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## VAN COURT RITES HELD TUESDAY

Funeral services for Frank Van Court, 74, pioneer West Texan and former Tom Green County sheriff, were held at 4 o'clock Tuesday afternoon from the First U. S. Presbyterian Church in San Angelo with the Rev. George C. Baker, Jr., pastor of the First Methodist Church, officiating. Interment was in Fairmount Cemetery with Johnson Funeral Home in charge.

Mr. Van Court was the father of M. L. Van Court of Mertzton. He was found dead in bed at his home, 2 N. Adams, San Angelo, at 6:15 o'clock Monday morning.

Mr. Van Court, who had retired at 8:15 o'clock Sunday night after spending a quiet day, suffered a heart attack five years ago and had been under periodical treatments since that time. However, members of the family said he had appeared to be improving recently.

Mr. Van Court had been in the transfer business in San Angelo for 26 years when he announced as a candidate for sheriff in 1933. He served two terms as sheriff, leaving the office Jan. 1, 1937. He returned to the transfer business, owning and operating the San Angelo Transfer and Storage Co. until Nov. 1, 1945, when he sold out to E. M. Johnson and Frank Hood, both of San Angelo.

Born at Coffeyville, Kan., July 29, 1871, Mr. Van Court moved to Texas in 1873 with his family which settled in Kimble County. In 1878, the family continued to Tom Green County, settling on the old Hat Ranch on Lipan Creek.

Mr. Van Court attended school in San Angelo and in 1897 married Miss Beulah Lewis. In 1898, they moved to San Angelo where Mr. Van Court started to work for March Brothers, weighing wool. He worked at this job for six years.

In the fall of 1906, Mr. Van Court and Hawley Allen, former Tom Green and Coke sheriff, formed a partnership in the transfer business. He continued in business with several different partners until the death of R. L. Nisbit when the Van Court family purchased Mr. Nisbit's interest.

The transfer business was operated for several years on the site where the present McBurnett building is located. After this, the business moved to a location near the present site of the Angelo Ice Co., and stayed there until moving to the present location.

In the early days, the locomotion of the transfer business was done by horses, the operation being slow but sure.

Both Mr. Van Court and Mr. Nisbit were noted for their tremendous strength, being able to lift heavy machinery with extreme ease.

Mr. Van Court was a steward in the Methodist Church, an Odd Fellow, and Woodman. While serving as sheriff here, he was an active member of the Texas Sheriffs Association and also a member of the Business Men's Bible Class.

The town of Vancourt was named for Mrs. Alexander Van Court, his mother.

Survivors include the widow; three sons, C. G. Van Court, San Angelo; M. L. Van Court, Mertzton; and Hawley Van Court, Crane; and two daughters, Fern Van Court, teacher in the San Angelo public schools, and Frances Van Court.

Pallbearers for the funeral were Clarence Lowe, Tom Biggs, Steve Scott, J. Ramon Jones, Glenn R. Lewis, all of San Angelo, and W. W. Adams, Mertzton.

Honorary pallbearers were: Board of Stewards of First Methodist Church, directors of Business Men's Bible Class, and H. E. Hill, Hawley C. Allen of Robert Lee, C. W. Barnett, John Boyd of Mertzton, and Vern Davis of Sterling City.

## THE PEOPLE CALLED BAPTISTS

Their origin, what they have suffered, and their contribution to civilization. This will be the subject Sunday morning at the Baptist Church.

Evening service at 7:45.

W. A. Knight, pastor.

## SENATOR METCALFE ANNOUNCES FOR RE-ELECTION

Penrose B. Metcalfe, state senator, announced here this week that he is a candidate for re-election from the 16-county 25th district.

Metcalfe, recognized as one of the Senate leaders, with a record of effective legislative accomplishments, is a veteran, being an Army Air Corps pilot in World War I, is a native of Tom Green County and a successful business man.

Senator Metcalfe said that he intended to announce his platform and suggested legislative objectives in the near future, and that he would make a careful campaign in all the counties of the district.

## JOE ROBERT THORP HOME ON LEAVE

Seaman I-C Joe Robert Thorp arrived in Mertzton last Friday from San Francisco, Calif., on a 10-day leave.

He is now stationed in San Francisco but will report to Burmington, Wash., the middle of May and will be with the 19th Reserve Fleet.

Joe Robert has been in service a year, 9 months of this time overseas on a light cruiser, the U. S. Vincennes. He expects to get a discharge some time in September as he is a member of the naval reserve.

The cruiser U. S. S. Vincennes patrolled the South Pacific. Joe Robert was in New Zealand twice, at Wellington and Auckland, and Fiji, American and British Samoa, Guadalcanal and a number of other islands.

## 331 RECORDED IN SCHOLASTIC CENSUS

In the recent scholastic census of the Mertzton Consolidated Independent School District which has been completed there were 331 students counted.

Last year there were 306 scholastics in the same area. This represents a gain of 25 over last year's report.

## THE METHODIST CHURCH

Next Sunday is Palm Sunday. Will you be at the house of God for worship? Why wait until Easter to go to church? Start now.

Further announcements will be made at the 11 o'clock hour regarding our union services for next week. Come.

Roy B. Shilling, pastor.

Daisy Loftin is visiting in Mertzton for a few days.



RALPH LOGAN  
... banquet speaker

Tomorrow night Ralph Logan, district attorney, will be the main speaker for the annual Junior-Senior banquet of Mertzton high school.

The affair will be held in San Angelo at the Cactus Hotel in the English Room, starting at 8 o'clock.

## SCHOOL TRUSTEES ELECTED SATURDAY

In the election for trustees of the Mertzton Consolidated Independent School District held last Saturday the results of the voting are as follows:

M. L. Van Court, 206; Otis Deal, 198; M. H. Wagner, 191; Vester Hughes, 190; Mrs. R. S. Williams, 169; Henry Cravens, 92; Willis Burke, 85; J. P. Crews, 228; Henry Lindley, 195; Marvin Carr, 145; Malven Helmers, 112.

The new trustees are M. L. Van Court, Otis Deal, M. H. Wagner, Vester Hughes, Mrs. R. S. Williams, J. P. Crews, Henry Lindley.

## PRE-EASTER SERVICES

There will be pre-Easter services Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday nights.

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## DOROTHY HELMERS-WADE A. RAYBURN MARRIED APRIL 1

Mr. and Mrs. Adolf Helmers of Sherwood announce the marriage of their daughter, Dorothy, to Wade A. Rayburn of Roscoe, Texas.

The ceremony was performed Monday afternoon April 1, at 3 p. m. in the First Baptist Church at Sweetwater with the Rev. L. D. Ball officiating.

Gene Rayburn of Roscoe, brother of the groom, was best man, and Mrs. Gene Rayburn was matron of honor.

The bride wore a light blue street dress with pink and black accessories. Her corsage was of white gardenias. For something old she wore a string of pearls, for something new, her ensemble, for something borrowed she carried a bible belonging to Mrs. Doc Davis of Sterling City.

The bride is a graduate of Roscoe high school and San Angelo Business College. She was employed by the Findlater Hardware Company for two years prior to her marriage.

The groom is also a graduate of Roscoe high school. He received his discharge last June after 3 years service. He was awarded the Purple Heart for wounds sustained in the invasion of Saipan. He is now employed by the Forester Chevrolet Company of Sweetwater.

The couple are making their home at 506 Locust, Sweetwater, after their honeymoon trip.

## LETTER RECEIVED FROM FREEMAN YARDLEY

The members of the First Christian Church received a letter this week from a former member of their church, Freeman Audrey Yardley.

Mr. Yardley was reared in Mertzton; and the late Jim Yardley of Barnhart was his grandfather. He is also a nephew of Mrs. Bart Westfall.

He wrote that he would like to see his friends in Mertzton and especially Miss Vera (Mrs. Bonnie Wilson), "who is the best Sunday school teacher I have ever seen."

Mr. Yardley is a second year student preacher at NCC in Portland, Oregon. He began his ministry with the Oakland Church in June, 1945, and was ordained last month.

Mr. Yardley is married and the father of two children. Mrs. Yardley ably assists him in his work. At the present time they are looking forward to the mission fields in Japan as soon as he finishes school.

## HAZEL LAWSON WEDS MILTON FERRINGTON

Miss Hazel Lawson of Tankersley became the bride of Milton Ferrington Saturday night at 9 p. m. at the Baptist parsonage with the Rev. W. A. Knight officiating.

Mr. and Mrs. Burney Lewis attended the couple and later entertained them at a wedding supper.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Lawson of Tankersley. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dick Ferrington of Mertzton. He was recently discharged from service.

The couple plan to make their home with Mrs. Dick Ferrington temporarily.

