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CAL FUEL ADMINISTRATION CHARGE OF COAL DISTRIBUTION UNTIL PRESENT FUEL CRISIS HAS PASSED

The fuel situation reached such a point this week that the local authorities were requested by the Government Fuel Administration to organize a Fuel Administration to superintend the distribution of all coal required at this place. Until the present crisis has passed, every home is urged to be very careful of coal and not to keep fire in any place except those absolutely necessary.

Under the call of the Fuel Administration the City Council held a call Tuesday afternoon, A. O. Dyer, Chairman, Frank Pursley, and L. G. Waggoner.

The committee met at once and held the following regulations regarding the distribution of all coal required hereafter until the present crisis is over, to-wit:

The requisition will not cost the city anything except the effort to keep the coal for those who are actually in need of fuel and suffer if they don't get it.

Miami, Texas, Dec. 10, 1919.

ROBERTS COUNTY FUEL ADMINISTRATION

REQUISITION RULES AND REGULATIONS

Hereafter to secure a quota of coal from a car, that is received by any local dealer, the purchaser must have a requisition from the Fuel Administration. The dealer will not deliver coal without a requisition as hereinafter prescribed.

No family will be allowed a requisition for more than 500 pounds of coal at one time, business houses also come under this rule.

No requisition will be issued to a family having on hand over 500 pounds of coal.

The following exceptions will be made to the above rules.

Public eating places, and private boarding places requiring extra heat, hotels, steam heated houses, Bakery, and people living in the country will be allowed a requisition for 1000 pounds of coal, where they do not have more than 1000 pounds of coal on hand.

It is hoped that the situation can be handled so that no one will suffer on account of coal. If necessary, those who have large supplies on hand, will be asked to divide with their neighbors.

J. R. Durrett was elected secretary for the Committee, and in sole charge of issuing requisitions. He has on hand requisition blanks at the First State Bank, and those needing coal will apply to him.

These rules will be altered as soon as the situation permit.

REQUISITION FOR COAL

J. R. Durrett, Sec., Roberts County Fuel Committee.

Miami, Texas, Dec. 10, 1919.

For the purpose of obtaining coal, I hereby make the following application.

STATE OF TEXAS.

CITY OF ROBERTS.

Before me, the undersigned authority, personally appeared _____

Who deposes and says, I am the occupant of a _____

rooms, I burn coal in _____ stoves. I have on this day _____ pounds of coal, and no more.

Signed _____

Subscribed to before me, this _____ day of _____ 1919.

NY COAL DEALER IN MIAMI, TEXAS

You will sell the bearer _____ pounds of coal upon surrender of this application.

Secretary Roberts County Fuel Adm.

OLD MAN HEARE'S REPORT

Austin, Texas, 1905 Wichita St. Chief:

Yesterday was Thanksgiving day.

Thankful people appear in the streets bustling here and there.

Autos in great numbers, with white and red streamers floating in the air.

The trains carried many boys and girls to the foot of the Texas coast.

It was a happy day.

At dinner not a sound was heard but a squawk of fat hens, nor a cackle of the turkey family.

Most of them had been devoured, and the leftovers were too full for utterance.

At Mrs. Cunningham's were a happy lot of Miami people.

Jim Kivlehen, Norman Frank Russell, Eldon Dyer, Carter, Lucille Gill, Old Man Heare and wife, Miss Lora Roberts of Littlefield, Lamb County, and a party of Dallas.

What a dinner! Mrs. Heare was sick, so we had a large part of three fat hens and other good food.

We had late because Jimmy and Nor-Clayton had sent out their towels and a pair of scissors in the cold bath room.

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don't have to do that, but the poor Miami boys that have only one suit of clothes sure have to stay in the bath room three times a day until the presser presses their suits and their pants legs are creased.

Our after dinner speeches were great. All girls and boys and Mrs. Heare and Old Man Heare made speeches. Coffee and Dyer grew eloquent on their respective subjects that "Education was the safeguard of a free government" and "was the guardian genius of democracy," etc.

Old Man Heare denied the two propositions set out by Sam Houston and Mirabeau B. Lamar, and asserted that Sam left educated and refined people in Tennessee and went out and lived with the Indians in order to enjoy freedom; and that "democrats" were made by inheritance, and that most all of them were born south of Mason and Dixon's line, etc.

We learn that Charlie Heare left Galveston today for New York on a ten day trip. He goes in the interest of medical research, to ascertain whether it is best to make a square hole, round hole, or slit in order to get at the appendix of a patient; and to learn whether it is best to leave the towel and a pair of scissors in the cold bath room; and to learn at the various hospitals that therapeutic effects of "earligni preparati" also "pro re nata." Won't he look cute when he has learned all this?

THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN FRANCE AND HOME ON NOV 11.

On Nov. 11th 1918, I awoke in a small village in France, you could hardly hear your comrade speak for the roar of the cannon, little did we boys think the day had come for the close of the greatest war history has ever known. We arose early that morning and eat our breakfast, which consisted of boiled onions and coffee, after breakfast we rolled our packs and fell in line for our journey, we had raw cabbage and onions for dinner, and not very many of them as they did not believe in feeding the boys very heavy while they were on long tiresome journeys. We halted about twelve o'clock that night and after about an hour's rest we were told that there would be no supper as we were already ahead of our rations. We were marched through an old building single file and an officer asked every one if he felt sick, so, about one o'clock we were dismissed for the night but told not to unroll our packs or pull our clothes off as we might be called at any minute, so I lay down on the ground using my pack for a pillow, and soon fell asleep and dreamed I was in my native land. (The good old U. S. A.) I could see all kinds of pies and cakes, hot biscuits and butter come flying by and I seen large glasses of sweet milk and corn-bread passing around me in squad formation so I picked up my old Enfield rifle intending to halt the column next round, about that time one of those large white rats was passing my way, so as he jumped across my face dragging his long bushy tail through my mouth, I was awoken by the bugle sounding for reveille, I arose and rubbed my eyes, as there was not any water to wash in and I already had my clothes on, so I was present at roll call. We soon eat a hearty breakfast of red-beans and black coffee and were again on the march, when a messenger came with the news that an Armistice had been signed. On Nov. 11th 1919 about 11 o'clock as I rode into the beautiful little city of Miami, Texas, I began to think another war had broke out, on asking questions, I soon found it was our own boys in uniform celebrating Armistice Day.

