

THE SPEARMAN REPORTER

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Spearman Colts Beat Gruver Ball Team

An intensely interesting game between Gruver ball team and the Spearman Colts was played in Spearman last Sunday, which resulted in a close victory for the local team by a score of 19-12.

In the first inning Gruver made three points to Spearman's none and remained well in the lead until the fourth inning when Spearman ran in 10 points, giving them a lead of 5 points at that time.

Batteries for Gruver was Boydston, McCracken and Davis, and for Spearman, Sheets, Shell and Snooks. Strike outs by Sheets were Jones 1, Paddy 1; Davis 3; Reynolds 4; McCracken 1; Ayers 1, and Speck Cator 1. Hit by Sheets were Davis and Reynolds. Jacobs batted for Vasey in 8th inning.

Boydston struck out five, Roach, Mitts, Sheets 2; and Shell. Hit Vasey 1 time.

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Coral Club Will Present Concert In Near Future

The Coral Club which is sponsored by the Spearman Music Club plans to present a recital in the near future to which public will be extended a cordial invitation. Watch this paper for the details.

Large Crowd Attend Legion Dance Monday

A large crowd attended the dance given by the American Legion Post in Spearman Monday night. A negro band from Borger furnished the music for the occasion.

DANCE NEXT MONDAY
It was announced today that the same negro band would play for another dance at the hall in Spearman next Monday night, April 30th. Admission to the dance will be 50c.

Robert Parham To Preach Friday Night At Union Church

Information that the widely known evangelist, Robert Parham, of Kansas, will deliver an evangelistic service at the Union Church next Friday evening April 27th, has been received. Everyone is cordially extended an invitation to hear this talented speaker.

Popular Music May Be Purchased Here

Sparks Confectionery is the only place where Spearman music lovers may purchase the latest popular song hits. They are carrying in stock some of the newer pieces and the older favorites.

Mrs. C. J. Todd and daughter are visiting with relatives at Overton, Texas, leaving here Monday.

Panhandle, so you can just start back in the business, and we will book you for a couple of hundred delivery May 22nd.

Jess Womble... you got plenty of competition this year in your race for County and District Clerk. I'm suggesting that you book up 1000 White Plymouth Rocks and let it be known that they are trained to go to the voter that scratch all names except Jess from the section of the ballot calling for the election of County and District Clerk. You'd better not turn the chickens loose until after election though, there might be a few who think any polly is fair in love and war and pollytics.

Preacher Nichols, Alfalfa Bill (W. V.) Murry and Irishman Loflin... this is a warning to you three preachers. Don't start in the chicken business. You've got enough to do to take care of your own flocks without trying to meddle in the chicken business.

AMERICAN LEGION ELECTS OFFICERS THURSDAY NIGHT

Some thirty members of the American Legion gathered at the Legion Hall Thursday night for the regular meeting. New officers of the legion were elected as follows: Dr. J. C. Jones of Gruver, Commander; H. B. Towle, Vice-Commander; F. C. Sumrall, Adjutant; A. A. Britton, Finance Officer; and Vernie Blosson, Sergeant At Arms.

The members voted that the regular meeting nights should be on the first and third Thursday in each month.

Blanche Rose Walker Circle of W. M. U. Met Wed. Afternoon

Members of the Blanche Rose Walker circle of the W. M. U. met Wednesday afternoon April 25th, with Mrs. Fred J. Hoskins. A study program was rendered consisting of the following: Song "I Need Thee Every Hour." Prayer, Mrs. C. Hutchinson, and the lesson on "The Bible Period by Period" by Dr. J. B. Tidwell of Baylor University was led by Mrs. A. F. Loftin.

Eight members were present: Mesdames Fred Hoskins, O. G. Collins, W. M. Glover, A. F. Loftin, Tice, C. E. Hutchinson, C. A. Hitt and Clyce Hughes and one visitor, Miss Nathaline Denman. A motion was made and unanimously carried that the circle sign a card to help in the Texas Baptist \$100,000 campaign.

A personal service report from the members was heard and old and new business was attended to. Members of the circle voted to change the time of the meetings from 3:00 to 3:30 o'clock. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Carl Hutchinson. Refreshments consisting of pineapple cup and cookies were served.

UNCLE BOB BURRAN and His



32 SAND TROUT

The above is the smiling countenance of Uncle Bob Burran snapped just after he had landed his 32nd sand trout while fishing at Point Isabel, Gulf of Mexico, last Wednesday afternoon.

Uncle Bob spent ten days visiting his brother, Sid Burran of Edenburg, Texas, and while in the Valley he and his brother chartered a large boat and spent many dollars and quite a bit of time relieving the ocean of surplus members of the finny tribe. Uncle Bob says he caught, Mullet, Sharks, Sand Trout, Turtles, snake eels, Flounders, Red fish and star fish.

Uncle Bob was greatly impressed with the prosperous conditions in the Valley, and says that the country is coming back rapidly after the flood of last year. The after flood is coming fine and a citrus crop is in prospect for Valley raisers this year, he said.

Spearman Hardware Being Improved

This week the interior of the Spearman Hardware is receiving a coat of paint and the entire arrangement of the store is being improved. New stock has been added to replenish the stock of merchandise and everything in the hardware line can be purchased there. They now have on hand two demonstrators of the new International trucks.

Mrs. W. L. Russell and Mrs. L. B. Campbell attended a bridge dinner in Perryton Tuesday of this week.

Young Democrats Meeting Wednesday

Regular meeting of the Hansford County Young Democratic Club has been postponed from Tuesday night until Wednesday night, May 2nd of next week, due to that being the date for the senior class play.

Every member of the club is especially invited to attend as there is some urgent business to be attended to at that time. Being the election of delegates to attend the State Convention at Dallas May 4th and 5th.

NOTICE

There has been lots of complaints about boys breaking window lights out of vacant houses. I am asking the parents of all boys to warn the boys of the damage they are doing to property. Parents of the boys breaking lights, can be held liable for the damage done.

W. D. COOKE, Mayor.

Judge Broadhurst Hoop-schooches Justice Oakes Out of \$5.00

By some underhand methods Justice Oakes was hoopschooched out of five dollars last week by the Honorable Judge James H. Broadhurst of this county.

A young couple appeared at the court house and asked for the Justice Of Peace and were directed to Mr. Oakes. The couple asked Justice if he would marry them and he said that he would do it up brown.

The Justice made a wild dash for his office in the basement of the courthouse and dug out his book on homiletics, which treats with the science of wedding ceremonies and the best mode of administering them. He then hurried back up stairs to the waiting couple, who had been invited into the office of the Judge, and were already hearing the serious and tedious exhortation necessary to tie the knot.

After the Judge said, "I now pronounce you man and wife" the groom handed him a five dollar bill which the Justice Oakes claims should be his as they were his customers by rights.

Dan Shrader Tosses Hat In Ring For County Clerk Office

Dan Shrader of Gruver this week authorized the Spearman Reporter to carry his name in its political columns as a candidate for the office of County and District Clerk, subject to the action of the Democratic Party, July 28th.

Mr. Shrader is well known over this county and his popularity has steadily grown with his acquaintance. At the recent city election the Gruver citizens accorded him the honor of electing him mayor of that city. Mr. and Mrs. Shrader are both members of the Hansford County Young Democratic Club.

In making his public announcement Mr. Shrader has the following to state:

TO THE VOTERS OF HANSFORD COUNTY:
A number of citizens of the County have manifested their faith in my ability and qualifications by soliciting me to announce for the office of County and District Clerk. In announcing for this office, I offer the following information about myself.

I have lived in Hansford county since 1928, having come here from Collin County, where I had lived until that time. Since living here I have operated the Chapman Milling Co., elevator, where I am now employed, and because of these duties, it will not be possible for me to make an active campaign.

In asking election to this office, I realize that I seek to become the servant of the people. Should they elect me, it will be my aim to render courtesy to the public faithful, efficient and impartial service.

I invite the voters' consideration of my qualifications for the position. If, upon investigation they find me worthy of their confidence and support, I shall greatly appreciate their support.

DAN SHRADER.

Big Ball Game Here Sunday With Morse

What is thought to be one of the best games of the season will be played in Spearman Sunday at 3 p. m., at the east ball park, between Morse baseball team and Spearman Colts.

Everyone is invited to see the game, which promises to be a good one.

Mesdames W. L. Russell, C. D. Foote and J. M. Lackey attended a bridge luncheon in Elkhart, Kansas Wednesday of this week, given by Mrs. Tate.

REDUCED INTEREST ON FARM LOANS

Federal Land Bank and Land Bank Commissioner's farm mortgage loans in Texas have refinanced farmers' indebtedness upon which annual interest charges formerly ran from 5 per cent to 9 per cent in most cases, it was shown in an analysis by the Farm Credit Administration of more than half the loans closed from June 1, 1933, through March 31, 1934.

The highest rate farmers now pay on the mortgages into which these debts have been refinanced is 5 per cent and on a large proportion it is only 4 1/2 per cent. The savings resulting from reduced interest charges supplies, of course, not merely to one year but to the life of the loan.