## POLLYANNA SEWING CLUB

Mrs. M. H. Wagner was hostess to the Pollyanna Sewing Club this week. The members sewed for themselves and modeled some of their creations. Gifts were exchanged in observance of Pollyanna Day.

Refreshments were served to members Mmes. Otis Deal, Street Whitley, Loyd Davis, Henry Lindley, Earl Steger, John Klingler, and guests, Mmes. Delbert Edmonston, Jack Moon and Sam Chumley of Stiles.

NOTICE TO RANCHMEN—I am back in the trucking business. Haul anything, anywhere. Am insured and bonded. Call 79, Andy Bradford.

## HORN-PHILIPS WEDDING RITES READ MARCH 31

Miss Mary Katherine Horn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Horn, exchanged vows with Sidney Hugh Philips, of San Angelo, and son of Mrs. Minta Philips, of Sterling City, in a beautiful wedding ceremony on Sunday afternoon at three-thirty o'clock. The marriage lines were said in the home of the bride's parents, 2213 Wellington Street, with Dr. T. O. Perrin, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, as officiant.

The improvised altar was formed of greenery and white floor baskets filled with white stock and white snapdragons with a mirrored background reflecting the scene. White Cathedral tapers in seven-branched candelabra softly illuminated the setting.

For the nuptial solo Mrs. Joe Meadows sang "I Love You Truly" and "Always" with Mrs. R. H. Ragan accompanying. The traditional wedding marches were used.

The bride was given in marriage by her father. She wore a white wine gabardine suit with brown accessories and carried a white prayer book topped with orchids.

Mrs. Jack Sharp, the bride's sister and matron of honor, wore a pecan brown gabardine suit with white accessories and a shoulder corsage of Talisman roses. Miss Rose DeWitt lighted the candles. She wore a checked suit with pink blouse and a pink carnation corsage.

R. L. Horn, Jr., attended the groom as best man.

An informal reception was held following the ceremony. The bride's table was laid in lace and centered with a bouquet of white stock and white snapdragons. The four-tiered wedding cake was placed at one end of the table and at the opposite end was the punch bowl.

Mrs. R. L. Horn, Jr., and Mrs. Norma Tyre presided at the table and Miss Rosabel Williams and Miss Eunice Nell Girvin assisted in serving. The guests were registered in the bride's book by Miss Martha Hollerand.

Mrs. Horn, mother of the bride, wore a printed silk dress with corsage of white carnations.

The bride is a graduate of Greenville high school and holds a Home Economics degree from East Texas State Teachers College in Commerce. For the past year she has been a member of the faculty of the Mertzton school as home economics teacher. In Commerce she was a member of the Tooanoowe club, one of the popular campus organizations.

Mr. Philips has just returned from three years service in the European theatre. A former sergeant, he holds the Presidential Unit Citation, the Oak Leaf Cluster, the ETO ribbon with two Bronze Stars, and the Silver Star. He was discharged at Alamogorda, N. M.

After a wedding trip the couple will go to Mertzton where they will reside until the end of the semester and will then make their home in San Angelo.

Among the out of town guests for the wedding were Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Horn and daughter, Pat, of Uvalde, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Rust, and Mrs. W. F. McWhirter, of Commerce.—Greenville Morning Herald, April 2.

Lt. Jack Moon, husband of the former Betty Wagner, left Tuesday morning for his station in Columbus, South Carolina. Mrs. Moon plans to stay with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Wagner, temporarily.

Mrs. Sam Chumley of Stiles has been a guest of Mrs. J. T. Klingler this week.

Life insurance company desires loan correspondent. Reply giving experience, present occupation, references. Box A, Mertzton Star.

TOMATO PLANTS? Marglobe, Victor, Firesteel, June Pink and Red Cherry. See the M. T. Gobers.

## AMERICAN HEROES

by WOODY COWAN



A SILVER STAR for gallantry in action has been awarded to Pfc. Julius Aschenbrenner, Pinckney, Mich. Although a member of a light machine gun section and therefore only armed with a pistol, Aschenbrenner advanced with several riflemen under heavy fire to knock out a machine gun position in New Guinea. He helped still the enemy fire. Men like that must have weapons, food and clothing. The War Bonds you buy and hold will provide them.

U. S. Treasury Department

WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

State Department Blueprints International Atom Control; House Probes Spy Intrigue

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Pictured (from bottom to top) during tense UNO talk on Iran are Andrei Gromyko, representing the soviet; Sir Alexander Cadogan of Britain, and Edward Stettinius and James Byrnes of the U. S.

WORLD RELATIONS: Atom—Russ

Even as the United Nations Organization's security council strove to compose differences with Russia over the Iranian question, the U. S. state department issued a special report calling for the creation of an international agency to control all phases of atomic energy and avert atomic rivalry among the major powers.

Written by a distinguished board of scientists and technicians the report recommended the establishment of an atomic development authority that would own and lease property and conduct mining, manufacturing, research, licensing, inspection or other operations. While the authority would possess absolute control over the production of atomic weapons, it would permit utilization of atomic energy in such civilian fields as medicine, biology, chemistry and physics.

The U. S.'s secret processes in development of atomic energy would be gradually unfolded to the United Nations authority as plans progressed for its development. Release of preliminary information necessary to discussion of setting up the agency would be followed by revelation of industrial know-how in manufacture and finally the method of constructing the A-bomb.

In releasing the report, Secretary of State Byrnes pointed out that the recommendations did not constitute official U. S. policy but could be considered as a basis for discussion of the creation of an international atomic authority.

Meanwhile, the security council worked on means to adjust the difficult situation posed by Russia's walkout in protest over UNO's consideration of Iran's complaint against the Soviets for failure to withdraw Red troops from the country. While Russia's withdrawal from the deliberations jolted UNO, the Soviets were quick to explain that their action did not mean they were withdrawing from the United Nations, but rather objecting to security council procedure.

SPY INTRIGUE: House Acts

Hard upon the arrest of a 29-year-old Russian naval officer for espionage by the FBI in Portland, Ore., the house committee on un-American activities, headed by Representative Wood (Dem., Ga.) voted to send investigators up to Canada to probe possible connections between the Soviet spy ring uncovered in the dominion and agents in this country.

Revealing that the committee had been aware of the FBI's investigation of the Soviet naval officer, Lt. Nicolai Redin, the committee counsel said that the group soon would hold hearings on subversive activities and call on a number of witnesses, including atomic scientists and government employees.

Meanwhile, Redin, nabbed for obtaining information about the destroyer tender USS Yellowstone, charged "the whole thing is a buildup for political purposes." A member of the Soviet lend-lease purchasing staff in the U. S., Redin enjoys no diplomatic immunity and was held on \$25,000 bond.

LABOR FRONT:

Farm Machinery Tie-Up

Government seizure of strike-bound farm machinery plants appeared as the remaining alternative as negotiations between companies and union bogged down and equipment was badly needed for the maintenance of high crop production to meet domestic and foreign demands.

As the government pondered taking over the plants, the International Harvester company continued to resist the CIO-Farm Equipment Workers' demands for union security, maintenance of membership, dues checkoff, arbitration and methods for settling grievances. Both company and union agreed to a government fact-finding recommendation for an 18-cent an hour wage increase.

In addition to 30,000 workers in 11 International Harvester plants, 12,500 employees in six plants of Allis-Chalmers and J. I. Case remained out over contract differences.

Coal Snag

While the government kept one eye on the farm machinery situation, it trained another on the coal industry, where parleys between John L. Lewis' United Mine Workers and the operators sagged over the UMW chieftain's demands for the creation of a health and welfare fund.

Dropped last year during the bargaining over a new contract, the health and welfare fund issue was raised again this year by Lewis, who gave it No. 1 position on the negotiating agenda. Asserting that it would cost them \$50,000,000 annually, the operators proposed the creation of a joint committee to study an accident compensation plan as an alternative.

As a walkout in the industry loomed, the government prepared to control the shipment of an estimated 29,000,000 tons of bituminous coal above ground. Steel spokesmen said a miners' walkout might result in the restriction of production within two weeks.

New UAW Chief

A concerted drive to organize the white collar workers in the automobile industry loomed with the election of fiery, red-haired Walter Reuther as the new CIO-United Automobile Workers president. Avowed foe of the communist faction within the UAW, Reuther thwarted the re-election hopes of R. J. Thomas, head of the union since 1933, who enjoyed leftist support.

In winning the presidency of the biggest union in the world, Reuther announced the organization of the white collar workers in the industry as one of his No. 1 goals. He also said an educational program would be undertaken to interest the membership in union activity and the UAW would strive for industry-wide instead of company-wide bargaining to correct wage and working inequalities between plants.

The stormy petrel of the UAW, and head of the union's General Motors division, Reuther is 39 and destined for major leadership in the American labor movement. Fired from the tool department of the Ford Motor company for union activity in 1933, he organized an AFL local in the plant in 1935 and then led his men into the CIO in 1938.

