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I GIVE YOU TEXAS

By BOYCE HOUSE

Texas had had many colorful figures on the bench—like Judge Roy Bean, the saloonkeeper, and Emanuel Dubbs, the buffalo hunter—but history has rather slighted Colonel Smithers (we'll call him that), who was justice of the peace at Fort Griffin when that town was the liveliest spot on the frontier.

Justice Smithers was a former army officer. He held the rank of colonel during the War Between the States, but with the close of hostilities he had to step back to his permanent rank as lieutenant. He came to Fort Griffin for a tour of duty shortly after the war and after a time resigned and settled down near the fort to make a home.

The judge was well regarded in the community and when the citizens came to see the need of a justice of the peace he was elected to office without opposition—and held the post until the fort was abandoned and the Griffin 'Flat' became a country village.

The ex-colonel, so say those who knew him, was one of 'the boys,' always ready to take part in a game of chance, or go the rounds of the saloons—and more than once, after a festive night, he appeared on his bench in the morning sporting black eyes and a swollen countenance. But this didn't, in the least, interfere with his administration of justice.

Sitting back in his chair, he would assess a fine on his comrades of the night before without the slightest hesitation, notwithstanding their looks of astonishment and their muttered comments. But they knew better than to protest too openly for the Colonel used more than law books to back up his decisions.

He kept in the pigeon holes of his desk—prominently placed so that all might behold—an ornate brass-barreled horse pistol and a long-bladed Turkish knife, and when the effects of too much firewater made some of his defendants obstreperous, Smithers emphasized his decisions by letting his right hand rest near the butt of the pistol or the haft of the knife. It seemed that the weapons—commonly called "The Colonel's peacemakers"—had the desired effect for the justice never had to use them. The big horse pistol became almost legendary.

As one cowboy described it:—"The Colonel mows prairie grass for his hen nests with that gun. He just fills it to the muzzle with bird shot, then steps down into a gulch so that his arm can come on a level with the grass, then gives a sweeping motion as he pulls the trigger and down goes the grass."

Anyhow, such stories were told that none among those coming up for arraignment ever dared question the judge's ruling—especially after getting a glimpse of him sitting on the bench picking his teeth, as he sometimes did, with that terrible Turkish knife.

THE METHODIST CHURCH

"Remember the Sabbath Day to keep it holy." This admonition is just as binding on us today as it was when given by God to Moses for the children of Israel.

The difference is the Sabbath then was Saturday, and now we are to keep the first day of the week, Sunday, because Christ rose upon the first day of the week.

We help to keep not only the day holy, but ourselves holy, by attending Sunday school and church service. Will you come?

Roy B. Shilling, Pastor.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank everyone for their many thoughtful kindnesses and for the beautiful flowers in our bereavement in the loss of our son and brother, Robert Lackey.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Lackey and Family.

Aubrey Ray Ivey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Ivey, is expected home Saturday with his discharge from the Navy after 27 months service, 16 months of this time on the U. S. S. Seneca.

KIRKEBY WILL OPEN NEW DRIVE-IN THEATER TUESDAY NIGHT

Another new business for Mertzton will commence operation next Tuesday night. The new Mertzton Drive-In Theatre, located in the south part of town, will be operated by O. M. Kirkeby, who shows here now on Wednesday and Saturday nights. Next week will find three show nights and later on maybe on more nights.

A permanent wall of concrete tile has been erected for a new and enlarged screen. Two new 35 mm. movie projectors are ready to show first run pictures to the movie-goers of Mertzton. Cars will be parked on the hillside looking down to the screen. Also benches have been provided for those who do not come in cars. Admission charges will be 35 cents for adults and children, 6 to 12, prices remain the same.

Mr. Kirkeby has been showing pictures here for over two years on a temporary screen with an 18 mm. projector. The two 35 mm. projectors he is to use at the new drive-in are brand new equipment, and bookings for first run pictures are being made now by him.

ELMER TAFF HOME VISITING FOLKS

Elmer Taff, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Taff, arrived home Thursday, May 16, after two years and four months overseas duty. He was trained as a radio operator and served with the 58th Signal Battalion of the First Army Corps, then later with the 6th Army Corps.

His first landing was at Finschaven, British New Guinea, then Hollandia, Dutch New Guinea. His next landing was in Lingayen Gulf during the Luzon campaign. While on Luzon Elmer found his duties as personal radio operator of Major Gen. Swift interesting. It was on Luzon that he became ill with typhus and jaundice that he had contracted some where in the Pacific Islands. He was seriously ill and was hospitalized for several months.

Elmer was among the first occupation troops to land at Wakayama, Japan. He was stationed in the cities of Osaka and Kyoto before sailing to the States.

Elmer is enjoying his three months furlough by sleeping, catching up on his eating home-cooked food and visiting friends before reporting to Ft. Sam Houston where he has been re-assigned to the personnel department.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Beginning Sunday, June 2, and continuing through June 9, there will be services daily; each Sunday, 11 a. m. and 8:15 p. m., and each evening through the week at 8:15.

"For the time is come that judgment must begin at the house of God; and if it first begin at us, what shall the end be of them that obey not the gospel of God? And if the righteous scarcely be saved, where shall the ungodly and the sinner appear?" 1 Pet. 4: 17-18. "And to you who are troubled rest with us, when the Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with his mighty angels, inflaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ: Who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and the glory of his power." 2 Thes. 1: 7-9.

Sermon subjects for June 2, (morning) "Come Let Us Reason Together"; (evening) "God's Drawing Power."

All are welcome, come study and worship with us.

W. A. Record, minister.

FOR SALE—Two male Boston Terrier puppies, eight weeks old. \$25 each or will trade for lambs or poultry at market value. B. C. Foster, Sherwood, Phone 110.

Vacation Bible School begins today, 9 till 11 a. m. May 31-June 7.

WALTER PARKER IS VISITOR HERE

Walter Parker of Hayward, Calif., surprised his former school teacher, Mrs. W. W. Carson, last week when he walked into her office at the Court House.

Mr. Parker, accompanied by three of his eight children and a grandson, had planned this visit to his boyhood county for several years.

He is a son of the late Dave Parker who settled on a 50 acre irrigated farm near Sherwood before Irion County was ever formed. There were 11 boys and one girl in this family.

Walter left home at an early age to find his fortune. He moved from state to state, finally settling in Oregon for awhile where he worked in the fruit orchards. Later he owned and operated his own peach and pear orchard for several years.

He moved on to California and there settled permanently, rearing his family of eight children, all of whom are now living.

Mr. Parker had a leisurely trip thru Texas and enjoyed showing his children points of interest of his childhood around Sherwood and San Angelo. He pled Mrs. Carson with eager questions about old schoolmates and friends of this vicinity.

Mrs. F. M. Hayes accompanied her father to enter her son, Fred R. Croom in John Tarleton College at Stephenville. He was recently discharged from the AAF and wants to become a rancher in Texas as soon as he finishes school. His son, Victor S. Parker has been discharged after 3 1/2 years service in the Navy and wanted to take this trip with his father before settling down.

Another daughter, Jean, 24 years old, was a junior aircraft mechanic during the war. This is her first trip to Texas since infancy.

Mr. Parker is now foreman of the upholstery and glass department for the government at the Oakland Army Base. For the information of old friends his address is 22366 Arbor Ave., Hayward, Calif.

LEGION MEETS MONDAY, JUNE 3

A regular meeting of the American Legion will be held Monday, June 3, in the court room at 8 p. m. All legionnaires are invited; also any person who is eligible for membership.

Several items of importance will come before the Legion for action. Your presence will be appreciated.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Edens and Aubrey Jarrett of Eldorado visited last Thursday with Mrs. Ida Mapes and family.

Uncle Sam Says



Sixty-three years ago this month, Americans discovered a new way of joshing a neighbor who invested his money unwisely: "Go buy yourself Brooklyn Bridge." Brooklyn Bridge had just been opened. Some people actually turned over their savings to confidence men who sold them the great New York span. I could say to you today: "Go buy yourself a bridge," and I would be giving you sound advice. The bridge I have in mind consists of United States Savings Bonds . . . a bridge between the present and your future.

