, but how about the other lives that are thereby endangered? Gasoline and liquor don't mix!



Disaster stalks the highways each New Year's Eve because of drinking drivers. Won't you do your part to combat this needless slaughter? If you must drink, leave your car at home or let some one else do the driving!

He Tries, Anyway!



SECRETARY WALLACE
Will AAA get another chance?

WASHINGTON.—Each year since 1911 J. W. Hunefeld has donned his special red necktie and walked to the White House, hoping to shake hands with the President. He was successful until 1933 when President Hoover left town for the day. The next year President Roosevelt abandoned the New Year's handshaking altogether and Hunefeld hasn't seen the inside of the White House since. Here he is shown barred by the White House gates, still hoping that President Roosevelt will change his mind.

New Year's Eve Revelry

Dates Back to Romans

Who Really Celebrated?

New Year's eve may be a Roman holiday to Americans but it's nothing like the celebration tendered the new year by Romans themselves in the days of Caesar.

Long before the wassail bowl became an English institution and \$5 floor show seats were invented, the hardy Romans of a past age were forced to pay even higher stakes to watch the old man with the scythe go into retirement.

It started as a celebration of the winter solstice. In old Rome it was Saturnalia, even as now. Then Caesar changed the calendar and delayed the opening of the new year a few days until the first of the month honoring Janus. He was a two-faced god who looked both forward and back.

In Rome during the empire the heads of the state exacted presents at New Year's. They got so greedy that Claudius finally set up a schedule to make it legal.

Everybody's heard about the old English wassail bowl, but how many know how it's made? Here's a melo-wed recipe, unchanged from the way its author prepared it years ago:

"Simmer a small quantity of the following spices in a teacup of water—cardamums, cloves, nutmeg, mace, ginger, cinnamon and coriander. When done, put the spice to two, four or six bottles of port, sherry, or madeira, with one and one-half pounds of fine loaf sugar

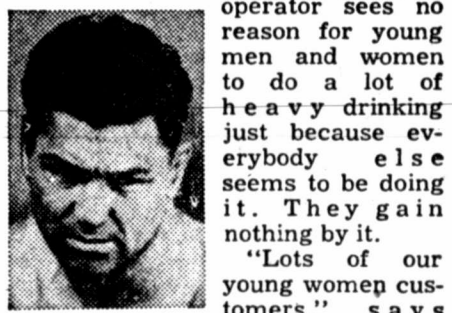
New Year's Eve

Needn't Be Wild,

Says Ex-Fighter

New Year's eve may be a time for celebration, but take it from Jack Dempsey—it's not a time for debauchery.

The former heavyweight champion and now New York restaurant



operator sees no reason for young men and women to do a lot of heavy drinking just because everybody else seems to be doing it. They gain nothing by it.

"Lots of our young women customers," says Dempsey, "never order anything but ginger ale, orangeade or horse's necks."

A horse's neck, he explains, is made of ginger ale, ice and lemon. It made by people who know their business, it doesn't have any liquor in it at all.

The current season's New Year's eve celebration will behave herself in the following fashion, says Mr. Dempsey:

She will stick to her own party and won't attract attention to herself by a lot of raucous laughter or loud talk. She'll make noise, because that's what New Year's is for, but she won't become obnoxiously boisterous.

As for being kissed at midnight, Jack says it's not necessarily a sign of affection, so why not?

New Year's Is Big Event

In Horse Racing Circles

There's a big birthday party in horse racing circles on New Year's day. Twelve thousand thoroughbreds in training, in common with all other horses, become a year older.

To old timers like Man o' War, celebrating his twenty-second birthday in old Kentucky, the day doesn't mean much. But to approximately 5,000 yearlings and at least half that many two-year-olds, it marks the turning point of their careers.

Yearlings become eligible to appear under colors for the first time, while the juvenile racers join the rich three-year-old ranks, ready for participation in such moneyed events as the Kentucky Derby, Preakness and the Belmont.

(pounded) to four bottles, and set all on the fire in a clean bright sauce pan; meanwhile have yolks of 12 and whites of 6 eggs well whisked up in it. Then, when the spiced and sugared wine is a little warm, take out one teacup, and so on for three or four cups; after which, when it boils, add the whole of the remaining, pouring it in gradually, and stirring it briskly all the time, so as to froth it. The moment a fine froth is obtained, toss in 12 fine soft roasted apples, and send it up hot."

NEW YEAR on WHEELS

By Helen Morton

"JUST one more mountain range to cross," Mac said to his sister, Josephine, as they got into their car one clear bright morning. They had been traveling forever, it seemed to her, wanted to reach California to store Mac to health.

"If we can start the New Year on the coast, everything will be all right," Josephine had told her brother, and she really seemed to have a superstitious feeling that if Mac was to get well, they must accomplish their trip by that time.

"Stiff wind blowing through here," Mac exclaimed, drawing his scarf more closely about his throat as they approached a grade.

"Mountain Springs grade," Josephine told him. "I hope the wind doesn't mean a storm. This is the last day of the old year."

They hadn't climbed far, however, before they knew they were in for it.

Josephine, at the wheel while Mac rested from his morning of driving, had to grip the wheel with fierce intensity. The car was climbing with difficulty. The snow was blurring the windshield.

"We've got to make the coast," Josephine was muttering to herself, when she realized that Mac had



"Here's luck," she said. "A house—the first I've seen in an hour."

wakened from his restless sleep. Abruptly she became animated, alert. "It's lovely and woodsy around here," she exclaimed.

"Awfully narrow road," Mac rejoined. "Are you sure you're on the highway?"

"I'm not sure of anything," Josephine replied. "Do you think we'd better stop and inquire?"

"I sure do," Mac agreed emphatically. "Your gasoline gauge isn't any too encouraging. We don't want to be stalled in this blizzard."

"You're getting tired, too, I know. I didn't count on this storm when I suggested stopping early yesterday. Here's luck," she interrupted herself. "A house right here, the first I've seen in an hour. I'll pop in."

She was back in a few moments, with a uniformed figure in a big slouch hat and high leather boots.

"Mac, I'm miles off the highway. I've been following the trail of Mr. Boseman's car. Oh, this is Mr. Boseman, a border patrolman, and this is my brother, Mac Silver. Mr. Boseman lives in this house here. He wants us to stop with him until the storm is over," Josephine explained, looking troubled.

"See here, Mr. Silver, I have plenty of room, and it will be a job trying to make the nearest town in this storm. In the morning I'll pilot you back to the highway and on to the coast." The young patrolman was very much in earnest. His eyes wandered from Mac to Josephine.

There really was no choice. Nothing ever tasted so good as the beef stew that was simmering on the back of the wood stove.

It was hard sledding next morning, getting through the drifts to the highway. But from then on it was only a matter of a few hours until they were descending the mountain.

It was after a hearty lunch together in a rustic tearoom that Jerry Boseman got up to leave them. "No, not good-bye. I don't mean to let this be the end of our acquaintance. It's only the beginning," he insisted, looking at Josephine.

"Here's hoping this New Year will mean a lot to you."

"New Year! Sure enough, and I forgot all about it," Josephine exclaimed. "And we are in California for it. Thanks to you, Mr. Boseman. Here's wishing you all the happiness in the world!"

"I know where that is to be found," he said, as he looked into her eyes.

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WASSAIL BOWL!

English made it from this recipe years ago—and it's still a good one!

THE LIFE OF THE PARTY

BY ELIZABETH JORDAN

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CHAPTER VII

Joan had no desire to linger in the work. The weather was still warm and he thought longingly of the wash of the waves on the beach beyond his windows at Halcyon Camp.

On Friday he gave his attention to a few odds and ends. That noon he lunched comfortably at the Engineers' Club; and he took an early afternoon train for Long Island. He was ready, for Ainsworth now, but he had no intention of rushing the conference with him.

Hale's plan was to see Joan as soon as he returned and persuade her to go out in the motor-boat or take a walk in the woods. His statement of the Craig affair had been formally prepared, with the aid of Mr. Phelps, and impressively typewritten in that gentleman's office. It would be wise to have the signatures added to it while the memory of Craig's activities was still green at Halcyon Camp.