Washington Digest

German Radio Takes New Tone Under U. S.



News, Education and Swing Replace Old Nazi Line; English Grammar Lessons Prove Popular Among Listeners.

By BAUKHAGE News Analyst and Commentator.

WNU Service, 1616 Eye Street, N.W., Washington, D. C.

WASHINGTON. — Gradually the act is closing in about the "ether traitors," American citizens who broadcast in English from Berlin and elsewhere for the Nazis before and during the war. Recently the (in)famous "Axis Sally" was taken into custody. She devoted her air time to making G.I.s feel homesick overseas by dwelling on the joys and comforts back in the good old U. S. A. Another traitor is "Kaltenbach," an ex-Iowa boy who tried to awake nostalgia with corny realism about life down on the farm.

Then there is Constance Drexel, who pretended to be a cultured member of the old Philadelphia family whose name she used as a pseudonym when she worked on American newspapers. She was really born in Germany and brought here by her father who became naturalized. She was known here as pro-Hitler before the war. She made one broadcast for an American network when I was in Berlin, but I helped to make it her last.

It is hard to prove treason. You have to have witnesses who actually saw the person in the act of broadcasting. When the Americans took over German radio our methods were far different. We used a proved weapon—the truth.

U. S. Controls Air Facilities

When active military operations changed over to occupation, the Information Control division laid down a three-point program. The plan was negative at first—the wiping out of all Nazi media, including radio, to make way for American media.

Next came actual broadcasting. The early broadcasts were very stark and stern. Decrees, regulations, warnings to the people. No concerts, no plays, no music. Now we are in phase two and the Germans are finding more variety along the radio dial. Entertainment, as well as news and education, is being provided by the ICD.

The third phase will begin when German radio stations are turned over to the Germans themselves, much as the newspapers have been allowed to operate under German direction under license. A military government official examines and criticizes the newspaper after it appears. Presumably, radio programs will be supervised in roughly the same manner.

The first station to be taken over by the Americans was Radio Luxembourg. It was in pretty good shape, for the Germans had left in too much of a hurry to do any big-scale demolition.

Next station to go to work for the army was Frankfurt; then Stuttgart; then Munich. When I was in Germany, because of trouble with land lines, the Munich-Stuttgart-Frankfurt network was not running regularly. Perhaps it is now.

Radio is supported in Germany as it was before the war, by a tax on each set. Why, I asked, couldn't a radio owner conceal his set and thus get out of paying the tax? I was told there was no danger of that. If anyone concealed the fact he had a radio, his jealous neighbors would tell on him. The Nazi squealing habit is still strong in Germany.

All programs at present are in the German language, except for a few in Polish for displaced persons in camps. There is a large proportion of factual world news broadcast and an increasing number of German musical programs.

On the educational side, there are talks by German officials, and American military government men. Some jazz and swing, and lately, plays. The program periods have been running as long as 45 minutes which seems a long time for American radio fans—and now they are being extended to one hour.

Poll Reaction Of Audience

At first it wasn't easy to find out whether Germans liked what they were getting on the ICD schedule of broadcasts. Fan letters, the barometers of approval and disapproval

in America, were banned up until December of last year. However, reactions are coming in now, as the ICD conducts many secret radio polls—employing the methods of polltakers in this country. The surveys which I saw indicated that, on the whole, the programs are popular with the Germans—with certain reservations.

Take factual world news, for example. Germans are anxious to hear this, but they don't always understand it. For 12 years they have been taught to be suspicious of all news. And yet, in spite of this skepticism, they are so saturated with the propaganda idea that in some cases they don't like facts.

This came out in a conference with teenagers who said they preferred the Russian broadcasts to ours. Asked why, they said there was too much propaganda in ours.

I went over this answer with one of the psychological experts. He explained it this way: straight news without comment forces the listener to think for himself. This disturbs the German teenager, and he blames the program, calling it "propaganda."

English grammar lessons far outrun American music as radio favorites in Germany. All Germans want to learn English. This desire seems to stem from the long-range hope that some day America's gates will be open, and from the opportunistic feeling that the conquered can get along better with the conqueror if they're both talking the same language.

Zionists Wary Of Russians

For years, contending European nations have battled for the friendship and support of the Arabs. This struggle was intensified when, long before World War I, the Germans started their "drang nach Osten" and the British heightened their efforts to placate the Arabs in order to protect their empire's life-lines and to prevent a spread of a disaffection to the Moslems of India.

Now Russia steps into the picture. Reports from Baghdad tell us of the spread of communistic sympathies throughout the Middle East. And the Jews of Palestine find their troubles increasing.

The announcement of Britain's granting of independence to Trans-Jordania heightened Zionist resentment, for Trans-Jordan is a part of Greater Palestine and was supposed to be included in the territory allotted to the National Jewish home.

The Zionists claim the British action is part of a scheme to prevent the United Nations from creating a trusteeship of Greater Palestine which would include Trans-Jordan, as the old League of Nations mandate did. They also make the charge that the purpose is "to thwart Jewish rights by bolstering pro-Axis forces."

The Zionists feel too that Russia is playing a similar game. They point out the inconsistency of making friends with the Arabs, whose party leader in Palestine, Jamal Hussein, is calling for the reinstatement of the Grand Mufti, a Hitler collaborator.

In his testimony before the British-American inquiry committee Hussein said: "Germany was not our enemy and therefore we had no interest in the war," adding: "I've read somewhere that it was a Jewish war."

The Zionists believe they have discovered an additional reason for Russian animosity toward their efforts in Palestine. Like most of the causes of racial and other ructions, it is fear. They say that the Soviets are afraid that if the Palestine colony becomes a success it will prove an entering wedge for western capitalism in the Near East. There is really nothing in common between the feudal, unprogressive Arab world and the economic and social principles represented by the Soviet system. The Arabs can't do the Soviets any harm but they could be used, the Zionists say, to hamstring what might become a live and up-and-coming Jewish nation imbued with capitalistic ideas, operating too close for communistic comfort.

Mrs. Jones Needed To Be Prepared!

The book salesman knocked at the door of the Jones' residence. Mrs. Jones appeared, and, upon seeing the canvasser, said quite firmly: "Nothing today!"

"But madam," he insisted, "I have something here that is bound to interest you. In fact, you cannot do without it. It's 'The Husband's Friend, or One Hundred Reasons for Staying Out Late.'"

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### Barnhart News

By MRS. ALMA TARVIN

Mrs. Bode Owens was hostess when the Sewing Club met last week in the P-TA kitchen. The Easter motif was carried out in games, decorations and favors. Games were played and Mrs. Claude Becton and Mrs. D. W. Burks won prizes. Refreshments were served to Misses Roy Collins, Edd Graston, W. W. Kessler, D. W. Burks, E. C. Tarvin, Claud Becton, Clyde Parry, R. S. Neal, T. E. Strother, Fred Kessler, Jene Linthicum, Nancy Croxdale, Floyd Ridley, Fred Elkins, A. C. Hinde, Parry and Misses Lucy Ann Hinde, Ethyl McCleery and Jewel

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#### Sides Barber Shop

Gideon. Mr. and Mrs. Bruce J. Everetts are announcing the arrival of a new son born in a San Angelo hospital Thursday April the 4th. He has been named Richard J. and weighs 9 1-4 pounds. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Roy Collins of Barnhart and great grandfather is C. L. Asberry of Mertzon. Mrs. Everetts will join her husband as soon as possible in Los Angeles, where they are to make their home since his discharge from service.

Supt. T. E. Strother has completed the scholastic census for the year and has an enrollment of 65. We have 3 new pupils enrolled this week. They are Margie Coffee, a junior in high school, who comes from Big Lake school, and Vance Lee and Don Gentry who come from a school in Virginia.

At the business meeting of the P-TA held in the school auditorium this week Mrs. Louise Atkins was elected president for the coming year. Mrs. Rance Brunson, vice president and Mrs. Lorene Parry, secretary-treasurer. It was voted for Mr. Strother to go ahead and order the awards for the ball teams, which are to be jackets. Plans were made for the Ball banquet to be held Friday, April 19th.

Mr. and Mrs. Coffee and daughter.

Margie, have moved into the Tom Harris house here. We welcome them to our town.

Some excitement was created Friday when E. C. Tarvin uncovered a rattlesnake among some papers under his desk in the Magnolia Service Station.

Mr. and Mrs. Hermon Moore and Mr. and Mrs. Gus Ethege have made several fishing trips here lately but haven't reported any luck.

Clyde Parry, who operates the Texaco Station in Barnhart has added a line of ranchmen's needs to his business such as saddles, bridles, blankets and such.