U. S. Treasury Department

Barnhart News

By MRS. ALMA TARVIN

Billie Kilpatrick, son of Mrs. Truda Kilpatrick, has received his discharge from the U. S. Navy and is home with his mother after more than 6 years of service in the Navy. He held the rank of Gunners Mate 1-c. Billie has been all over the world, the more interesting parts being, Japan, China and Australia. He is ready to rest up a while and enjoy life on the range once more.

Bill Scroggins who saw considerable action in France and Germany is back home once more and is now employed at Harry Joslins Service Station in Ozona.

Marvin Newman has accepted a job on the Santa Fe railroad for the summer with Mr. Harrell's section gang.

Watson Kirk is in a San Angelo hospital, where he had a finger amputated last week. Mr. Kirk injured his finger when he jumped from a tank and his ring caught and stripped the hide and flesh from his finger, while he was employed on the Henderson ranch. It became infected and it was necessary to remove the finger the last of the week.

Shearing has been in full sway in the Barnhart territory lately. We could really use a good rain, but it is surprising how well the range has held up with the small amount of moisture we have received. Only the 'Old Timers' can remember when we had our last good rain.

Bruce Everetts has accepted a position with the Charles Motor Company in San Angelo as bookkeeper. Bruce was in the Air Corps for more than three years.

Rev. Roy Shilling held his regular monthly service at the Methodist Church Sunday morning. A special number was given by Mrs. Ted Atkins and Mrs. Bruce Everetts.

Mrs. L. V. Gentry has joined her husband in San Antonio, but the boys, Vance Lee and Don remain here with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. E. Woodruff for awhile on account of the polio in that section of the state.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Beeton had as visitors over last week end, Mrs. Beeton's sister and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Blevins of Chicago. They came by way of Tampa, Florida, where they visited a brother and were returning by Shawnee to visit Mrs. Blevins' mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Phillips and children, Jim, Keith, and Kathrene, of El Centro, California, visited in the E. C. Tarvin home this week. They were en route to Illinois to visit Mr. Phillips' mother.

Miss June Caruthers is home for the summer from school at San Marcos. June is one of the highest ranking students in the school, and we are all proud of her record there.

Members of the Mothers Club honored Misses Ethyl McCleery and Jewel Gideon with a bridal shower at the school house at the close of school. The gifts were laid on tables in the auditorium, the tables being labeled "Ethyl" and "Jewel" in purple larkspurs. Cut flowers were used throughout the party room. Mrs. Sam Jeffers was at the guest book. Mrs. Bode Owens played several selections, Mrs. L. V. Porter, Mrs. Nancy Croxdale and Mrs. E. C. Tarvin gave readings, and Mrs. Ted Atkins sang "You'll Never Know." Mrs. Porter, Tarvin and Collins served refreshments to about 25.

Miss Jewel Gideon and Melvin "Cotten" Newman were married at Mertzton Friday, May 17th by Rev. Roy Shilling. Jewel is the daughter of Mrs. G. C. Gideon of 516 Bluff, Fort Worth. She finished the Fort Worth high school and Southwestern University at Georgetown, where she was an honor student. She has been teaching in the Barnhart high school the past year. After a short wedding trip they will be at home at Harlingen, where Melvin is engaged in farming.

The two seniors, Leon Atkins and Hazel Taylor, accompanied by Mrs. Raymond Greenhill, have returned from their senior trip, which had to be postponed till after school was out. They visited the Carlsbad Caverns

FELLOWSHIP SUPPER NEXT THURSDAY NIGHT

The regular fellowship supper of the Men's Brotherhood of Mertzton for the men of the community is set for next Thursday night, June 6th, at 7:45 o'clock in the high school cafeteria.

Fried chicken will be the menu, and the program committee is trying to get a quartet to sing. It is not definite at this time whether the quartet can be here.

LEGION POST HOLDS INITIATION CEREMONY

The Burns-Harper American Legion Post held their initiation ceremony last Friday night at the City Park. A good crowd of the veterans' families and friends were present as Post Commander Roy Shilling gave the oath to 41 charter members of this post.

Before the initiation ceremonies the Legionnaires were hosts at a barbecue dinner. Delicious barbecue, beans, potato salad and ice cream were served to about 250 people.

MISS McCLEERY IS HONORED WITH SHOWER

Miss Ethyl McCleery, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. McCleery and bride elect of Elvin G. (Blue) Newman, BM 1-c, was honored with a prenuptial shower Friday, the 17th, in the home of Mrs. R. W. Fields.

Miss Ella McCleery, sister of the honoree, presided at the guest book. Games were played with the prize going to Mrs. J. A. Terry, which she presented the honoree. Mrs. Fields read "The Courtship" and Miss Lavern Beagan caught the bride's bouquet. Gifts were presented in a covered wagon, which was labeled "Westward bound" and brought in by Nancy and Donald Knight.

Refreshments of ice cream and cake were served to 26 guests.

There were 4,000 bus tickets from San Angelo to Mertzton sold at the San Angelo bus terminal May 15 for the past year; 1,000 bus tickets to Sherwood. This number does not include transfers or destination Mertzton, they are solely San Angelo to Mertzton and Sherwood.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Hargrave of Stiles spent Monday night with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hargrave.

Mr. and Mrs. R. R. King of Fort Stockton were shoppers in Mertzton Wednesday.

FOR SALE—Electric range, right hand oven, \$50. B. C. Foster, Sherwood, Phone 110.

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and Old Mexico, and say, although the crowd was small, they brought back a host of memories to go through life with them.

Bessie Mae Taylor is up and about after being under treatment of the doctors for jaundice. Bessie Mae was salutatorian of her class, and had to miss out on all the joys of graduation into high school.

W. C. Holcomb has sold his place here to Dr. Jones of Big Lake, who plans to remodel and rent it. We hate to lose Mr. Holcomb as he is one of the earliest settlers of the town of Barnhart, being sent here as the AT&SF section foreman years ago. He raised a large family here, but losing his wife recently, he says it does not seem like home any more. He plans to buy a home in Big Lake where he will be near his children.

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Strother and Virama spent the week end in Eden with relatives.

The state highway employes under Everett Roe, are camped in Sonora this week helping top some road.

WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

U.S. Assured Ample Food Supply; Labor to Seek Guaranteed Wage; Big Four End Parley at Odds

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(EDITOR'S NOTE: When opinions are expressed in these columns, they are those of Western Newspaper Union's news analysts and not necessarily of this newspaper.)



To back up hemispheric defense treaty on agenda of Rio de Janeiro conference in September, President Truman has asked congress to authorize U. S. training and equipment of South American nations. Map shows pre-war strength of Pan-American countries, with "A" signifying size of army and "N" number of naval vessels.

FOOD: Eat Well

Despite relatively short supplies of some cereal products, potatoes, sweet potatoes, meats, fats, sugar, canned fruits and fish through the spring and summer months, per capita food consumption in the U. S. for 1946 promises to be 14 per cent greater than in the 1935-39 period, the bureau of agricultural economics declared.

For the year as a whole, production of food crops and livestock is expected to be one-third above the 1935-39 average, the bureau predicted. During the period of the aforementioned shortages, vegetables, fish, poultry, eggs, fluid milk and cream, ice cream and skimmed milk products will be available in near record quantities.

With the nutritive value of the food supply expected to be close to the 1945 figure, per capita consumption should average about 3,300 calories. This compares with the 1935-39 total of 3,250 calories.

CONGRESS: Champion Labor

Pro-labor senators held the floor during debate on restrictive labor legislation in an effort to muffle hasty action even as President Truman struggled to avert a rail tieup and resumption of the critical coal strike.

Declaring that full discussion was needed on labor legislation, Senator Murray (Dem., Mont.) led the opposition to a limitation of debate. Stating that pending Case bill was not an emergency measure, he charged that conservative elements were taking advantage of public resentment against the miners' walk-out to push through reactionary measures.

Heated discussion swirled around the proposal of Senator Byrd (Dem., Va.) to restrict health and welfare funds to joint contributions and management by employers and employees, with Senator Pepper (Dem., Fla.) holding the floor at length against the amendment.

Meanwhile, the coal operators and John L. Lewis remained at odds over the health and welfare fund, with the companies flatly rejecting the United Mine Workers' chief-tain's demands for employers' contributions of 7 per cent of payrolls and union administration of the proceeds. In seeking to break the deadlock between the disputants, Mr. Truman was said to favor a health and welfare fund jointly financed and administered by operators and miners.

