

Alias Basil Willing

By Helen McCloy

THE STORY: Jack Duggan, a private detective, was murdered and Miss Katherine Shaw also under mysterious circumstances...

Charlotte dropped her eyelids. Her high, clear voice lost its usual steadiness...

It was Brinsley Shaw who wished to change the subject now. "By the way, I have an invitation for you..."

Charlotte Dean was surprised. "That is very kind of Dr. Zimmer and Mrs. Mann. I hope you will thank them for me..."

"Why?" He looked at her directly, annoyed. "Because Greta wrote to me instead of you? That was only natural, I think."

Charlotte was a little rattled by his initial stare. "I think... I mean... Miss Shaw's been dead only a few weeks..."

"You're old fashioned. Aunt Kay herself wouldn't want us to be so..." He sought a word.

"You think so?" "I'm sure of it. And I'm going to accept Zimmer's invitation..."

Miss Lola Laney spent last week in Weatherford visiting her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Kirk and son Patrick and Michael...

Charlotte remembered that Dr. Willing had said she must not tell anyone about the slip of paper signed "J. Bush."

"Be your age, Charlotte!" It was the first time Brinsley had dropped the "Miss Dean" that Katherine Shaw insisted upon.

"The police are up a tree, so, to save face, they make up all sorts of nonsensical theories with nothing to go on..."

"All right. Let me know when you decide." He rose, bundling letters and newspapers together.

"I should like to think it over." "I'll take that risk."

"I'm not asking you to do so. It's something that you must decide for yourself. Better think it over for a day or so."

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should Brinsley care whether she went to dinner with him or not? Charlotte sat alone in the garden until the clock struck 11...

There was effluence at the other end of the line for a moment. Then: "Have you repeated anything about our discovery in the cellar to anyone?"

"Then I know of no reason why it would be dangerous for you to go—if that is what you're asking me."

"Oh, Dr. Willing, if you think I could help you by going..."

"I do. But I must remind you of what I said a moment ago. I know of no reason why it would be dangerous..."

"I'll take that risk."

"I'm not asking you to do so. It's something that you must decide for yourself. Better think it over for a day or so."

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HEADS DELEGATION—A Chinese communist delegation headed by Premier Chou En-Lai arrived in Moscow August 18 to discuss the further development of co-operation between the two nations...

least two state supreme courts have ruled that the fruit of the citrus limonia is not the proper decoration for an automobile—even if it is one.

What disgusted auto buyer first hit on the idea of broadcasting his ill fortune with lemons isn't known. But he goes back far enough to when passersby were interested in the then rare lemons that were in the car...

White elephants also have been popular. For obvious reasons they are painted on. But most soured car owners stick to lemons.

Not too long ago a man chugged up to the entrance of a famous auto plant with both the painted and genuine article plastered all over his car.

"Cold Shoulder Treatment" "He got the cold shoulder treatment," a spokesman said. "After a couple of days he just went away. Probably wanted to use the lemons for lemonade before they wilted."

Sometimes they're more persistent. Officer George Gronfers recalls when police ticketed for over-parking a man who stationed his lemonized car in front of a dealer's showroom.

The disgruntled owner then proceeded to rent a storeroom next to the dealer and put the car in the display window.

The auto company went out of business several months later. But that may have been just coincidence.

Nethertheless, auto companies shy away from the word "lemon" in their advertising. Yellow cars have a "canary," not a "lemon" hue.

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Maybe they do, but only for psychological reasons. A calorie, that is the unit used to measure the heat or energy-producing value of foods, is the same—whether in ice cream or soup.

Housewives have found good ways to beat the heat, for example, a single hot dish can include the meat and vegetables. A large roast or ham can be prepared in one afternoon's baking...

A popular way of eating in summer is the picnic, whether on the banks of a lake, in a city park, or in somebody's back yard. A barbecue grill can be made from an ever so refrigerator rack placed on y-shaped green twigs driven into the ground on bricks...

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COLLEGE STATION, Aug.—(Spl)—A silver service which has roots in every cotton field of Texas and the Southwest is being displayed in the Memorial Student Center at Texas A. and M. College.

The Sterling silver service, Hepler-White pattern, was given to A. and M. College recently by the widow of A. E. Mebane, a pioneer cotton breeder of Texas. Formal presentation will be made during the 1953 Cotton Pageant at the college.

Mebane received the service at a testimonial barbecue in his honor. It carries the inscription, "Presented to A. D. Mebane by the citizens of Caldwell County as a token of appreciation of his work in originating and developing Mebane Triumph Cotton. Lockhart, Texas, July 12, 1917."

Mebane is recognized as one of the men most responsible for early development work in cotton, and his Mebane Triumph served as a parent variety for most of the current improved strains.