Little Joe Davis burned his hands severely Thursday, when he placed them both on the hot gas stove. He was treated at Ozona by Dr. Tandy.

Mrs. T. E. Hamm has been going through the Clinic recently for a thorough check up.

The soldiers barracks have been sold by the government, and torn down and moved. They were bought by a San Angelo bidder. Only recently all the old bomb 'hulls' were loaded out and sold. They were loaded by J. Wright, contractors, and shipped to the Hutchison Pipe and Waste Material Co. of Fort Worth. There were 31 car loads, averaging 15 tons each, or 465 tons all together. They were picked up by the service men and piled near the tracks, being gathered from the bombing targets around Barnhart.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Springston are at home here in the Taylor Apartments. They are the new owners of the Barnhart Drug Store. The Drug Store is undergoing considerable repair and re-modeling, and will be modernized throughout. Mr. and Mrs. Springston are from Big Lake and we heartily welcome them to our town.

Jene Linthicum and Boss Neal were re-elected to the school board in the trustee election here Saturday. Other members on the board are Bart Westfall, president; Lit Caruthers, Campbell Hinde, Raymond Greenhill and Clyde Parry.

Mrs. Lorene Parry, Mrs. Sam Jeffries and Mrs. E. C. Tarvin chapter-

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oned a group of the young people to the show at Big Lake Sunday night to see "State Fair." They were Leon Atkins and Janie Jeffries, Clinton Tarvin and Virama Strother, Sammie Jeffries and Joy Westfall, R. S. Neal and Margie Coffee, James and Janette Parry.

There will be a cemetery clean up Saturday, April 13th. This should be of interest to every one in town, as it is everybody's duty to keep the cemetery clean. Don't wait for some one else to start it, but appoint yourself a committee of one to do your part. Hoes, rakes, shovels, forks or anything to work with, should be brought along. Work is to start Saturday morning.

Mrs. L. I. Benton returned home Tuesday from a San Angelo hospital. Her mother, Mrs. E. B. Van de Liew of Eola, will be with her while she recuperates.

Miss Eunice Nell Girvin, sophomore in Baylor University, Waco, spent last week end in Greenville with Miss Martha Majors. Miss Majors' father is pastor of the Lamar Baptist Church there. Miss Girvin also attended Miss Katherine Horn's wedding, assisting at the reception.

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It Happened in Illinois



By EDWARD EMERINE  
WNU Features

IT WAS a hot day the late summer of 1673 when Father Marquette and Louis Joliet with their party, after a futile journey down the Mississippi, came back up a stream later known as the Illinois river to claim the land for the glory of France and to convert the heathen for the glory of God. That event introduced Illinois to modern history books, but long, long before that...

A great inland sea lay over all of Illinois, with huge sharks and armored fishes swimming in it. Ages later, the sea levels were lowered, and there were vast coastal marshes with forests of tall fern trees. Decaying vegetation fell into black water to be compressed and hardened and later to become coal. Eventually the sea dried up, and out of the north came the cold wind to change the tropical climate of Illinois.

Growing glaciers moved southward, crunching and grinding, until there was a sheet of ice covering all but a small tip of the state. Birds and animals retreated before it, or died.

And then came a day when Illinois lay in the sun again, wet and muddy and smooth. Plants reappeared. Grass grew luxuriantly, new kinds of trees sprang up. Lakes were changed to marshes, and marshes transformed into prairies.

By and by, men came to live along the rivers and bury their dead in mounds. Known as mound dwellers, they were followed by others whom we know as Indians. In those days, herds of bison roamed the lush prairies and drank from the mud-holes.

In 1671, La Salle crossed the portage from the Chicago to the Illinois river — probably the first white man to visit Illinois. He later fortified a camp near the present site of Peoria, which he called Fort Crevecoeur.

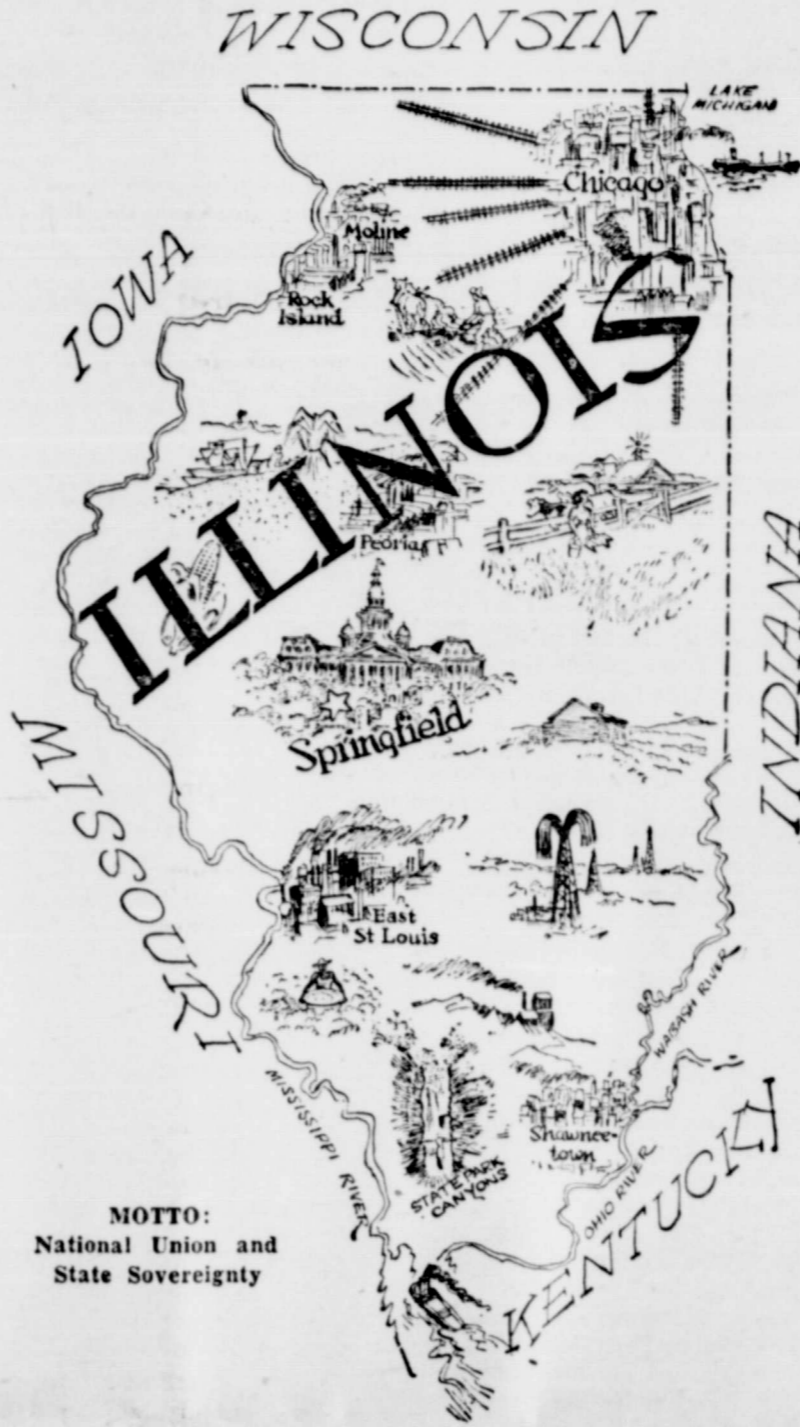
About 1700 two settlements were formed by Indians, wandering traders and missionaries — one at Kaskaskia, the other at Cahokia. In 1717, these settlements were annexed to the province of Louisiana,



DWIGHT H. GREEN  
Governor of Illinois

as the district of Illinois. The name "Illinois" was derived from Illini, a confederation of Indian tribes. In 1720, Fort Chartres and three new villages were established by the French, and the entire district was put under a military commandant.

By the treaty of Paris in 1763, Illinois was ceded to the English, but they couldn't take possession until they made a treaty with Chief Pontiac two years later. Then Illinois became a part of Quebec province in 1774. It was not until 1783 that it was formally ceded to the United States, and then largely because an expedition of Virginians under Gen. George Rogers Clark resulted in virtual conquest of the region. Virginia, Massachusetts and Connecticut all held claims to Illinois at one time, but finally ceded their interests to the United States, and the region became a part of the Northwest Territory.



MOTTO:  
National Union and State Sovereignty

From 1800 to 1809, however, the state we know as Illinois was a part of Indiana territory! It was then organized as the territory of Illinois, the seat of government being at Kaskaskia. The first territorial legislature convened in 1812, and Illinois was admitted to the Union in 1818. Shadrach Bond was the first governor.

Serious Indian troubles beset those who ventured early into Illinois. The Sacs and Foxes were eventually moved across the Mississippi river in 1823, and Black Hawk was defeated in 1832. Settlement then proceeded rapidly.