But Joan was not to be seen when he reached there. Indeed, every member of the group was apparently taking a siesta except Mrs. Spencer Forbes. She was stretched out on the couch hammock on the front porch, which was now in the shade, and she held a magazine upside down. She welcomed Rex with flattering warmth. He sat down on the hammock beside her.

"I never closed my eyes last night," she announced.

Somewhat wearily young Mr. Hale went into action, and assured her that such eyes should never be closed.

"I was thinking of you," she continued.

"Of course you were. You have a sympathetic heart. You realized what our hours of separation meant to me."

For once Mrs. Spencer Forbes refused an invitation to play verbal ping pong.

"All I realized," she explained crisply, "is that in some way you've got rid of Craig. I want to know how you did it. I can't breathe deeply until I do know."

"You know why I got rid of him, don't you?"

"I can imagine it, without any strain."

"You knew exactly what was going on, didn't you?"

"Yes, I suppose I did. It seemed so incredible that I couldn't be quite sure I was right."

"You knew," Hale said firmly. "You and Ainsworth must have caught on very early in the action. Let you'd have let it go on, without lifting a hand to stop it, till young Kneeland cracked. Lady, the discovery has been a blow to me. Where's the big womanly heart I've been trying to win? Your motto is 'Live and let live,' isn't it?"

"No, it's even stronger than that, my friend." Her strange eyes met his with an odd expression. She added deliberately, "My motto is 'Die and let die.'"

He nodded. "All right. That's the way you feel. You admit that you know, and have known for weeks, perhaps for months, what Craig was trying to do to young Kneeland. You've known, haven't you?"

"I think so. A good prosecuting attorney was certainly lost in you, Rex. I rather like it," she added cheerfully. "I enjoy seeing you filled with such righteous wrath that your eyes take fire and your red hair stands on end. Now be a good boy and tell Auntie how you got rid of Craig."

"It was easy. I told him the game was up. I told him I'd start proceedings to have his license revoked if he didn't clear out. Naturally, he cleared. That reminds me I've got the complaint here, to be signed by us all as witnesses. It will never be used unless he makes more trouble. Are you altruistic enough to sign it?"

She shrugged. "I suppose so. I wouldn't care to appear in such a proceeding, but of course he'll see that it never comes up. That's one of the things a doctor can't risk. Now, what are you frowning over?"

"I'm frowning because I can't make myself believe even yet that you would really have sat through the summer and watched that devil drive that boy off his head without raising a hand to help him."

Mrs. Spencer Forbes looked patient. "You're beginning to bore me, Rex," she assured him, "but I'll play with you a little longer. You mustn't be so sentimental. Herbert Kneeland isn't a boy. He's a man twenty-two years old. But he's a weakling, and I haven't much use for weaklings. Let's change the subject, I suppose," she added briskly. "You're going after Ainsworth now."

"I certainly am."

She fingered her magazine. "I know Ainsworth has Casper Kneeland by the short hairs," she murmured. "I don't know how he got the grip. I suppose it's a matter of blackmail."

"Not exactly. By the way, I met a friend of yours in New York the other day."

Her lips curled.

"You would. They swarm around me. Which of the multitude was this?"

"George Stuyvesant. Like Ainsworth, he was a classmate of mine at Cornell."

Her cold face warmed a trifle. "George is a nice boy," she testified, "and Honore is one of my best friends. I don't go in much for the softer emotions, but I get quite mellow when I think of George and his mother."

"I asked him what there was about you that I didn't understand," Hale grinned. "He told me to ask you. He said you would certainly tell me."

Her face hardened again. "I'm not sure I'll do anything of the sort," she said curtly. "I don't see why I shouldn't have a few feminine reserves, even if you have lived in Spain and learned some Spanish love songs. However, sing

"Yes, I'll sign, since the show is over." She wrote her negligent scrawl under Kneeland's name, made a blot, swore mildly, and handed back the pen and the statement. Then she looked up at the young man with a malicious light in her eyes. "I shouldn't have said that I was bored this afternoon," she suddenly admitted. "I was interested. I am still. I'm very much interested."

Rex folded the complaint and put it in his pocket. "Something warns me this is not a compliment," he admitted. "What interests you?"

Mrs. Spencer Forbes shook her head. Her eyes had in them the flickering lights of a pale star sapphire. "Your myopia," she said sweetly. "My myopia?" Rex was mystified.

"Yes. You think you're seeing very clearly. You think you're seeing a whole lot. As a matter of fact, my young friend, in your absorption in Doctor Craig and Fred-

an arm and came face to face with Joan. She had been out for a walk. She looked warm and tired but her face brightened when she saw him.

"What you need," he said promptly, "is a cool swim before tea. Get your bathing suit and come along."

"What a masterful young man it is," she murmured admiringly. "What would you do to me if I didn't obey?"

"Toss you from here to the beach with one easy, graceful swing."

"That wouldn't be so bad. I've walked all I want to, and the woods were hot. However, go on, Signor Mussolini. I will join you on the beach."

"I'll wait here till you come, and carry your bathing suit. Something warns me you would sag under the weight of it."

His eyes were anxious as they followed her. She looked "all in." The discovery had an extraordinary effect on him. It puzzled and depressed him, to a surprising degree. It filled him with a conviction that something had to be done about

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them to me tonight and I'll probably babble all you want to know."

Hale met her eyes squarely. "I don't need to," he told her in a low voice. "I know, now."

She could not be said to change color. Her color never changed. But her expression became harder and very watchful. She spoke, however, as lightly as before.

"My life is an open book. Who directed your attention to Chapter Thirteen?"

"A most unpleasant person who answers to the name of Jim Haines. I kicked him out of the woods back of here the other day."

She frowned. "Now, you really are becoming annoying," she said sharply. "I don't allow any interference whatever with my private affairs. Please remember that. If you've kicked Jim Haines out of this neighborhood kindly kick him back again, and be quick about it."

Hale kept his eyes on hers. "You don't really want him," he said gently. "Confess that you don't. You're too level-headed. Why should you play with hell-fire? And why the devil should you drag poor Miss Hosanna into it?"

Mrs. Spencer Forbes sat up with a complete change of expression. "Now, see here, my lad," she said incisively, "this isn't amusing any more. Surely you're not fool enough to believe that Hosanna Kneeland ever—"

"No, I'm not and I don't. I want her to stay as she is. Tell me something. Is there any really normal human being at Halcyon Camp, aside from Miss Hosanna and Joan and me?"

Mrs. Spencer Forbes sent him an odd little smile. "Normal human beings are horribly dull," she observed. "I haven't much use for them myself."

Hale got up abruptly. "I think I'll have a swim before tea," he announced. "Where is everybody, anyhow?"

Mrs. Spencer Forbes laughed. "They're all having their beauty sleep except Bert. He has gone out in his boat with the Nash Cub. The others won't be down for an hour. You'll have plenty of time for a swim. I'd go with you; but I'm all freshly enameled in preparation for your return, and I'd crack. I don't mind adding," she ended depressedly, "that you've been a sad disappointment to me this afternoon."

"Bury the memory of it under a good deed," Hale took out his legal papers and his fountain pen. "Sign this. Right here, under Uncle Cass' name. He signed last night."

erick Ainsworth you have been blind as a bat to something more important than either of them. It has been going on right under your eyes. I've been watching it for two months. It is developing quite fast. But you, my little Star of Bethlehem, you who have been lighting up all our dark corners, haven't the least suspicion of it. You're as blind as the proverbial bat."

Hale took a quick turn around the room and then walked back to her. "Be a good sport," he urged. "Tell me what you're driving at."

"Not for the wealth of Ormus and of Ind," she quoted. "That would be a flat contradiction of all my theories. I'm the innocent bystander in this matter. I'm going to keep on being that. Pleasant reflections in the water, O Star of Bethlehem!"

Hale hurried off to his room to get his bathing suit. He was deeply disturbed. He had developed no faith at all in Mrs. Spencer Forbes during their association. But he had a strong impression that for once, at least, she was really saying something.

His mind was full of this surprising theory when he descended the front steps with his bathing suit over

it at once. Why should a girl with youth, beauty, money, and the figure of a young Amazon go about looking like the last survivor of a Greek tragedy?

She came down almost at once. "That must weigh all of two ounces," she jibed as he took the bathing suit from her. She added without giving him time to reply, "Bert told me what you had done for him."

"Did you realize what was going on?"

