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DE MARCO HARP ENSEMBLE

One need not seek far for an explanation of the success of the De Marco Harp Ensemble, which is to appear at Marfa on the evening of January 11, at the First Christian church.

An ensemble of three harps played by artists, each of whom has achieved prominence in solo work; the addition of cello and violin—also played by artists of attainment—making possible delightfully fascinating effects in group playing; interesting and unusual combinations of harp piano and violin and cello, in duo, trio and quartet arrangements. These features combine in making the program one of outstanding musical achievement.

Mr. D. Dwight Harned, cellist and musical director, studied at Drake Conservatory at Des Moines, Iowa. He is an accomplished artist on the cello and extremely gifted in musical lines generally, playing half dozen different instruments. He is also an accomplished pianist.

Another featured artist of the De Marco Harp Ensemble will be Miss Martha Egin, harp soloist, a product of Oberlin Conservatory. Her harp artistry stands out because of tonal delicacy and incisive execution.

The following is the programme:

PERSONNEL	
Miss Gladys Eliss—Violinist, Reader and Vocalist.	
Miss Martha Egin—Harpist.	
Miss Laura Topky—Harpist.	
Miss Helen Surber—Harpist.	
Miss Elizabeth Hagberg—Cellist.	
HARP ENSEMBLE	
Dance Novelette	Aistrup
Allah's Holiday	Friml
CELLO SOLOS	
Dream	Bartlett
Cheerzo	Goens
THREE HARPS	
Sweet Remembrance	Hahn
SONG	
Oh, How I Miss You Tonight.	
READING	
The Old Violin.	
HARP SOLO	
Valse Caprice	Verdalle
VIOLIN	
In Spanish Costume	

Spanish Dance	Raffell
READING	
In Spanish Costume	
The Red Rose	
VOCAL	
In Spanish Costume	
Gypsy Maiden	Parker
HARP SOLO	
Barcarolle	Offenbach
MUSICAL READING	
The Old Time Fiddler.	
CELLO and HARP	
In The Gloaming	
ENSEMBLE	
Minuet in C	Beethoven
THREE HARPS	
Song of Love	Schubert
ENSEMBLE	
Serenata, By the Brook Medley	Doisdefre

The following appeared in the El Paso Times, issue of Jan. 6th:

"A program of unusual charm will be given here by the DeMarco Harp Ensemble. An ensemble of 3 harps, with cello and violin added, is the instrumental foundation of this unusual musical program. The personnel includes two feature artists D. Dwight Harned, cellist and musical director, and Martha Egin, harp soloist. The repertoire is large and includes big, difficult classical numbers as well as popular selections.

Admission \$1.00 to \$1.50. The DeMarco Harp Ensemble will appear in Marfa Monday evening at 8 o'clock at the First Christian church, being the second number of the Lyceum Course sponsored by the Ladies Aid Society of that church. Single admission will be \$1.00 for adults and .50c. for children.

NOTICE TO TAX-PAYERS AND AUTO OWNERS

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O. A. Knight,
Tax Collector.

FLUID RISES 140 FEET IN HADLOCK-MILLER WELL NEAR VALENTINE.

A good showing of oil has been encountered in the Hadlock-Miller well, 25 miles south of Valentine in Presidio county, at a depth of 1,500 feet, it was learned here yesterday. The oil rose 140 feet in the hole, and is said to be a high quality oil, very black in color, but light in texture, according to Frank B. Hadlock, 1325 Arizona street. It is different from any oil found in any of the wells so far drilled in this part of the country, Mr Hadlock said.

Oil Not Unexpected.

"Although considered a fine showing and possibly one of the best yet encountered in this section the sand will be cased off and the well sunk to 2,300 feet, where 'real production' is expected," Mr. Hadlock said last night. "We were not surprised at the showing, as we expected to encounter an oil sand at around this depth. We expect to tap another sand at 1,700 feet, but are satking our hopes for a well on the 2,300-foot sand."