Chicago, the state's greatest city and second in size of all American cities, was almost left out of Illinois. When Illinois became a full-fledged state, a strip of land 51 miles wide was added to the northern boundary of the original territorial limits. Today this strip of land, with its Lake Michigan shoreline, contains 55 per cent of the state's population—and Chicago!

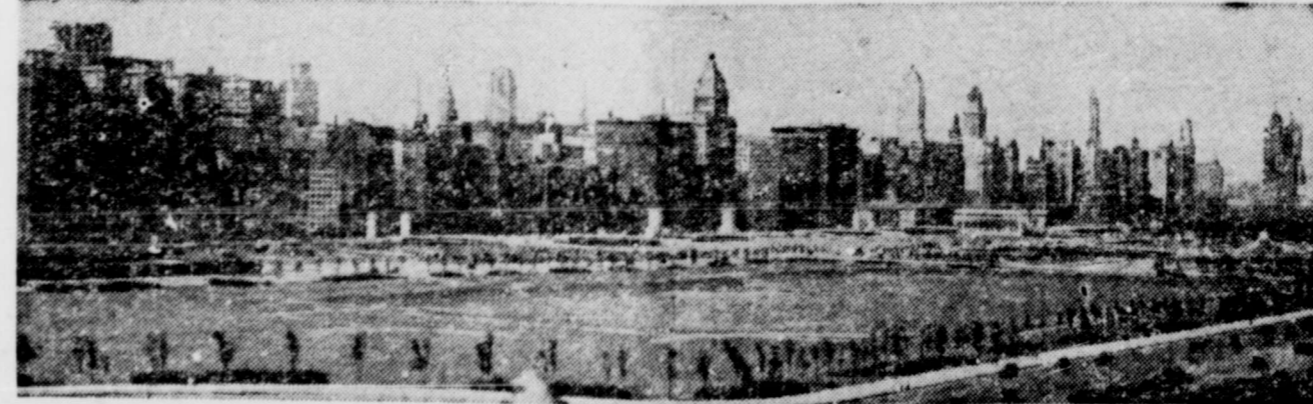
A lot has happened in Illinois. Joseph Smith, the founder of the Mormon church, was killed at Nauvoo in 1844. The Illinois and Michigan canal was built in 1848, and the Illinois Central railroad was constructed from 1850 to 1856. In 1848, the state barred slavery, and there followed the historic debates of Abraham Lincoln and Stephen A. Douglas. Illinois sent 214,133 soldiers into the field during the Civil war. In 1871 occurred the great Chicago fire, and the railroad and Haymarket riots took place soon after. Chicago was host to the World's Columbian exposition in 1893, and to the Century of Progress exposition in 1933-34. And there was, of course, the gang warfare of prohibition days!

In Illinois, John Deere gave to the world the steel plow. Wild Bill Hickok, the western sheriff, was born south of Mendota. Ulysses S. Grant was an Illinois cobbler when the Civil war broke out. At Starved Rock, a band of Indians starved to death rather than surrender to their enemies. Headed by the Harpe brothers, an outlaw gang used Cave in Rock on the Ohio river as headquarters. One of the oldest settlements in the state, Shawneetown, was recently moved in its entirety to higher ground to escape flood waters. Vandalia was once the capital of the state, before Springfield was selected. Indian mounds, built basketful by basketful of earth, carried by man, may be seen at Cahokia.

The list grows long. All happened in Illinois, where Abraham Lincoln split rails, kept a store, and wooed Ann Rutledge.

With an elevation of 267 feet at Cairo and 1,241 at Charles Mound, Illinois is covered for the most part with a deep layer of glacial drift, but in the river bottoms are deposits of alluvial silt, forming a rich loam of unusual fertility. It is a land of corn and grain, fat livestock and fine homes. In the south part of the state, known as "Egypt," is an extension of the Ozarks, with fruit orchards, coal mines, scenic grandeur. There's Jo Daviess county in the northwestern part with beautiful Apple River canyon. Everywhere in Illinois are landmarks hallowed by the name of Abraham Lincoln.

A lot of things have happened in Illinois — enough, in fact, to make it one of the great livestock, dairy, farming, mining, oil-producing and industrial states of the Union, nor does it lack in the development of education, science, literature and art. It is truly a great state. Its people made it that way.



Chicago is America's second largest city. Above is skyline from the lake front.

Household Hints

Lacquer should not be applied to a varnished surface until the varnish has first been removed.

Honey or maple syrup mixed with whipped cream makes an excellent "topper" for baked apples.

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Our new coach, Mr. W. H. Malphurs, has arrived to begin spring training in football. Mr. Malphurs is a 1938 graduate of Sam Houston State Teachers' College. He coached at Gruber High School and Toyah High School prior to entering the military service as an aviation cadet in 1941. Mr. Malphurs was an army photographic officer for two years serving in Hawaii, Italy, Austria, and Germany.

He has an excellent record as an athlete having played several years of football, basketball, track, tennis, golf, volley ball and other sports. He was selected outstanding athlete at Kirtland Field, the world's largest bombardier school.

Mrs. Malphurs will also be a member of the faculty next fall. Welcome to Mertzon high school, Mr. and Mrs. Malphurs!

P.-T. A.  
 Mrs. McIntosh's room presented a

program of musical numbers when the Parent-Teacher Association met Monday afternoon in the high school auditorium. Other numbers on the program were a solo by Boyce Tankersley, and piano solos by Miss Bachle and Doris Tankersley. The primary room won the room count.

Mrs. Otis Deal reported from the Sixth District Conference, held in San Angelo in March, and Mr. McIntosh discussed briefly the subject of guidance programs in our public schools.

The following officers were elected to serve during the 1946-47 school year:

President, Mrs. Earl Steger; vice-president, Laura Jo Rhea; secretary, Natalie Sutton; treasurer, Mrs. J. T. Davis.

Installation services will be held at the next meeting, which will be May 13.

## SENIORS

We are all working toward our goal of a "1000 mile trip or bust". We worked every day after school last week, and we added approximately forty dollars to our class fund. Saturday we sold barbecue, cakes, and pies at the post office and cake and coffee at the school building, where the election was held. We made seventy-five dollars from these sales.

We wish to express our appreciation to our roommothers, other senior mothers, and all those who donated pies and cakes. We especially want to thank Mr. Haskell Cathey for donating the goats and Bill Freitag, Jr., for barbecuing them, as well as those of you who have made personal donations or have helped in any way to make our projects successful!

## PRIMARY ROOM

Annie Lou is sick; we shall be glad when she returns to school. Carol Crews and Douglas Farris were absent a few days last week because of illness. We are happy to have them back this week.

Donald A. Burney visited school Friday. He will make a nice school boy next year.

The second grade made a booklet on Good Health last week. We appreciate Mrs. Goodall letting us have the magazines from which to cut pictures.

## THIRD AND FOURTH GRADES

Robert Freeman spent last week end with his parents in Big Lake. Sylvia Smith spent last week in Pyote visiting her aunt. Several of the children were in San Angelo last Saturday to see the Army Day parade.

Jayne Rose Hargrave and Dale Tankersley won the spelling awards for the last six weeks.

## BUZZIN' AROUND

Seen at the Oak Grove Friday night after the recital were Jean, Betty (Moore or less), Margie, Joy, Punk, Blue, Janie, Peg, Billie, Dick and Kathryn, Stokie and Midge, and Joe Robert.

Betty Moore, who recently moved to Big Lake, was down for the week end.

Everyone almost fell over when Joe Robert Thorp came in Friday night. He has been overseas for eight months and has a 10 day leave. Welcome back!

Going to Abilene Saturday to attend the Area Meet were Kathryn Evans, Frances Carr, Janie McFarlane, and Roy Shilling, Jr. Kathryn won second in declamation, and Roy, Jr. and the typing team had no competition. We hear that Janie had an excellent chance to win her tennis matches, but she was afraid she would miss the senior trip if she had to take part in another meet. Roy, Jr. and the typing team will enter the regional meet in Abilene tomorrow.

## THE STINGER

Margie, did "Ixie" enjoy the recital Friday night?

Stokie, did you have fun Sunday afternoon, also?

Mrs. Philips still has stars in her eyes and says "happy" isn't the word for it!

Wonder why four girls' arms were blue Monday. Couldn't be because a shotgun kicked them?

Joe Robert, do you honestly know what you want—to be a "free man" or vice versa?

Margaret, we loved your combination bathing suit!

What was wrong, Elizabeth? Couldn't you make it over the bridge?

Mr. McIntosh, yellow socks and barefoot sandals do become you so!

Does anyone know just why Joe Robert's uniform got so dusty?

Modell, do dreams come true or what?

Has anyone noticed corns on the hands of the seniors?