At the Court House at 12 o'clock we partook of one of the finest and dearest dinners ever sewed to a man in

I have walked on the campus of the great Texas University and witnessed the grand rush of 3700 girls and boys to and from their "class rooms, and it inspires me, a 71 year old boy, with thought that future generations will be better equipped in all lines of human endeavor than have those of the past. If knowledge begets power and greatness and human happiness, surely we are laying the proper foundations by maintaining these great institutions of learning. I take off my hat to the fathers and mothers who make sacrifices for the uplift of their children; also to the boys and girls who make their own way through college. The great world problems of today need the trained mind and a broad, liberal education to enable our rising generations to grapple with and solve them to the best interests of the human family. The public schools of Texas are the great Alma Mater, the loving friend, of our Texas Children. The boy that will not go to school is the kind of unfortunate that would curse his mother, and the girl that refuses an education is to be pitied. Will the Editor of the Chief, please read these lines to the members of the Never Sweat Club? It will save them much exertion.

Lovingly,

Old Man Heare.

uniform, which consisted of turkey, pies and cakes and numerous other things good to eat, and we did eat and enjoy ourselves, so we almost forgot the past but then the recollection come back to us that there was a few faces missing but very few in accordance with other places, so lets be thankful for that, and long may old Glory wave o'er a country that is free and a people that stand for the right and long will we remember our boys who lost their lives in accomplishing these good deeds.

I will close by giving the general orders I learned upon being dismissed from the U. S. M. A.

First: To get my discharge and all government property in view and beat it for home.

Second: To accept my discharge in a military manner keeping always on the alert and observing that it will not be revoked before I get out of sight or hearing.

Third: To take the quickest train and not stop at any military post on my way home.

Fourth: To repeat all rumors from billets more distant from home than my own.

Fifth: To receive, believe and pass on to my children all statements that agree with Shermans idea, of war.

Sixth: Not to quit civil life again after being properly discharged.

Seventh: To talk to no one about re-enlisting.

Eighth: In case of the presence of any enlisting officer to give the alarm.

Ninth: To allow no Military person on or near my premises.

Tenth: In all cases not covered by instructions to claim exemption.

Once a private in the U. S. Army, now a Kaffir-corn-cowboy.

J. C. Williamson, Miami, Texas.

TRAIN SCHEDULE AGAIN CHANGED

Owing to the fuel shortage, two of our daily passenger trains were canceled Monday, after only one weeks service. No. 118 due at 9-10 a. m. and No. 113 due at 2-12 a. m. have been canceled.

Trains No. 3 and 4 have been switched over this line from the North Main line, but whether or not they will give local service is yet to be learned. Schedules have been pretty badly shot to pieces this week on account of bad weather.

MICKIE SAYS

YEAH, ONCE IN A WHILE SOME BIRD GETS SORE 'N COMES IN HERE 'T BUST OUR HEARTS 'N 'TW' BUSINESS BY STOPPIN' HIS PAPER— BUT WE GENERALLY MANAGE 'T SURVIVE SOMEHOW 'TILL HIS WIFE COMES IN AN' ORDERS 'T AGIN

HENS—THEY ADVERTISE—DUCKS DON'T—WHO EATS DUCK EGGS? MALKIE

THE CITY MEAT MARKET

C. P. PURSLEY, Prop.

METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday School at regular hours, Preaching at 11 o'clock. Subject: "Old Fashioned Religion." Evening Service at 6:15. Prayer Meeting Wednesday evening at 6:15.

We are just beginning our new

Conference year and a vast deal depends upon the use we make of these first days. We need, therefore, the help of every member of the Church in these military efforts. We covet both your prayers and co-operation.

R. A. Steward, Pastor.

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MIAMI PRODUCE CO.
J. H. DIAL, PROP.

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Sincere and Helpful Service

Helpful service to customers and, in fact, to everything that stands for the betterment of this community is our motto. We are here to serve you and co-operate in carrying out your business projects.

Regard this bank as "your banking headquarters"—the place where you know you'll receive not only sincere advice but helpful service in solving your financial problems.

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(unincorporated)
Roberts County Depository

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Easy payments that cancel the debt. The Government's own System of giving Texas People through the Federal Land Bank

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See Harry A. Nelson, Secretary-Treas.

MIAMI, TEXAS

More Liberal Valuations by new and experienced Appraisers.

The Devil's Own

A Romance of the Black Hawk War

By RANDALL PARRISH

Author of "Contraband," "Shea of the Irish Brigade," "When Wilderness Was King," etc. Illustrations by Irwin Myers

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"I CANNOT ORDER; I AM A SLAVE."