STEEL: Annual Wage

Having attained higher wages and improved working conditions, American labor next will hit for the guaranteed annual wage, under which employees would be assured of a steady year-round income regardless of time put in.

Boasting of approximately 700,000 members, the CIO-United Steelworkers plans to spearhead the drive, its recent convention calling for the advancement of the issue in negotiations for a new contract in 1947. Addressing the steel workers at the convention, USW Pres. Philip Murray declared the industry could well afford to pioneer the plan.

At the present time a presidential board is studying the advisability of establishing guaranteed

annual wages, Murray said, and unions could accelerate adoption of the practice by championing its merits. By paying a guaranteed annual wage, purchasing power would be maintained and full employment encouraged, he asserted.

FOREIGN MINISTERS: To Try Again

Agreeing only upon revising Italian armistice terms, the conference of foreign ministers of the U. S., Britain, Russia and France adjourned to June 15 with differences remaining over all the major points at issue.

Having failed in efforts to get the conference to set a date for a European peace conference of all nations and discuss arrangements for Austria, U. S. Secretary of State Byrnes was said to be very discouraged by the results of the meeting. At the same time, Senator Vandenberg (Rep., Mich.), representing the Republican party at the conference, revealed he would not return June 15.

Previous agreements consummated among the U. S., Britain and Russia blocked Byrnes' efforts in seeking a general peace conference and discussing Austria. Objecting to both proposals, Russia claimed that decisions taken at the Moscow foreign ministers meeting last December called for unanimity among the Big Four on all issues before other nations were invited to a peace conference, and the question of Austria could not be studied now under terms of the Potsdam agreement.

As the foreign ministers packed their bags, outstanding issues re-



Foreign Commissar Molotov (left) and Secretary of State Byrnes in lively talkfest at foreign ministers' conference.

maining unsettled concerned final disposition of the Italian port of Trieste claimed by Yugoslavia; Italian reparations; trusteeships for former Italian colonies in North Africa along Britain's lifeline to the far east; opening of the Danube to international traffic; agreement on Balkan peace treaties and restoration of free trade in eastern Europe.

Before the confab broke up, Byrnes urged that U. S., British, Russian and French representatives remaining behind to attempt to work out some of the difficulties confronting the peacemakers first report on the economic unification of Germany to spare the occupying countries the cost of supporting the broken Reich.

Said to have told the foreign ministers that the U. S. did not desire to support the American occupation zone indefinitely, Byrnes declared that thus far the U. S. has furnished 200 million dollars worth of assistance. An equal amount will be sent during the ensuing fiscal year, he revealed.

WORLD TRADE: Rival Blocs

Although passage of the 3 1/2 billion dollar loan to Britain will split the world into two trade blocs headed by the U. S., Britain and Russia, it will advance the interests of capitalism, free enterprise and the democratic way of life within the Anglo-American area, Treasury Secretary Vinson told the house banking committee.

Testifying on behalf of the loan legislation, Vinson declared that 75 per cent of world trade is carried on within the U. S.-British bloc, and agreement within this area might lead to an understanding with Russia. In accepting the loan, Britain has agreed to abolish discrimination against U. S. traders, he said.

While Russia has had an opportunity for months to avail herself of credit in the export-import bank, set up by congress to stimulate foreign trade, she has not done so, Vinson said. At present, the U. S. has set aside one and one-quarter billion dollars of funds in the bank for possible foreign loans.

BASEBALL: Form Union

At once a sport and a profession, big league baseball was well on the road to unionization with the newly organized American Baseball guild claiming a majority of the Pittsburgh Pirates and five other teams.

In singling out Pittsburgh as the first club with which to open collective bargaining, the guild, headed by Robert Murphy, asked Pres. William Benswanger to enter into early negotiations regarding wages and other conditions of employment. The guild would be willing to incorporate a no-strike clause in any contract, Murphy said.

Because of the seasonal and sportive character of the game, the unionization of baseball promises to raise many problems dealing with the question of strikes cutting down already restricted playing time; judgment of management in the use of personnel; dependence of wages on winning teams and the size of gates, and performers' demands for shares in trading prices or their objection to being sold to weaker clubs.

More Home Owners
Because high wartime earnings spurred investment in housing, 23,000,000 Americans now own their own homes, compared with 15,000,000 in 1940, the bureau of census reported. At the same time, the number of tenants declined to 17,600,000 against the prewar figure of 19,700,000.

HITLER HATES: New Ones Listed

Known for his dislike of Jews and Communists, Adolf Hitler also nourished a hatred for horses, hunting and diplomats, Gustav Adolf von Halem, 6 foot, 3 inch elite guard, revealed during his interment in Hohen-Asperg castle.

Explaining the late fuhrer's apathy toward horses, Von Halem said that they were not sufficiently disciplined to please him. They always disturbed military parades and especially when there was music.

Humanitarian instincts motivated Hitler's hatred of hunting, Von Halem said. Jibing Herr Goering for bringing down defenseless animals, Hitler would ask his merry marshal: "If the game had guns, as you have, would you go shooting?"

The fuhrer's coolness toward diplomats was occasioned by his fear that long service abroad might weaken their Germanic spirit, Von Halem revealed.

BRITAIN: Exports Food

Herself possessing food stocks at double the prewar rate, Great Britain undertook to increase food shipments to the British zone in Germany to prevent mass starvation there before supplies can arrive from the U. S.

With the grain reserves in the British zone virtually exhausted, the ration will have to be slashed from 1,000 to 500 calories unless American help is forthcoming. In the meantime, Britain is seeking to ease the situation by shipping 70,000 tons of barley within the next two months and 20,000 tons of potatoes. An additional 60,000 tons of potatoes may be sent later.

Though admitting that Britain's present food stocks of 3,800,000 tons doubled the prewar total, Food Minister Sir Ben Smith declared that there was no excess for processing or in the normal channels of distribution. Since D-Day, Britain had sent 1,400,000 tons of food to liberated Europe and had reduced its imports to help other countries, he said.

Washington Digest

1948 Long Way Off, but Taft Looms as GOP Hope

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Along about June of any election year, when a lot of simple souls are



thinking about moonlight and roses, electric fans, and where to go for a summer vacation, a lot of longer-range planners are wondering about next winter's coal supply, harvest time, and many other things a lot further away than the fly on your nose. Among these are the politicians.

It's a great time to lean back in a chair in the Senate office building or thereabouts, open another bottle of White Rock, light another seegar, and burble on about what's going to happen come November, and, still more intriguing, to prognosticate on presidential possibilities.

It's fun for the newcomers because it's so easy for them to predict, in the light of what's happening right now, just what will happen then. It's still more fun for the old timers because they know that the voters who may not love you in the autumn often seem very palsied in the spring—and vice versa.

Since there isn't much use in speculating on who the Democratic presidential nominee will be, it's more interesting to talk about Republican possibilities.

Perhaps that is why, along about the middle of May, the heavy backers of Bob Taft began to be heard from. Up until then, most of the talk in the couloirs was how Bricker was the No. 1 boy, and how Stassen mustn't even be mentioned above a whisper. Even Stassen's own men decided it was better for the young man from Minnesota to keep his head down so he wouldn't attract any lightning until he had found out whether his forums were more potent than the against-em's.

Now it's getting to be more serious fun to talk about Taft. Taft wants to be President. He has wanted to be President before. He is pretty much master of the Republican organization, but even if he weren't, Bricker, his present friend and rival, is more "beatable," despite the good impression he made on his speaking tour before the last convention . . . what with the leftist look in so many veterans' eyes.

Bricker has a staunch and solid conservative following. But it is a little too solidly conservative. Taft could hardly be called a radical. In fact, his political garden has never produced even a pale and lonely pink. On the other hand, his supporters prudently can point to many a constructively liberal measure which has had his blessing.

Only the other day, I was talking with an ardent administration official who has been battling for a measure badly battered by conservatives of both political stripes. I asked him if he could expect to retrieve in the senate a certain provision in his legislation, lost in the house.

"Oh, yes," he answered, "Bob Taft will go along on that."

And Taft has a good liberal record on such mass-appeal measures as housing.

The Republicans don't have to deal with the old-line bosses to the extent that the Democrats do and in two of the larger cities where the Republican machine is vital—Philadelphia and Cincinnati—everything would be jake so far as Taft is concerned. He, himself, is kingpin in his home state organization . . . and Mr. Pew, who makes the Republican wheels go round in Pennsylvania, wanted Taft in '40 and '44. It is to be presumed he'll feel the same in '48.