Did anybody notice Miss Fowler's breezy attitude Friday night?

Wonder if "Poppa" really thought you had to pay your admission to the recital!

Say, what about "Blue's" "Charlie" acquaintance from Fort Stockton?

Everybody beware of the Bird family! We hear one of its members has the mumps!

Mary Jo, why were you so happy Monday? Could it be because you were wearing La Von's watch?

Why does Joan Lackey like to play Hide-and-Go-Seek at night?

Darrel, why do you always pick on Lou Ann?

Wonder what two sophomores have been flirting with Joann Cathey. Could it be Harvey and Roy?

"Punk," did you really think you

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How do you like the combination of "Blue's" red hair and "Punk's" blue eyes. We think there is a new song about it.

J. W. Hargrave made a business trip to Lubbock last Saturday.

Mrs. Tom Wilson of the Bar-S Ranch shopped in Mertzon Wednesday.

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Martin M. Ricker, executive secretary of the Texas Society for Crippled Children, sponsors of the sale.

Proceeds from the Easter Seal Sale are used in locating handicapped children, providing medical care, crutches and wheelchairs and rehabilitation to those who otherwise could not receive this necessary care. The Society also conducts a campaign for the prevention of crippling diseases. Every Texan who has not already sent a contribution for the seals is urged to do so at once and to use the seals on all cor-

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The Merit System Council, serving the Texas Unemployment Compensation Commission, the United States Employment Service and the State Department of Public Welfare, is announcing May 11, 1946, as the date for competitive examinations for nine different positions for which qualified workers are urgently needed in these State agencies. The positions for which examinations will be given are Junior Claims Examiner, Claims Interviewer, Field Worker, Child Welfare Worker, Clerk, Junior Stenographer, Apprentice Clerk, Clerk-Typist, and Bookkeeping Machine Operator. The entrance salaries for these positions range from \$1380 for Junior Stenographer to \$2046 for Field Worker. Meritorious service in these positions may be rewarded by increases in salary and promotions in rank.

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S. T. Brister  
Willis Burke  
W. B. Rayburn

For County Commissioner, Precinct No. 2:  
Joe Thorp  
Andy Bradford  
Tyson Gentry

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# TURNING POINT

By Mary Imlay Taylor



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**THE STORY THUS FAR:** Mac tells Sherwin that Jane is going to marry Stenhart. "I think she will not," he replied. Solemnly Mac stated that the sheriff had a picture of "someone that's wanted." Sheriff Cutler had shown the picture to Jim too. Murder, first degree, escaped from Rhode Island. "I don't think he's around these parts," Jim replied. Jane too saw the picture, and Stenhart panted: "Don't let him kill me!" Sherwin admitted to Jane that he was the man they wanted. Jim advised him to "melt away." Feeling like an outcast, Sherwin goes to Old Mac's shack where the foreman has a meal ready for him. "Aint no use starvin'," says Mac.

## CHAPTER VI

"Do you know why I'm wanted?" Sherwin asked, still standing. The old fellow nodded. "Seen th' paper you had in your pocket, Sherwin. You'd marked the description, and it dropped t'other day an' I saw it. Th' sheriff talked some, too, when we were goin' to look for th' place where Jordan jumped the creek. I ain't askin' questions. You sit down an' eat."

"You said a while ago—when you were tending my arm—that—Miss Keller was to marry Stenhart. Is that true?"

MacDowell considered, pulling on his pipe. "I've heard Jim say so. You don't like Stenhart?"

"He's my cousin and his testimony sent me to jail for life," said Sherwin, and his voice shook. "He lied. He lied me out of the way for fear I'd break our uncle's will. He got everything."

"An' you're accused of killin' th' uncle because he'd cut you off, ain't that it?"

The latter nodded. "The old story," he said shortly. "Uncle was killed in the garden. He was stabbed while he slept on the old bench by the cedars. I'd just found him when Max came in the gate; he'd been up the street at the newsstand. He swore I had the knife in my hand. It was perjury but he got away with it. Uncle and I had had a difference the day before, and people knew of it. That went against me, and Max swore me into jail for life. That's all."

Mac was silent for a while, then he grunted. "Did you tell Jim about it?"

Sherwin laughed bitterly. "He wouldn't believe me if I did! The jury didn't. I've served eight years. I was twenty-two when I was sentenced. Ever been in jail?"

The old man looked across under the lamplight again; something in the white face opposite moved him deeply. Sherwin was a stranger, he was an escaped convict, yet—

"Don't do it, son," old Mac said gently.

Sherwin, startled, raised his bloodshot eyes to his. "You know?"

"I reckon I do!"

Sherwin rose and began to walk about the room. "I came out here to find him. He wasn't in his usual haunts in the city—so they told me—and I'd tracked him patiently, tracked him to Keller's ranch, when I stumbled into your accident and motored you here. It was pure luck, I thought, to get here so easily—with-out credentials, too!"

"Th' sheriff'll be around here for a spell, maybe thirty-six hours. You can't hardly miss him if you try to get out now; some of 'em will meet up with you. I tell you what I'll do—you come along with me now, before moonrise, an' I'll fix you up. I've just been figurin' it out."

Sherwin stopped in his pacing and looked at him, strangely touched. "How about Keller? He wanted me to get out at once."

"You ain't goin' to stay on th' ranch; you follow me." Mac picked up the food-pack and opened the door.

A sudden gust of wind blew out the lamp. In the dark Sherwin pressed his hands over his eyes; he was trying to shut out Jane's face! "We're goin' to th' stables; ain't no one there, an' we can saddle up." "I can't take a horse from here!" Sherwin exclaimed sharply.

"Easy, son, I'll lend you mine to-night," said Mac. "I can ride one of the ranch horses; we ain't goin' so terrible far."

They went to the stables and old MacDowell brought out the horses. Sherwin hated to lay a hand on one of them but he mounted when the old man told him the roan was his own property. Silently, after that, they rode past the ranch-house and out on to the twisting mountain road. Five miles up in the redwoods they passed the limits of Las Palomas. The wind from the hills grew cold, but the sky was brightening; the highest peaks were already touched with moonlight. Sherwin turned in his saddle and looked down. Below him lay the ranch; he could just see the lights in the house, mere pin-points of brightness. Darkness, like

a velvet cloak, had fallen on the valley. He drew a deep breath. Jane was there, Jane, who had repudiated him with her chill look, and Stenhart! His hand clenched. Stenhart's lie had sent him to prison, it pursued him still. Resolve was hardening in him, he could not go until he had killed him. He rode on again but, all the while, he was aware of those lights down there in the darkness. He had lived eight years in prison but he was still young. The girl's eyes, her voice, her soft hands on his wounded arm, had kindled a flame; now the flame was made fiercer, more terrible, by jealousy. Stenhart was with her!

Then suddenly he was roused from his fierce reverie. Old Mac drew rein.

"Get down," he said briefly. "We can hobble th' horses, we've got to hoof it the rest of the way."

The moon was rising over the top of the mountains as Sherwin swung himself out of the saddle. They had



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left the road and were on a mountain trail; great trees surrounded them, their spreading boughs making a dense shade through which the rising moon shot, here and there, an arrowhead of light. MacDowell led, and, as they advanced, the almost imperceptible trail grew narrower, tree-trunks of gigantic size locked them in; far off was the sound of rushing water, a mere murmur at their ears.

"Walk slow," Mac cautioned him, "th' path's mighty narrow in front now an' a mite treacherous. We're coming to the edge of a precipice, ain't nothing to save you if you fall."

"I hear water somewhere," said Sherwin.

"Mighty pretty little cascade below us, 'bout two hundred feet. It's too far down for th' moonlight to strike it yet—mind th' turn now—there, you can see th' drop, it's mighty steep."

They stood on a narrow ledge. Some convulsion of nature had long ago ripped the side of the slope. Behind them was a bit of sheer rock; on either side the great trees stopped and there was only a narrow path at the edge of a deep ravine. Far down a turbulent little river roared over the broken rocks and tumbled from a high cliff into the depth below. The moonlight revealed a sheer precipice with nothing reaching out from it but one old, gnarled tree.

"A mighty bad place to slip, Sherwin said musingly; "easy to thrust a man over there—to his death!"

Sherwin felt the hot blood burn in his face; how easily the old man had read his mind!

Mac stopped now and pointed, ignoring what he had just said.

"Th' cabin's hid in there—among them trees. I built it most forty years ago. I hadn't no health those days; doc said I'd got to live out, up here in the redwoods, so I knocked up th' shack. There used to be mighty good shootin' an' fishin'. It's stood weather better'n I expected. There ain't anybody knows about it—except Jane; she saw it once, I fetched her up here. You can camp here safe enough till I bring you word where Cutler's gone."