Synopsis.—In 1832 Lieutenant Knox of the regular army is on duty at Fort Armstrong, Rock Island, Ill., in territory threatened by disaffected Indians. The commandant sends him with dispatches to St. Louis. He takes passage on the steamer Warrior and makes the acquaintance of Judge Beaucaire, rich planter, and of Joe Kirby (the Devil's Own), notorious gambler. Knox learns Judge Beaucaire has a daughter, Eloise, and a granddaughter, Rene, offspring of a son whom the judge has disowned. Rene's mother is a negress, and she and her daughter, never having been freed, are slaves under the law, although the girls have been brought up as sisters. Kirby induces the judge to stake his plantation and negro servants on a poker hand unfairly dealt by Joe Carver, Kirby's partner. Kirby accuses the judge of cheating. Beaucaire, infuriated, drops dead. Knox tries to induce Kirby to give up his stolen winnings. Kirby and Carver throw Knox overboard. The lieutenant swims ashore and reaches a hut. Knox lies unconscious for ten days. Recovering, he finds he is in a cabin owned by Pete, a "free nigger," who had shot him, mistaking him for an enemy. His dispatches have been forwarded. Recovering from his wound, Knox sends Pete to bring Haynes, Beaucaire's lawyer, and they arrange, with Pete's help, to get the women to the cabin of an abolitionist, Amos Shunk, before Kirby comes. At the Beaucaire place Knox overhears a conversation between the sheriff and his deputy, and learns the truth about the situation. He is witness to an interview between Kirby and a girl, who says she is Rene Beaucaire. Kirby insults the girl, and Knox attacks him. Believing Kirby dead, Knox explains affairs to the girl, and she agrees to try to escape with him. They fail to find Pete where he had been posted, so Knox seizes the sheriff's keelboat, along with Sam, the slave left in charge, and they begin their voyage up the river. Next day a steamer named Delia and Sam recognizes Kirby on board. At Shunk's place they find a dead negro, treacherously shot down from behind, lying in the woods near the cabin. It is a stunning surprise.

CHAPTER VIII—Continued.

He was slow in following, hanging back as I approached closer to the motionless form, and I could hear the muttering of his lips. Unquestionably the man was dead; of this I was assured before I even knelt beside him. He lay on his face in a litter of dead leaves, and almost the first thing I noticed was the death wound back of his ear, where a large-caliber bullet had pierced the brain. His exposed hands proved him a negro, and it was with a feeling of unusual repugnance that I touched his body, turning it over sufficiently to see the face. All at once I knew him, unable wholly to repress a cry of startled surprise as I stared down into the upturned face—the dead man evidently murdered, shot treacherously from behind, was Free Pete. I sprang to my feet, gazing about blindly into the dim woods, my mind for the instant dazed by the importance of this discovery. What could it mean? How could it have happened? By what means had he reached this spot in advance of us, and at whose hand had he fallen? He could have been there only for one purpose, surely—in an attempt to guide Eloise Beaucaire and the quadroom Delia. Then what had become of the women? Where were they now?

I stumbled backward to the support of the log, unable to answer any one of these questions, remembering only in that moment that I must tell Rene the truth. "Tell me—please," she begged. "Is the man dead? Who is he, do you know?" "Yes," I replied desperately. "He is dead, and I recognized his face. He is the negro Pete and has been killed, shot from behind." "Pete," she echoed, grasping at the log to keep erect, her eyes on that dimly revealed figure in the leaves. "Free Pete, Carlton's pet? How could he have got here? Then—the others must have been with him. What has become of them?" "It is all mystery; the only way to solve it is for us to go on. It can do no one any good to stand here, staring at this dead body. When we reach the cabin we may learn what has occurred. Go on ahead, Sam, and we will follow—don't be afraid, boy; it is not the dead who hurt us." She clung tightly to me, shrinking past the motionless figure. She was



She Clung Tightly to Me, Shrinking Past the Motionless Figure.

not sobbing; her eyes were dry, yet every movement, each glance exhibited her depth of horror. I drew her closer, thoughtless of what she was, my heart yearning to speak words of comfort, yet realizing there was nothing left to me to say. "Do not mind me," she said, pausing before the utterance of each word to steady her voice. "I am not going to break down. It—it is the suddenness—the shock. I—I shall be strong again in a minute." "You must be," I whispered, "for their lives may depend on us." It was a short path before us and became more clearly defined as we advanced. A sharp turn brought us into full view of the cabin, which stood in a small opening, built against the

sidehill, and so overhung with trees as to be invisible, except from the direction of our approach. We could see only the side wall, which contained one open window, and was a one-room affair, low and flat-roofed, built of logs. Its outward appearance was peaceful enough, and the swift beat of my pulse quieted as I took rapid survey of the surroundings.

"Sam," I commanded, "you are to remain here with Rene, while I learn the truth yonder. Yes," to her quick protest, "that will be the better way—there is no danger and I shall not be gone but for a moment."

I seated her on a low stump and left them there together. Sam's eyes rolling about in a frightened effort to perceive every covert in the woods, but the girl satisfied to watch me intently as I moved cautiously forward. A dozen steps brought me within view of the front of the cabin. The door had been smashed in and hung dangling from one hinge. Another step, now with a pistol gripped in my hand, enabled me to obtain a glimpse within. Across the puncheon threshold, his feet even protruding without, lay a man's body; beyond him, half concealed by the shadows of the interior, appeared the outlines of another, with face upturned to the roof, plainly distinguishable because of a snow-white beard.

CHAPTER IX.

The Trail of the Raiders.