She stopped short to stare at him. "What a question," she brought out indignantly. "Do you think I'd have let it continue another minute if I had? I saw that Bert was losing ground all the time, and that Doctor Craig wasn't helping him. I thought it was wholly a case of nerves. I didn't dare to interfere. Doctor Craig has been his closest friend. I'm sure I'd have caught on to it long ago, except that we all seemed to be under the harrow. Whichever way I looked there was something—something—well, depressing it is the mildest word for it. I thought it was my own condition. I thought I was imagining things. But thank God that horror is out of the way."

(TO BE CONTINUED)

Draft Colts' Comeback on Farms in Maryland Now Reality, Shows Reveal

The roar of the motor is heard in country as well as town, but for all the evidences of the mechanical age, the fact remains that draft colts are kicking today on Maryland's hillsides, writes Ruth S. Hopkins in the Baltimore Sun. For the heavy horse is returning to the farm. At the latest state and county fairs, in farmboys' colt clubs, at sales, officials have noticed greatly quickened interest in the animal which had almost been outmoded by a gas-driven motor and a war.

The pinch of a national farm problem has made more effective the influence of the University of Maryland and the Maryland Horse Breeders' association, which preach the economic wisdom of using drafters to balance farm income with farm output, and our bluegrass counties' natural advantages for raising horses.

Bluegrass country begins in northern New Jersey, swings down in a long, gentle curve through Maryland, the Virginias and Kentucky. The horses' own terrain, its lush pastures and mineral streams become rich blood and hard, strong bones; its rolling hills develop the

heart, lungs and muscles of a young horse. These regions, noted for thoroughbreds, are as well suited for drafters.

Obviously, there is a difference between the horse which ever night makes you a millionaire and the one which overnight delivers the milk. But one is no poor relation of the other. Both may be blooded animals—one "thoroughbred," the other "purebred"—both boasting pedigrees that reach back through generations of aristocrats.

Shady Roads in Hungary The highroads of Hungary are likely to be much enlivened if the agricultural chamber goes ahead with its proposal for planting Japanese acacias. There is a utilitarian design in this project, also, for Hungary is famous for its honey, especially the pale scented acacia honey, which is the only tree that prospers in the flat and sandy parts of the country. Since the Japanese acacia flowers rather later than the Hungarian, the bees would find a second gathering season when the blossoms of the native trees had fallen.

IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY School Lesson

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Lesson for January 1

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PETER CALLED TO SERVE

LESSON TEXT—John 1:40-42; Luke 5:1-11. GOLDEN TEXT—Come ye after me, and I will make you to become fishers of men.—Mark 1:17.

As we embark on the New Year, we gather in our Bible schools to take up an interesting series of studies on the life and work of Peter. The life story of any great and useful man is worthy of our careful study. The life of Peter has peculiar interest because he was so intensely human, and yet so gloriously used of God.

Our lesson for today starts at the right point, for we meet Peter when he as Simon first met the Lord. He was a mature man by that time, successful in business and "settled" in life, but with him (as with us) life did not really begin until he met the Lord Jesus.

I. He Was Brought to Christ (John 1:40-42).

Andrew, of whom we know but little, is a character greatly beloved because having found the Christ he at once set out to bring his brother to Him. He probably did not know that in bringing his rough fisherman brother to the Lord he was bringing one of the leaders of all time. The important thing is that he brought him.

The history of the Church abounds with the stories of humble men and women who have been used to win others to Christ, who have in turn been greatly used for Him. Think of the humble man who led Spurgeon to Christ, the Sunday School teacher who dealt with Moody, the simple but earnest Moravians who won Wesley—and be encouraged. You may have someone near you who may be awaiting your word to bring him to Jesus.

II. He Was Given a New Name (John 1:42).

Simon, meaning "to hear," is changed to Peter, which means "rock." The blessed Lord who in His omniscience knew what the change in Peter's heart was to mean in his life, gave him a new name to fit his new character.

What a blessed truth it is that God in Christ can and will take the blustering fisherman and transform all of his good qualities into power and usefulness for Himself. Thus God who knows just what we are is ready and willing to make us what we ought to be in Christ. Have you gone through the experience of having Christ say: "Thou art . . . thou shalt be?" It may mean that you have passed through or will pass through the pressing experiences which are needed to weld together your characteristics into a "rock," but if it is God's hand that makes the change you will find it to be all joy.

III. His Occupation Was Changed (Luke 5:1-11).

Christ had chosen Peter as one of those who should forsake all and follow Him, as one of his disciples in the inner circle of the Twelve. Note how graciously He carries out His purpose. One day as He stands to teach on the shore of the sea of Galilee the crowd presses Him, and He steps into a boat and asks the boatman to put out from the land. And it "just happened" to be the boat of Simon, who had about a year before met the Lord and received the new name of Peter.

Such things do not "happen." The destinies of men are in the hands of God. The day and hour for Peter's call had come, and here he was to be taught by Jesus through a miraculous draught of fish that he was to be a fisher of men. God's clock always runs on time. Remember that, and also be assured that if you are His child not even the simplest "happening" in your life is unknown to Him. He who numbers the hairs on our heads, He who observes the fall of a sparrow, is not lacking in loving interest and care for His children.

Had our lesson been deliberately chosen for a New Year's message it could hardly have been more appropriate. To the one who knows not Christ as Saviour there is an invitation to begin the New Year by coming to Him. To the Christian there is the admonition to do as Andrew did—bring your brother or friend to Christ. We are not all called to leave our daily work and become full-time Christian workers, but every believer should be a soul-winner. To the one who has heard the call of God to leave his nets and follow the Lord in full-time service, here is the urgent renewing of that call. Step out in faith now and follow Him. To the church or religious worker discouraged by the failure of a social or ethical program here is the lesson and example of a life changed by personal contact with the Lord Jesus. The New Year may be blessed and fruitful indeed, if we each one heed the lesson of the day.

Human Nature

When we are most filled with heavenly love, and only then, are we best fitted to bear with human infirmity, to live above it, and forget its burden.—Maria Hare.

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Real Stuff

Actor—I must insist upon having real food in the banquet scene. Manager (fed up)—Just as you like, but then you will have to have real poison in the death scene.

The boss to his secretary: "Now, Miss Jones, be careful when you write to Messrs. Grif-fons. Don't lose my temper!"

Yes, That's It

The prospective customer entered the art shop.

"I want to see some of those pictures that are done by scratching," he said.

The assistant thought a moment, and then his face lighted up. "Oh," he said, "you mean itches."

STUCK



Mr. Rabbit—Good morning, Miss Hedgehog, going to the ball tonight?

Miss Hedgehog—No, none of the boys will ever dance with me.

Family Man

Joan—Elsie, may I introduce my cousin?

Elsie—How interesting! Last week he was my cousin.

Covering Question

"How old are you sonny?" asked the inquisitive old man of the little boy on the beach.

"Six," came the reply.

"Six," echoed the old man, "and you are not as tall as my umbrella."

The boy drew himself up to his full height. "How old is your umbrella?" he asked.—Stray Stories.

The Better Show

At the theater last week, a woman wearing one of those creations known as the latest thing in hats seated herself in front of Jim. Suddenly she bethought herself and, turning round, said: "Pardon me, sir, but if my hat is interfering with your seeing the comedy, I'll take it off."

"Please don't, madam," replied Jim. "The hat's much funnier."

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**NOBODY'S
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BY JULIAN CAPERS JR.

Austin—Victory in the first round of a pretty little political battle which has been raging behind the scenes since the Beaumont convention came this week to Mrs. Frances Haskell Edmondson, of San Antonio, chairwoman of the State Democratic Executive committee. Mrs. Edmondson, sponsor of the new State law effective this year which provides one woman as well as one man from each Senatorial district, for membership on the committee, has been out of harmony with E. B. Germany, committee chairman, since their election in September. A request from Senator Franklin Spears, of San Antonio, to Attorney General William McCraw, for an opinion as to the powers and authority of the chairwoman, brought the smoldering battle into the light. Spears claimed Germany has sought to relegate Mrs. Edmondson to a minor honorary position and deny women members of the committee rights the law intended they should enjoy. McCraw ruled the chairwoman enjoys identical and equal powers with the chairman, and based the opinion upon the "obvious intent of the Legislature" in amending the law.