Born in 1855 in Mebane, N. C., he accompanied his parents to Texas after the Civil War, and during his 18th year the family settled on a 142-acre farm near Lockhart in Caldwell County...

During his lifetime Mebane shipped Mebane Triumph seed all over the world. As late as 1947, official government figures showed that 23.9 per cent of the Texas cotton acreage was in Mebane cotton, as was 10.1 per cent of all cotton in the United States.

Because of the close connection of Meban's experimental work with that being carried on at A. and M. College, Mrs. Mebane presented the memorial silver set to the college.

New Licenses To Be Shipped

AUSTIN, Aug.—The Chief Clerk of the Texas Game & Fish Commission said the new hunting and fishing licenses are scheduled to be in the hands of the approximately 2400 state agents in advance of September 1...

He explained that all hunting and fishing licenses must be renewed by September 1, which marks the beginning of the fiscal year for the state.

The licenses range from the \$1-65 individual license for fishing and \$2.15 individual license for hunting up to \$200 for wholesale fish and oyster dealer licenses.

The Chief Clerk advised Texans to consult their game wardens or their licensed deputies or county clerks if they are in doubt about when fishing or hunting licenses are necessary.

He said approximately 325,000 persons got fishing licenses and approximately 350,000 hunting licenses during the present fiscal year.

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Personals

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Brannon and daughter, Judy and Johnnie of Breckeridge and a friend, Carol Wiles of Fort Worth spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Cox.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Westfall and daughter returned Saturday evening from a two weeks vacation in the state of Colorado.

"Lemon" Brand Nothing New For Detroiters

By PAUL E. SVOBODA DETROIT.—The Marine corporal who got hauled into Washington, D. C. court for painting big lemons on his automobile hardly raised an eyebrow in the motor capital of the world.

That's because Detroiters probably have seen more lemons on automobiles than they have on trees. And it's been going on since automobiles first started chugging.

The Marine, 25-year-old Frank Farkas, is scheduled to be sentenced Tuesday for violating a city ordinance against displays that "ridicule" the maker of an automobile.

Farkas said his used car was a lemon if he ever saw one. And to make sure that everyone noticed it he painted the word "lemon" in big gold letters on the sides and then embellished his art with two pictures of the citrus fruit.

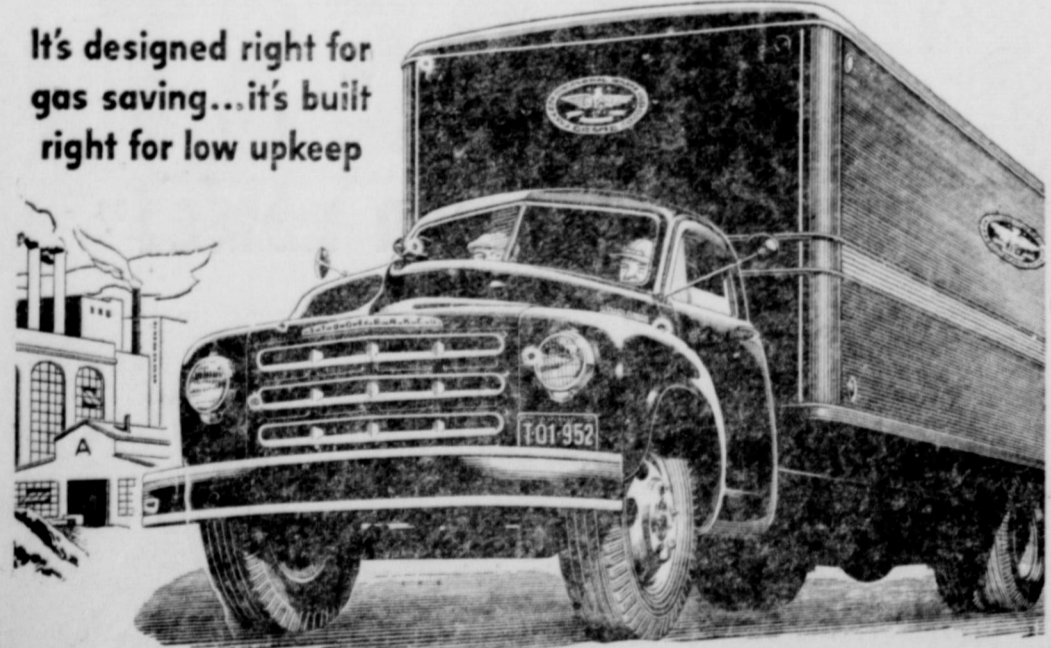
No Statistics Kept The Automobile Manufacturers Association said it doesn't keep any statistics on lemons. But legal researchers dug up the fact that at

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