Shocked and unmanned as I was at this discovery, to pause there staring at those gruesome figures would have only brought fresh alarm to the two watching my every movement from the edge of the clearing. Gripping my nerves, I advanced over the first body, watching for any sign of the presence of life within the cabin. There was none—the work of the murderer had been completed, and the perpetrators had fled. The dead man, with ghastly countenance upturned to the roof rafters, and the snowy beard, was undoubtedly the negro helper, Amos Shunk. Pete's description of the appearance of the man left this identification beyond all dispute. He had been stricken down by a savage blow, which had literally crushed in one side of his head, but his dead hands yet gripped a rifle, as though he had fallen fighting to the last. The other man, the one lying across the threshold, had been shot, although I did not ascertain this fact until after I turned the body over sufficiently to reveal the face. This was disfigured by the wound and covered with blood, so that the features could scarcely be seen, yet I instantly recognized the fellow—Carver. Surprised out of all control by this unexpected discovery, I steadied myself against the log wall, fully aroused to the sinister meaning of his presence. To a degree the complete significance of this tragedy instantly gripped my mind. If this fellow Carver had been one of the assailants then it was absolutely certain that Kirby must also have been present—the leader of the attack. This inevitably meant that both men had been aboard the steamer, and later were put ashore at the mouth of the Illinois. And, now that I thought about it, why not? It was no accident, and I wondered that the possibility had never occurred to me before. The gambler naturally knew all the gossip of the river, and beyond question he would be aware of the reported existence of this underground station for runaway slaves. It was common talk as far down as St. Louis, and his mind would instantly revert to the possibility that the fleeing Rene might seek escape through the assistance of Shunk. The mysterious vanishing of the boat would serve to increase that suspicion. Even if this had not occurred to him at first, the steamer would have brought news that no keelboat had been seen on the lower river, while the captain of the John B. Glover, or someone else on board, would have been sure to have mentioned the negro helper and suggest that he might have had a hand in the affair. To follow that trail was, indeed, the most natural thing for Kir-

by to do. He had not overtaken Rene because she was not yet there, but he had unexpectedly come upon the other fugitives, and, even though the encounter had cost the life of his henchman, Carver, it also resulted in the death of two men who had come between him and his prey—the negro and the abolitionist. The scene cleared in my brain and became vivid and real. I could almost picture in detail each act of the grim tragedy. The two revengeful trackers—if there were only two engaged, for others might have been recruited on the steamer—must have crept up to the hut in the night or early morning. Possibly Kirby had learned of some other means of approach from the big river. Anyway the fact that Shunk had been trapped within the cabin would indicate the final attack was a surprise. The negro might have been asleep outside and met his death in an attempt at escape, but the old white man, finding flight impossible, had fought desperately to the last and had killed one antagonist before receiving his death blow. This was all plain enough, but what had become of Kirby, of the two women—Eloise and the quadroom mother?

Uncertain what to do or how to act, I could only turn to the waiting girl and the negro to tell them what I had found. They listened as though scarcely comprehending, Sam uttering little moans of horror, and appearing helpless from fright, but Rene quiet, merely exhibiting her emotion in the whiteness of her face and quickened breathing. Her eyes, wide open, questioning, seemed to sense my uncertainty. As I ended the tale and concluded with my theory as to what had occurred following the deed of blood, her quick mind asserted itself.

"But this must have happened very lately; the fire still smoldered, you said. When do you think that steamer could have landed here?"

"Why, perhaps early last evening." "And it has not occurred to you that the boat might have waited here while the man Kirby went ashore?"

"No; that could scarcely be true, if the steamer was scattering troops; what was it you were thinking about?"

"It is all dark, of course," she said slowly, "we can only guess at what happened. But to me it seems impossible that the man Kirby could have accomplished this alone—without assistance. The boat we saw at the landing was not his; it must have been Pete's, and there is no evidence of any other trail leading here from the river. If, as you imagine, he knew the captain of that steamer, and some of the other men aboard were Missourians and defenders of slavery, he would have no trouble in enlisting their help to recover his runaway slaves. They would be only too glad to break up an abolitionist's nest. That is what I believe has happened; they came ashore in a party, and the steamer waited for them."

"And you think the prisoners were taken along? Yet Kirby would not want to transport them up the river." "As to that," she insisted, "he could not help himself. He needed to get away quickly, and there were no other means available. He could only hope to connect later with some craft south-bound on which to return."

"You may be right," I admitted, impressed, yet not wholly convinced. "But what can we do?" She looked at me reproachfully. "You should not ask that of a girl." The words stung me. "No; this is my task. I was thoughtlessly cruel. Neither can you remain here, only long enough to bury those bodies. It would be inhuman not to do that. Sam, there is an old spade leaning against the cabin wall—go over and get it."

He started on his mission reluctantly enough, glancing constantly backward over his shoulder to insure himself of our presence and carefully avoiding any approach to the open door. Unpleasant as our task was it proved to be less difficult of accomplishment than I had anticipated. There were blankets in the cabin bunks, and in these I wrapped the bodies. They were too heavy, however, for me to transport alone, and it required some threatening to induce Sam to deposit them in the shallow grave. Only the fear that I would not have him with us longer compelled me to the thought of being left alone than of contact with the dead. Sam filled in the loose earth, rounding it above the fresh mound, our bent heads bared to the sunlight, while I endeavored to repeat brokenly a few words of prayer. Now our first necessity was food. Of this I found a fair one, we hastily prepared a warm meal over the open fire. It was eaten within the midst of that scene of death; and the very knowledge that we were now free to depart brought to all of us a renewed courage.

It scarcely seemed probable that one man alone, or even two men, had committed this crime, and the sole survivor disappear so completely with the prisoners. I had turned each detail over and over in my thought, while I worked, yet to but little purpose. The only present solution of the problem seemed to be our return to that hidden basin where our boat lay, and then remaining there in concealment until the darkness of another night rendered it safe to once more venture the river.

I spoke of this to her, as I finally approached where she rested on the stump, eager and glad to escape from all memories of that somber cabin I had just left.

"You—you are no longer so confident," she said; "your plan has failed?"

"I am afraid it has," I admitted, "for it was based altogether on the assistance of Amos Shunk. He is no longer alive, and I do not know where to turn for guidance. There would seem to be danger in every direction; the only question is—in which way lies the least?"