This doesn't eliminate other brilliant possibilities, including Messrs. Stassen and Vandenberg, both of whose political futures may be molded by international developments.

Mr. Vandenberg has done a lot of the molding himself. This could work both ways. On the one hand, the energy and devotion with which Mr. Vandenberg has applied himself to foreign affairs, and the powerful influence he has exerted, have greatly increased his silhouette on

the international horizon. On the other hand, these activities, both in quantity and quality, have taken him far afield from the usual political approach to a Republican presidential nomination.

It may be there is a niche in the making that would need a man of his proportion to fill but one Democrat said to me the other day: "Sometimes it looks as if Van would rather be right than President."

Times change, almost kaleidoscopically, these days. The presidential candidate of tomorrow may turn out to be (if you'll excuse my Irish) a dark horse of an entirely different color.

Columnists Speak Out of (in?) Turn

The carping critics of today and yesterday enjoy decrying the various inroads upon our founding fathers' ideas of government by the people.

We hear much about "government by lobbies"; "government by executive order"; "government by this and by that . . ."

President Roosevelt used to weigh against what might have been called an attempt at "government by columnists." It always seemed rather unnecessary on his part—since he used to be elected regularly with a press 80 per cent hostile.

Recently President Truman was called upon to comment on the work of the distinguished columnist, Walter Lippmann. Lippmann expounded the somewhat startling theme—with even more startling trimmings—that Britain and Russia were pursuing a foreign policy based on the possibility, if not the probability of war, with each side hoping to enlist eventual German support.

In fact, Mr. Lippmann even discovered an invisible German army in the British zone. (I don't mean that literally, for I understand that he did not visit the British zone in his tour of investigation.)

The President's comment was that hindsight was better than foresight, but as far as a hidden army was concerned, he never heard of it . . . and didn't think it existed.

The same day, Mr. Truman was asked to comment on the statement of another distinguished correspondent, Harold Callender, Paris correspondent for the New York Times. Mr. Callender had reported a sharp reversal of American foreign policy toward Russia. The President slapped that down, too, saying that he knew of no change . . . and he made the policy.

Some days before, Sumner Welles, former undersecretary of state, now a radio commentator, made observations similar to those of Callender.

Recently Harold Ickes, another former civil servant turned columnist, declared that the careful newspaper reader could get more authoritative information than the secretary of state possessed, because the secretary's information was screened by a reactionary and inefficient aide.

Just how much influence the individual writer or commentator wields is a question. In most cases, it takes an almost unanimous repetition of an idea to produce action. And then its effect on the government is usually indirect. It results from the pressure of public opinion, which in many cases is created by press and radio, when the many men of many minds and political faiths can agree on some one subject. When the majority agree it usually means that they are as nearly right as mortals can be in these confusing days.

In the case of Walter Lippmann, I believe that he is voicing what many of us who have followed recently international gatherings and who have been in Europe since the war, agree upon: namely, that the statesmen of the major European powers have fallen into the old pattern . . . basing their diplomacy on the thesis that war is more or less inevitable, instead of the new pattern where the objective is to prevent war rather than prepare for it.

Another theme of Lippmann's which is not held by him alone, to which this writer certainly agrees, is that the problem of the proper handling of Germany is the most important foreign problem, and the one upon which all the other problems depend.

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GIFT TEA HONORS

MRS. WADE A. RAYBURN

A lovely gift tea Saturday afternoon, May 25, honoring Mrs. Wade A. Rayburn, formerly Miss Dorothy Helmers, was given in the home of Mrs. R. C. Macomb of Sherwood. Co-hostesses with Mrs. Macomb were Mrs. M. L. Brooks and Mrs. Malvin Helmers.

Mrs. Macomb received the guests at the door and her daughter, Margaret, presided at the guest register. The gifts were all unwrapped by the bride and passed around the circle of women for display. Notes on "How to Hold Your Husband" were written by the guests and read aloud by the bride.

The mantle was tastefully decorated with daisies and other seasonal flowers were arranged throughout the room. Sandwiches, potato chips, olives, cake and tea were served by Mrs. Brooks, Mrs. Helmers, Mrs. Macomb and Margaret. The wedding cake was surrounded with a low arrangement of sweet peas and "Best

Wishes, Dorothy" written across the top.

Those present or sending gifts were Mmes. Archie Kinser, Adolf Helmers, Edwin Helmers, M. L. Brooks, Homer Wood, R. E. Key, W. Bullard, M. H. Carr, Mary L. Carr, John Kyle, Malvin Helmers, Ed Keegan, Togo Smith and family, Jim Kinser, Henry Clark, Sr., Buck Keith, Tyson Gentry and family, Howard Parks, J. V. Pledge, Helen Blankenship, Virginia White, R. C. Macomb, Mr. M. Tolson, Miss Margaret Macomb, Miss Ruth Ann Helmers, Miss Sue Brooks, Miss Ann Brooks, Master Bobby Helmers, Master Freddie Brooks of Sherwood.

Mmes. J. W. Hargrave, W. W. Adams, Joe Thorp, Ruth Glaser, W. Burke, M. A. Goodall, M. A. Kopecky and Miss Billie Taff of Mertzton. Mmes. Sam Thomas, Ott Gilbert, Mildred Whitt, Miss Bettye Covey, Miss Bess Easterly, Mr. Monroe Freeman, and Mr. Dee White of San Angelo. Mmes. Arno Helmers and Alfred Helmers of Girvin. Mmes. Charley Helmers and Wilson McCown of Ft. McKavett, Mrs. Elbert Willis of Loraine,

Mrs. Will Rannefeld of Tankersley, and Mrs. John Proise of Menard. The bride is now making her home in Sweetwater at 506 Locust.

Mrs. W. H. Cox is now progressing satisfactorily at a San Angelo hospital after her recent serious illness.

Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Taff of Corpus Christi, formerly of Mertzton, are on a vacation trip and visited the E. M. Taff family and other friends and relatives in Mertzton Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. David Farrington arrived by air in San Angelo Saturday from California. Mr. and Mrs. Dick Farrington and daughter, Louise, brought them to Mertzton. They plan to make their home in this vicinity.

Mrs. Katherine Horn Philips resigned her position as H. E. teacher of the local high school last week. Mr. and Mrs. Philips are residing in San Angelo.

Eunice Nell Girvin arrived in Mertzton last Friday night from Waco where she has been attending Baylor University, to spend the summer months with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Girvin.

Wes Evans returned Monday night from a business trip in Arizona.

Mrs. Leta Crawford, accompanied by her daughter, Mrs. Max Tepper, went to Temple Sunday for medical attention.

Vernon Sartain, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Sartain, broke his leg Monday while climbing in a neighbor's yard.

NOTICE TO PUBLIC.

My property is posted according to law. "Anyone" Camping, hunting, wood-hauling, handling stock without permission, or in any way trespassing, will be prosecuted. Mrs. Fayette Tankersley Mertzton, Texas

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Harper are now living in San Angelo. Kenneth is stationed at Goodfellow Field. Mrs. Harper is the former Modell Cox, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Emerson Cox.

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- Potatoes Calif. White..... lb. 5c
- Oranges California..... doz. 47c
- Blackeyed Peas..... lb. 14c

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- Cocoanut Pure White Sunland 4 ounce pkg..... 29c
- Blackeyed Peas Fresh Shelled Silver Valley. No.2 tin 15c
- Beets Diced Bestex. No. 2 tin..... 9c
- Carrots Diced Bestex. No. 2 tin..... 9c
- Grapefruit Juice Bestex 46 ounce tin..... 25c
- Orange Juice Bruce's 46 ounce tin..... 39c
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- Pie Crust Dorothy's 8 ounce pkg..... 10c

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FRIDAY-SATURDAY SPECIALS



Washington

The EVERGREEN STATE

By EDWARD EMERINE
WNU Features.

THE Oregon country, including the most northwesterly portion of all, the present state of Washington, was the unwanted and all-but-forgotten land of a little more than a century ago.

Back East they felt that the Rocky mountains were the natural western boundary of the United States and refused to vote one cent for the development of a region so far away. There had been two wars with the British; why chance a third? Let the British have it. The United States had all the land it needed.