The analysis dealt only with interest rates paid on the first and second mortgages, and upon short term commercial bank loans. It did not deal with other classes of debt or many other untraceable items bearing upon the cost to farmers of carrying their debts, such as loan and renewal fees. The total of loans closed from June of last year through March of this year in Texas was about \$67,400,000.

While a bulk of the loans carried rates from 5 per cent to 9 per cent in a number of localities and in the cases of a number of loans, interest rates of 10 per cent, and in a few instances, above 10 per cent, were paid by farmers on their debts.

The average rate paid by farmers on mortgage debts refinanced with land bank loans in Texas was 6.3 per cent, while the average paid on short term, commercial bank loans was 8 per cent. Corresponding figures for mortgage and short term debts refinanced with Commissioner's loans were, respectively, 6.9 per cent and 8.8 per cent.

The average charge on all the indebtedness refinanced with land bank loans was 6.4 per cent. Against this rate farmers pay on their land bank loans 4 1/2 per cent interest until July 11, 1938, after which the rate becomes 5 per cent. Borrowers who obtain their loans directly from the Federal land banks instead of thru national farm loan associations pay a rate of 1/2 of 1 per cent higher.

The average interest rate on all debts of farmers refinanced with commissioner's loans was 7.1 per cent against which the farmers now pay a rate of 5 per cent.

Local Scout Troop Invited To Attend Annual Round-Up

Early this week Scout Master, Charles Chambers of the local Boy Scout troop received an invitation from Scout Executive C. A. Clark, to bring the local troop to the Second Annual Round-Up and Circus Area Troops, to be held at Pampa, April 28th.

There will be Merit Badge exhibits, a free picture show at 10 A. M., parade of all troops at 2:30 P. M., led by McLean scouts and perfect plans for other Summer Camps.

Harding Elevator Being Constructed

The Harding Grain Company is putting up an elevator in Spearman to replace the one which was burned in the Fall of 1933. It is to be all modern. The foundation has been run and the Ellsworth Brothers have the contract for the framework. The new elevator will be higher than the former one. It is to be completed about the first of June.

Hog Allotment Contracts Completed

Seventy-eight Hansford County hog allotment contracts have been completed this week and sent into Washington on Wednesday.

NEW IMPLEMENT FIRM AT MORSE

C. C. Kellogg from near Amarillo this week established an implement house in the old Panhandle Lumber Company building at Morse and will handle a complete line of International Harvester equipment. He has as his assistant Joe Milhoon. The men will do all kinds of servicing on International machinery, as well as sell the equipment and repairs.

Max Boyer of Perryton was a Spearman visitor Monday of this week.

Mrs. Bob White and little son of Kilgore, Texas is a visitor in the R. E. Burran home this week.

Miss Yentine Malone of Lindsey, Oklahoma is visiting Mrs. R. A. Vaughn this week.

Seniors Will Present Class Play May 1st

"Jupiter Smiles" a three-act comedy drama, written by Myrtle Giard Elsey, is the play chosen by the Senior Class this year which they will present next Tuesday night.

The play centers around the Mack family as they go to a dinner party, leaving Mr. Mack's daughter at home. Maybelle, the Cinderella stepchild left at home to entertain grandma, has plenty of excitement entertaining two young men: one of them Phillip Brent, her step-sister's belated beau, and the other a would be burglar. A friend of the family, an ardent student of astrology, predicts trouble. Since there is no moon that night, Jupiter afflicts them in strange ways. Poppy, the colored maid, furnishes comedy throughout the evening. The cast of characters is as follows:

Maybelle Mack, Jim's daughter; Evelyn Matthews; Renna Mack, the step-mother; Wren Loftin; Donna Hess, the stepdaughter; Alleen Gill; Zedene Melroy, Donna's friend; Vera Beth McClellan; Poppy, the colored maid; Alene Parker; Phillip Brent, Donna's belated beau; Vernie Black; Doyle Hess, the stepson; Leroy Sheets; Jim Mack, Renna's third husband; Stanley Garnet. Specialties will be furnished by the music department under the direction of Mrs. A. H. Word.

Mrs. A. J. Wilbanks and Mrs. G. E. Oaks were shopping in Borger, Tuesday.

Mrs. Lena Crawford spent last week in Borger visiting in the home of her son, Carter, of that city.

R. W. Archer, Jr., purchased a new Plymouth De Luxe Coupe from the R. C. Motor Co. Tuesday of this week.

Mrs. Mattie Sheets, Mrs. F. D. Wilbanks and Hiram Wilbanks were Borger visitors Friday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Wilbanks are visiting Mr. Wilbanks sister, Mrs. Bill Bradford in Tulsa this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ike Klutts were Amarillo visitors last week.

Lynn Pack visited over the week end with Mrs. Pack and the children.

B. B. Brockus is in Wichita this week for medical treatment.

Word received Monday of this week from Shattuck hospital was to the effect that Mr. Gerber who underwent an operation there a week ago was doing as well as could be expected.

Mrs. George Buzzard who is in the hospital at Amarillo is improving slowly.

Little Irvin Davis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Davis, is ill, suffering from measles and complications.

Sidney Terry was listed among the sick Thursday of last week.

Mrs. Jimmie Davis is ill this week.

J. P. Richards and H. B. Towle went up near Dalhart Monday to bring home a combine.

Mr. and Mrs. Auburn Curtis of Borger visited in the Ed Wilbanks home Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Jake Vernon were Spearman visitors Saturday of last week.

The Claude Powers family visited in Guymon Sunday.

R. A. Vaughn and R. E. Burran returned from a trip to the Rio Grande Valley and report an enjoyable trip. Mr. Vaughn is carried away with the country down there and declares he is going back soon to rent a place and fish to his heart's content.

Mrs. J. E. Gerber is reporter for the local news column. If you have any news please let her know.

Be sure to attend the Pioneer celebration at Guymon, Oklahoma May 2nd. Everyone invited. Everything free.

A. H. Stores of Hollis, Oklahoma, father of Mrs. Lee Jenkins, visited in the Jenkins home this week.

Mrs. Louis Bryan and little daughter, and Dorothea Main visited in Perryton Saturday of last week.

Mrs. Bob Bailey, Misses Sybil and Estelle were Borger visitors Saturday.

LEARN TO SAY "I SAW YOUR AD IN THE REPORTER"

STORE NEWS

A BRIEF SURVEY OF ADVERTISEMENTS DISPLAYED IN THIS ISSUE OF THE REPORTER.

R. E. Lee, wholesale dealer for Magnolia Products is suggesting that you Summerize NOW with the Magnolia 7 point protection. Eck will tell you all about the 7 point protection... so will R. D. Chamberlain.

Continental Oil Company via Alvino Richardson, Jack Hancock, et al., wants you "To know the truth about Motor Oils" and they proceed to tell you about 'em in a dandy advertisement in this issue.

Bob Morton of Spearman and Vic McRee of Gruver are all sold on the V-8 Ford, and they sent word in to Mr. Ford to SELL YOU and he is trying to do so in a large advertisement in this issue.

Burl's Cafe has a special suggestion to make in their professional advertisement in this issue.

Dr. F. J. Powell who comes over from Dalhart ever now and then... you will have to read his advertisement to find out when... so they will last longer and see better.

Dr. F. J. Daily, Dentist, and Dr. J. E. Gower, Physician, both run their professional advertisement regularly in this paper.

Fred Mizar will do your trucking satisfactorily. He says he will in this issue of the Reporter.

Mr. Campbell at the Campbell Tailor Shop is a regular advertiser in this paper, and he does excellent cleaning and pressing and orders tailor made clothes for his customers.

Leslie Cooke is talking chickens... the feathered kind.

P. A. Lyon of the Hansford Abstract and Insurance Co. tells what INSURANCE really is. Incidentally he wants to write you more about it... and wants you to sign on the dotted line.

Walter Wilmet changed from International line to Perfection stoves this week. Walter says he is not a cook, but he knows his Perfections.

C. P. (Claude) Jackson For Commissioner Of Precinct No. 1

With this issue of the paper comes the announcement from C. P. Jackson, better known as Claude, to the effect that he will be a candidate for the office of Commissioner of Precinct No. 1, of this county.

Mr. Jackson has a host of friends and supporters who are indirectly responsible for him being in the race and it was after much solicitation and consideration before he offered his name as a candidate. He is a taxpayer of this county and has always taken an active part in the civic advancement of the community, being elected as a member of the Spearman Independent School Board last year. Mr. Jackson has had several years experience on a "Township Board" of the Jester Precinct of Greer County, previous to coming here. He is thoroughly equipped to render this community a worthy service as commissioner, should the voters make him such and he stated Wednesday that if elected that he would show no partiality and would always strive to work for the mutual benefit of everyone in this precinct.

Mrs. J. C. Sanders spent Sunday in the D. W. Hazelwood home.

Mrs. C. D. Foote, Mrs. Max Lackey and Mrs. W. L. Russell motored to Elkhart, Kansas Wednesday to attend a party given by Mrs. Pate.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Duncan of Booker, Texas and Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Smith and daughter of Balko, Oklahoma, visited Mr. and Mrs. Pete Vernon, Sunday.