"You begin to regret your attempt to aid me?"

"No," impulsively. "So far as that goes I would do it all over again. Your safety means more to me now than ever before—you must believe that." "Why should I? All I have brought you is trouble. I can read in your face how discouraged you are. You must not think I do not understand. I do understand—perfectly. What you have done has been only a response to impulse; merely undertaken through a spirit of adventure. Then—then why not let it end here, and—Sam and I can go on to—whatever is before us? It is nothing to you."

"You actually believe I would consent to that?" I asked in startled surprise at the vehemence of her words.

"That I could prove such a cur?" "But why not? It would not be a cowardly act at all. I could not blame you, for I have no claim on your service—never have had. You have done a thousand times too much already; you have risked honor, reputation, and neglected duty to aid my escape; and—I am nothing to you—can be nothing."

"Nothing to me?" "Certainly not. Why speak like that? Have you forgotten again that I am a slave—a negress? Think, Lieutenant Knox, what it would mean to you to be caught in my company; to be overtaken while attempting to assist me in escaping from my master. Now no one dreams of such a thing, and no one ever need dream. You have had your adventure; let it end here. I shall be grateful to you always, but—I cannot bear to drag you deeper into this mire."

"You order me to leave you?" "I cannot order; I am a slave. My only privilege is to request, urge, implore. I can merely insist that it will be best—for us both—for you to go. Surely you also must realize that this is true?"

"You have been brooding over all this," I said gently, "sitting here alone, and thinking while we worked. I am not going to answer you now. There is no need. Nothing can be done until night, whatever we decide upon. You will go back with us to the boat?"

"Yes; I simply cannot stay here—her eyes wandering toward the cabin. I took the lead on the return, finding the path easy enough to follow in the full light of day. The sincere honesty of her plea—the knowledge that she actually meant it—only served to draw me closer, to strengthen my determination not to desert. Her face was ever before me as I advanced—a bravely pathetic face, wonderfully womanly in its girlish contour—appealing to every impulse of my manhood. I admitted the truth of what she said—it had been largely love of adventure, the rash recklessness of youth, which had brought me here. But this was my inspiration no longer. I had begun to realize that something deeper, more worthy, now held me to the task. What this was I made no attempt to analyze—possibly I did not dare—but, nevertheless, the mere conception of deserting her in the midst of this wilderness was too utterly repugnant for expression. No, not that; whatever happened it would never be that."

The last few rods of our journey lay through thick underbrush, and beneath the spreading branches of interlocking trees. Suddenly I emerged upon the bank of the creek, with the rude log wharf directly before me. I stopped transfixed, staring at the water—nothing else greeted my eyes; both the boats were gone.

This unexpected discovery came to me like a blow; the very breath seemed to desert my lungs, as I stared down at the vacant stream. We had been outgunned, tricked, and all our theories as to what had occurred were wrong. The duty we had performed to the dead had cost us our own chance to escape. Instead of being alone, as we had supposed, we were in the midst of enemies; we had been seen, watched, and while we loitered ashore the murderers had stolen our boat and vanished, leaving us

these helplessly marooned. All this was plain enough now, when it was already too late to remedy the evil. The struggling girl emerged through the tangle of shrubs and paused suddenly at my side, her lips giving utterance to a cry of surprise.

"The—the boat! It is not here?" "No; there is not a sign of it. Those fellows must be still in the neighborhood; must have seen us when we first came."

"But what are we to do?" "I had no ready answer, yet the echo of utter despair in her voice stirred me to my own duty as swiftly as though she had thrust a knife into my side. Do? We must do something! We could not sit down idly there in the swamp. And to decide what was to be attempted was my part. If Kirby and whoever was with him had stolen the missing boat, as undoubtedly they had, they could have possessed but one purpose—escape. They were inspired to the act by a desire to get away, to flee from the scene of their crime. They must believe that we were left helpless, unable to pursue them or create alarm. Yet if it was Kirby why had he fled so swiftly, making no effort to take Rene captive also? It was she he was seek-

ing; for the purpose of gaining possession of her these murders had been committed. Why, then, should he run away when he must have known the girl was already in his grasp? The same thought apparently occurred to her.

"You—you believe that Kirby did this?"

"What other conclusion is possible? We know that he passed us on the steamer—Sam saw him plainly. It was his man, Carver, whom we found dead in the hut. It could have been no one else."

"But," she questioned, unsatisfied, "he would have only one reason for being here—hunting me, his slave. That was his one purpose, was it not? If he saw us then he must have known of my presence, that I was here with you. Why should he make no attempt to take me with him? Why should he steal our boat and run away?"

"One theory is as good as another," I said, "and mine so far have all been wrong. What do you make of it, Sam?"

"Who, sah? Me, sah?" "Yes, take a guess at this."

"Pears like," he said, deliberately, rubbing his ear with one hand, "as how it mought have happened dis yere way, sah. Ah ain't a sayin' it wus—it mought be. Maybe Massa Kirby nebber got no sight ob us 'tall, an' wus afeerd fer ter stay. He jus' knowed a party wus yere—likely 'nough sum Black Abolitionists, w'od be huntin' him if he didn't clear out, jus' so soon as dey foun' dat Amos Shunk wus dead. Here wus his chance, an' he done took it."

He bent suddenly forward, his glance at the edge of the log. "Dey ain't took but jus' de one boat, sah, fer de odder am shoved under de out'r sight."