The most encouraging feature in connection with the drilling in that section is the fact that many of the large oil companies have scouts watching the progress of drilling and have acquired considerable acreage, Mr Hadlock said.

Big Thing to re El Paso.

"Our people have nothing to sell," Mr. Hadlock said "We are oil people out to get oil. We began operations in October, but have been delayed by casing holes. The hole up to the present depth is 10 inches in diameter. We will, however, reduce it to 8 and one-half inches and expect to keep it at this size until the 2,300-foot level is reached. The well will probably have to be cased for the entire depth to shut off areas of water which we expect to encounter."

Mr. Hadlock last night said he was satisfied with the showings so far encountered, and confidently expects to get commercial oil.

"Our well," he said, "is only 162 miles by automobile from El Paso, and if we strike oil will be the

LAST OF FAMED WAR TROOP DEAD

"Taps" was sounded Monday over the body of David S. Combs, 86, retired ranchman and believed to have been the only surviving member of Terry's Rangers, who died Sunday at his home, 125 East King's Highway.

Dr. S. H. C. Burgan his pastor of Laurel Heights Methodist Church preached the funeral service, after which the body was taken to San Marcos, Mr Combs' former home, for burial.

Old Trailsman.

Mr. Combs came to Texas from Missouri in 1854 and with his parents settled in San Marcos. Almost yearly after 1867, Mr Combs and his relatives made a trip with horses and cattle, continuing until the advent of the railroad.

Joining Terry's Texas Rangers in 1861 when he was 22 years old, Mr Combs was a member of that famous band throughout the civil War, like its other members, he furnished his own mount and provisions.

Two Daughters.

Surviving Mr Combs are two daughters, Mrs. Nora C. McGee and Mrs. Lila C. Matthews, and a son, Guy S. Combs, all of San Antonio. Pallbearers were: George C. Walker, W. C. Manlove, T. H. Flannery, W. Ne.

nearest field to El Paso and will have a great effect upon the commercial life of the city, as this will necessarily be our headquarters as well as the headquarters of other oil men that would be attracted to this section."

Casing En Route.

Casing to be used in the well is now en route to the scene of drilling operations, by truck, Mr Hadlock, said, and as soon as it is in and oil and the water so far encountered shut off, drilling operations will be actively resumed.

Mr Hadlock and his associates have under lease considerable land owned by the city national bank. Should oil be found it is expected the bank will be able to pay its depositors in full.

—El Paso Times

HIGHLAND HEREFORD ASSOCIATION FACING SPLENDID YEAR.

The Highland Hereford Breeders' Association, now more than six years old, with headquarters at Marfa, Texas, of which Mr. H. T. Fletcher, is secretary, is also facing a better outlook than for several years. This Association is composed of cattlemen of Brewster, Presidio and Jeff Davis counties, and through its co-operative seeling, members in the Association have benefitted. The ranchmen who compose the membership raise registered Herefords in the three Highland counties. The popularity of the Association is growing each year, and Highland Herefords wherever exhibited receive recognition and in many instances take away the first prizes. It is certain that much greater profits will accrue this year, than ever, as the quality of the Hereford Breed herds are higher this year.

In conclusion, weighing both the favorable and unfavorable conditions, and considering that 1926 will begin with plenty of grass on the range, which is not overstocked, the cattle situation in the Southwest has a good chance to stage the biggest come-back of any single industry in the south.

—Alpine Avalanche.

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BOB EVANS,
Marfa, Texas.



MARFA HISTORY CLUB

The Marfa History Club met with Mrs J W Yates on Tuesday afternoon, January 5th. Mrs Church was the leader. A very able and interesting paper was read by Mrs J C Darracott. Two new members were elected, Mrs George Crosson and Mrs Arthur Kerr. The next meeting of the History Club will be the Federation day, Open Meeting, January 26, at the Community House. All the Clubs in Marfa will be invited to attend the meeting as guests of the Marfa History Club and to take part in the programme.

Reporter

MRS. ORR KERR ENTERTAINS

Mrs. Bryan DeVolin was honor guest at a bridge and "42" party Saturday afternoon given by Mrs. Orr Kerr.