Sherwin, looking ahead into the dense shadows of the mountainside, saw a light. Both men stood still, electrified.

"By gosh!" Mac caught at his companion's arm and gripped it, listening. "I'm darned if Jordan ain't up here—sure as shootin' he whispered."

"In your cabin?" Sherwin smiled grimly, loosening his pistol in the shoulder holster.

MacDowell cautioned him to silence with a gesture and they both crept forward. As they did so, Sherwin discerned the outline of a little cabin set in under a sycamore. A rectangle of light appeared, the door was open! Softly, step by step, the two men approached, keeping in the shadow. Sherwin slipped behind the house and looked in the window. A man was sitting on the floor, smoking and reading a newspaper by the light of a candle. It was the outlaw! Sherwin signaled to MacDowell and the old man came softly over and looked in. The man was an easy mark, but they did not shoot, both loved fair play too well. Making a sign to Mac, Sherwin went quickly toward the thicker shadows of the trees in front of the cabin, then, deliberately and slowly, he began to tramp down dry twigs and make the noise a man might make in carelessly approaching from the woods back of the ravine. The sounds reached the rustler's ears. He extinguished the candle and stepped outside the door.

"That you, Kenny?"

For answer Sherwin sprang forward, pistol in hand, and old Mac emerged from behind the cabin with a roar.

"We've got you now, you skunk!" he shouted.

The outlaw dodged, dropped to his knees, rolled over like a ball and went spinning down the slope, Sherwin's bullet speeding after him. A sailing cloud suddenly obscured the moon and, in the darkness, a gun flashed below them and a bullet whistled past. They heard a scrambling fall. Sherwin fired again into the dark, a man cursed and silence followed.

"Darn that cloud, I can't see a thing!" old Mac whispered. "You think Jordan's down there, Sherwin?"

Sherwin, who had gone to the edge of the ravine and came back after the last shot, answered as softly. "Yes! I can hear him scramble—I'm hanged if I know how he got away without falling over the precipice! There comes the moon—back out of range or he'll pick you off, MacDowell!"

They both stepped back into the shadow of the cabin and waited, expecting a rush by Jordan and his confederates, but nothing happened. Far below them they heard a twig snap and some gravel slide.

"Comin', I reckon!" Mac whispered. Sherwin shook his head. "Still going, the same man. Very likely he's gone for help."

"That's true, ain't any use stayin' here to be shot at!" As he spoke he felt his way into the cabin.

"Want to risk lighting the candle?" Sherwin asked him from the door. "I've got matches."

"Nope! We'd be targets sure then. I can see from th' moon Where you goin'?"

"I'm going to stay here."

"You'll have to give th' cabin up, son; you'd have a batch of them rustlers to fight—if he comes back."

"And the sheriff on the road," Sherwin replied grimly.

"That's true!" Mac thought a moment. "I say, Sherwin, you'd better just keep under the trees for th' night an' skip at daybreak. The posse'll be most likely tired an' restin' in'. You'll get some hours start anyway."

Sherwin nodded. He had other plans, but he would not tell them. He grasped the old man's hand. "Come, I'm going to see you off safe with the horses, then I'll come back here quietly."

Mac protested, grumbling, but he finally let the younger man accompany him to the road. His lame arm still made the old man more or less awkward. Sherwin helped him get the two horses and saw him mount.

"You skip at daybreak," Mac said kindly, and leaned from the saddle to hold out his hand again. "I don't believe you did it," he ended brusquely.

Sherwin wrung his hand and stood under the trees, watching him go. The old man's blunt sympathy and active help had touched him to the quick. He watched until the old figure in the saddle and the two horses became mere specks on the white road toward Las Palomas.

(TO BE CONTINUED)

# AROUND THE HOUSE

To make mends in sweaters or jersey dresses invisible, use a rocket hook to make chain stitches to duplicate the appearance of the knitted fabric.

Dip dusty wax flowers in warm water containing a little baking soda now and then to keep them clean.

To get curtain tiebacks fastened straight, pull window shades down to desired length and fasten the tiebacks in line with the bottom of the shades.

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"Get accurate advice on your Old-age and Survivors Insurance benefits", Elliott W. Adams, manager of the San Angelo office of the Social Security

Board, said today. Inaccurate advice from well meaning friends may cost retired workers money. The same kind of advice also may be keeping benefit checks from widows, children and parents of workers who die, Mr. Adams

said.

Mr. Adams advised that each worker who is 65 or over and has been working in covered employment should get in touch with the nearest office of the Social Security Board as soon as he quits his job. If he is qualified for benefits, the Board will assist him in filing a claim.

Similarly when a worker dies, the widow or other close relative should immediately contact the Social Security Board field office where complete assistance will be given in filing a claim for survivors' benefits, Mr. Adams said. Contacts may be made by personal visit, by letter or by telephone.

Several retired workers who have delayed filing their claims have informed the Board that friends had told them they were not eligible, Mr. Adams said. "The best thing to do," he added, "is to come to our office and secure correct information."

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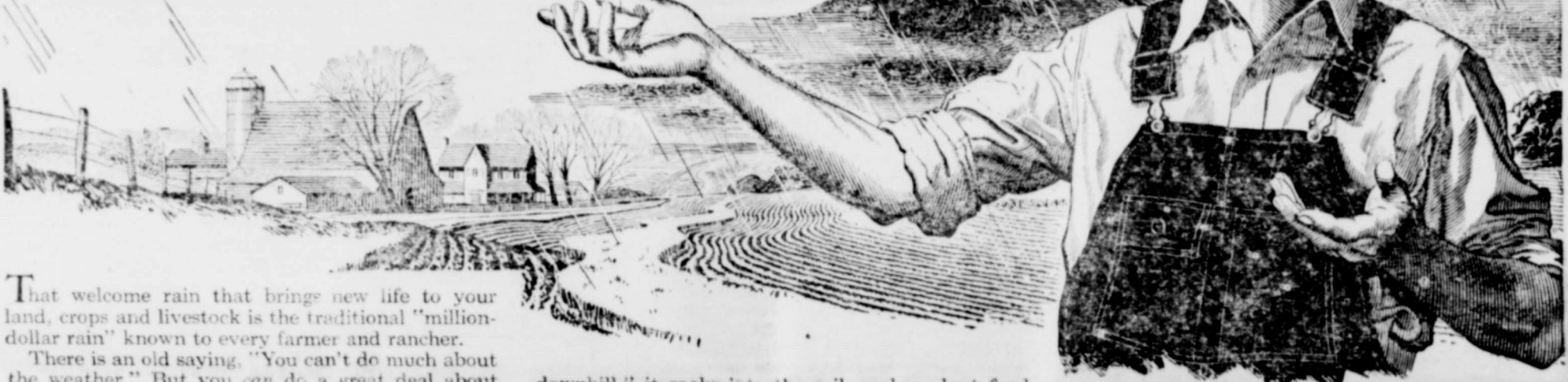
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they may continue to earn credits toward benefits after reaching age 65, or that they may work in covered employment, even after benefits start, without sacrificing their retirement insurance rights," Mr. Adams said.

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### WORTH THINKING ABOUT

In view of the recent talk about the business, profits, etc., of the meat packers, it's worth remembering the basic economics of all businesses in this country.

To be successful, any business must do four things—1) it must purchase its raw materials at prices comparable to the prices paid by its competitors; 2) through know-how, efficiency, good operating, it must manufacture products of comparable quality at a manufacturing cost no higher than that of its competitors; 3) in doing this, it must pay its workers wage rates comparable to the going wage-scale paid by others; 4) and it must sell its product at prices that a large part of the public is willing and able to pay.

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### WHAT DO YOU KNOW!

What is the meaning of the expression "farming on the level"?

With what groups of people must a meat packing company like Swift & Company co-operate to operate successfully?

Who must earn a fair profit for the livestock-and-meat industry to operate?

Why is it important to make water "walk downhill"?

Answers to these questions may be found in the various articles which are printed elsewhere on this page.

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### THE EDITOR'S COLUMN

In addition to being a business corporation, Swift & Company is people—62,000 folks like you and me who have pooled their savings to build a business. These savings are invested in plants and equipment, in livestock and other raw materials, and in all the many things that make up Swift & Company.

Without people there could be no business, no Swift & Company. There must be people (shareholders) to supply the capital; others (farmers and ranchers) to supply the raw materials; many thousands (employees) who work with their heads and hands for the company; and the millions of consumers who buy the meat and other products.

The success of a business enterprise depends on how these various groups of people get along together. In other words, there must be goodwill and cooperation between the owners of Swift & Company and livestock producers, employees, and the company's customers.

To maintain goodwill we know that Swift & Company must: 1) pay fair prices for raw materials, including livestock; 2) pay a good day's pay for a good day's work; 3) provide the money to keep plants and facilities efficient; 4) pay Federal, State and Municipal taxes; 5) earn a profit to give our owners a fair return on their invested savings.