As I stooped further over I saw that this was true, the small rowboat, with the oars undisturbed in its bottom, had been pressed in beneath the concealment of the log wharf, almost completely hidden from above, yet to all appearances uninjured. The very fact that it should have been thus left only added to the mystery of the affair. If it had been Kirby's deliberate purpose to leave us there stranded ashore why had he failed to crush in the boat's planking with a rock? Could the leaving of the craft in fit condition for our use be part of some carefully conceived plan; a bait to draw us into some set trap? Or did it occur merely as an incident of their hurried flight? These were unanswerable questions, yet the mere knowledge that the boat was actually there and in navigable condition promised us an opportunity to escape. While hope remained, however vague, it was not my nature to despair. Whether accident or design had been the cause made no odds—I was willing to match my wits against Kirby and endeavor to win. And I must deal with facts just as they were.

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METHOD IN THEIR MOVEMENT. A man of the Plains Explained Why Buffaloes Invariably Traveled on a Zigzag Course.

person ever saw a herd of buffalo moving in a straight line. They always took a zigzag course. The late Mr. Jones explained this as follows: "A buffalo is a very cautious animal. His shaggy forehead prevents being objects on either side. To a surprise from an enemy he looks obliquely to the right and then left, and thus gets an unobstructed view of the surrounding country. A buffalo had many small traits lacking in cattle. The buffalo lived in swamps or pools of water. When they found they were stuck they threw themselves on their sides and swam or paddled the mud as a hog does. They had guards out day and night, and the herd of approaching danger always faced a storm and drifted" as do cattle. They tossed their heads to the winds, their sides and sleeping, while the great mass of their humps protected them from winds.

Flow of Course. Pierce's Favorite Prescription naturally; he writes a running style that authoritatively.

FARM ANIMALS

PROPER SHELTER FOR SWINE

It is Essential That Buildings Should Be Well Constructed and Keep Hogs Comfortable.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.) Not only is it fashionable, but also it is practical, to build hog houses in the fall when farm work is not so pressing and when the approaching winter demands proper shelter for the swine. Specialists of the United States department of agriculture do not recommend any special type of hog house as superior to all others. The style which the individual farmer selects, whether it be a colony house, a central type farrowing house, portable houses, or simple shelters which provide sleeping quarters only, must be decided upon by the farmer himself. It is essential that the buildings should be well constructed so that they will exclude both rain and snow.

Some houses will be provided with wooden or cement floors, others with dirt floors. Where dirt floors are installed it is recommended that woven-wire fencing of good quality be



A Model Portable Hog House.

stretched about one or two inches under the surface in order to prevent rooting. Furthermore, dirt floors should be wetted down at frequent intervals to prevent the accumulation of dust, which is particularly injurious to hogs where they have to breathe it continually in their sleeping quarters. The use of crude oil is very helpful in remedying this difficulty. The floor of the hog house should also be well drained, particularly in the case of dirt floors, so that when a heavy rain occurs the run-off water will be carried away instead of being centralized within the hog house to form a mud wallow.

The matter of ventilation is often overlooked in hog-house construction. Facilities for air circulation are essential, as in properly ventilated houses there is much less danger of the hogs piling up and little, if any, danger of them going out from the houses in the morning reeking with steam, conditions which usually are present where the hogs are housed in poorly ventilated shelters. It is also essential, the department specialists say, that the hog quarters be provided with plenty of fresh, bright, dry bedding which may be changed at frequent intervals.

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LIVE STOCK NOTES

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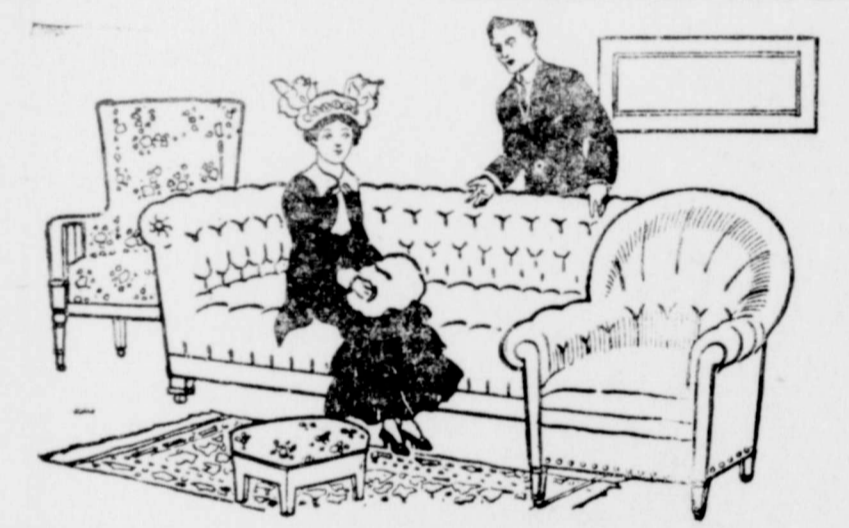

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AT THE PASTIME THEATRE FRIDAY AND SATURDAY
OF NEXT WEEK, DEC 19 and 20th.

Mrs. Amelia Ford of Canadian assisted the Chief force put on a big run of job work Friday and Saturday.

Dee Lard, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Lard and Miss Dale Anderson, late of this city but more recently of Taft Texas, were married Thanksgiving day at Corpus Christi and are now making their home at Hot Springs, New Mexico. Both these young people are quite well and favorably known in Miami, and their host of friends will rejoice to see them succeed as man and wife.

T. O. Tucker was down from Shattuck, Oklahoma shaking hands with Miami friends Saturday. T. O. is Cashier for the Santa Fe at that point now.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Locke returned last week from an extended trip in Mexico. They both returned in much better health, and Bill has assumed his regular position in the dry goods store.

Locke Bros. have rented one side of the Concrete building and are using it for additional storage room. of the H. P. Chisum concrete building on east Broadway and are using it for storage purposes.

I. N. Autin was here this week looking after business interests.

Oran Coffee and John Nelson left first of the week on a prospecting tour in New Mexico.