Mrs. Kenneth Smith won high score in bridge and Mesdames W. T. Hirth won in "42".

A two course menu was served. Those attending the party were Mesdames: B. H. Davis, H. A. Coffield, Joe Jamar, S. Casner, H. Hord, Bryan DeVolin, K. Smith, W. T. Hirth, A. Kerr, McKie Mitchell, Perry Kerr, J. C. Darracott, Jack Rawles, N. A. Arnold, Misses Howard, Nash and the hostess.

(A guest.)

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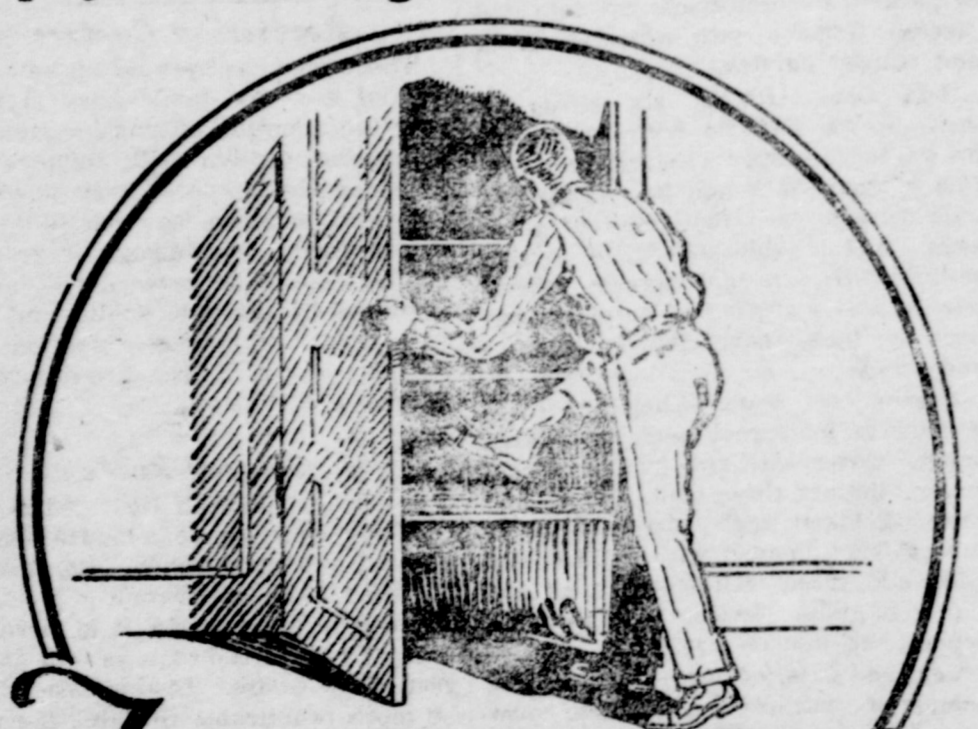
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"THINK IT OVER"

ALONG LIFE'S TRAIL

By THOMAS ARKLE CLARK

Dean of Men, University of Illinois.

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CHRISTOPHER COLUMBUS

I HAD never taken Christopher Columbus very seriously until I crossed the ocean the last time. I recall his picture in the old geography, which I studied, I was about to say, but which at least I held in my hands once a day in the country school which I attended. He was very elegantly dressed, it seemed to me, in short trousers and a curiously cut coat, and he wore a plumed hat on his head as he shook hands graciously with the mild-mannered savages who came down to the shore in quite an orderly way to meet him as if they were accustomed, as a part of their daily routine, to greet strangers from Italy or Spain or wherever it was that Columbus sailed from.

"In 1492" the history said, "Columbus discovered America." It seemed to me quite the natural thing then for a man to do. Why some one had not thought sooner of doing it, I could not see, but I had not seen the ocean then nor had I much conception of its terrors.