Miss Juanita Tackitt of Goodwell, Oklahoma visited her sister Mrs. D. M. Jones, Monday of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Campbell spent the week end with Mr. Campbell's parents at Grenok, Kansas.

Classified Ads

Classified Ads 2c per word first insertion, and 1c per word per issue thereafter. Spearman Reporter, Phone No. 10

NONE BETTER THAN CHAMPLIN

We refer to the Champlin line of Oils, Gas, Greases, Tires, Tubes and Batteries. We are featuring Champlin batteries for \$4.95 and up. Gas 15 cents per gallon. CHAMPLIN SERVICE STATION

THE NEW 1934 CHEVROLET

THE LEADER IN THE LOW PRICED FIELD. SEE US FOR A RADIO FOR YOUR CAR. United States tempered tires as low as \$4.50. Our service department will do dependable repair work. McCLELLAN CHEVROLET CO.

BOYS—GIRLS

BOYS—GIRLS, buy your Tennis Shoes at Brandt's. Genuine Red's.

GET YOUR MAGNETO REPAIR WORK NOW

We are asking farmers who anticipate magneto repair work to bring in their work at this time, and the repairs will be made and the magneto delivered later when you are ready to use the magneto. This will help us, and it will save delay for you.

DELON KIRK BATTERY SHOP

REAL LIVE BARGAINS

Can be found at the New System Grocery and Market both in the grocery and market departments. We kill only top fed beef, and our reputation in the market department in this territory is an assurance of your getting only the best of meats.

NEW SYSTEM GROCERY AND MARKET

FREE THEATRE TICKET

Save your tickets given with each purchase and we will give a theatre ticket with each dollars worth. Represents 25 per cent reduction on your drug store purchases. Hale Drug Company.

GENUINE ELECTROLUX

The Electrolux gas refrigeration is the quickest and most economical. See us about a new one. Terms allowed. Panhandle Gas & Electric Company.

SUITS CLEANED AND PRESSED

We clean, press and deliver a suit of clothes for 75c. Other work in the same ratio to these charges. Phone us and we will come for your work and deliver it at your door.

CAMPBELL TAILOR SHOP

Phone 113

THIS IS THE MONTH

To sign up for your special Summer Irrigation Water Rate. The price is only \$3.00 for 10,000 gallons and 20c per thousand gallons above that amount. See City Secretary D. W. Holland at the City Hall and sign up today. CITY OF SPEARMAN

SAVE MONEY ON GARDEN SEED

We have a fresh supply of garden seed in the bulk and we will sell you any amount you may need. Buy your garden seed from us. SNIDER PRODUCE.

SPECIAL PRICES

On 65 Model and 75 Model new Haug Washing Machines. Sixty-five model formerly sold for \$129.50

—and for a limited time only we list this Machine at

\$89.50

Model 75 formerly sold for

\$160.00

—and for a limited time only we list this machine for

\$89.50

—We mean limited time. See us today.

MAIN FURNITURE COMPANY

TRY THE BEST OIL

Drive in, drain and refill your crankcase with the new and improved Germ Process motor oil. It will prove its worth to you. We use the check chart on wash and grease jobs. Phone 133. — Jack Hancock, Mgr. Conoco Service Station.

HARDWARE SERVICE TO OUR CUSTOMERS

When we say Hardware we simply mean that we carry a full line of shelf and heavy hardware, and that we sell to our customers at reasonable prices, endeavoring at all times to keep the supplies you need in our line. Don't forget it is gardening time... and we have your very need in this line. WOMBLE HARDWARE CO.

FIRESTONE TIRES THE GOLD STANDARD

We regard Firestone Tires the gold standard of all tire values. You will also, when you have tried them. Ask the thousands who have used Firestone tires and auto accessories for more than a quarter of a century. We sell the best grade gasoline for 15c per gallon.

CONSUMERS SALES COMPANY

WITH SPRING AND THE SPRING FEVER

Conquer the urge to paper and paint. Don't resist any longer. You can secure the paint and paper at the White House Lumber Yard at such reasonable prices that you will hardly miss the

WHITE HOUSE LUMBER CO

REPAIR YOUR FARM MACHINERY

Now. This is the time to prepare for the future usage of your farm machinery. We specialize on Tractor, combine and farm machinery work. Also do car repairing at reasonable prices. CITY MACHINE SHOP

GARDENING TIME AND

the city officials have placed the irrigation rate on water consumption. But to get full advantage of the water reduction, equip your garden with special tile. You can more than pay for the tile in one season. The cost is as low as one cent per foot.

FOXWORTH LUMBER CO.

BRYAN'S GROCERY & MARKET

Where you get the best of merchandise, and the most careful attention. We take pride in the fact that you seldom call for any item in the grocery or meat line, and receive the answer "We are just out." We keep what you want at reasonable prices.

W. C. BRYAN & SONS

MECHANICAL SERVICE

We have the equipment to do any kind of a job you may need. Disc rolling, acetylene welding, re-boring, lath work, and replacement parts for automobiles. Connecting rod bearings re-run and crank shaft service.

WOMBLE MACHINE SHOP

SHEET MUSIC

Something new in Spearman. You can get the latest popular songs and music at the

SPARKS CONFECTIONERY

SEED COTTON

Good supply home grown seed. Broom Corn, Sudan and Seed Corn. Large supply of West Kansas seeds at reasonable prices, including Millet, Cane and Grain Sorghums. Fresh stock of Laying Mash, Starting and Growing Mash, and Millet Scratch Mixture. —Porter Elevator.

BULK GARDEN SEED

We have a large supply of bulk garden seed—all kinds of field seed—feeds of all kind, the famous De Laval Separator and Case Power Farm Machinery. R. L. McCLELLAN GRAIN CO.

SAVE ON GROCERIES

Phone us your grocery orders. We can save you money. Spearman Equity Exchange

Farmers Listen To Reason

If it costs no more to use the best brand of oil, greases and fuel is there an excuse for not doing so? Use Continental products and you have the best.

Continental Wholesale Station

Alvin Richardson, Agent

Glass for all cars, cut to factory specifications and patterns.

Daley Glass Shop, Perryton.

Federal Tires For Service

Equip your tires with the Bonded Federal Tires and your troubles will be few. We can save you money. See us.

ALLEN TIRE SHOP

PHILLIPS PRODUCTS

The old bus and tractor too will start with a flash if you are using Phillips "66" gasoline. We deliver. Phone 66. W. M. GLOVER.

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF HANSFORD

On this the fourth day of April, A. D. 1934, at a special called session of the Commissioners Court of Hansford County, Texas, came on to be canvassed, the votes cast at a special election held on the 31st day of March, 1934, to determine whether or not the sale of beer containing not more than 3.2 percentum of alcohol by weight shall be prohibited or permitted in Hansford county.

And said votes cast at all of the various voting precincts in Hansford County, Texas, having been canvassed and counted by said Commissioners Court, it is found that there were 271 votes cast for the sale of beer containing not more than 3.2 percentum of alcohol by weight, and 409 votes cast against the sale of beer containing not more than 3.2 percentum of alcohol by weight.

Said Court having found that a majority of the votes were cast against the sale of beer containing not more than 3.2 percentum of alcohol by weight; it is therefore resolved, ordered and decreed that the sale of beer containing not more than 3.2 percentum of alcohol by weight shall be and the same is hereby absolutely prohibited in Hansford County, Texas, from and after the passage of this order, and thereafter until such time as the qualified voters of said county may hereafter at a legal election held for such purpose by a majority vote decide otherwise.

Passed and approved this 4th day of April, A. D. 1934.

J. H. Broadhurst,

County Judge, Hansford County Texas.

International Sunday School Lesson

By DR. J. E. NUNN

FOR SUNDAY APRIL 29

General Topic: Christ's Standard of Greatness.

Scripture Lesson: Matt. 20:17-28.

17. And as Jesus was going up to Jerusalem, he took the twelve disciples apart, and on the way he said unto them,

18. Behold, we go up to Jerusalem; and the Son of man shall be delivered unto the chief priests and scribes; and they shall condemn him to death,

19. And shall deliver him unto the gentiles to mock, and to scourge, and to crucify; and the third day he shall be raised up.

20. Then came to him the mother of the sons of Zebedee with her sons, worshipping him and asking a certain thing of him.

21. And he said unto her, what wouldst thou? She saith unto him, Command that these my two sons may sit, one on thy right hand, and one on the left hand in thy kingdom.

22. But Jesus answered and said, Ye know not what ye ask. Are ye able to drink the cup that I am about to drink? They say unto him, We are able.

23. He saith unto them, My cup indeed ye shall drink; but to sit on my right hand, and on my left hand, is not mine to give; but it is for them for whom it hath been prepared by my Father.

24. And when the ten heard it, they were moved with indignation concerning the two brethren.

25. But Jesus called them unto him, and said, Ye know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them.

26. Not so shall it be among you: but whatsoever would be among you shall be your minister.

27. And whosoever would be first among you shall be your servant;

28. Even as the son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many.

Golden Text: The son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many.

Time:—March, A. D., 30, in the closing three months of Christ's ministry.

Place: Perea and Jericho. Parallel Passage:—Mark 10:32-52.