W. H. Rhodes, now representative for the Transcontinental Oil Company of Pittsburg, Pa., spent Monday among Miami friends and looking after business matters for his company.

Postmistress, Mrs. Ada Rogers has added some new office fixtures in the way of lock boxes, money order and general delivery window this week.

Mrs. G. G. Hollis underwent an operation first of the week at Amarillo, and is reported to be getting nicely.

Fred Brecker who has been employed as Pharmacist at the Central Drug Store left last week for his home in New Mexico.

Jerome McCarley passed through our city this week enroute from Woodward Oklahoma where he has been living, to Wheeler, where he expects to again enter business.

Bill Crawford is spending a few days of this week in Amarillo.

Mrs. R. J. Curtis and Mr. Emory Cooper were married at Amarillo on November 24th, and were trading in our city this week. They are living on Mrs. Curtis ranch west of town.

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AMERICAN LEGION NEWS

The Local post of the American Legion received a letter on Monday of this week from State headquarters containing the following telegram:

Centralia, Washington, Dec. 3. Secy, American Legion, San Antonio, Texas.

I. W. W. have secured change title and have secured Chicago at-boulevards, the longest street in the world. They are raising hundred 21 1-2 miles in extent. It is the largest est cattle market in the world. We must not lose this case of national importance Americanism at stake. Can you secure subscriptions basis agricultural implement manufactory twenty-five cents or more on entire and the largest retail dry goods house in the world.

The officers of the post sent nine dollars at once to state hq., which will forward it on to the local post of Centralia, Wash.

The above telegram shows how important the case at Centralia really is. The American Legion stands for principals exactly opposite to those of the I. W. W. and naturally these two organizations had to clash at some time. If the American Legion does to more than rid the country of undesirable of this kind then the organization has been a success.

WOMANS STUDY CLUB

Mrs. Getting was hostess to the Study Club Friday, Dec. 5th. Subject "Chicago."

Roll Call was answered with a Current Event on Chicago.

As the members responded with their parts, we learned many interesting things about this wonderful city. It has fifty nine miles of boulevards, the longest street in the world. They are raising hundred 21 1-2 miles in extent. It is the largest est cattle market in the world. We must not lose this case of national importance Americanism at stake. Can you secure subscriptions basis agricultural implement manufactory twenty-five cents or more on entire and the largest retail dry goods house in the world.

It requires more than 150,000 tons of twine to bind our annual grain crop, the greater part of this twine is made in Chicago. One pound of this twine makes 700 feet, a little problem in arithmetic shows that the whole amounts to forty million miles which would make sixteen hundred the L. W. W. and naturally these two strands reaching around the earth, organizations had to clash at some time. If the American Legion does to more than rid the country of undesirable of this kind then the organization has been a success.

METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday School 10 o'clock. Preaching 11 o'clock, subject "God's Call to the Church of to-day."

Evening Services 6:15. Subject "The Devils Traps for the Business Man." This being the second in the series of Sunday night sermons on the Devils Traps.

Prayer Meeting Wednesday evening 6:15 o'clock. We are studying in our Prayer Meetings some of the teachings of the Sermon on the Mount in the light of Modern Conditions. You are cordially invited to all our services.

R. A. Steward, Pastor.

AT THE CHURCH OF CHRIST

Our subject for next Sunday will be as follows: 11: a. m. "How to Build up the Church." 6: p. m. Which Ladder am I on. You are invited to hear these subjects.

I. L. Sanders, Minister.

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AT THE CHURCH OF CHRIST

Don't forget that there will be next Sunday at 10:45 a. m. and 6 p. m. You are invited to come and be with us. Our subject at the evening service will be, A Woman Clothed with the Sun. With the Moon Under her feet. Rev. 12:1

I. L. Sanders, Minister.

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TEACHERS CONSOLIDATED INSTITUTE MEET CANADIAN DECEMBER 15-19

The Consolidated Teachers' Institute will be held in Canadian during the week, December 15-19 inclusive.

The program for the institute is the result of the labor of committees appointed by the county judges from various counties which will participate in the 1919 Consolidated Institute. The program contains the names of several talented speakers and noted educators, among them being Miss Annie Webb Blanton, state Superintendent of public instruction; and Professor Morelock. The program follows.

General sessions, auditorium, Canadian High School, Monday morning, December 15th, beginning at 9 o'clock.

Opening exercises: community singing, D. M. Wiggins, leader; invocation by the Rev. E. D. Morgan; enrollment.

Welcome address: Mrs. D. J. Young, president Canadian Parent-Teachers' Association.

Response by County Judge, Roberts County.

The province of the School in National Life: Miss Dorothy Gerlach.

Miss Bessie Williams.

The Function of the School in the Community: Alva Shaller.

Afternoon session, beginning 1 o'clock:

Opening exercises: community singing, roll call, special music by Miss Frenslley.

Know the Child: Miss Helen Baird.

The Child as the Center of the School System: Nelson C. Smith.

To What Extent Should the School Attempt to Influence the Home and Social Life of the Student? E. G. Sanders.

Tuesday, December 16th, Morning session, beginning at 9 o'clock.

Opening exercises: Community singing, invocation by the Rev. M. M. Beaver, roll call.

Interest: D. M. Wiggins.

Histriography: Ray Showalter.

Teaching Patriotism: Miss Margaret Haney.

Afternoon session, beginning at 1 o'clock:

Opening exercises: community singing, roll call, reading by W. A. Stigler.

Lessons from Hawthorne's "Scarlet Letter": Miss Clemma Billingsley.

Address: Professor Morelock.

Wednesday, December 17th Morning session, beginning at 9 o'clock.

