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BALLAST

By Babbler

"In the spring a young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts which have occupied the minds of maidens all winter." So we closed recent column. And found thereafter several editorials on the question of marriage. Ninety per cent of the contents centered about money. Truly in our country, matrimony has become a "matter of money." The philosophers would have us think that nothing matters in marriage except the income. Wars are waged against youthful, early, weddings. The argument is that youth cannot earn enough money.

Statisticians have examined records of divorce proceedings and report that most divorces grow out of lack of funds. This would mean that any young couple can be happily and successfully married, if there is enough money.

The writers advise waiting for financial security before marriage.

We desire to impress upon our youthful public, if any, that this approach to the question is entirely wrong. Records of divorce courts reveal nothing. A vast majority of the testimony given is false, or so shaded as to give a false impression. Anyone with a slight knowledge of human nature knows that.

The marriage question is not one of money. We doubt that income is worthy better than fourth consideration. Our idea is that there is something behind the trouble about money. Any young couple in love can adjust the money hazzard. A young lady who is self sufficient and independent, accustomed to earning her own money and running her own business, may not be able to adjust herself to marriage, but the trouble is not in the size of her husband's income. It is more deeply rooted than that. To be sure, that is what shows in the divorce trial.

The increase in divorces in our generation has been caused by the very thing these would be reformers are advocating. Women have been figuratively emancipated. They therefore became more independent and self reliant. They have not yet learned to bear their rightful measure of freedom. Moreover, the vain male has not yet adjusted himself to thinking woman. Time will correct the maladjustment made by longer time. The women emancipators should have anticipated this, and should not be surprised.

Meanwhile, talking and writing to women about postponing marriage until the man is able to supply luxurious support, which means middle age. Augments a condition already frightful.

We favor emancipation and careers for women. Marriage is the greatest of these. Let us base it on something in addition to the treacherous \$.

Good Rains Fall Here

A good rain fell here last Tuesday afternoon. It rained on Wednesday afternoon and continued to fall at intervals all through the night and most all day Thursday. A total fall of about two inches, which put a good season in the ground and brightened the prospects for crops and range.

Some of the ranchers report as much as three inches of rainfall. With some exceptions the rain was general over most of West Texas.

May Pole



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Butterfield Trail Promoters Meet At Bronte

A delegation composed of County Judge G. C. Murrell, County Commissioners W. N. Reed and L. R. Knight, and W. F. Kellis met with delegates Jess Winters, T. R. McDaniel, John Piltington and Foy Massey of Abilene; County Judge McNeill Wylie, Commissioners Thos. Harmon, Sam Gaston and S. A. Kiker and County Agent Houston Smith of Coke County, and Bill Collyns, W. J. Coleman, P. J. Mims and J. E. Richberg of Midland, at Bronte last Wednesday in the interest of the promotion of Highway No. 158.

The delegates were entertained by the Bronte Community Service Club at the Home Motor Company's big sales room with a splendid banquet. The Bronte High School Band, under the direction of J. H. Hamblen, entertained the crowd with splendid music. Bronte should be proud of this band, for those boys and girls would be hard to beat in a contest.

After each had gotten outside of a lot of those good eats, the delegates went into a round table discussion of the Butterfield Trail, which has been designated as Highway No. 158 from Abilene to Midland, via Bronte, Robert Lee, Sterling and Garden City.

It was shown that good work had been done between Abilene and Bronte. Judge Wylie stated that a part of the route between Bronte and Robert Lee had been graded and a caliche base laid. He stated that the right of way west of Robert Lee to the Sterling County line had not been secured, but funds were now available to secure it.

Sterling delegates showed that a standard caliche base was practically complete from Sterling City to the Coke County line, and pavement and caliche for four miles west; that a new bridge across the North Concho would soon be under construction, and that the right of way to the Glasscock County line would be ready when called for.

It was shown that Glasscock County had graded the road from Garden City west to the Midland

County line, while the Midland representative stated that the road had been graded from the west line of Glasscock County to Midland, and that a contract had been let to pave seven miles of it.

It seems that Highway No. 158 is an assured project. Each county through which this important highway passes are cooperating in pushing the route to a finish. When the proper time arrives these counties will go before the Highway Commission and urge the adoption and designation of the entire route.

J. C. Helm, Jr., Is Ass't. County Supt.

J. C. Helm, Jr., has been appointed Assistant County Superintendent according to an announcement by Superintendent Dale Howard. Mr. Helm is expected to assume his new duties sometime this summer.

Helm, a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Helm, Brysonville teachers, and residents of the White Point community, has been principal and coach at Newburg for the past two years. He is a graduate of Comanche High School, John Tarleton College, the North Texas Teachers College and has taken additional work at the University of Texas.—Comanche Chief.

Those who attended school at Sterling ten or twelve years ago will recall that Supt. J. C. and Mrs. Helm had a little son named J. C. Jr. This little boy made good and at the age of 22, is holding a responsible position in the department of education of Comanche County.

Ma and Pa Helm are living on their farm near Comanche and have been teaching a rural school near their home for the last year and have been chosen to conduct the school for next year. The Helms are fine people and most every old timer in Sterling recalls their usefulness to this community while they resided here.