INTRODUCTION The standard of true greatness was set forth by Christ in the present lesson. He was on his way to Jerusalem for the last time. Crucifixion Week was only a few days ahead. He was in Perea east of the Jordan concluding His ministry there. Almost the last thing he did was to make the third forecast of his approaching death by crucifixion and to give His second rebuke of ambition in the apostolic circle. Thus he taught an impressive and still vital lesson of greatness through sacrificial service.

"It is always our peril that we hunger for place more than for character. These disciples wanted to be great and prominent; the Lord wanted them to be pure and good. They longed to be prime ministers; the Lord proposed that they should be glad to be ministers, working contentedly in an obscure place. They wanted to be the King's cup-bearers; he offered them to drink of his cup. They call for sovereignty; he asks for sacrifice. They seek a life of getting; he demands a life of giving. Through self sacrifice we pass to our throne."

Faithfulness in Little Things "Many people's great difficulty in thinking of serving God is that they feel that there is nothing great or heroic that they can attempt, and so they lose the humble opportunities which each recurring day brings with it. But if there be first a willing mind, it is accepted according to that a man hath and not according to that he hath not. (2 Cor. 8:12). And if God sometimes denies us the larger spheres of service after which we long, this should only make us the more earnest and faithful in the performance of the work that is lying right before us. Our Lord himself has taught us that he that is faithful in a very little—he that turns to the best possible account the little time, the little opportunities within his reach—is faithful also in much (Luke 16:10). He is preparing himself already for the higher glory that will one day be his."—Rev. George Milligan.

The Ambition of James and John vs. 20, 21

The request of ambition was made right after the Lord's prediction of his sufferings, death and resurrection. "Then came to him the mother of the sons of Zebedee with her sons." Zebedee was the head of a prosperous fishing firm on the shores of the Sea of Galilee. His wife was Salome who was probably the sister of the mother of Jesus. Their two sons, James and John, were among the first of the disciples of Jesus and they had time and again been admitted to special intimacy with him as at the resurrection of the ruler's daughter and on the Mount of Transfiguration. Did the two sons enlist their mother in making this request or did she prompt them to join her in it? At any rate the three came to Jesus with an indistinct idea of his kingdom. They evidently thought that the

sufferings he had foretold were simply the valley of humiliation out of which he would emerge to the sunny heights of power beyond. Could they not by reason of their station in life and their relation to Jesus expect preferment in his Kingdom?

Mistaken Greatness: Station The two brethren in their ambition were clearly mistaken in their idea of greatness since they identified it with station rather than service, although they were willing to render any service that might be required. However, the very statement of their desire caused a ripple of anger among their associates. It is not always true that ambition becomes angry at ambition?

Worldly Greatness: Rome The peak of worldly greatness has been reached by the world empire of Rome. As a matter of fact the Roman eagle hovered over the Holy Land as he did over practically every land in the time of Christ. In such an empire men are reckoned great according to the authority they could exercise. "Their great men make them feel their authority" (Weymouth). We think of Golden Thrones and shining crowns and royal radiance around the seat of power, while underlings and outsiders are made to toil in sweaty field or grind in dismal prison house or fight or fall on far frontiers.

Christian Greatness: Service There is such a thing as Christian greatness, but the mount of eminence lies in the field of service. Let those who aspire to become great know that "whatsoever would become great among you shall be your minister." Let those who desire primacy in position under the reign of Christ know that "whatsoever would be first among you shall be your servant." So it is that "greatness in the eternal kingdom is not a matter of rank or birth or favor; it is a matter of service. It cannot be bestowed as a favor; it must be won. And the mark of the great man in the Kingdom is not that he has multitudes of people waiting upon his beck and nod, but that he himself is everybody's minister and servant."

Divine Greatness: Sacrifice In his own person Jesus was and ever remains the eternal example and illustration of what he said. He is the greatest earth ever knew, because by life and death he rendered the greatest service.

"The Son of Man Came." He was born of the Virgin Mary. He proved himself the son of God. Undoubtedly the Word was made flesh and dwelt among us.

"The son of man came to minister." He laid aside a brighter crown than earth could offer. His business among men was to serve them. And none ever served our sinful race as he did.

"The Son of man came to give his life." That was the climax of his ministry. But for that he would have been a great prophet and healer and citizen and—nothing more. With that, he was the world's Saviour and Sovereign.

O Lord, I pray for this day I may not swerve By foot or hand from thy command, Not to be swerved, but to serve.—Babecock.

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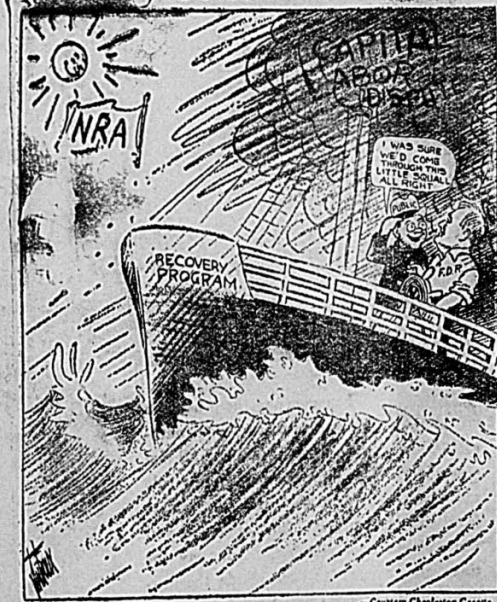
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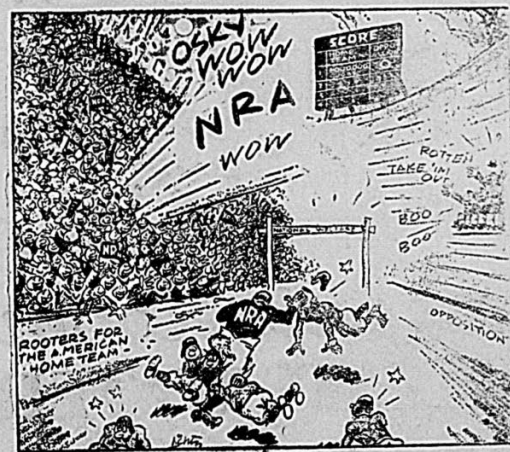
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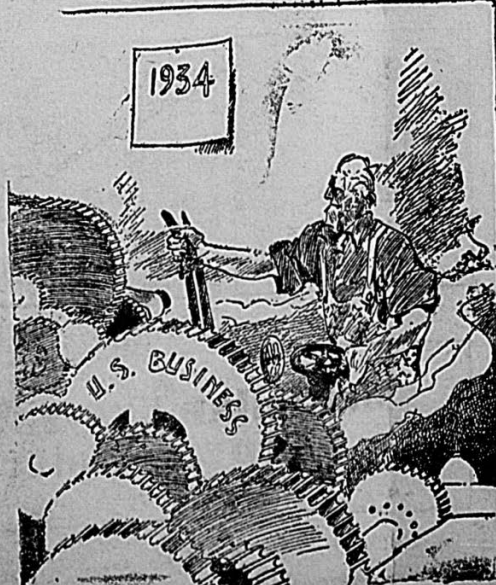


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OLD HANSFORD NEWS

Among those present at the Chester Mitts home Sunday were: Mr. and Mrs. Buster Cator and children, Mr. and Mrs. Oran Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Buster Mitts and Betty Joe Pierce.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Todd and children spent Sunday in the S. M. McKee home.

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Mitts visited in the Hendricks home Sunday afternoon.

Quite a few from the Valley attended the ball game in Spearman Sunday afternoon.

C. W. Hendricks who has been seriously ill is reported to be slightly improved at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Todd motor-ed to Amarillo Monday where Mrs. Todd entrained for Overton, Texas where she will make an extended visit with her parents.

Mrs. S. B. Hale is reported greatly improved at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Buster Mitts and Chief Nolan visited in the Chester Mitts home one day this week.

Rev. A. F. Loftin visited in the Hendricks home Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvino Richardson and Grandma Caldwell were Valley visitors Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Robinson were Spearman visitors Monday afternoon.

J. W. Hendricks of Cleburne, who had been at the bedside of his brother returned home last Tuesday.

Mrs. Litch Sparks was shopping in Spearman Friday.

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Hospitals and doctors have always used liquid laxatives. And the public is fast returning to laxatives in liquid form. Do you know the reasons?

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"KEEP 'EM ROLLING"

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SUNDAY - MONDAY

April 29 and 30

"DINNER AT EIGHT"

A Million Dollar Cast, including Marie Dressler, John Barrymore, Wallace Beery, Jean Harlow, Lionel Barrymore, Lee Tracy, Edmund Lowe, Billie Burke and others.

THE SCREEN SENSATION!

TUESDAY - WEDNESDAY

May 1st

"MELODY IN SPRING"

Featuring LANNY ROSS

Peace Be Thou Still!

Mark 4:39
(By Mrs. Henry Dacus)
Written April 10th, 1934

'Twas a peaceful calm night
Of smooth waters and starry light
When the fishermen the boat
Determined to cross to the "other coast."

Out in the middle of Lake Galilee
A sea that was wont to behave most placidly,
A tropic storm began to brew
And threatened the boat and tiny crew.