We were eight days between Montreal and Liverpool—five of them in the open sea—tossed by the waves, blown by the wind, pierced by the biting cold when we ventured on the deck. Most of the passengers kept to their berths until the last day, coming out then pale and haggard from their illness. And all this was in a vessel fitted up with every modern comfort—play rooms, and luxurious lounges, and steam heat, and enclosed decks to shut out the fiercer winds and the overwhelming waves. We knew where we were going and how far we had come and what dangers there were to be avoided. Our path was a straight paved road as compared with the rugged course which Columbus followed.

We were less than five days out of sight of land in a safe, comfortable ship, and yet when a storm came up there were many experienced people pale with terror. Columbus and his band were in frail boats, they were weeks upon an unknown sea, not knowing what dangers they would meet.

It is amazing what one can do when forced into a corner. The muskrat which ordinarily confines its excursions to the earth or to the water, leaving arboreal heights to those animals better prepared by nature for such labors, was said once to have climbed a tree, and when questioned gave as an explanation of its unusual behavior that he had to do it. Even human beings can do many difficult things if they have to.

It was unbelievable what young fellows accomplished in a few weeks in their preparation for service in the great war both in mental and physical affairs. Under the stress of circumstances they learned as much in three or four months as would usually require as many years.

Nancy and I visited one of the oldest and most provincial towns of Spain last summer. Neither of us had any knowledge of the Spanish language—not even enough to say "good morning," or "I should like some hot water," but we had been told by our friends who were wiser than we that people spoke English at all the hotels, and if it came to the worst we could use French.

We got into the town just at night and stepped out of the train into a maelstrom of foreign tongues and foreign customs. Fortunately we knew the name of our hotel and got to it without difficulty.

Then our trouble began. No one at the hotel could speak either English or French; no one in town could, so far as we could discover, excepting one man, and he was busy. By gestures and other indications we made it clear what we desired and ultimately got to our rooms and had our dinner served. Then we settled down to business.

I had in my bag a little book called "Spanish in Ten Easy Lessons" and proceeded to master these. They were not easy, that is quite certain, but before we went to breakfast the next morning we had learned an amazing amount, and we could be understood when we wanted change, or drinking water, or stamps or were interested in the age of the cathedral.

We found ourselves, before we left the city, almost on a par with the muskrat that had climbed the tree. I've about concluded that a man can do almost anything he really wants to do, and at least anything that he has to do.

Daddy's Evening Fairy Tale

By MARY GRAHAM BONNER

NICK AND NANCY

"Every year, you know," said Daddy, "we like to have a talk, Nick and Nancy and I, about the stories and about our favorite subjects for stories, and then we like to hear from the children who read the stories."

"We like to hear which stories are their favorites and which animals they like to hear about especially."

"Oh yes, Daddy," said Nick, "we can make some suggestions, too."

"I always seem to have suggestions to make," said Nancy.

"Well, we'll let Nick give his first this time, just to show that we don't show all the partiality to girls."

Nick and Nancy grinned and Nick began: "Well, I still think about one of the suggestions I have made before."

"There's no harm in that," said Daddy, "for it only means you still stick by the same thoughts, and that is all right."

"Let's have this suggestion, Nick."

"I hope," he said, "that boys and girls everywhere will learn to know that it is cruel to have fox terriers' tails cut."

"Some people think it is fashionable and smart to see fox terriers



"I Agree With You, Too," Said Daddy.

with short tails and so they have them cut when the puppies are quite young.

"They say it doesn't hurt them. But they're wrong. That was what I used to think and I know I was wrong."

"The dog man who does this always has to keep the dog a week and that shows that the dog has to suffer a great deal."

"At least he doesn't as a rule bring the dog back until the dog is just about all right."

"Now a week of suffering isn't any fun. The poor little dog looks as though he had been through a lot and it seems so mean for people to make animals follow the fashions people set for them—particularly when it makes the animals suffer."

"I'd like to let boys and girls everywhere know how cruel this is. I don't think many of them do realize. The dog may be young but they have to cut through the little bone in his tail and it hurts—like fury."

"That's my chief suggestion."

"A good one," said Daddy, "and worth repeating. I hope, too, that people will less and less make animals suffer for what they call styles."