The management of Swift & Company recognizes this five-fold responsibility to the various groups of people who make our business. It is to their interest that we manage our business efficiently, that we earn a sufficient profit to let us continue contributing to the well-being of more and more people.

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### BRED TO MEET PRODUCER NEEDS

By E. J. WARWICK, The State College of Washington

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When the Western sheep industry began shifting from a "one-crop" industry—wool—to production of both lambs and wool, the need for a true breeding type of sheep, combining the vigor, hardiness and flocking instinct of the fine wool types, with the size, prolificacy, and desirable carcass characteristics of the mutton types, was clearly indicated. Recognizing this need, U. S. Department of Agriculture scientists began developing such a breed from crosses between Rambouillet ewes (a fine wool type), and Lincoln rams (a mutton type).

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## GERMAN ASSETS: Uncovered in Spain

Enjoying the co-operation of the Franco government, the U. S. and Britain, acting for the Allied control council, have uncovered more than 100 million dollars in German assets in Spain and taken possession as the ruling force of the vanquished reich.

Included in the assets are controlling shares in extensive holding companies; 30 ships and other facilities of three shipping companies; 100 buildings; gold worth \$1,125,000; German paintings used for propaganda purposes, and a huge stock of champagne which was to be sold to obtain foreign exchange.

Discovery of stock of the Sociedad Financiera Industria in a vault under the German embassy in Madrid gave U. S. and British officials control over a far-flung holding company comprising 17 corporations. Organized at the beginning of the Spanish civil war to supply goods and munitions to Franco, the holding company was supported by the Nazis.

Among the German businesses taken over were makers of tires and rubber, medical and electrical equipment, electrical appliances, radio sets and telephones, and light bulbs. Krupp's extensive licensing of patents and processes at a 3 per cent royalty also were subject to Allied administration.

## FARM EXPERIMENT: Dropped by Ford

In line with its announced policy of abandoning activities not directly connected with the manufacture of automobiles, the Ford Motor company will dispose of 10,000 acres of farmland in Michigan originally acquired for experimenting in the adaptation of agricultural products to industrial use.

The company also decided to give up the model school project organized for the communities surrounding the huge land holdings. One-room schools were remodeled, kindergartens opened for three- and four-year-olds, and studies shaped to permit practical application of textbook teachings.

Under the new policy pushed by Henry Ford II, the company will not resume manufacture of some of its own tires and a tugboat used for Ford piers on the Detroit river has been sold. Operated by a foundation separate from the company, the Ford museum and Greenfield village will not be affected.

## Found: An Honest Man!



Honesty still is the best policy to Frank Barone, 71, who has worked hard operating a shoe repair shop in Chicago, Ill., for 40 years and knows the value of money. While reheeling some footwear for an unknown customer, the cobbler discovered \$1,100 in ten and twenty dollar bills stuffed deep inside the shoes. When the customer returned, Barone handed over \$1,090, insisting on withholding \$10 as a reward.

## PEARL HARBOR: Reopen Hearings

Pondering lengthy testimony on the Pearl Harbor disaster of December 7, 1941, the congressional committee named to investigate the catastrophe decided to reopen public hearings to obtain more detailed information from top military and naval officers as to their whereabouts on the evening preceding the attack.

Decision to call General Marshall, Admiral Stark and Rear Admiral Beardall back for questioning followed late testimony of Comdr. L. R. Schulz that President Roosevelt had sought to contact Stark on the night of December 6 after receipt of the first 13 parts of the Japanese message indicating a rupture in diplomatic relations.

While Marshall and Stark had told the committee they could not recall their whereabouts on the night of December 6, Schulz said that Mr. Roosevelt was informed that Stark was attending a theater. Beardall was said to have been dining with the late Admiral Wilkinson, chief of naval intelligence. Schulz's testimony may serve to refresh their memories, Committee Chairman Barkley said.

## IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL Lesson

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### Lesson for April 14

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### HOW JESUS' FRIENDS RESPONDED

LESSON TEXT—Mark 1:16-20; 5:18-20; 10:46, 52; Luke 5:27, 28. MEMORY SELECTION—He left all, rose up, and followed him.—Luke 5:28.

Friendship calls for an exchange of service, love and fellowship. The friends of Jesus responded to the warmth of His affection and the appeal of His call, and they gave themselves in life and service to Him.

Many in the church have forgotten that part of the friendship of Jesus Christ. They want to count Him as their friend, they expect much of Him; but they give little or nothing in return. Their love is cold, their service indifferent, their witness powerless.

Not every one of Jesus' friends is called to be a preacher or a teacher. Among the friends of Jesus

#### I. Some Became Preachers (Mark 1:16-20).

These men had met Jesus before (John 1:35-51), but now He was ready to make them "fishers of men."

Such a change was not an easy one to make. It meant the giving up of an established earthly calling, a place in the community, home life and family, for the service of the Lord. That was to bring persecution, ridicule, poverty and loneliness. But "straightway they forsook their nets."

Let the members of the church and pastors be on the alert to sense the call of God to young men and women to the ministry and to the mission field.

#### II. Others Became Followers (Mark 10:46, 52).

When Jesus came by, blind Bartimaeus began to cry, "Jesus, son of David have mercy on me" (v. 47). Many around him tried to hush his voice (v. 48), but he cried the more.

Through that babel of voices Jesus heard him, stopped and sent for him, and healed him. The ear of our Lord is always attuned to hear the cry of the one in need, and His heart is quick to respond to his call. He can hear the cry of the repentant sinner through all the confusing sounds of our day.

Bartimaeus became a "follower" of Jesus. He probably had no position in the church, no call to preach, but what a testimony he had. (cf. John 9:25).

Jesus needs simple, steady followers. Men and women with a plain, effective testimony of salvation. The army of the Lord is not made up of generals and officers only. Perhaps we have more of them than we need.

#### III. Some Stayed at Home (Mark 5:18-20).

This striking story of the deliverance of the mad man shows the importance of testimony at home. The people had asked Jesus to leave (v. 17) because in delivering the maniac He had caused some swine to go mad and run into the sea.

These men needed a witness, and the most effective possible word to them would come from the delivered demoniac. He wanted to go with Jesus, but at the Master's word he stayed at home.

It is hard to leave home and loved ones to go afar to witness for Jesus Christ, but sometimes it is easier to speak for Him in a strange land than at home. Even Jesus found no honor in His own city.

If you are called to witness for the Lord in the small circle of your own family or community, trust God to make that word for Jesus tremendously effective. He can do it!

#### IV. Others Left Home and Business (Luke 5:27, 28).

Levi—better known to us as Matthew—was "a member of that hated group of renegade Jews, who served the Roman invader and helped him in his cruel work of wringing extortionate taxes from the people" (Earl L. Douglass). As a result, he was rich and undoubtedly had a fine home and every desirable material possession.

He had come to know Jesus and when the call came suddenly to follow Jesus, he did not hesitate; but left all, and followed Jesus.

If Jesus really means everything to a man or a woman there is nothing in this world that can hold him back when Jesus calls. He is ready to go to the ends of the earth, and let whosoever will care for the business, his possessions, everything (cf. Matt. 19:29).

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2. What is the fiercest blow that can be struck by an animal?
3. If a ship is rated at 40,000 tons, how much water does it displace?
4. Which is larger, Texas or Alaska?
5. Why are refrigerated ships painted white?
6. What is the life of a one-dollar bill?

### The Answers

1. Yes, in certain parts of the world the land is far below sea level.
2. The stroke of a whale's tail, which can smash even a large boat.
3. It displaces 40,000 tons.
4. Alaska is more than twice the size of Texas.
5. To assist in reflecting the radiated heat of the sun away from the holds.
6. The life of a one-dollar bill is 9 months.



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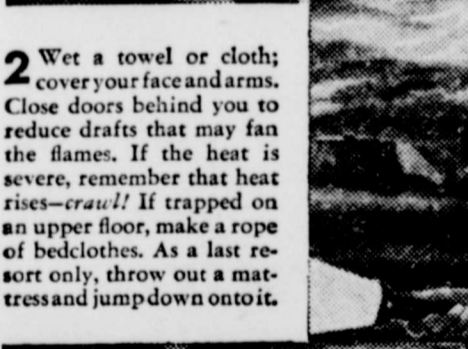
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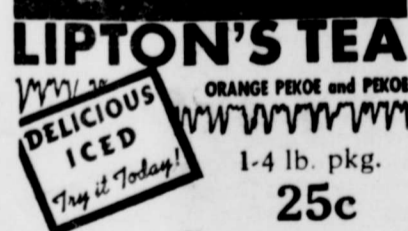
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