In gusty blast the wind did blow
And tossed the weak vessel to and fro,
'Till the disciples in great despair
Remembered they had the Lord.

What a blessed thing for them that night
That Jesus was present in their plight
For like a mighty monster wind and sea roared
And swelled, and shook and tore.

'Till Jesus arose from His place in the ship
And these sweet words fell from His lips
With upraised hand he stood and spake
To the raging wind and angry lake—"Peace be Thou Still!"

What a wonderful sight on that dark stormy night—
The elements His voice obeyed—
The wind rushed away, and the sea like a maiden
Tucked her head in shame.

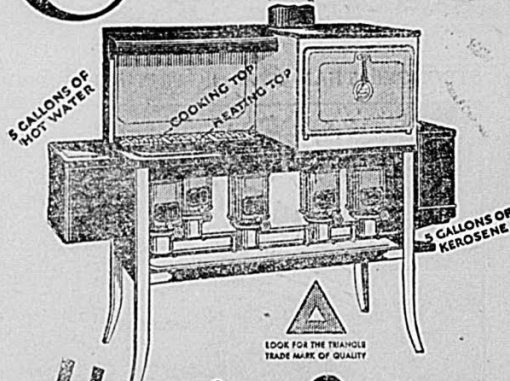
Our journey on life's great sea
May have begun most peacefully
But out in the deeps we may run into squall
And quake and totter and almost fall.

But, O wonderful thought
Of those the blood bought
"Jesus is in the vessel" the darkest night
Will drive out the darkness and give us light.

That our little craft might gain the shore
Where pain and sorrow are known no more
And the devil be bound and cast in the pit.
And everything mean and defiling in it.

And you weary child—
Come get in the ship of the gospel the Saviour brought
For what care we of tempest sea
Since o'er all these the Master is Lord,
And whispers the words "Peace Be Thou Still!"

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MORSE NEWS

Rev. E. J. Norman, Primitive Baptist minister, preached here Saturday night and Sunday morning.

Elvia Speer, who has been under treatment for several weeks in Amarillo for ear trouble as the result of measles, returned home Sunday and is back in school again.

The sewing club spent Thursday quilting at the home of Mrs. Arthur Womble.

The Boy Scouts spent Friday night and Saturday near Adobe Walls. Fourteen of the seventeen scouts attended. The two new scouts, Harold Reece Norman and Ben Gillispie, were given a severe initiation, which included a thrilling snipe hunt. Four boys who came in from a little journey over the sand hills long after the others were ready to start home were run through the belt line several times. One scout earned some easy money by falling in the creek. A perfectly good army blanket was torn in two when the boys tossed a scout high in the air. Aside from a few such incidents, there were no casualties.

are held each Sunday beginning at 10:00 o'clock.

The Young Peoples' Association has its new literature, the "Christian Endeavor Guide," and the members are now looking forward to even more interesting programs than they have had before.

Rev. Aaron Reeder, Primitive Baptist minister of Ledford, Illinois, preached Friday at the home of E. J. Norman. Mr. John Eubanks and children, Mrs. Myers, and her mother, Mrs. Cook, all of Amarillo, attended the services.

Morse residents are glad to have a branch of the International Harvester Company, which was established here this week in the old Panhandle Lumber building, to welcome its manager, Mr. C. C. Kellogg and his assistant, Joe Milhoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Galtbe of Wellington, and son, Chester, of Stratford, and Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Foster of Dumas, attended the preaching services conducted by Rev. E. J. Norman, Sunday.

HITCHLAND NEWS

Roy Moore and family moved

from the Frank Shapley farm near Gruver for Mr. Timmons.

Morse came up Sunday and took the ball game honors from the Hitchland boys.

The Hitchland Apaches went on a fishing trip the first of the week, but the fish seemed to be suffering from indigestion and they wouldn't bite.

Mrs. Ed Williams was convalescing the first of the week but is somewhat improved at this writing.

Mr. W. F. C. Etling was called to Garden City, Kansas to be with his mother who is indisposed. Gay Fletcher and family were dinner guests in the Ray Mulkin's home Sunday.

Mrs. W. B. Cline and son Kenneth were shopping in Guymon Monday.

Mrs. Arnold Thoreson was shopping in Hitchland the last of the week.

Mrs. McComas, Etta, L. R. and Miss Wiggins attended the show in Guymon Friday evening of last week.

George Hitch was a business visitor to Hitchland Tuesday.

MCCOON

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Cline and Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Bette visited Sunday night with Mr. and Mrs. Close.

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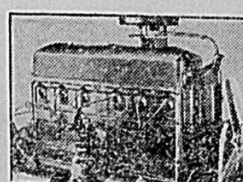
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shoe turn on a farmhouse lawn and back across the ditch, coming to a stop on the highway right side up, thanks to 'knee-action.' A local boy who witnessed the accident, came up to me and said, 'Mister, do you know what saved your life?' I asked him what he meant, and he frankly replied 'knee-action.' I readily agreed after he had explained why. 'I had entire and complete control of my car, otherwise I would not be alive today.'

STATE CONVENTION OF SOCIALIST PARTY HELD AT WACO APRIL 15TH

R. D. Tomlinson returned from Waco last week where he attended the state convention of the Socialist party of Texas, held there on April 15th. He reports: Delegates were present from most of the locals in the state. Mr. Wm. Pamplin, of San Antonio was elected State Secretary, to succeed Chas. C. Breckon, who had resigned. An executive committee of seven members was elected to direct the affairs of the party within the state for the next two years. Mr. E. M. Lane was elected state organizer and a sustaining fund to be built up by pledges and subscriptions of party members was started to be used to keep organizers in the field continuously.

A nominations committee was elected to canvas the field of eligible and qualified party members for every state and national office in the state open for election this coming November and each local was instructed to place in nomination any member they might wish, these nominations of locals and committee to be submitted to the State Secretary who will send the list to every local in the state for a party vote in executive session to determine the candidate to be certified in August as the party candidates. This method of nomination is distinctive of the Socialist movement to keep their candidates answerable to the rank and file of the party and pledged to the principles of Socialism.

Much enthusiasm was manifest. The subscription to party papers and paid up memberships in the party had doubled during the last twelve months, an off political year.

"Dinner At Eight" With Fourteen Stars Sunday and Monday

The picture which you have heard talked about for months as the most remarkable achievement yet attempted by Hollywood producers will have its first showing in this section of the state at the Ellis Theatre on Sunday and Monday.

It is "Dinner at Eight," the photoplay play version of the Geo. S. Kaufman-Edna Ferber stage success which ran on Broadway for more than a year and was subsequently purchased by M. G. M. film studios at a price which ran well into five figures. Fourteen stars are featured, including: Marie Dressler, John Barrymore, Wallace Beery, Jean Harlow, Lionel Barrymore, Lee Tracy, Edmund Lowe, Billie Burke, Madge Evans, Jean Hershold, Karen Morley, Louise Closser Hale, Philip Holmes and May Robson.

"Keep 'Em Rolling" Saturday Night Only

Second to Bing Crosby in the Scripps-Howard and Radio Stars magazine radio polls, Lanny Ross's enormous air following was revealed when he received 40,000 requests for photographs from two broadcasts on Maxwell House Hour. "Melody in Spring" will be Lanny Ross's first picture in which he is starred with Charlie Ruggles, Mary Boland and Ann Sothern. The picture is coming to the Ellis Theatre Tuesday and Wednesday of next week.

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15,000 bundles feed (Grohoma) will sell entire lot for \$300.00.
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Don't fail to attend the senior class play "Jupiter Smiles" Tuesday night May 1st.

Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Lyon and Perren, Jr. and Mrs. A. F. Barkley spent last week end in Dahlart, visiting in the J. W. McCleskey home.

COME IN LET US SHOW YOU THE NEW



Main Furniture Company

Word is received that the former citizens Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Leitner and family who were living at Dahlart have moved to Amarillo where Mr. Leitner is working with the Magnolia Petroleum Company.

"You're Telling Me" At Ellis Theatre

Even if Larry "Buster" Crabbe, Olympic swimming champion, had not been given a Paramount picture contract, he is quite certain he wouldn't have followed athletics for a livelihood.

In spite of the fact that he broke many records, and still holds five world's marks which never have been shattered. Crabbe, who will be seen in the leading romantic role in "You're Telling Me," showing at the Ellis tonight and Friday night.

Final Radio Tests Prove Wireless Power Transmission Fact

An important chapter in the history of power transmission was written in Boise City last Thursday when the radio power transmission apparatus was demonstrated to Morris Weincord of the Weincord Investment company of New York City.

The test Thursday was a series of short runs back and forth in the yards and at one time radio-driven car was propelled down the main line for a distance of one and one-half miles from the sending aerial adjacent to the power generating plant.

The car used was improvised from handcar wheels, with a 15-foot platform upon which the intricate radio receiving equipment was placed.

It is understood the test proved satisfactory to the extent that Mr. Weincord purchased an interest in the invention for his company, which will finance a test of the idea on a larger scale.