Woman Is Slighted

Mrs. Edmondson was not invited to the recent Chicago conference of State Democratic chairmen and national committeemen and women, held in Chicago by Jim Farley. She took the position that Germany should have seen that she was invited. Germany denied that he had sought to deprive Mrs. Edmondson of any rights she is entitled to, but refused to comment any further. The real cause of the friction



"Turning the New Leaf"

By T. C. Richardson, Secretary Texas Breeder-Feeder Association

Resting from Christmas festivities and thinking forward to the New Year is on this week's calendar. Why not think systematically and purposefully, casting ahead to what the New Year may bring for the next Christmas? Shall we take thought for the morrow, set up definite objectives and develop plans for their realization, or shall we go into the New Year blindly, taking what comes?

No one is so far from realizing his ambitions and wishes as he who does not know what he wants or the end at which he aims. Life has a purpose; work has a result. The purpose of life is more than a day to day existence, and work which does not bring some distant goal nearer partakes of the futility which kills hope and undermines ambition.

How often have you heard the expression "He's a hard worker but doesn't get ahead," or "a hard worker but a poor manager." Barring the accidents of misfortune which, like the rain, fall on the just and the unjust alike, it is equivalent to saying that the hard worker who doesn't get ahead is working without method; that he is using his back more than his head; that he is on his way but doesn't know where he is going.

A considerable school of economists and sociologists has sprung up in high places, who are busy with figuring out "living standards," "minimum wages," and formulae for achieving their ideals. The trouble is that the goals and ideals are theirs, and not those of the people they are sincerely trying to help. Nobody is so well qualified to decide what my family and I want from life as we ourselves; and certainly nobody else can

goes back to the gubernatorial race, in which Mrs. Edmondson actively supported Col. Ernest O. Thompson, while Germany backed Lee O'Daniel. At the Mineral Wells meeting of the committee, Mrs. Edmondson was given credit for mustering sufficient votes to block appointment of Carr P. Collins' brother-in-law as secretary of the committee, although the naming of O'Daniel's brother-in-law was supposed to have healed that breach. It is well known that of the 31 women members of the State Committee, only a few are O'Daniel backers, while the great majority are personal and political friends of Mrs. Edmondson.

Mrs. Edmondson was a candidate for National Committee-woman from Texas three years ago, but withdrew in favor of Mrs. Clara Driscoll, who is serving her third term. Mrs. Edmondson has let her friends know she will be a candidate in 1940 again, and will not withdraw, although Mrs. Driscoll will also seek re-election to the post. Mrs. Edmondson, daughter of the late Governor Haskell of Oklahoma, is strongly entrenched politically, personally of great beauty and charm, and an able politician. Mrs. Driscoll, wealthy Cor-

pus Christi resident, has been a generous contributor to party funds, and enjoys support of many leading club women, as a result of her liberal contributions to their work, and to patriotic causes, including the saving of the Alamo as a state shrine, when it was nearly taken over by private interests some years ago.

Mrs. Harold Abrams of Dallas also has been mentioned frequently as a possible successor to Mrs. Driscoll, although the two are personal and political friends.

Says Mayes Ineligible
Gov. Elect W. Lee O'Daniel, at his Fort Worth headquarters, announced that Abe Mayes, legislator from Atlanta, about whom O'Daniel recently queried Senators regarding his eligibility for appointment as Secretary of State, is ineligible for the post under the constitutional provision which prohibits appointment of a legislator to an official position during the period for which he was elected to the Legislature, according to reports here. Mayes has been regarded as certain of the appointment.

Austin observers were loud in their praise of O'Daniel's report-

ed decision, despite the personal friendship of many of them for Mayes, because Gov. Allred has flagrantly ignored what lawyers claim are plain provisions of the Constitution against appointment of Legislators. One of Allred's appointments which raised bitter criticism of the Governor was that of Judge Harry Graves, legislator from Georgetown, to the Court of Criminal Appeals. Graves later was re-elected to the judgeship.

Venerable Disease Drive
Profound effect upon the lives of Texas citizens during the next few years may be expected from the work of the Texas Social Hygiene Association, sponsored by a small group of philanthropic-minded citizens, and directing its work from Austin. With R. F. Voyer, Dallas attorney in charge, the Association seeks, by cooperation with city and state officials, and the medical profession, to educate the public against the spread of venereal diseases, to obtain better enforcement of laws requiring food-handlers to undergo laboratory tests, and to require bridegrooms to submit to similar tests. It also seeks to dispel much public misinformation about social diseases, pointing out that "it is no disgrace to contract them, but it is a disgrace to keep them."

Working out a model plan which has been put into effect in Austin, as a demonstration project, the Association has enlisted the enthusiastic support of hotels, cafes, drug-stores and other food dispensing establishments, and also has secured hearty cooperation in the matter of voluntary examinations from large groups of the University of Texas' 10,000 students.

Traffic Deaths Down
Further evidence that the traffic safety movement in Texas is making real headway is seen in the report of the Department of Public Safety, which showed November, with 137 persons killed in traffic, to be the best month of the year. Despite bad weather and heavy week-end football traffic, November deaths were cut nearly 50 percent under November 1937, when 220 pedestrians and motorists were sacrificed. Of 957 accidents reported, failure to have right of way accounted for the largest number, with 188, while drunken drivers or pedestrians were involved in 128 accidents. In 71 accidents in which somebody was killed, the drivers were drunk, and six drunken pedestrians were killed.

NOVEMBER SAFETY REPORT WAS GOOD

Austin, Dec. 26—(Special)—Texas scored its banner safety month in November when the lives of 83 pedestrians and motorists were saved, compared with the records of the corresponding month of 1937.

State police said the record shattering figures, which showed that 137 persons were killed in traffic crashes last month, made "wrong guessers" out of safety statisticians who had predicted a toll of 165 for that football-fanned period. Safety Director Homer Garrison, Jr., referred to the sharp decrease as "the biggest encouragement state officers have had in many months."

Faced with the prospect of unfavorable weather, heavily trafficked roads and shortened periods of clear visibility, highway patrolmen, Director Garri-

son said, strengthened their vigilance along death "corridors" in November and worked many extra hours in their efforts to discourage speeding and reckless driving. Even the Thanksgiving holiday death record was halved, he said.

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"With nearly 40 pedestrians killed each month in Texas," Director Garrison said, "there is every need for increased vigilance on their part. Motorists, contrary to many opinions, are rarely at fault when a pedestrian is struck down by a vehicle."

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the general 22 percent death drop maintained in Texas this year.

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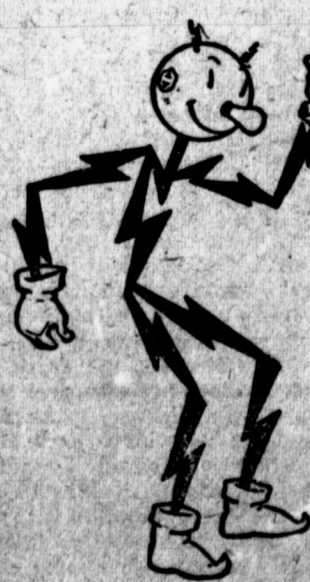
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County Judge



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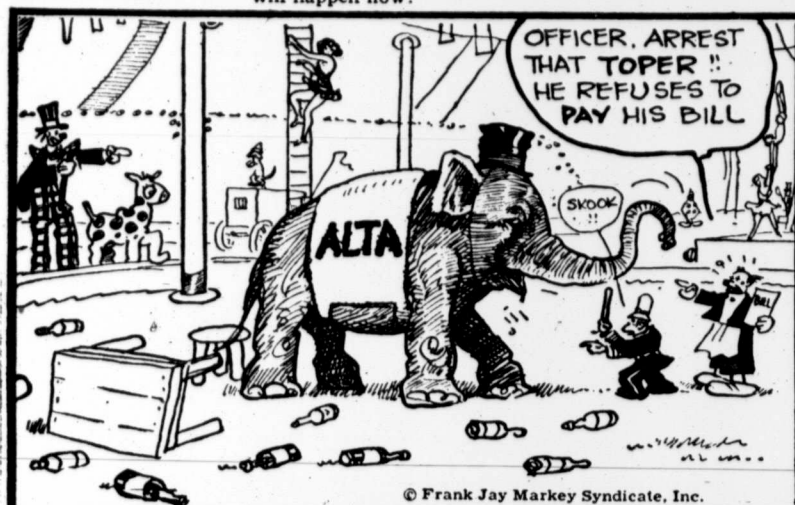


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The suffering elephant, giving vent to her anger, breaks up her act! What will happen now?