Rev. Bruce Cox, local Methodist pastor, attended the National Methodist Conference at Kansas City last week where delegates from the three branches of the Methodist Church met in the interest of forming a Union.

The Grand Jury Condemns Jail

Judge John F. Sutton convened our District Court last Monday. He empaneled the grand jury with John J. Cole as foreman, and after giving his charge, sent that body to work.

The grand jury returned seven bills of indictment Monday afternoon, submitted the following report and asked to be discharged.

The report submitted by the grand jury reads as follows:

To Honorable John F. Sutton, District Judge:

"We, the Grand Jurors for the May term of your court, in Sterling County, having completed our work, submit herewith certain bills of indictment and in addition thereto make the following report and recommendations:

"We have made careful inspection of the County Jail and find that the locks and locking equipment on the Jail are wholly inadequate to hold the prisoners who are or may be incarcerated therein. We recommend to the Commissioners Court of Sterling County that said Court immediately take appropriate action to have installed such equipment as may be necessary, including locks and locking equipment and heavy window screens, and do such other renovations as may be proper in order that the prisoners incarcerated in said jail may be safely kept therein.

"Respectfully submitted this the 1st day of May, A. D. 1939.

THE GRAND JURY

By John J. Cole, Foreman"

Two divorce cases were called Tuesday morning. Divorce was granted in one case, and the other continued to complete service. Two other civil cases were passed until next week.

The criminal docket will be taken up next Monday morning.

Miss Cecil Irene Reed, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Reed, was among the highest ranking students of Abilene Christian College for the last semester of that institution. Miss Reed's average in all her work was in the A group, and in several subjects was above A.

Four Prisoners Break Jail

Last Saturday night, four prisoners broke out of Sterling County jail and escaped and two of them enjoyed liberty for about thirty minutes, before they were captured.

As soon as the break was discovered deputy Sheriff Henton Emery phoned to Curtis McElroy, local game warden at Pecos, to come and bring his dog. Mr. McElroy got here late at night and set his dog on the trail of the fugitive. The dog followed the trail down the river for about 11 miles and found the third man in a drift near Broome on the river. They brought him back and placed him in a cell along with the two other prisoners that had joined him in the break.

The fourth jail breaker went south toward Big Lake, and although he was seen, he had not been apprehended on Tuesday noon. The escape was made through a hole in the bars in one of the south windows just over the bed in which Sheriff Vern Davis lay sick with pneumonia. The prisoners had used a blanket and slid to the ground

on it within about four feet of where Mr. Davis lay. Miss Livingstone, Mr. Davis' nurse saw the blanket through the window. About this time Mrs. Davis saw the men getting away and raised the alarm.

Templeton Foster who had just come, saw one of the men and gave chase, but the fugitive outran Mr. Foster and escaped.

Jay Nixon and Garly Barker, employed at the drug store, were the first to hear Mrs. Davis' alarm. They dropped their work and were busy all that night helping to run down the fugitives.

This was about 10 P. M. Deputy Henton Emery was out and was not located for several minutes after the alarm was given, but he sped east and took up a position in the Lowe pasture. Soon he saw the three men who had stayed together, coming toward him. When he halted them, one of them ran and Mr. Emery fired a shot over the fugitive's head. This only caused him to put on more speed which carried him beyond further pursuit. There was nothing for deputy Emery to do but return to the jail with two prisoners.

A number of citizens did all they could in assisting the officers in overhauling the fugitives.

The jail proper is a good building, but the cells, locks and bars are out of date. Sheriff Davis says it is easy to catch crooks and put them in jail but the problem is to keep them there under its present condition. He says the cost of repairs would be modest when compared with the trouble and expense of apprehending fugitives, besides it might save a life.

The people are a unit in saying that the jail should be made safe and dependable. One man suggested that a bale of sorghum hay should be stuffed in the hole where the prisoners got out. He said the smell of sorghum would remind the jail breaker of the days they had put in "flanking" sorghum and they would lay off from going near it.

Federation Delegates

Those attending the 6th district convention from the County Federation were Mesdames T. H. Murr, Bob Rose, G. E. Covey, W. H. Sr. Buster Chapman, Garland Co and Ted Brown delegate.

Local Items

lost a Parker fountain pen. Please notify Nan Findt.

For Sale—a good used Chevrolet. Call at this office.

L. Glass who spent several weeks in a hospital in San Angelo, now at home convalescing.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Atwood, after visit with relatives here, returned to their home in Lubbock last day.

Mrs. Geo. H. McEntire, who recently underwent a surgical operation at a hospital in San Angelo, convalescing satisfactorily.

F. P. Howard is still in a San Angelo hospital. Last Wednesday said he was improving and feeling fine.

Mrs. Ben Findt and daughter Miss Sophia Lena Findt spent last week with relatives on North Llano. They returned home last Sunday.

The first day of National Hardware week is a special day for ladies. Each lady who visits our store Saturday May 6, receives a souvenir. Be sure to be there.