But those thousands of pioneers who had urged their oxen along the Oregon trail and crawled over the mountains thought differently. They had found a good land, rich in beauty and vitality, where the mountains and forests came down to meet the Pacific ocean. The British wanted the country merely for trade with the Indians. The pioneers wanted it for their homes, their farms, their ranches, their dream cities. And they wanted it to be a part of the United States.

They had traveled hundreds of weary miles, fighting Indians along the way, burying loved ones in unmarked graves. And now they had cleared their land, built houses, planted crops, and knew they had found an area with resources so vast and varied that even they were bewildered by the prospects. Somehow the East and Washington, D. C., must be told about it, made to believe.

Washington finally heard, and the cry of "Fifty-four Forty or Fight" went up. The settlers cleaned their rifles and waited. If the British wanted war, they were ready. But war was averted by the treaty of 1846, in which joint American and British occupancy was ended. A compromise boundary of the 49th parallel was established, and the Oregon country became a part of the United States.

The Columbia river, however, remained a natural dividing line running through Oregon territory. The settlers "north of the river" wanted a territory of their own. As early



MON C. WALLGREN
Governor of Washington
Born in Des Moines, Iowa.
Home town, Everett, Wash. Former state representative and United States senator.

the White House, Pres. Benjamin Harrison, issued a proclamation on November 11 that Washington was admitted as a state.

When the Indian wars ended, the eastern part of the territory was

Washington is rich in minerals — coal, gold, silver, lead, mercury and zinc. It has clays, granite, sandstone, marble, limestone and cement. Also found in the state are antimony, arsenic, tungsten and platinum.

Standing timber in Washington includes Douglas fir, yellow and white pine, spruce, larch, cedar and others. Normally, Washington leads all states in lumber output, shipping its products all over the world. It has wood pulp and paper mills as well as other industries built on wood products.

On Washington's coast are innumerable harbors on which Seattle, Tacoma, Everett, Olympia, Vancouver and other important cities are located. This great commercial area is the nearest American gateway to the ports of Asia and handles most of the shipping to and from Alaska as well as world trade through the Panama canal. During World War II the shipbuilding and airplane manufacturing industry reached gigantic proportions and is expected to continue.

Coupled with its almost-unlimited natural resources is Washington's mighty output of hydro - electric power for industry. The Grand Coulee dam is part of a reclamation project that will ultimately irrigate 1,200,000 acres of land and produce electrical power far in excess of present needs. The Bonneville dam and others also contribute to the generation of power.

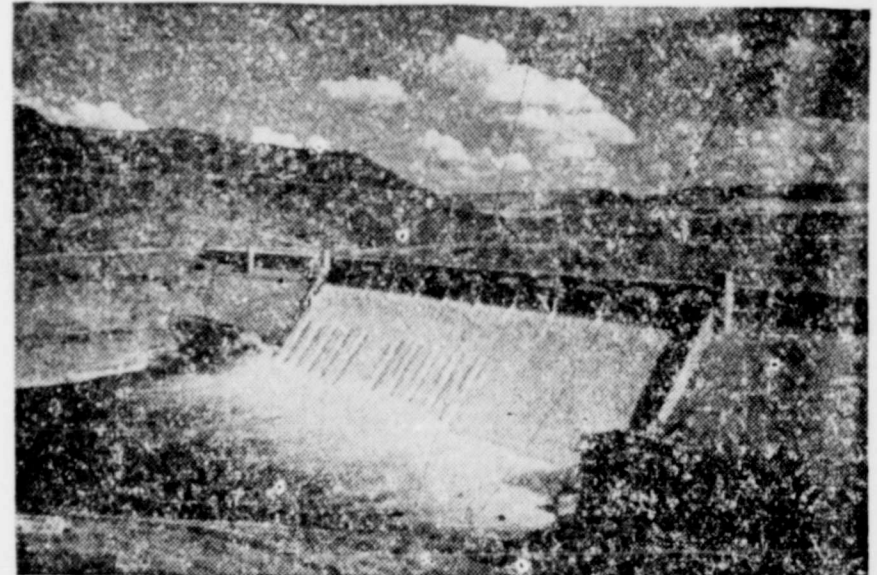
Washington, however, remains chiefly agricultural. It leads all states by far in the production of apples and is high in output of other fruits such as pears, peaches, cherries, grapes, apricots, prunes and berries. Other crops are wheat, barley, oats, corn, alfalfa and hops. Huge herds of cattle and sheep graze throughout the state, and horses, hogs, chickens and turkeys are grown profitably on most farms and ranches.

In the eastern part of the state, Washington is semi-arid, with irrigation used extensively. Its grain and cattle industries thrive there. West of the Cascades the rainfall is extremely heavy, ranging as high as 80 inches annually, with a resultant profusion of vegetation.

The people of Washington have a rich heritage of thrift and courage and they retain the pioneer spirit that led them through the perils of settlement. They have the vision, too, for greater strides tomorrow.



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as 1845 they had carved the area into two enormous counties, Lewis and Clark. More settlers were crossing over and sentiment for a division was evident. A group met at Cowlitz Prairie to memorialize congress. They were not heard. They met again in 1852 at Monticello and sent another petition to Washington. Joseph Lane, Oregon territorial delegate, offered his aid and introduced a bill to organize the territory of Columbia, for that was to be its name. The bill was passed, but not before it was amended to change the name to Washington territory. On March 2, 1853, just two days before he left the White House, Pres. Millard Fillmore signed it.

Washington territory extended from the continental divide to the Pacific ocean, including what is now the northern part, or panhandle, of Idaho. But the settlers were not yet satisfied. Agitation for statehood began and continued for nearly 15 years. In 1889 they were successful and Pres. Grover Cleveland signed the bill—a month before he left the White House. At a convention in Olympia on July 4, that year, a constitution was drawn up, and at an election on October 1 it was adopted by the citizens. A new man in

opened to settlement and brought immediate prosperity throughout the Northwest. The arrival of the "Mercer Girls," widows and orphans of the Civil war, provided wives for the territory's excess male population. Railroads raced to reach the great empire, with new towns and settlements following the ribbons of steel. There was a severe set-back, however, when the new state was hard hit by depression and panic in 1893.

Washington's recovery was rapid, for its people were virile and determined. The Alaska gold rush of 1897 made Seattle the metropolis of the Northwest, and a few years later, in 1903, there was a mining boom at Spokane which tripled that city's population. Ports and shipping grew rapidly on the coast. Fishing became an important industry. Agriculture flourished and livestock increased all over the state. Lumber business and mining brought prosperity to thousands.

The Evergreen state (or Chinook state) holds more than the majestic mountains, canyons, gorges, forests, lakes and highways shown in a tourist folder. It is more than scenery. It is a land of vast natural resources, many of them as yet undeveloped or not fully utilized.

ASK ME ? ANOTHER ?

A quiz with answers offering information on various subjects

The Questions

1. President Truman's auto license is No. 5745. What does it stand for?
2. Which musical instrument, the flute, violin or piano, has the greatest range?
3. When and where will the Olympic games be resumed?
4. The amount of water in all the oceans is how many cubic miles?
5. What is the principal native race of Borneo?
6. Has the United States ever

set up a price control system similar to the OPA before?

The Answers

1. May 7, 1945, the day Germany surrendered.
2. The piano.
3. In 1948 in London.
4. Approximately 327,672,000 cubic miles.
5. The Dyaks.
6. Yes, the Committee of Suspension and Observation of the Continental Congress, designed to break Revolutionary war black marketeers.

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Fold household linens over the clothesline with hems together. Prevents their tearing in the wind.

Have a place in the kitchen where you can sit down to do your work—and use it.

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**NOTICE OF ELECTION FOR
THE RE-ALLOCATION OF
COUNTY TAXES**

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF IRION

To the Resident Qualified Property Taxpaying Voters of Irion County, Texas:

TAKE NOTICE that an election will be held on the 22 day of June, 1946, in said County, in obedience to an order duly entered by the Commissioners Court on the 15 day of May, 1946, which is as follows:

On this the 15 day of May, 1946, the Commissioners Court of Irion County, Texas, convened in regular session, at the regular meeting place thereof in the Courthouse at Mertzon, Texas, with the following members of the Court, to-wit:

W. W. Adams, County Judge, Sam Covey, Commissioner Precinct No. 1, J. B. Westfall, Commissioner Precinct

No. 3, being present, and, among other proceedings had by the Court were the following:

Commissioner Sam Covey introduced an order and moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner J. B. Westfall. The motion, carrying with it the adoption of the order, prevailed by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Sam Covey, J. B. Westfall.
NOES: None.