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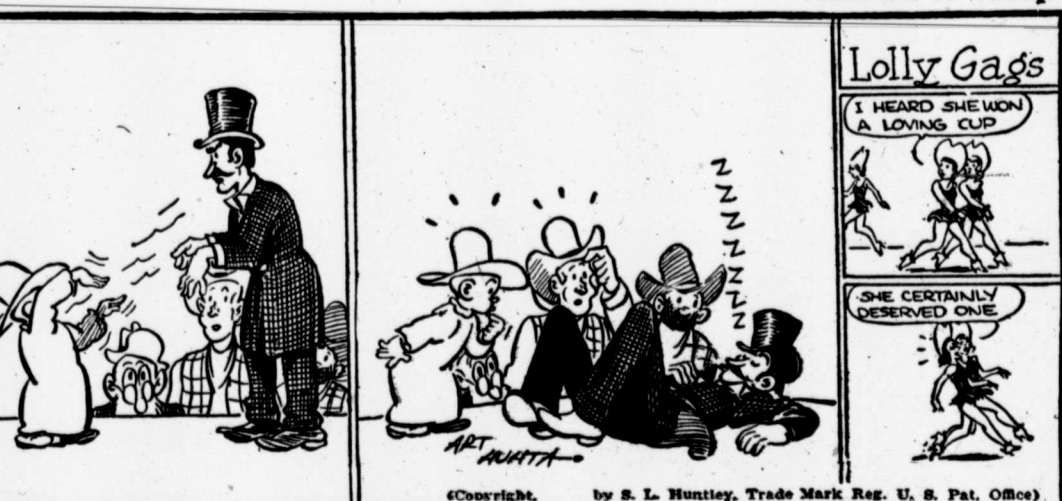
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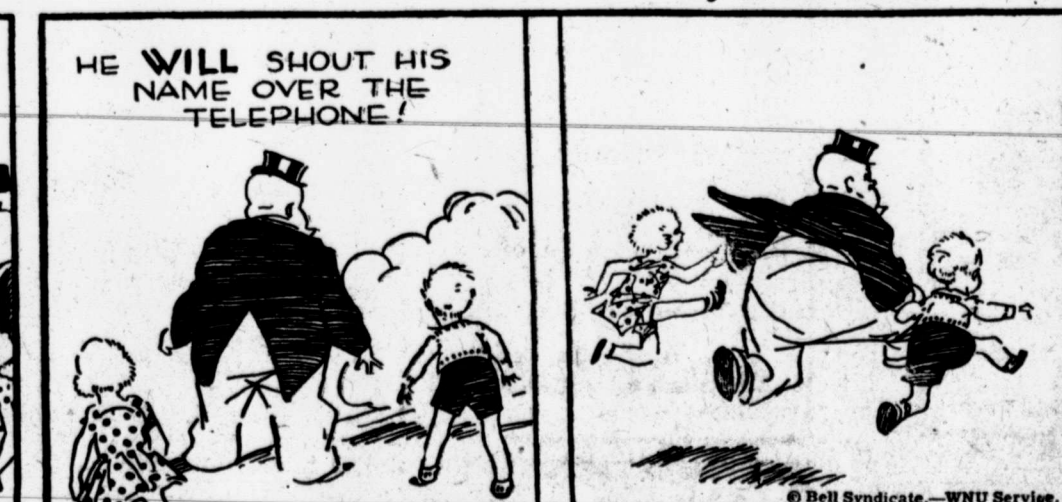
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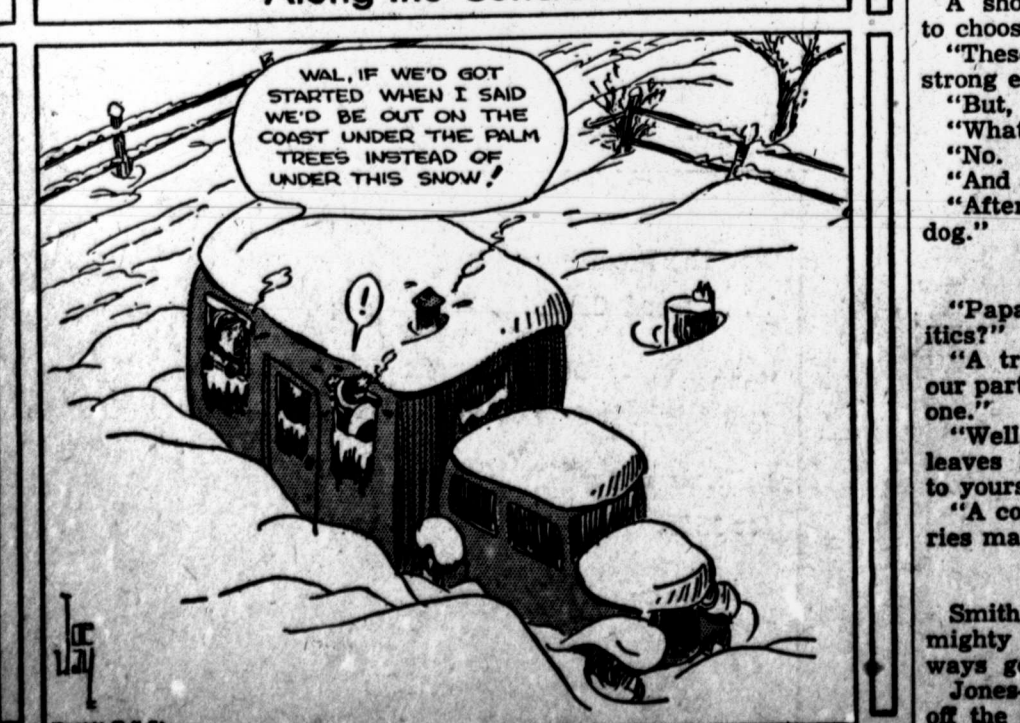
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POP—A False Alarm



By J. MILLAR WATT

Along the Concrete



THE LAST STEP

A short-sighted gentleman went to choose a pair of spectacles. "These glasses," he said, "are not strong enough for me."
"But, sir, they are No. 2."
"What is next to No. 2?"
"No. 1."
"And after that?"
"After No. 1, sir, you will want a dog."

Another Matter
"Papa, what is a traitor in politics?"
"A traitor is a man who leaves our party and goes over to the other one."
"Well, then, what is a man who leaves his party and comes over to yours?"
"A convert, my boy."—Stray Stories magazine.

No Cabeose
Smith—Railroad trains are mighty dangerous. The last car always gets smashed up.
Jones—Well, why don't they leave off the last car?

THE WORLD AT ITS WORST

By GLUYAS WILLIAMS

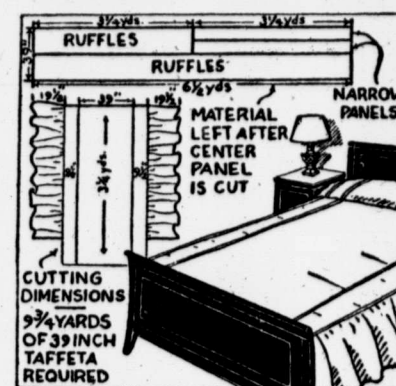


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By RUTH WYETH SPEARS

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WHAT to EAT and WHY

C. Houston Goudiss Offers New Year's Resolutions Concerning Foods and Nutrition. Suggests How to Help Make Your Family Healthier and Happier

By C. HOUSTON GOUDISS

IT HAS been customary for a long time to mark the beginning of a new year with the ringing of bells, with merry-making and with the hope expressed to one's friends that all enjoy greater health, happiness and prosperity in the coming twelve months.

Though greetings are usually exchanged in a spirit of gaiety, the occasion frequently does, as indeed it should, have an undercurrent of solemnity. For it is quite fitting that we should view the close of one year and the beginning of another as both an ending and a beginning, even though we recognize that life goes along in an unbroken stream. The magic hour of midnight may well mark the end of certain of our mistakes, and the beginning of greater wisdom in acting, thinking, and living.