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Mrs. Sam Roach who has been a guest of her daughter, Mrs. Pat Bellis for the past ten days, returned to her home in Coleman last Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Carter returned from Stephenville Thursday of last week where they attended the funeral of Mr. Carter's father, J. E. Carter, aged 61.

Sheriff Vern Davis, who suffered severe attack of pneumonia last week is much improved and expects to be out as soon as his physician thinks it is safe.

Mr. and Mrs. Hill Laird of Houston and Mrs. Ed Cole and son of Magalia were visiting in Sterling last week end. They are cousins of Mrs. John Purvis.

Call your home Floral Shop for all Floral offerings which have careful attention day or night and will be gratefully appreciated. Sterling Floral Shop. Phone 6. Mrs. Askey.

The twelve-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Mitchell who underwent an operation for appendicitis at a hospital at San Angelo, a few days ago, is reported to be getting along nicely.

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Today's hardware store with its modernized labor saving devices and latest gadgets for operation of the farm, the workshop, the home and the kitchen is a far cry from the hardware store of yesteryear which fulfilled its function when it furnished the farmer a few tools, nails, and fencing, the housewife her wash boiler, pails and perhaps a few pots and pans.

Still a supply center for farm and home requirements, today's hardware store is alive with gleaming, streamlined utensils, vivid-colored tableware and kitchen tools (even the fittings for kitchen cupboards and cabinets are color-decorated these days.) Electricity has taken the load of work from everything, from the potato masher to the farm pump, and is used even in fencing to keep the cows and pigs in their proper places.

"Check the hardware store for values and variety" is the slogan for this national week of Hardware Values.

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May Queen Is Crowned

Cornation exercises for Miss Rosemary Durham, high school junior daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Durham, and May Queen, highlighted a colorful and musical May Fete in the high school gymnasium here Monday night under the direction of Miss Pearl Gordon Faires, grade school principal.

Supt. O. T. Jones placed the crown on Miss Durham. Her ladies in waiting were, Misses Wilma Ruth Hudson, Mitzi Broome, Peggy Edwards, Sue Knight Phyllis Bowen, Mary Lou Foster, Elsie Knight Sue McEntire, Audrey Earley, and Audrey Gregston.

Misses Eloise Nelson, Kathleen Crawford, Rena Ball, Flo Allen, Mary Roach, Ida Mae Roberts and Mrs. W. S. Nelson Jr. assisted in the direction of the program.

Parts were taken in the pageant by the following: Trinabeth Reed, Margaret Ritter, Helen Carpenter, Wanda Cook, Dorothy Sue Lowe, Elizabeth Ellen Hilderbrand, Bruce Cox, Jackie Durham, Peggy Jean Henshaw, Billie Sue Everitt, Maudine Hallmark, Dick Bailey, Don House, H. W. Greston, Charles Mercer, Donnie Roden, Perry Davis, Bonnie Ruth King, Lora Mae Humble, Edna Louise Pate, Betty Ann Gillion, Dixie Strickland, Beth Abernathy.

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Dr. Wood to Deliver Commencement Address

Dr. B. O. Wood, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of San Angelo who is to deliver the Commencement Address to the High School Seniors Thursday night, May 18, at 8:15 P. M., has announced as his subject, "Building a Life." Keep this date in mind and make it a point to hear this excellent speaker.

Inductive Reasoning

Following the study of inductive reasoning the seniors made investigations of the hobby favorite authors, and professional ambitions of all students in high school. The class realized that it is difficult for high school boys and girls to decide upon a goal definitely, but they did learn that their reading tastes in the majority of cases have improved since they entered high school. Too they read more rapidly and interestedly; not a few listed reading as their chief hobby.

Audrey G. — Stenographer
 Audrey E. — Author
 Marjorie — Nurse
 Sue — Run a Dude Ranch
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Rosemary — Stenographer
 Melvin — Rancher
 Lillian — Stenographer
 Sam — Rancher
 R. D. — Soldier
 H. W. — Doctor
 Dale — Coach
 Jack — Aviator
 Jack: James Boyd
 H. W.: O. Henry and Charles Dickens

R. D.: Edgar Allen Poe
 Sam: Zane Gray
 Charles: Walt Whitman
 Melvin: Zane Gray
 Ben: Dale Carnegie
 Marjorie: Barrett Willoughby
 Sue: Mary Roberts Rinehart
 Gerldine: Emily Dickson
 Rosemary: Barrett Willoughby
 Lillian: Willoughby
 Audrey Gregston: Harold Bell Wright
 Audrey Eearly: Booth Tarkington
 Carl: Aviator
 Elise Greston: House wife
 Colbert: Engineering
 Wilma: Secretary
 Clydean: Stylist and Musician
 Lucille: Newspaper Reporter
 June: Interior Decorator
 France: Beauty Operator
 Finis: Musical Career or Radio Engineering
 Bonnie Lee Book Keeper
 Joy: Stenographer
 Elise Knight: Dietician
 Jean: Electrical Engineer
 Reynolds: Rancher
 Phyllis: Physical training teacher

Carl: Gladys Hasty Carroll
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 Faith Baldwin
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