The order is as follows:

WHEREAS, at the general election held throughout the State of Texas on November 7, 1944, the qualified electors of the State, voting on the proposition, approved the amendment to Section 9, of Article 8, of the Texas Constitution, which amendment provides that the Commissioners Court in any county may re-allocate the county tax levies authorized in said Section 9 of Article 8, by changing the rates provided for any of the pur-

poses authorized in said Section by either increasing or decreasing the same, but in no event shall the total of such taxes exceed Eighty (80c) Cents on the one hundred dollars' valuation for any one year, provided that before the Commissioners Court may make such re-allocations and changes in such levies the same shall be submitted to the qualified property taxpaying voters of such county at a general or special election; and in event such re-allocations and changes are approved by a majority of the qualified property taxpaying voters of any such county, such re-allocations and changes shall remain in force and effect for a period of six (6) years from the date of the election at which same shall have been approved, unless the same again shall have been changed by a majority of the qualified property taxpaying voters of such county, voting on the proposition; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioners Court of Irion County, Texas, deems it advisable and to the best interest of said County to re-allocate the county taxes authorized to be levied annually by Section 9, Article 8, of the Constitution, by changing the rates in respect to certain county taxes as herein provided;

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF IRION COUNTY, TEXAS:

That a special election be held in said County on the 22 day of June, 1946, which is not less than thirty (30) days from the date of the adoption of this order, at which election the following proposition shall be submitted to the qualified property taxpaying voters, who own taxable property in said County and who have duly rendered the same for taxation, for their action thereupon:

"Shall the Commissioners Court of Irion County, Texas, be authorized to levy and collect in each year for a period of six (6) years from the date of said election, county taxes as follows:

Not exceeding 35 Cents (35c) on the \$100.00 valuation, in any one year, for County purposes;

Not exceeding 15 Cents (15c) on the \$100.00 valuation, in any one year, for roads and bridges;

Not exceeding 10 Cents (10c) on the \$100.00 valuation, in any one year, to supplement the jury fund of the County; and

Not exceeding 20 Cents (20c) on the \$100.00 valuation, in any one year, for the erection of public buildings and other permanent improvements."

In the event that the annual levy of a tax not exceeding fifteen (15c) cents on the one hundred dollars' valuation for the further maintenance of the public roads of said County has heretofore been, or shall hereafter be, authorized by a majority of the qualified property taxpaying voters of the County, voting at an election held for that purpose, nothing herein shall be construed as rescinding or in any manner affecting the power and authority of the Commissioners Court to levy and to continue to levy said tax.

The said election shall be held under the provisions of the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas, particularly amended Section 9, of Article 8, of the Constitution, and Section 3a, Article 6, of the Constitution, and all persons who are legally qualified

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voters of said County, and who are resident property taxpayers who own taxable property in said County and who have duly rendered the same for taxation, shall be entitled to vote at said election.

The ballots for said election shall have written or printed thereon the following:

"FOR RE-ALLOCATION OF COUNTY TAXES."

"AGAINST RE-ALLOCATION OF COUNTY TAXES."

Each voter shall mark out with black ink or black pencil one of the above expressions, thus leaving the other as indicating his or her vote.

The polling places and presiding officers of said election shall be respectively as follows:

Precinct No. 1, Voting Place, County Court House, Presiding Officer, Henry Lindley; Precinct No. 2, Voting

Place, Sherwood School House, Presiding Officer, M. H. Carr; Precinct No. 3, Voting Place, Barnhart School House, Presiding Officer, T. E. Strother; Precinct No. 4, Voting Place, Arden School House, Presiding Officer, O. C. Schlinke.

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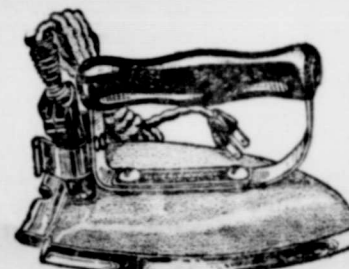
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(Political Adv.)

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Dates for the State Fair of Texas at Dallas have been set for Oct. 5-20 this year, according to an announcement by R. L. Thornton, president of the Fair Association. This will be the first exposition since 1941, when the traditional display of Texas agriculture, livestock and industry was discontinued due to war-time restrictions.

Work crews are now preparing the exhibit buildings and grounds in readiness for the time when Dallas will play host to thousands of visitors to the show window of the Southwest.

Preliminary reports from Fair association committees preview a full schedule of activities to be offered during the 16 days that the 187-acre Fair grounds become again the cross roads

Political

Announcements

The following candidates announce for offices designated, subject to action of the Democratic Primary, July 27, 1946—

For Senator, 25th District:
Dorsey B. Hardeman
Penrose B. Metcalfe

For County Commissioner, Precinct No. 1:
Sam Covey
S. T. Brister
Willis Burke
W. B. Rayburn

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

For County Commissioner, Precinct No. 3:
Fred T. Kessler
Claude Becton

For County Commissioner, Precinct No. 4:
Clyde Harris

For County Judge:
W. W. Adams

For County and District Clerk:
R. E. Key

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of farmers, ranchers, and business men.

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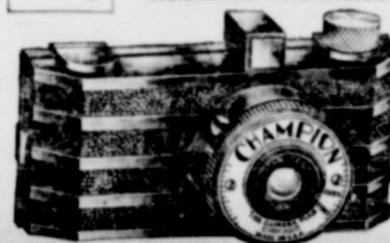
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DESERT ROSE

By ROLLIN BROWN

W.N.U. FEATURES

Deputy sheriff Jim Doane is called in by sheriff Sam Flick to track down a gang of train robbers. The sheriff tells Jim that he believes the gang is led by a girl, the daughter of Pio Alvaro, a former rancher. Star La Rue, a cableman who has bought Alvaro's ranch, reports to the sheriff that rustlers have stolen more than half his herd. He accuses the Alvaro girl. Sheriff Flick arranged for a special train to take Jim to the point in the desert in San Loreto county where the holdup took place. Jim knows Miss Alvaro, and doubts that she is the leader, or even a member of the gang. He trails the robbers by the hoofprints until his horse dies. Then he begins walking. Heat and thirst plague him.

CHAPTER II

"Uh-huh," agreed Flick: "that's it. That's sort o' my gen'l idea, anyhow. Just keep it in mind. But one thing I'm stakin' my hat on, Doane. This train job was hatched from inside the Sand Wells country, not outside. I'm bettin' you'll be able to pick up a nice fresh trail of shod hoofs within half a mile of where them four fellers left the train. That trail will then hit for the nastiest, toughest-ridin' spots which is to be found in that end o' the county. An' that's sayin' somethin'. See if I'm right."

And sheriff Sam Flick was indisputably right.

But Doane's trouble had not come from rough country, or a hard ride. He went through that like a bullet goes through paper. As the sheriff had prophesied, there was a fresh hoof trail within a few hundred yards of where the train had stopped. One of the band had evidently managed the horses. The trail turned straight north into the desert country, avoiding what scant habitation existed in the neighborhood of Sand Wells Junction.

Doane followed fast and light, with the quart canteen of water and a pocketful of dried jerky for food. He intended to hit the fresh trail for perhaps a day, to make certain of its general description, unless there was a luckier break. If the trail continued northward, or turned into the foothills of the Sierra Nueva, as he suspected, a man hunt might be outfitted with greater swiftness and ease from the sheriff's office in San Loreto, with riders coming down on the scene rather than working up from Sand Wells.

Hours later he noticed that the animal had begun to limp. Glancing down, he saw that the right foreleg was badly swollen; he slid out of his saddle and looked at the leg. Snakebite! That's why the horse had flinched; a rattler had struck him and Doane hadn't even known it! Maybe the rattler had lost his rattles. Anyway, there it was. He cut the swelling and applied a tourniquet.

He'd made a bad mistake in riding the animal so long; he'd given the poison a good start. But he told himself it wasn't serious; rattler's bite doesn't often kill stock.