It seems to me that the week in which we celebrate New Year's is a particularly appropriate time for mothers to resolve to take stock of the program of daily living that they have outlined for their families; and if necessary, to alter it so that every member may gain a more generous share of well-being and contentment.

Questions for a Homemaker

I believe that every homemaker owes it to her family to pause for a few moments at this season to look backwards along the road that she and her family have traveled in recent months.

Have you taken advantage of the knowledge offered by modern nutritional science? Can you conscientiously say with conviction that you have given your husband and children all the different food elements that are necessary for buoyant, radiant health?

If you have grown as you should in the past year, and no homemaker who is doing a really first class job ever remains static; she moves with the times. . . then it is inevitable that there has been a gradual change in the character of the food that you have put on your table three times a day. But can you feel confident that those meals have been right in every respect? Have they included the necessary protein, fats, carbohydrates? Have they included at least 12 minerals; the six known vitamins; and sufficient bulk or cellulose to help maintain regular health habits?

Time to Take Inventory

Do not be too discouraged if you cannot answer yes to all of these questions, because the chances are that many other homemakers may also find it necessary to give a partially negative answer. Mothers especially are busy people, and many of them feel that it is difficult to keep pace, as they would like to do, with the fast-moving science of nutrition.

Now, during this season which brings us the beginning of a new year, now is a time—after taking inventory of what you have or have not done—to look forward, to survey the road that lies ahead.

Before every wife and mother hangs the curtain of the future that will be slowly drawn aside, revealing the destiny of herself, her husband and her children, as the future becomes the present, as tomorrow becomes today.

And as your loved ones travel the road of life, it is you who have it in your power to help them at

tain strong vigorous bodies; alert, efficiently working minds.

Now is the time for you to determine to make the power of food their power, so that they shall not flag in their travels along the highway, but draw new strength for each day's journey every time they sit down at your table, sit down, as I have said before, to Life!

The Tremendous Power of Food What they are going to be tomorrow is indeed influenced by what they eat today, for there never was a truer statement than that man, is what he eats. And that does not mean that physical prowess and mental superiority may result only when the table is set with luxuries! On the contrary, malnutrition, which means not necessarily under-nutrition but improper nutrition, is found in the homes of the wealthy as well as in the homes of the underprivileged. The power of food is determined, not so much by what you spend, as by what you choose.

One need not spend a great deal for food to provide the milk and other dairy products, fruits and

vegetables that should be consumed in abundance. There is always evaporated milk for those who do not care to buy bottled milk, or who prefer to use it as a supplement to bottled milk. And since large numbers of fruits and vegetables are now in season practically throughout the year, it is almost always possible to choose varieties of these mineral- and vitamin-bearing foods that are inexpensively priced.

Be It Resolved:

I should, therefore, like to urge every homemaker to make at least one New Year's resolution: to resolve that she will build her family diet in 1939 first of all around the protective foods, milk, eggs, fruits and vegetables.

It will be my privilege each week to help interpret for you the amazing discoveries of nutritional science; and to show how you can utilize the newer knowledge of nutrition to help increase the mental and physical efficiency of your family.

Together then, let us resolve to travel along the highroad of well-being in 1939.

Questions Answered

Mrs. K. Mc.N.—You should include at least two rich sources of each of the vitamins in your menus every day. It is also important to serve some raw food, as for example, a salad, in planning the diet of persons in normal health. Use fruits liberally and provide a pint of milk for each adult, a quart for every child, either as a beverage or in cooked dishes.

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around sash—or with high neckline, and beltless. The basic line is lovely. It has shrugged-shoulder sleeves, a softly gathered bodice, a doll-waistline cut high in the front, and a slim-hipped skirt. Silk crepe, velvet, thin wool or print are pretty materials for this.

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AROUND the HOUSE Items of Interest to the Housewife

Cleaning Burnt Pans.—Burnt saucepans can be made bright again without scouring. Sprinkle the burn with salt, leaving it for some hours and then wash, rubbing the burn gently. Unless the burn has actually eaten into the surface of the pan it will come away with the salt.

Drying Fur Garments.—Damp fur garments should be dried in a cool current of air, never near a radiator or other source of heat.

A Dyeing Help.—The household washer is ideal for dyeing curtains, draperies and other articles made of fabrics that can be colored with tints that do not require boiling. You can let the washer run until the articles are sufficiently and evenly colored.

Fire Hazard.—The basement is one of the chief danger places in the home from the fire standpoint. It should be kept free from accumulations of inflammable materials such as paper, old boxes, oily and paint-soaked rags, and trash.

How to Buy Spices.—In buying spices choose the smaller packages, for spice must be replaced often as the essential oils evaporate. Don't allow your spice to waste its sweetness on the air. Keep cans and jars tightly closed. If your gingerbread has not been up to par, if your pickled peaches are flat, the answer probably is in the spice jar.

Color for Foods.—Grated raw carrots give cabbage salad added color and flavor. Minced green peppers or pimientos will do the same for creamed potatoes, turnips, cauliflower, lima beans or corn.

Safeguarding the Baby.—Inspect baby's toys before putting them in his crib or pen to be sure there are no loose fragments, such as eyes, buttons, bits of wood, etc., that might be pulled off and swallowed.

Storing Steel Articles.—Put a lump of freshly burned lime in the drawer or box when storing away steel articles and it will prevent them from rusting.

Bruckart's Washington Digest

Three Important Problems For Congress to Consider

National Defense, Relief, and the Railroads Are Pressing Questions; This Congress Will Not Vote Money Just to Please the President.

By WILLIAM BRUCKART
WNU Service, National Press Bldg., Washington, D. C.

WASHINGTON.—If it were possible to close one's eyes to the tragedy of the scene and forget all about the sadness of the world, one might produce a masterpiece of humor concerning the situation in the nation's capital this week. After the manner of the circus hawker, one might shout that the greatest show on earth is about to open; one might call attention to the fact that this show is unlike most others because it has two "big tops," and one might, without stretching the imagination, suggest that if you want to understand what is happening, or is about to happen, you had best keep your eyes trained on both tents.

Yes, in all seriousness, there are two shows this winter. One of them has many actors, many voices. It is to be found in the halls of congress on Capitol Hill. The man on the flying trapeze never excelled by comparison with members of the house and senate. Never were there better clownish acts than are staged annually in those chambers. Instead of vocal applause and much clapping of hands, however, the actors in the Capitol Hill circus want applause in the shape of votes; they want to have the home folks approve.

Now, concerning the other tent, there is only one actor. But he controls many Charlie McCarthys. He used to operate a puppet show. He made his actors perform so well that they became known as rubber stamps. But an election has intervened. Some of the strings that controlled puppets have been broken, others have become knotted, and the master actor probably has somewhat more critics in his audience than he formerly had.

National Defense and the Railroads Serious Problems
And so we get down to cases. President Roosevelt will offer to congress in a few days his program for building up the national defense. He will tell congress, as well, what the needs of the destitute are and how he conceives that they must be met.

As a third great problem, and probably the most difficult as well as of concern to every one of us, there is the question of what to do to save the railroads of the country. No official seems to have found a proper or sane solution, but to me it appears that the time has come when national action is called for in a much more concrete form than the "intellectual liberals" surrounding the White House are accustomed to advance in bringing about the more abundant life. Trains run on money, as well as steel, and if the owners do not get some money very soon there won't be more than half a dozen rail lines in the country that have escaped bankruptcy.

In addition to these problems, we are likely to see competition between the two shows for some very juicy jobs. Of course, these concern largely the north ring of the Capitol Hill circus, namely, the senate, which must confirm presidential appointments before the act is completed. It is not too much to expect that there will be considerable difference of opinion between the White House and the senate over a good many of these selections.

There is always the annual mess of appropriation bills. Work has been started on many of them by committees which have charge. But it should be remarked that the work has been only started. It is by no means finished. For in these money bills this year there are tons and tons of hot air. There are not enough rubber stamps to bring a majority vote if, as and when wanted, like it has been for the last several sessions. In other words, in the forthcoming session, unless all signs fail, there will be close scrutiny of appropriation bills.