According to Mr. Roberts, arrangements are being made for a 1000-horse-power electric locomotive, capable of pulling a train of five ordinary passenger coaches, and a 1000-horsepower Diesel engine along with other necessary equipment which will be used in the future test. It is not definitely known that the testing with the larger equipment will be made here, but this point is being favored by some of those interested in the test. Roberts left Sunday for New York, and after a short visit in California, Mr. Gregory will join him to complete arrangements for assembling the equipment.

The technical secret of the apparatus, it is pointed out lies in its capacity to transmit and pick up amperage as well as voltage, and its ability to send this over long distances.

According to Mr. Roberts, collaborator with Gregory, inventor of the device, the generating equipment used produced 1200 volts with very low amperage, this current was stepped up to transformers to 14,700 volts. The current then passed through a large vacuum tube over 400 feet in height, thence through a series of six selenium cells and the

oscillator to the sending antenna where it reached its maximum of 147,000 volts. The current was picked up by an aerial on the improvised car and sent through another set of selenium cells and rectifying tubes which transformed it back to 140 volts at 30 amperes. The current in this form was taken to the rewind electric motor which supplied the motive power to the car. A rheostat regulated the application of the electrical energy to the motor.

While these electrical impulses are described by some who have made a study of the subject as "ultra short waves," Roberts said they have been called that for lack of a better name, and that in reality it is an electrical beam which centers its force within 15 degrees, and its direction may be controlled by movement of the sending aerial.

The test here was the fifth to have been made of the apparatus in the fields of transmitting electrical energy, although it was the first time the device was used to apply motive power on a standard gauge railway.

According to Mr. Gregory other tests have been made of the device for various purposes in California, Missouri, Maryland and Kentucky. These have included transmission of electricity for power farming equipment, boats, automobiles, and lighting and heating devices. In the lighting test, he said, the receiving equipment was placed a distance of 500 miles from the sending apparatus and worked perfectly. This test was made in collaboration with government experts. On one occasion Mr. Gregory stated he operated his own household electrical appliances with the apparatus satisfactorily.

Boise City was selected for the recent test, it was explained, because of its location in a region notorious for poor radio reception. However, Gregory pointed out, that neither our atmospheric conditions nor state had adverse effects on the machine.

In bringing the equipment here for the test a truck was rigged up with sending and receiving apparatus on opposite ends of the vehicle and power was applied thru an electric motor, from White Marsh, Maryland, to Boise City. The men say, however, the problem of properly grounding the current renders its use in automobiles impractical.

The matter of properly ground-

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"Designed For Living" Crammed With Talent By Cinema's Finest

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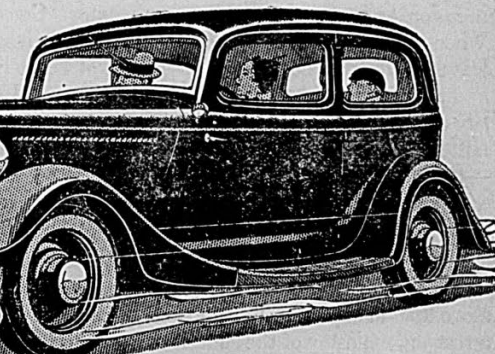
The seven who contributed their skill, enthusiasm and sophistication to the comedy drama are Fredric March, Gary Cooper, Miriam Hopkins, Edward Everett Horton, Director Ernst Lubitsch, Noel Coward, the playwright, and Ben Hecht, who transcribed the play for the screen.

Adroitly conceived, brilliantly directed and acted with verve and understanding, "Design for Living," opens a new broad field of screen literature, and it may be predicted that here is a plot that will be copied extensively as the next film cycle.

The story is unique and absorbing. An American girl falls in love with two musketeers of art in Paris Latin Quarter. The men are life-long friends. A strong love affair is inevitable and the principals resign themselves to whatever joys, jealousies and agonies may result from a three cornered love.

But she crosses them up by marrying a third man who offers her his heart and name. He unfortunately is too obsessed by his affairs to give her the love she needs, and when she realizes her mistake, she leaves her husband for her two musketeers.

No Jack-in-the-box surprises were ever applied more adroitly to motion pictures plot than those uncoiled by the two-timing threesome in "Design for Living." And the climax is a laughing bombshell, as anyone might expect of an Ernst Lubitsch-Ben Hecht adaptation.



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SENATOR CONALLY

Senator Tom Conally, on January 24 of last year, addressed the senate in advocacy, of a measure to reduce the gold content of the dollar—to devalue it, in other words—as the essential step toward recovery. One year later the Democratic Congress was considering an identical measure, submitted by the administration, and three days later it was adopted. The Texas Senator had conceived and advocated a measure that met the approval of the president and his advisers and that has become a law—a law expected to be powerful in returning this country to the normal condition of trade and its normal condition of living, which has been absent for several years.

In his address in Dallas some days ago, in which he attacked the record of Senator Conally, Joseph Bailey stated that Martin Dies of the Second Texas district introduced a dollar devaluation bill in the house before Conally made a speech in the Senate. Mr. Bailey would evidently have the people of Texas believe that Mr. Dies conceived the bill and that Senator Conally took advantage of it to make his address. Mr. Bailey gives Mr. Conally credit for being unusually smart in that he infers that the Texas Senator grasped the details of the devaluation bill in one day and was able to make in the Senate next day an address that covered the subject in every particular.

Texasans have done some foolish things in politics but it is unthinkable that they will be so foolish as to deprive themselves of the services of a man with the ability of Tom Conally in order to elevate Mr. Bailey to that place. Mr. Bailey's principal claim to recognition seems to be that he favored repeal of the 18th amendment and campaigned Texas for repeal while Senator Conally was less enthusiastic than Morris Sheppard in opposing repeal.

Senator Conally is in Washington attending to the things which the people of Texas sent him to Washington to do. Mr. Bailey came to Texas to represent a client in a damage suit against the State of Texas and Oklahoma in a matter of a toll bridge across Red River, for which his client demanded pay, when the two states built a free bridge. While here he took the occasion to begin his attacks on Senator Conally. When the time comes that Senator Connally is free to leave Washington he will tell the people of Texas how he has represented them and his statements will satisfy any reasonable man that he has been a good and faithful legislator who should be returned to his seat. —Paris News.

A NATION OF BUSINESS

The United States of America is a business nation. More than in any other part of the world, the chief interest and mainstay of the American people is business. Let anything, natural or artificial, interfere with the free play of business, which is to say the free interchange of commodities, and chaos and distress result, affecting every individual.

We have been coming through the most distressing upset of business in our whole history. Many of the causes of the upset have been removed. We do not think this is a propitious time to set up artificial barriers to the efforts of business to adjust itself. Nor do we think well of the idea, which seems to prevail in some circles, that there is something inherently discreditable about business and that all business men are to be regarded as actual or potential criminals, to be disciplined, policed and supervised.

To accept that view is to discard the foundations upon which American institutions and American progress are based.

THE TURN OF THE YEAR

Up to about 400 years ago the whole world calculated the beginning of the years from the Vernal Equinox, the date when the sun crossed the Equator on its return to the North. To us it has always seemed that the ancient idea of the New Year beginning with the

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The advent of spring is actually and physically the birth of a new year. From the dead ashes of the past new life springs. The naked limbs are clothed again with green. Mother Earth pushes the new shoots up from her fertile bosom. From a dull monotone of sombre grays and browns the world suddenly takes on color as the crocuses peer up through the grass and the dandelions burst into bloom.

Death has given place to life. What could be more natural than that the peoples of all time have made this return of Spring the occasion of their greatest symbolic festival, the symbolism of the Resurrection? It is no mere accident that the celebration of Easter should coincide with Nature's demonstration of life's eternal renewal.

Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Lyon and Perren, Jr. and Mrs. A. F. Barkley spent last week end in Dalt, visiting in the J. W. McCleskey home.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Walker and daughter, Lydia Mae, of Amarillo, visited in the R. W. Morton home Sunday.

Miss Lois Morton of Panhandle spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Morton and family.

E. N. Groves was a Pampa visitor last week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Simeon Caldwell, Alvino and Miss Sybil Parks were Amarillo visitors Friday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Collins motored to Amarillo last week where Mrs. Collins' mother, Mrs. J. G. Adams, entertained for her home at Fort Worth, after an extended visit in the Collins home.

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Spearman Reporter is authorized to announce the following candidates, subject to the action of the Democratic Primaries.

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B. L. ROGERS (Farnsworth) re-election

For District Attorney:

W. L. McCONNELL

For Sheriff and Tax Collector:

H. L. WILBANKS re-election

For County Judge:

J. H. BROADHURST re-election

C. W. KING

For County and District Clerk:

J. E. WOMBLE re-election

FLOYD C. SUMRALL

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farms because I was Jackson enough to consider them irrigated farms," Babson almost moaned.

He made a survey of the water situation and discovered to his horror that the water levels were indeed receding.

But the old ability to scheme his way out of a tight hole did not desert him. He reduced his situation to its lowest common divisor. If surface irrigation, from a never-failing and ample source of water supply, could be brought to the lands of Forlorn Valley, then Forlorn Valley lands would be classed by the government as irrigated lands, whose value would immediately return to the old wartime figure. And the federal farm loan banks would then have no hesitancy in loaning up to 60 per cent of the appraised value.

Therefore, the thing to do was to secure surface irrigation for Forlorn Valley.