But the animal's foreleg continued to swell, with a rapidity that hurled Doane into a momentary panic. An hour later he took mercy on the beast and shot it. He looked to his canteen. Less than a pint of water left! He made some calculations. He would go on to the waterhole, rest there through part of the night, drink until his system was saturated with moisture, then head back for Sand Wells with a brimming canteen to see him through. It was the only sensible thing to do. The riders he followed had also been making track for the waterhole, and that lured him on, to see what general course they would take in leaving.

The waterhole proved to be farther than five miles . . . twice that. But the outlaw trail didn't trouble to turn into it. The waterhole was dry. A big shot of dynamite had been exploded in it, cracking the lower structure. And in Doane's canteen were just two man-sized drinks; his throat was already parched.

Doane had fallen. When he pulled the canteen from under him the damage was done. The fall had dented the metal side of the canteen and a soldered seam had cracked. Not a drop left inside.

The fall had come within five yards of the mark he had set for himself, the spot where he would finally sink down, rest and drink. Driven muscles had weakened with eagerness. He was cheated now beyond any human measure. He knew only despair. But his warped mind was no longer concerned with the despair of death; only with the measure of his loss—that pitiful quantity of stale water that was gone!

He cracked. He would gladly have traded his life for just one drink of water. He sobbed futilely, hoarsely, gaspingly.

The vivid, desert sunset faded. Night spread shadow over a ghostland of barren, grotesque forms; weird buttes and rock heaps, fantastic ridges and gullies—and it spread darkness over a man who lay in the dust where he had fallen, his lips pressed against the dry covering of a canteen. The heat of the day was suddenly gone and it was chill. . . .

A shivering body brought Doane to consciousness. For a time his brain was clear again. He coolly measured his chances. Fifteen or eighteen miles now would see him to Sand Wells. He told himself that he could make it. It was possible. He had to make it!

Steeled in mind, he got to his feet. He carefully fixed his direction from the stars. Step by step, he began to move on. He walked a long way now before he tripped and fell. He pushed up and went on. . . . This was repeated countless times. His hands and knees were bloody. His clothing was ripped to shreds on the knees and legs. Finally an unknown, far-away voice seemingly began to call to him:

"You can't do it! No man could do it! Give up! Once you give up, death comes more easily!"



He would have gladly traded his life for just one drink of water.

Doane fought that voice. He cursed and screamed at it. But no articulate sound actually came from those hard-swollen lips of his. There were long periods of time when he did forget. There were times when visions gave him water, a world filled with water, cool and sweet; and he bathed lustfully in it, drank to his fill of it. Other times when he nakedly fought the fires of hell and died a hundred deaths by torture. There were long periods of time when he lay quietly where he fell. Times when he slept. But always he staggered on.

Shortly after dawn his delirium-fueled mind cleared again for a few seconds. And this disclosed the grimmest joke of all. The coming sun rose in the wrong quarter of the compass. He was moving in the wrong direction! He had turned, wandering, back-tracked himself—

Sunrise threw those curiously floating, far peaks of the Sierra Nueva into view. They had not changed. No farther away; no closer. Cool, distant, magical. A grotesque caricature of a man threw up one hand toward the mountains which a crazed mind still somehow knew to be real. A smile that couldn't move the stiff, swollen lips lighted in the bloodshot eyes.

He could hear again the laugh and gurgle of water in the granite creek-beds. The music of it. He could see the sparkling, clear, sweet streams of water in the canyons and ravines. On his hands and knees Doane crept forward, toward the ranges that lay distant two days' march, for a strong man with food and water.

"Aqui 'sta! Por Dios, some man is lost—afoot! There is his canteen!"

Five hard-riden mounts and a pack animal that carried water tins came to rein in a compact group. The canteen lay on the ground before them, half tilted against a rock. It had a dented, caved side. There were other things to be seen in the dust. A man's body had laid there. Struggled. The marks where the man had tried to get to his feet and again lay still. There were the marks of his raw knees. And to the south went the wavering track where he had disappeared.

"What do you think?"

"I think"—a lean, straight old vaquero smiled—"that a certain

man who never fails has failed. According to what I heard, he left Sand Wells three mornings ago, alone. Here is the way he returns!"

"How old is the track?"

Ten hours—twelve. But it is still a long way from here to Sand Wells. This man was already weak. He had no water. So I think he must have discovered how the Senor La Rue put dynamite in the north water-hole, to check cattle from disappearing in that direction."

A single rider reined his mount away, moving slowly along the trail of uneven footprints. He rode a hundred yards, halted and returned to the group. He nodded his head in agreement with the spokesman.

The saddlemen had dark, vigilant eyes. Even now one scanned the horizons, straight in the saddle with a certain tenseness in the poise. The man who read the scant sign of the footprints so intuitively was known as Pedro Salvador; but his stolid-appearing features showed a heritage that was more Indian than Mexican. His age was indeterminate, except that there was gray in the coarse, straight hair that showed under the dusty brim of his sombrero. Two others were middle-aged men, the fourth a youth.

The fifth rider, at a distance of fifty yards, would have been taken for a man, her sex unrecognizable under the garb she wore. She was young, and clothed like the men—in worn chaps, boots, a man's faded shirt, and a wide-brimmed Stetson. Her fine, black hair was cut in a bob that was shorter than Pedro Salvador's grayed locks. But at closer distance the delicate mold of her profile, or the curve of her lips, the throat, the fine dark eyes spoke for themselves. Nearby, the working clothes of the hard-bitten cowman served only to accentuate the feminine daintiness by harsh contrast.

"Pedro!" she called. "The cool of the night will have kept this man alive. His track will wander. But he won't be dead this morning."

"But—soon!" corrected Pedro. "La Rue would be equally behind his coming here. Let them look after themselves, bury their own dead!"

The girl seemed to consider this for a long while.

"I suppose," she admitted. "But we'll have to find him."

The tall vaquero expressed his amazement. "With a railroad posse now riding out of Sand Wells? With every sheriff and deputy and down-country settler sitting on the ridges, watching with glasses? We do this for the enemy, so he won't fail next time?"

"Yes," said the girl. "We've got to. Spread out! The track will circle after a while."

Experienced in desert ways, the riders separated. At the end of an hour they trailed down a man who looked scarcely human. His mad, burning eyes were fixed on the far peaks. He crawled inch by inch forward across the vast floor of the morning-hot desert on bare hands and knees. He babbled to himself in swollen-lipped words. There was nothing sane in his eyes or in his mind, but within him there was still that mighty, fundamental spirit of the man—and this it was that had kept him fighting on.

Jim Doane, deputy sheriff, opened sane eyes for the first time some three days later. He looked with amazement at the room in which he lay, at the ceiling over his head. In his mind roared the fragments of a thousand fantastic dreams. Water—water—water! Each of those dreams devolved upon water in one form or another. There were deep pools fringed with lush meadow grass and tules; there were broad, brimming rivers; there were mountains, like the high country of the Sierra Nueva, where little creeks laughed and brawled down countless walled canyons and ravines. There were cold blue lakes, walled in with snow and ice.

There were also gigantic, ghostly, red infernos, and landscapes of smoking hot rock; but even in these there had been water—only Doane could never quite reach it. He was a man who fought all the tortures of hell, and lived through by a miracle.

He lay back on his bed for a long while now, looking at the ceiling and the walls. Then terror caught at him again. This was another false dream! He raised himself on his elbow, on the point of screaming: "Water! Water! For God's sake . . . water!"

He trembled in every muscle. Cold fear-sweat broke out on him. Curiously, he felt of the sheet spread over his body, felt of the bed frame. The fear hung on. Then a door opened.

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IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL Lesson

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Lesson for June 2

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FRIENDS AT BETHANY

LESSON TEXT—Mark 14:3-9; Luke 10:38-42; John 11:1-3.
MEMORY SELECTION—Let us love one another: for love is of God.—1 John 4:7.

Friendship comes to those who are friendly. That response of heart to heart, which opens up the deep wells of mutual devotion, is one of life's richest experiences.

There is too little true friendship in the world because men and women have not learned of the Lord Jesus what it means to be a real friend.

There are mutual privileges and correspondingly mutual responsibilities in friendship. There are sorrows to share as well as joys.

I. Love Gives All in Sacrificial Devotion (Mark 14:3-9).

A rather shocking thing took place in the home of Simon. Jesus, his distinguished guest, was at dinner with the disciples, when a woman walked in unannounced and anointed his head with costly spikenard ointment. The disciples were surprised, and led by the betrayer, Judas, who had his hands on and in the money bags, they protested such awful waste.