Congress Won't Vote Money Just to Please the President
From present indications, I believe it may be said that Mr. Roosevelt will get money out of the current session of congress only when the congress decides it desires to vote money. It will not vote money just because the President says money shall be voted. Further, it appears certain that there will be no more "blank check" appropriations. The end has come for that sort of thing. Hereafter, one may expect that congress will have its say as to what is done with the money, where and how it will be spent. In other words, there is such intense hatred of Professional Reliever Harry Hopkins that the bulk of the congressional membership is awaiting an opportunity to clip Harry's wings as the world's greatest spender. And it might be added just here, too, that there are certain senators and representatives who would rather welcome a chance to take a slap at the whole new deal relief setup, not to mention a side-

wise smearing that thereby would be given the President. It must be remembered that Mr. Hopkins is Mr. Roosevelt's closest friend and adviser.

This national defense program about which the administration has been doing so much talking has its merits, I believe. As far as I have talked with officials, with students of international affairs, with foreign representatives, I find none who is happy about the prospect. It is a straight-out challenge to the democracies of the world that has been waved by Hitler, Mussolini and the others. Dictatorship is feeling its oats. With Communism on the one hand and Fascism on the other, there surely is need for preparedness, and that is what Mr. Roosevelt is proposing.

Big Navy Helps to Keep Foreign Statesmen Rational

It looks like a tremendous waste of money, because hundreds upon hundreds of millions will be spent for ships, for aircraft, for fortifications. I always have felt that a big navy—the mere presence of it—helped keep some greedy and aggressive foreign statesmen in their right senses. The change in war methods that has come about from development of the airplane requires that our air force be strengthened. All of these things must be considered. But if they were not to be considered, I have two other reasons for believing the President is on the right track. I witnessed the terrific waste in the attempt to build a war machine in 1917 and 1918. If it is built up according to plans, without haste, by people who know their business, we will at least get something for our money—which we didn't in 1917. Those who have ever visited the James river in Virginia surely will agree with that statement after they have seen several thousand boats, built for war purposes, rotting to the water's edge without ever having been used.

The second reason to be mentioned is that expenditure of money for this type of construction is going to mean jobs. It will take many people off of relief. Again, surely it is worth more to have something substantial built than to have strong men raking up leaves or building privies.

Before the debate on the defense program is over, of course, there will be charges that Mr. Roosevelt has set up a hobgoblin of fear. He will be charged with having proposed the defense program to distract attention from his failure to help business out of its slump. There is some truth in that. But there is truth in the reports that we are not protected, as a nation, and that our army and our navy would be like a terrier fighting a police dog if we should have to mix it with any foreign power.

Railroad Picture Important As Is the Defense Program

The railroad picture is as important in a domestic way as is the defense program. Indeed, I can't help wondering what our defense program would be like if the rail lines break down. I am told that the war department has figures showing that if the railroads were called upon to haul 25 per cent more traffic now than they hauled in 1937, some of the freight trains would be taking short cuts across corn fields and trying to leap over creeks.

Some of the senators and some administration officials want to provide additional government loans to the rail lines to help them build up their rights of way. That sounds foolish to me. To loan them more money is simply to break their backs with added debt. They have all of the debt that they can stand now.

I have about reached the conclusion that an actual subsidy to the railroads may be the best and the cheapest thing to do. Give them cash; treat them as other means of transportation have been treated. There is no use denying it, for the government has subsidized waterways. It is giving cold cash to the merchant marine. It has subsidized highway construction which in turn enabled the sale of motor cars. It has given funds for airport construction and has construction lighted airways for planes. Each and every one of these is a subsidy and calling them by any other name does not change the fact.

It would seem to me, therefore, that if the administration and congress were to vote a plain subsidy of a couple of hundred million dollars a year for, say three years, they would be rebuilding an industry we must have for peace as well as war. The funds could be granted for use on roadbeds and building-

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Jiffy-Knit Jacket and Coverlet for the Baby



Pattern 6188.

Something different—something dainty as a cobweb—to make for baby—this jiffy-knit jacket and coverlet. Done on large needles the jacket is in one piece—all straight edges—with just side seams. Both it and the coverlet are lined with soft georgette! Pattern 6188 contains instructions for making the jacket and cover; illustrations of them and of stitches; materials needed; photograph of pattern stitch.

To obtain this pattern, send 15 cents in coins to The Sewing Circle, Household Arts Dept., 259 W. 14th St., New York, N. Y.

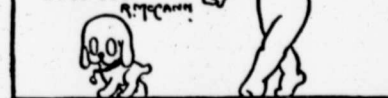
Yanks That Stayed

According to figures compiled by the Paris post of the American Legion, slightly more than 1,500 members of the Never-Go-Home battalion of the A. E. F. still reside in France, although it now is twenty years since the World war was brought to an end by the Armistice at Rethondes.

Most of them are married to French wives; most of them never returned to the United States, and many of them will be exiles until they die; and yet, not a single one of them has given up United States citizenship.—New York Times.

THE CHEERFUL CHERUB

I have a handy kind of mind—
Though most of life is dull and still
My mind won't notice humdrum things
But blithely leaps from thrill to thrill.



PENETRO

Opposite Paths
Courage leads to heaven, fear to death.—Seneca.

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Locals

Charley Coffee and family of Tahoka spent Christmas with his mother, Mrs. T. J. Coffee.

W. C. House of Artesia, New Mexico, visited friends in Loraine last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Honea of Anton visited relatives and friends here during Christmas. They accompanied Brack Watlington and Alec Britton to Benjamin to visit Mr. and Mrs. Howard Spikes Christmas day.

Milton Hallmark returned to his work at New Braunfels Monday after spending Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Hallmark.

Misses Maggie Jeter and Iona Callahan are spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Callahan at Alpine.

Miss Edith Mae Woodard came in last Wednesday night from Hobbs, New Mexico, and visited with her sister, Mrs. J. W. King, before going to the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Woodard, to spend the holidays.

Mrs. A. J. Graham, June and Lou, are in Fort Worth this week on business.

A. J. Graham and family took Christmas dinner in Abilene.

Mrs. Robertson of Stanton spent Christmas with her daughter, Mrs. John Marshall and family.

Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Smith visited in Lubbock Monday.

Bob and Kenneth Martin of Abilene spent Christmas here with their parents, Dr. and Mrs. T. A. Martin.

Roy Beights from California spent Christmas here with his brothers.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Wilson of Fort Stockton spent Christmas here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Wilson.

Mr. and Mrs. K. K. Day and family of Clarendon spent the holidays here with their brother and sister Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Day.

Mike Looby of Dallas visited his mother and sister here during the holidays.

Annual Stockholders Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the stockholders of the First State Bank, Loraine, Texas, will be held at the office of said bank on the 10th day of January, 1939 at 1:30 o'clock P. M., for the election of Directors and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

K. L. Taylor, Cashier

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Classified Ads

Notice! I have in my possession one brown mare mule, bob tail. Please see O. D. Peterson at Loraine for same. 1tp

For Sale—160 acre farm 4 mi. west, 1 mi. south of Lamesa. Improved with 4-room house and 2-room shack, plenty water. Clear of debt. \$35.00 per acre. J. A. Crosby.

NOTICE OF ESTRAY

The State of Texas, County of Mitchell.

Taken up by W. E. Wimberley and Estrayed before J. A. Crosby Justice of the Peace Precinct No. 5 Mitchell County: One black, Brown horse mule, about 15 hands high, branded 26 on right shoulder, wire cut on left hind hoof; blind in left eye; about 12 years old.

Appraised at \$50.00 (Fifty Dollars).

The owner of said stock is requested to come forward, prove property, pay charges, and take the same away, or it will be dealt with as the law directs.

Given under my hand and seal of office, this, the 19th day of December 1938.

J. M. Harrington, Clerk County Court Mitchell County.

Miss Modena Godfrey, who teaches at Akela, New Mexico, visited her parents, Rev. and Mrs. M. H. Godfrey, during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Norman of Abernathy spent Christmas here with her sisters, Misses Annie and Fannie Jarratt and Mrs. T. M. Mahon.

DON'T SLEEP WHEN GAS PRESSES HEART

If you can't eat or sleep because gas bloats you up try Adlerika. One dose usually relieves stomach gas pressing on heart. Adlerika cleans out BOTH upper and lower bowels. Hutchins and Hall, Druggists. adv.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Clopton and son Ben left last Thursday for Johnson City and other points in that section to spend the Christmas holidays.