"Eden Valley creek," Babson cried aloud. "A dam in that gorge in the lower end of Eden Valley, kept perennially at a high level by the flood waters of Eden Valley creek and led through a tunnel or a canal through the low hills on the northern rim and down into Forlorn Valley, will do the trick."

The next problem was that of acquiring the water, but this Babson did not regard as a difficult one. He had but to acquire the dam site from young Nathan Tichenor, sole owner of the Bar H Land and Cattle company. The land which would be inundated by the lake which would be formed when the dam should be built was next to worthless; Babson decided the Bar H Land and Cattle company would be delighted to get rid of it at a price not exceeding ten dollars an acre, although as grazing land it was not worth that. There were hydro electric possibilities inherent in the enterprise that would be worth millions alone. He must approach this delicate matter cautiously.

Tichenor had been an absentee landlord ever since leasing the Bar H ranch to Rance Kershaw. That argued he would scarcely be interested in returning to Eden Valley again and engage in the cattle business.

Rance Kershaw was a financial wreck and could not possibly continue his lease of the Bar H, and it would be several years, doubtless, before a new tenant could be found. Yes, Nate Tichenor would sell the Bar H at a fair price—exorbitant, considering the present status of the cattle industry—rather than hang on to a frozen asset and pay taxes on it.

Mr. Babson decided instantly to buy the Bar H. If he had to pawn his wife's piano to aid in raising the money for the enterprise. With the title to the ranch rested in him—no, a dummy, for Babson must not appear in the deal—it would be a simple matter to sell the dam and lake sites to the Forlorn Valley Irrigation district for a cash consideration that would leave him the remainder of the ranch without cost.

He considered the Kershaw ranch and decided he would not bother to acquire that, even if he had the money to buy it cheap. It was worth not a penny less than a million dollars, but the Savings Bank of San Francisco held a two hundred and fifty-thousand dollar first mortgage on it, the mortgage was due, Rance Kershaw (Babson knew) could not meet it. Babson doubted if he could refund it in these trying times, and hence, it would be foreclosed. Well, he might pick it up for the amount of the mortgage at the sheriff's sale. He did not require the Kershaw ranch for the sake of its water rights, but in order to control the water it was an absolute necessity for him to acquire the Bar H. Once the water had flowed down through the Kershaw ranch the Kershaws had no further interest in it; but it had to be impounded on the Bar H before it escaped off into the bad lands to the east and was lost.

Having decided upon his course of action, Babson fell into a refreshing slumber; the next morning he was down at the bank at eight o'clock looking quite his old self and wearing a white rose in his lapel. Emblematic of hope, doubtless.

Shortly after the bank had opened crippled Rance Kershaw limped in to borrow a thousand dollars to meet his monthly payroll. Babson demurred to loaning it, but finally compromised with a warning that such indiscriminate borrowing would have to cease very soon.

"By the way," he said, as he intimated his approval on the note, "are you going to retain your lease of the Bar H ranch?"

"I think not," Kershaw replied. "It expires next month, but I'll be hanged if I know where I can get the money to pay for a year in advance."

"Better retrench," Babson advised. "Let the Bar H ranch go, sell off half your cattle, even at the present low prices, get out of debt, quit paying interest and be happy. Where does Nate Tichenor reside now?"

"I don't know. I only know his lawyer's address. Why do you ask?"

"There was a man from San Francisco in here some time back. He'd been looking at the Bar H ranch and had a notion he'd like to buy it. I thought perhaps I might get

in touch with Tichenor, negotiate a sale of his ranch for him and clean up a few dollars in commission. And yet, if you renew the lease it may mitigate against a sale."

"Go ahead," Rance Kershaw replied sadly. "I'm not going to renew the lease. You've been pretty good to me, Silas, and I won't stand in the way of your turnin' a profit."

"Thanks," Babson murmured. "And this lawyer's address?"

Kershaw gave it to him, and a week later an attorney in San Francisco wrote Nate Tichenor, in care of the latter's attorney, requesting a price on the Bar H ranch in behalf of a client of his.

Ten days later Babson knew that the Bar H ranch was not for sale; that it had been sold at a time when it was still in the hands of the Kershaws, and that the Kershaws had been paid for it.

Of course, in a larger sense, Nate Tichenor's decision not to sell could not affect the interests of the Forlorn Valley Irrigation district (Mr. Babson had decided to call it that), since the district could acquire the property via the condemnation suit route.

Immediately after church the following Sunday he motored up to Eden Valley, ostensibly to fish but with the intention of spending several hours inspecting the dam-site and lake-site. To his signal perturbation he discovered to the gorge a camp of three tents, a motor truck, and five shirt-sleeved young men playing a modest game of poker under the shade of a cottonwood tree. Under an adjacent tree a field drafting table stood; it had a sheet of tracing paper tacked to it and hard by this table a surveying instrument was set up.

Evidently Babson had sold, or was about to sell, his dam-site and lake-site to a power company, which had sent an engineering crew to make a preliminary survey and report before deciding to close the deal. His curiosity aroused, Babson crossed the creek, climbed the side of the hill, and was rewarded by finding the stakes of the engineering party. He followed them readily; they led him over the approximate route which any man with a fair eye for contours would have selected for the ditch to lead the water to the penstocks.

As a country banker Silas Babson had a far better knowledge of the law than most laymen; hence he realized now that if Nate Tichenor's dam-site and lake-site had been acquired by a power company, which is a public service corporation, no other public service corporation could condemn its property! Hence once more the Babson soul was steeped in despair.

The following morning Mr. Henry Rooby, his cashier-paying-teller-receiving-teller and confidential man, came to Babson's desk and laid upon it a copy of the latest edition of the Gold Run Nugget. Mr. Rooby had marked, in blue crayon, an item under the head of Real-Estate Transfers.

The item recorded the transfer by deed of gift, of four thousand acres, more or less, of certain lands from Ranceford Kershaw to Forlorn Valley.

"Can't be a portion of the Circle K ranch," Babson decided, and drew down from his case a map of the county.

Mr. Babson made a most surprising discovery. He had always assumed that Rance Kershaw owned no land east of the fence that divided the Circle K from the Bar H. To his amazement he had now discovered that Rance Kershaw was the owner of four thousand acres, more or less, in that portion of Eden Valley which in the event of a dam being built in the gorge, must constitute all or the greater portion of the area that must be inundated when the dam filled up! And Babson had always thought Nate Tichenor owned that land!

He could have cheered. No matter what Nate Tichenor might do with his dam-site now, he would have to consult Rance Kershaw before selling it to a power company and Babson thought he knew what the girl's answer would be. A dead lock between the two survivors of the feud!

"Got to get that four thousand acres more or less," Mr. Babson exclaimed. "The girl will sell to me. You bet she will. And then I'll do some trading with Nate Tichenor."

Within the week he had arranged his personal finances and purchased from the Savings Bank of San Francisco the first mortgage that the latter institution held on the Circle K ranch. With the mortgage in his possession, Babson declined to Ranceford Kershaw a letter as firm as granite and as cold as a pen gold's tail. He informed Kershaw that unless the mortgage was paid within five days a suit in foreclosure would be instituted. Then he dictated another letter, which he signed as president of the Bank of Valley Center, calling some thirty thousand dollars of Kershaw's notes.

He was striking at Rance Kershaw over the shoulder of the latter's daughter, quite confident that she would protect her father when Babson suggested that, in return for a renewal of the unsecured notes and mortgage, she should sell him at a reasonable price that four thousand acres with which he planned to embarrass Nate Tichenor.

He realized he must keep such a deal in abeyance until he could organize the Forlorn Valley Irrigation district, for, with the district formed before Nate Tichenor could complete his deal with the power company, the district could enter a condemnation suit against Tichenor, and thus block the aspirations of the power company.

He distrusted the local legal talent in a crisis loaded with potential legal dynamite, so that night he went to San Francisco to engage the services of a legal firm noted throughout the state for its knowledge of water law. Indeed, Babson was rather in a hurry to get out of town, for he considered it good strategy to be absent when old Rance Kershaw should come into the bank to argue and plead. Leave a frightened, worried man alone for four days and he's much easier to handle on the fifth. So Babson departed, unconscious of the fact that his bluff, complicated with the sudden return of Nathan Tichenor to Eden Valley, was to kill Rance Kershaw and turn the current of the Kershaw hatred upon Silas Babson and all his works and pomps.

CHAPTER V

NATE TICHENOR, from early boyhood, had had more than his share of experience with sudden death and tragedy, and it had developed in him a certain stolidity in such emergencies. For ten minutes he held Rance Kershaw's head against his shoulder and neither spoke nor moved.

"Now, then, Miss Kershaw," he soothed presently, "this is no time for weakness. You're a Kershaw and none of your clan ever needed time out for that. You said you wanted to take your father home?"

She nodded dreadingly. The Kershaws, like the Hensleys, always buried their own dead.