Opening exercises: community singing, invocation by the Rev. B. G. Taylor, roll call.

Housing of Teachers: Miss Opal Bell.

Teachers' Salaries and the Teacher Shortage: The Smith-Tower bill by C. A. Gilley, Miss Iva Cochren, Miss Bess Johnson.

Afternoon session, beginning at 1 o'clock.

Opening exercises: community singing, roll call, special music by Miss Frenslley.

Reading: Mrs. D. M. Wiggins.

Thursday, December 18th, Morning session, beginning at 9 o'clock:

Opening exercises: community singing, invocation by the Rev. E. D. Morgan, roll call.

Solo: Mrs. Sanders.

Address: Miss Annie Webb Blanton, state superintendent of public instruction.

Science in the High School: W. O. Andrews.

Value of General Science: H. H. Craine.

Retardation Caused by Physical Defects: Dr. E. H. Snyder.

Monday afternoon, beginning at 2:45 o'clock.

Home Canning: Miss Margaret George.

Value of Home Economics: Miss Bille Hillingshead, Miss Ferrol Robinson.

Tuesday morning, beginning at 10:50 o'clock.

Latin, Its problems and Importance: Miss Iva Faye Smith.

The Direct Method in Teaching Latin: Miss Laura Wallace.

Prospects for Eighth Grade English: Miss Ruth Hudson.

Tuesday afternoon, beginning at 2:50 o'clock.

Need for Revision of American History Teaching: Miss Ottilie Duckley.

History in the High School: Lester Mardock.

High School Student Self-Government: Superintendent Shamrock.

School: Miss Iva Carson.

Literary Society Work in the High School: Miss Mollie Huber.

Wednesday afternoon, beginning at 2:45 o'clock.

Teachers' Pensions: T. C. Moore.

Some Observations in Mathematics: C. A. Gilley.

Enriching the Mathematics Courses: Ernest Clark.

Tests and Measurements: D. A. Snellings.

Thursday morning, beginning at 10:40 o'clock.

Departmental Work in the Second and Third Class High School: Miss Mary Chambers, Miss Nettie Edmunds.

Conference led by State Superintendent, Annie Webb Blanton.

Thursday afternoon, beginning at 2:45 o'clock.

Marks of a Good School: Mrs. Johnson.

How to Measure Progress in a School: Mrs. Mamie Allen.

School Thrift Clubs: Miss May Sanders.

High School Auditorium, Monday morning, beginning at 10:50 o'clock.

Should Our Educational System be Revised as to Give a Basis of Instinct Motivation?: Mrs. Nan Williams.

Discipline, How Much and How? Mrs. Bull.

Pedagogical Significance of Imagination: Miss Vinnie Swift.

Cultivating in the Child a Love for Literature: Miss Musa Carter.

Monday afternoon, beginning at 2:45 o'clock.

Compulsory Physical Training in the Grades: Miss Hattie Haynes.

The Health Crusade: Retah May Roper.

The Physiological and Psychological Methods of Measuring Fatigue: Mrs. Lucille McFaddin.

Need for Compulsory Physical Examination of School Children: Superintendent Wheeler Schools.

Tuesday morning, beginning at 10:50 o'clock.

Lesson Plans: Miss Arlie Razor.

How to Keep Interest in the Class Room: Miss Lillie Williams.

Outline of Material to be Used in Teaching Good Manners and General Courtesy: J. L. Duggan.

Home Study: Miss Ina Hostalter.

Tuesday afternoon, beginning at 2:50 o'clock.

Rough Places in Arithmetic: Mr. Bull.

Fundamentals of Sign Numbers: J. M. Lawrence, Harry Montgomery.

Wednesday morning, beginning at 10:50 o'clock.

How Drawing Should be Taught: Miss Marie Brown.

Supervision of Playground Activities: Mrs. W. E. Murrell, Miss Shanks.

The Story Hour: Mrs. Lois Slack.

Wednesday afternoon, beginning at 2:45 o'clock.

Co-ordination of History and Geography: O. C. Evans, Ben F. Johnson.

Thursday morning, beginning at 10:40 o'clock.

Attention: Discussion led by Miss Inez Arrington.

The Delinquent Pupil: Miss Ima Hawkins.

Thoughts on Primary Teaching: Miss Florence Cable.

Thursday afternoon, beginning at 2:40 o'clock.

Primary Difficulties and Possible Solutions: Mrs. Castleman.

Physical Culture (Demonstration): Mrs. Baker Daniels.

Conference led by State Superintendent Annie Webb Blanton.

EVENING SESSIONS

Tuesday, 7:30.

Special Music by Mrs. W. E. Murrell.

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Thursday: "The Noble Outcast" by Canadian home talent under the auspices of the Canadian Parent-Teachers' Association. Admission free to all teachers.

The W. C. T. U. has volunteered the rest room of their building for the use of the visiting teachers during the institute week, and all teachers who desire to avail themselves of its accommodations will be gladly welcomed by the W. C. T. U.

THE STATE OF TEXAS

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Roberts County—Greeting:

L. B. Robertson, Guardian of the Estate of Frances Atwater, et al, minors, having filed in our County Court of the condition of the State of said Frances Atwater, et al, minors numbered 63 on the Probate Docket of Roberts County, together with an application to be discharged from said Guardianship.

You are hereby commanded, That by publication of this Writ for three weeks in a Newspaper printed in the County of Roberts you give due notice to all persons interested in the Account for Final Settlement of said Estate, to appear and contest the same if they see proper so to do, on or before the January Term, 1920, of said county Court, commencing and to be held at the Court House of said County, in the City of Miami on the first Monday in January A. D. 1920, when said Account and Application will be acted upon by said Court.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at my office in the city of Miami, this 6th of December A. D. 1919.

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