Mrs. Willie Mae Thompson, who teaches at Kermit, spent the holidays here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Smith.

Wesley Edmondson, a former Loraine boy, spent the holidays in Loraine and Colorado with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee and family of Corpus Christi spent the Christmas holidays here with Mrs. Lee's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Tarrt, and her brother, G. B. Tarrt and family.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our gratitude to our neighbors and friends for their kind deeds and words at the death of our husband and father, and for the faithful men at the cemetery in the extreme cold. May God bless each of you.

Mrs. Lela Gumm
Mr. and Mrs. Guy Gumm
and son
Mr. and Mrs. Lee Burrus
and family

Eugene Cook of Denver, Colorado, visited his sister, Mrs. George Henly, during Christmas.

Felix Cook of Brownwood visited his sister, Mrs. George Henly, during Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Fatheree of Roswell, New Mexico, spent Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Henly.

Mrs. O. I. Griffin and children spent Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Templeton, at Dublin.

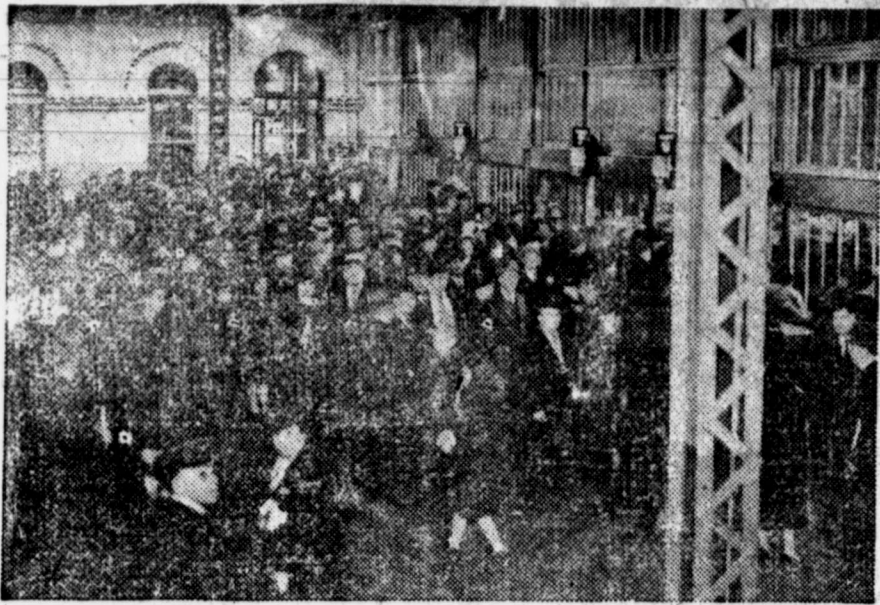
Melvin Calhoun of San Antonio visited relatives here during the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Redus of Eastland visited Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Bagwell during the holidays.

J. D. Moon and family moved last Saturday to Rising Star where they will make their home for another year.

If you have not renewed your subscription to The News, better do so now before you miss an issue or two. Only \$1 a year.

Yule Crowds Swell Rail Traffic



Special trains began running throughout the nation December 24th to accommodate thousands of Americans going "home for Christmas." Railroads are accommodating the heaviest Yuletide rush since 1929. Photograph shows Christmas crowds in the Chicago Union station awaiting departure for homes throughout the nation.

Mr. and Mrs. Pinkey Brooks of Dumas were visiting friends here the first of the week.

Jack Reeder of Abernathy is visiting relatives here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Stewart and Mr. and Mrs. Plez Beaty spent Christmas with their folks at Commerce.

Mr. and Mrs. Todie Crownover spent Christmas here with relatives.

CHAMPION NEWS

Health is very good despite the cold weather, Christmas festivities, and other things which go to impair health.

M. C., son of Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Green, who has been in the Young hospital the past week with a severe attack of pneumonia, has been brought home and is reported doing quite well.

Mr. Green and his little daughter, Ruby, were also suffering lighter attacks but all are much improved.

Mrs. Charles Rutledge is spending the holidays with home folk at her former home in Arkansas.

Luther Anders and family are visiting Luther's father in Van Zandt County. They planned to stop at Fort Worth with his brother then go on to his father's home near Grand Saline.

The car in which W. K. Banta and wife, and Jesse Alexander were riding Sunday was struck by a passing car and knocked into the ditch. There were no casualties, however, and the motorist went on not heeding the occurrence. Little damage was done to the car.

D. L. Collier and family visited in Odessa during the holidays.

The Jess Jones family has moved to the J. D. Moon farm from Lelia Lake, Texas.

Ruel Frank Brown of Longview visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Brown, during the holidays. Mr. Brown returned to Waxahachie for a family reunion and will also visit his son in Longview.

AGRICULTURE'S NEW YEAR FACES MANY QUESTIONS

College Station, Texas, Dec. 26—Many question marks face the Texas farmer in relation to his 1939 income prospects, the outlook report of the USDA Bureau of Agricultural Economics shows.

The agricultural income is influenced primarily by consumption or market demands, H. H. Williamson, director of the Texas A. and M. College Extension Service, points out, and the farmer can exert very little individual influence on the expansion of domestic and foreign markets.

"The Texas farmer does have a big opportunity, however, to develop what might be termed the kitchen market," Williamson declared. "The opportunity lies in producing, storing, and preserving an adequate food and feed supply to operate his individual farming unit. This is no self-sufficiency theory, for food and feed for home use will not only make for healthier and happier families, but it will conserve the too limited cash income for use in the purchasing of other necessities."

The director estimated that if this No. 1 market, free of tariffs and handlers' charges, were developed in Texas to its full possibilities, it would have a monetary value of 250 million dollars a year, or the equivalent of 6 million bales of cotton at 8 cents a pound.

Williamson pledged the aid of the Extension Service, through its county agricultural and home demonstration agents, to farm families in encouraging the expansion of production, processing, and conserving food and feed.

"In addition, it will also lend its aid in the program of expansion of domestic and foreign markets for farm products as a means of enlarging farm income," he said.

HEALTH ACCOUNTS SHOULD BE BALANCED

Austin, Texas, Dec. 26.—At this season of the year business men are balancing their accounts for 1938 and preparing budgets for 1939. Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer, asks that everyone look into their health account and see if it is in balance. No doubt most persons have overdrawn their health accounts in many ways and as a result must retrench if their bodies are to escape health bankruptcy.

The best thing to do is go to your family physician and have him give you a thorough examination. Diabetes, Bright's disease, heart trouble, tuberculosis, anemia, internal tumors and syphilis are among the diseases sometimes discovered in examinations of supposedly well persons.

After such an audit your doctor will assist you in making a health budget. This should include plenty of rest, fresh air, exercise, proper food, and moderation in the items used to excess in the past. If this is done you will not only add years to your life but will make these years more worth living and enjoyable.

Great strides have been made by health agencies in lengthening man's span of life. There is much yet to be done but the health departments need the cooperation of everyone and each citizen should become acutely interested in his own health. The State appropriates five cents for each person's health. This must be tripled and health made a personal matter before Texas can say that it is the healthiest State in the Union.



Mr. Smith Is Somewhat Wrought

He's just finished trying to cull the worthwhile news out of dailies, and what is really going on in the world is still somewhat vague. That's the reason for his display of temper. Mr. Smith might have saved himself this emotional outburst if he had read the

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By EDWARD W. PICKARD

appearing each week in this paper. It covers all the important national and world news, interpreted for you by one of the nation's best known news commentators. Read the WEEKLY NEWS REVIEW each week if you want to keep well informed on current events.



Leaders in the cotton industry are united to restore King Cotton to his throne.

Through mobilized efforts of all branches of the cotton industry, in 18 cotton producing states the National Cotton Council of America was formed in Memphis with Oscar Johnston, Scott, Mississippi, manager of the world's largest cotton plantation, as its head. The objectives of the Council are increased consumption of American cotton through a coordinated program of advertising, research and education.

Among the delegates to the organization meeting, the following leaders in the Texas industry were photographed together (left to right above) J. B. McCrary, Calvert, chairman; Geo. Payne, El Paso; Henry Womble, Caldwell; Aubrey Lockett, Vernon; and Chas. McKamy, Carroll.

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