"And I wouldn't, if I were you, permit my mind to dwell on the thought of your absolute aloneness in the world," he continued. "That way madness lies. I know. I've been through all that. After two years in the A. E. F., where, it seems to me, I lost every comrade I managed to achieve an affection for; after losing my mother and aunts while I was in France, and realizing I hadn't a single friend in the community where I was born and raised, I found myself, when the war ended, the loneliest human being imaginable. Often I wanted to come back to Eden Valley and know you better, but—"

"Yes, I understand. Father was what he was, poor dear."

"Well, be that as it may, you're not nearly so badly off as you think you are, and one of these days, when you have time to think about it, I'll tell you why." He was almost abrupt. "I suppose we'd better get along."

"Yes, I suppose so," she agreed, and started her motor. Nate Tichenor followed in his car. Arrived at the Circle K headquarters no men came out to meet them.

"Where are your riders?" he queried.

"They started with the cattle drive up into the forest reserve this morning."

He lifted Rance Kershaw's body out of the car, carried it into the



He Lifted Rance Kershaw's Body Out of the Car.

house and disposed of it on Kershaw's bed.

He drew a sheet over the corpse and rejoined the girl in the living room. "I reckon," he said, in the homely mountain idiom, "you Kershaws never have any truck with undertakers. Seems to me the Kershaws don't use preachers, either."

"No, we just read the service ourselves."

"The Hensleys always did, too. Lock the house up and drive in to Valley Center with me in my car. Have you in mind some woman friend you can bring with you to keep you company?"

"I have no friends, Nate Tichenor."

He frowned, then smiled faintly. "I forgot we're the last survivors of two clans that were beyond the pale. Well, we'll hire somebody. There must be a practical nurse in Valley Center. When we get there I'll telegraph my old superintendent, Tully Tenney, to come up with his wife and two children."

She yielded without argument to his suggestions—commands, rather. Doctor Donaldson made no comment when in his office an hour later, Rance Kershaw informed him of her father's death. He readily issued a death certificate.

"When will the funeral take place?" he asked.

"Tomorrow, at two o'clock," Rance answered him.

"I'll telephone the coroner," Donaldson went on. "He'll take my word for it that an inquest isn't necessary and issue the burial permit."

While Rance Kershaw waited in the car, Nate Tichenor scouted around town and succeeded in engaging the services of a Miss Lizzie Bachman, who in her youth had almost graduated from a nurse's training school in San Francisco.

Tichenor's next action was to call upon the editor of the local weekly paper, the Valley Center Register. "I am Nate Tichenor, of Eden Valley," he announced. "I do not seem to remember you. Apparently you came to Valley Center after I left Eden Valley."

The editor said his name was Joe Brainerd and that he was pleased to meet Mr. Tichenor.

"Mr. Ranceford Kershaw died about three hours ago, very suddenly, Mr. Brainerd," Nate told him. "No, I didn't kill him. He perished of heart disease and will be buried in the Kershaw family cemetery in Eden Valley at two p. m. tomorrow. Friends and neighbors are invited to attend. And may I ask, Mr. Brainerd, as a special favor to Miss Kershaw and myself, that you do not take this opportunity to print a couple of columns of ancient history? Although you do not know it, the Hensley Kershaw feud ended in 1917. Both Miss Kershaw and I would like to think that the matter is by way of being forgotten and we'll both be very grateful for your cooperation."

"My dear sir," Brainerd replied with dignity, "you mustn't presume to formulate my editorial policy." Nate Tichenor looked Brainerd over bleakly. "Well, run it. Next week there'll be another newspaper in this town, with a real newspaper man in charge, and you'll have a taste of active competition. And now that we understand each other, I want you to run a hundred black-bordered death notices and send a man to paste them up in various conspicuous places around the town. That used to be the custom in this country. A few people might like to know of Rance Kershaw's death, so they can come to his funeral as advertised."

He wrote out the copy for the job, printed, paid his bill and departed without further conversation. The editor put on his hat and walked over to the local hotel upon the veranda of which sat Mr. William Rooney, the deputy sheriff of the Valley Center district.

"Bill," he queried, "what do you know about Nathan Tichenor?"

"Nothing bad. Why?"

"Would you say that a threat of his should be taken seriously?"

The deputy sheriff rolled a comical eye at the editor. "I haven't seen the boy since he was in high school here, but from what little I know of his tribe I should say none of that breed ever made a threat. They made promises—an' kept 'em."

"I sized him up that way," the editor replied.

After eliciting from Brainerd all the news the latter had, Mr. Rooney strolled away to distribute his tid bit of gossip around Valley Center. Almost the first place he went was to the Bank of Valley Center. Henry Rooby, in charge during Babson's absence, received him.

"I see young Nate Tichenor's back in the country. An' Rance Kershaw's kicked the bucket. Died o' heart disease right smack in front of the Bar H gate, an' Nate Tichenor an' Rance Kershaw 've been in town together an' thicker'n thieves."

"That Nate Tichenor's a bad lot," Mr. Rooby murmured darkly. "I never liked him. Dye mean to tell me he's around with Rance Kershaw now, helping her out in her trouble?"

"The hypocrite! He's back here to smash the Kershaw outfit. Not another reason in life, Bill. Rance Kershaw's estate must owe Tichenor more'n three hundred thousand dollars an' for the past three years old Rance has been using clam shells and woodpeckers' heads for money interesting situation. Very interesting."

When he turned to wait on a customer Mr. Rooney continued on to the Valley Center garage to discharge another load of interesting information.

Arrived back at the Circle K headquarters with Rance Kershaw, and Miss Lizzie Bachman, Nate Tichenor, after the fashion of a rural neighbor, did the chores.

After dinner he kindled a log fire in the living room fireplace. He was a straight, well-set-up young man, not over thick but muscular; he had a little crescent of scar left ear and a faint white scar about three inches long across his left temple and disappeared into his hair. His teeth were strong, even, white and well cared for. His nose, thin and high and a fraction too long, tended to spout what would otherwise have been a handsome face, but lent to him an air of distinction. It was the nose of a thoroughbred, a thinker. His eyebrows, heavy and almost black, were a bit overhanging, thus giving to his glance an expression of alertness and distinctness, particularly when he asked one a question.

Lorry had already observed that he moved with quick, precise motions, like one who was sure of himself and in the pink of physical condition.

About eight-thirty the nurse retired; as her bedroom door closed behind her Nate Tichenor arose, shoved an easy chair toward the fire and waved Lorry into it. He remained standing until she seated herself.

"Too bad your father wasn't here when I called this morning. I might have preserved his life for many years," Tichenor snapped his fingers. "Kismet!" he murmured.

"We thought you were waiting until we got in so deep we couldn't swim out, then you could smash us more easily."

"Had I chosen to smash you a long time ago there was nothing to stop me. You were helpless."

"Then why didn't you?"

"I didn't need the money and I knew I could always protect myself. I could have gotten the ranch at 25 per cent of its value. As a matter of fact, I did plan to buy your mortgage. Surely you do not think I am so careless as not to have kept a close watch on the Kershaws."

"Your people always wanted all of Eden Valley, of course. So you planned to buy the mortgage and foreclose."

"No, I planned to buy it and hold it, because only in that way could I be assured the Kershaws wouldn't be annoyed. I planned to give you time to work out of the jam you

are in; then, if you couldn't make the grade, I planned to buy your outfit, lock, stock and barrel, at a fair price. Owen was dead, your father was a cripple and you couldn't operate the business."

"Of course I could operate it," she challenged. "And I shall. The cattle business is bound to recover. It's getting better every day. Within two years beef will be selling at ten cents on the ranch."

"I do not doubt that. Who is your father's foreman?"

"I am. Since graduating from the university in 1921 I have operated this business. I do a man's work. I know cattle and I know my job. I can ride, rope, and brand and I bust my own saddle stock. I hire and I fire. I've had to do it."

"And you want to keep on doing it?"

The girl nodded.

"Well, carry on."

"I cannot unless you buy the ranch mortgage to protect me—and yourself, otherwise it will be foreclosed."

"In a few days," he suggested, "go to see Babson and say that I am inclined to grant you additional time provided he will do the same."

"I can't understand why you are so kind."

"It's a fault I inherited from my father. A tiny smile flitted around his firm mouth. 'Your grandfather tried hard to be neighborly to my grandfather but my grandfather was hard-boiled and mean and stupid and wouldn't play the game; as a result he spoiled all subsequent opportunities for his clan. It's my chance now and I have a curious yearning to make good, particularly since it will not cost me anything.' He added bluntly, as if ashamed of his chivalry."

"I thank you more than I can say. We've been paying the bank in Valley Center 12 per cent on our unsecured loans."

"Well, 12 per cent is legal in this state, Miss Kershaw. However, strike Babson for a reduction to 7. Give him an argument. You may win. Babson's probably as hard as a picnic egg, but he may have an unsuspected soft spot."

"I wish I could agree with you, but I find that impossible. Our ranch was mortgaged to a San Francisco bank, but recently Babson bought it from them."

"He has a hen on," said Nate Tichenor. "And I'll have to find out whether it's a Bantam or a Plymouth Rock. A coward and a potential crook. Money-mad. A schemer. Miss Lorry, he wants the Circle K ranch. When he ascertained from my attorney that the Bar H was not for sale, he decided to acquire the Circle K, so immediately he purchased your mortgage."

"But why has he developed this sudden interest in Eden Valley?"

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