Think of it—the value of this ointment was 300 pence, the equivalent (we are told) of 500 days of work. That means in our day it would be worth from three to five thousand dollars.

She should have stopped to think! Some lesser gift would have shown her love, and this rich gift could have been used for the poor!

Thus reasons the cool, calculating church member; but the believer with his heart full of love for the Master, gives without stint.

The Lord honored her gift, and accepted it as the anointing of his body for his coming death. He reminded them that they would always have the poor to care for, and he would soon be gone.

Love which never overflows in the abandonment of sacrifice for the one beloved is a cold and distant thing; in fact, one wonders if it really should be dignified by calling it love at all.

The Lord is looking for followers who are willing to give themselves freely and gladly for him, pouring out the lovely fragrance of a life fully yielded to him.

II. Love Shares the Fellowship of Joy (Luke 10:38-42).

The little home of Mary, Martha and Lazarus in Bethany was lighted up by that intangible but delightful glow which comes with a friend who honors one's home by his or her presence.

He had often been in this home. Here he found relaxation and comfort. Here he gave of himself in fellowship and blessing.

But there was a shadow over this visit. Martha, eager to have a good dinner, was "cumbered" in heart and soon became critical of Mary because she sat at Jesus' feet.

Do not assume that Jesus had not done her share of the work. She had, but she "also sat at Jesus' feet." In other words, she knew when the time had come to quit fussing and to get some real fellowship out of the joy of having Jesus in the home.

We who love and serve the Lord need to watch lest we become so "cumbered with much serving" that we lose out spiritually. We can become so busy with church work, holding offices in religious organizations, and teaching, that we do not have time for personal fellowship with the Lord.

III. Love Bears the Burden of Sorrow (John 11:1-3).

The very home where joy was the portion one day, became the house of sickness, death and sorrow on another day. Life is like that—we may all expect that tragedy, sickness and trouble will come.

What then? Well, you will find that some of your professed friends will disappear. They are fair-weather companions. They have no taste for storms. Real friends will stand by, and what a treasure they prove to be!

But here again, the best friend of all is Jesus. When Lazarus was sick, "his sisters sent unto him." Send for Jesus in the hour of need! Oh, it is true that he did not come until Lazarus was dead, but he had a good reason for that, and in due time he came

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When Weather Is Sizzling, Try Mint Ade
(See Recipes Below)

Refreshing Drinks

For a simple meal at home, for that brief stop in the afternoon when you want to relax and cool off, or for a light company snack, there's nothing quite like the cool, frosty drink. Whether you are a husky eater or a dainty snacker, you'll want to keep these refreshing recipes on file for these hot, summer months.

One woman I know keeps cool drink ingredients on a special corner in the pantry so the beverages can be ready at a moment's notice. She also keeps dainty cookies on hand so there's always refreshments if company comes or if the children get especially hungry before dinner.

Glasses can be garnished with mint leaves, lemon or orange slices, puffs of whipped cream or meringue. The rims may also be dipped in beaten egg white and a bit of sugar to give them that delightful, frosty look.

For beverages that add nourishment as well as sparkle, consider these milk, egg and fruit drinks. See that the children get some of them often:

Fruit Float.

- (Serves 4)
- 2 eggs, well beaten
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 3/4 cup sugar
- 1/2 cup water
- 1/2 cup raspberries or strawberries
- Juice of 1 orange
- Juice of 2 lemons
- Cracked ice

Combine eggs, salt, water, sugar and berries. Mix to dissolve sugar. Add orange juice and lemon juice. Beat or shake thoroughly. Pour into tall glasses half filled with cracked ice. Garnish with a few whole berries.



LYNN SAYS

Quickie Lunches: Broil liver sausage slices just slightly, serve with creamed lima beans, sliced tomatoes, fruit and milk and cookies.

Leftover ham can be creamed with peas and served with shredded carrot and raisin salad, peaches and cream and a beverage.

Don't forget a dish of garden vegetable soup makes a well-balanced lunch with toasted peanut butter or bacon and tomato sandwiches.

Pork sausage links are awfully good on baked potatoes with cream gravy. A light salad of lettuce, fruited gelatin and milk tops off the meal.

Spanish Rice can be made quickly and served with a few strips of broiled bacon, a chopped vegetable salad, floating island pudding and a beverage.

When you're serving frankfurters on a bun, spread the bun with mustard mixed with butter. Accompaniments: glass of tomato juice, hot or cold, a chilled mixed fruit salad and cookies.

LYNN CHAMBERS' MENUS

- Baked Corned Beef with Mustard Sauce
- Potatoes with Cheese Sauce
- Horseradish
- Salad Bowl of Tomatoes, Celery, Mixed Greens, Radishes
- Soft Rolls Beverage
- Raspberry Short Cake

Milk and Honey Nectar.

- (Serves 1)
- 1/4 cup mashed banana
- 1 1/2 tablespoons orange juice
- 1 1/2 tablespoons honey
- 1 drop almond extract
- Pinch of salt
- 1 cup milk

Mash banana. Add fruit juice, honey, salt and flavoring. Mix well. When ready to serve, add cold milk and beat with egg beater. Garnish with whipped cream and serve immediately.

Pineapple Mint Punch.

- (Serves 6)
- 3 cups cold milk
- 2 cups cold pineapple juice
- 3/4 cup coffee cream
- 1/4 cup sugar
- 1 1/2 teaspoons lemon juice
- Pinch of salt
- 12 drops peppermint extract

Combine all ingredients in a shaker or beat with egg beater until foamy. Pour into tall glass; garnish with a mint sprig and serve immediately.

For the adult crowd, there are an entirely different set of beverages which are certain to delight. Both of these have coffee as a base. Do not use leftover-from-morning coffee, but make it fresh.

Brazilian Chocolate.

- (Serves 4)
- 2 squares unsweetened chocolate
- 1 cup strong coffee
- 3 tablespoons sugar
- Dash of salt
- 3 cups milk

Add chocolate to coffee in top of double boiler and place over a low flame, stirring until chocolate is melted and blended. Add sugar to salt and boil 4 minutes, stirring constantly. Place over boiling water. Add milk gradually, stirring constantly. Heat, then beat with rotary beater until frothy. Cool. Pour over cracked ice and top with whipped cream.

Iced Coffolate.

- (Makes 1 quart)
- 1/4 cup ground coffee
- 6 cloves
- 1 4-inch stick of cinnamon
- Dash of salt
- 4 cups milk
- 2 squares unsweetened chocolate
- 3/4 cup sugar
- 1 tablespoon flour
- 1 egg, well beaten

Add coffee, spices and salt to milk and heat in double boiler until scalded. Strain and return to double boiler. Add chocolate and heat until it melts. Mix sugar and flour and add gradually to chocolate and cook and stir until thickened. Then cook 5 minutes, stirring occasionally. Cool slightly; pour over egg and blend. Chill. Pour over ice.

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AROUND THE HOUSE

To avoid cutting the material when removing buttons, slide a comb under the button and cut the thread with a razor blade.

When making a cotton dress for little daughter, hem a square of the material for a hanky to match. Later this may provide the matching patch if daughter tears her dress.

A light dessert is best after a full, substantial evening meal. Keeps you from feeling groggy the remainder of the evening.

Before peeling onions, dip them in boiling water for a moment. Then peel, beginning at the root and peeling upward. This will keep those tears away.

A pretty decorative effect may be achieved by slipping pressed leaves under the cellophane cover of the lamp shade.

Make a paste of cornstarch and rub into the grease or mud spot on the rug. When paste is dry, brush it out with swift, strong strokes. Grease and mud comes with it.

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Tomatoes Vine Ripened lb. 15c

White Onions lb. 4 1/2c

Lemons California Large doz. 29c

Lettuce Fresh and Crisp 2 for 23c

Potatoes Mesh Bag 10 lbs. 59c

MARKET SPECIALS

7 Bone Steak lb. 28c

Liver Cheese lb. 39c

Short Ribs lb. 19c

Kraft Dinner 2 boxes 21c

Cheese Spread Blue Moon Asst. 4 oz. 17c

Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Edmiston are parents of a new son, Jerry Maddock, born Friday, May 24th, 7:15 a. m. at a San Angelo hospital. Jerry weighed four pounds and 13 ounces.

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