"I," said Nancy, "hope that girls will never when they grow up wear egrets in their hats—for that means that the mother egrets must be killed when their plumage is at its best, when the babies are young and can't look after themselves."

"I hope they will never wear birds-of-paradise feathers, or any feathers that mean the killing of birds. That is what I hope more than anything."

"I agree with you, too," said Daddy, "and now before we finish our talk I must say that we have had more requests for stories about the animals who come from far away to live in the zoo than any others, so we're going to have many more animal stories, just as we have been having a great many."

"The animals won out by a large majority the last time. Especially the wild animals and queer animals and odd animals of the zoo."

"Their ways and habits when in the zoo and when free are popular and wanted by young readers. Even teachers have said they used the stories about the animals at the end of lessons—before school was out—or beginning the day with the stories."

"But we must let every child and every reader of our stories know that if they will write to Mary Graham Bonner, 607 West One Hundred and Thirty-seventh street, New York city, they will not only have their letters answered but they will hear the story news for the months to come."

"And we will hear about their letters. We hope they will write lots of news, of what they do and of what they are planning to do."

So, children everywhere and anywhere, write to Mary Graham Bonner and tell your news and what are your favorite stories.

Duty of Men

Bobby was out for a jaunt with several aunts and uncles.

Aunt Pauline, who was walking ahead, tripped and fell against a tree. Before any of the uncles could reach her, Bobby darted ahead, helped her to her feet, and carefully brushed off her clothing.

Rejoining his uncles, he looked up at the group with quite a smug air, saying: "Us men has to take care of the ladies, doesn't we?"

CHARMING DAY-TIME FROCKS; VELVET FOR THE CHILDREN

IN FEATURING crepe satin fashion creators take occasion to remind us that "there are two sides to a question." This continued popularity of two-faced satin is merited. A material, which, being reversed, forms its own trimming, could not but win its way to the top in the world of fashion.

With the coming of the gay winter season crepe satin is in a very colorful mood. Time was when the allabout crepe-back satin frock was the center of attention, and be it here emphasized that it is still a favorite for practical wear. However, the program is being varied with the advent of fascinating frocks and ensembles of

are two outstanding style features in this model.

Velvet is the fashion for children's frocks. Paris says so. Gayly trimmed are these juvenile velvet costumes. Some of them are strewn with cunning bouquets of little flowers done in brightest wool stitchery, to accent the childish note. Others, like the straightlined smock-like frock in the picture to the left, flaunt scarves and trimming of colorful printed silk. This picturesque little dress is distinctly Parisian.

The favorite shades for the velvet costume are black, navy and brown, their somberness offset by cheerful details. Answering to the demands of



TWO MODELS IN CREPE SATIN

navy blue satin crepes. These are very handsome, especially expressed in terms of an ensemble, wherein the long coat is made with the dull-surfaced side out. While there is a preponderance of navy and black there are indications that the new wine shades, cracklehead blue and amber satin frocks will register among fashion's newest numbers. The method of procedure, when it comes to high colors, is to use the dull side for the garment proper, applying the luster effect for borderings and trimmings.

An effective treatment was noted in a long navy satin coat in a recent style show, which gives a clue to com-

ing modes. Circular godets of the shiny side of the material were inserted around the hemline to provide the necessary flare for the slim coat cut with the dull crepe out. Revers and cuffs stressed the luster weave, matching the godets.

Clever manipulation of crepe satin imparts chic to the frocks here pictured. Note the tendency to mold the lines to the hips in the dress to the right.

The deep circular flare which serves as an overdrape to the stylish gown to the left exposes the crepe side of the material, as also do the strips which serve as a background for the shiny satin buttons. The high collar effect and fullness about the wrist



TWO PARIS MODELS IN VELVET

With the inimitable artistic touch of the French couturier, a brilliant note of color is attained in the wool-embroidered bordering. The crepe for the plaiting exactly matches the velvet which is in that popular new cracklehead tone.

Nor are little girls carrying all the honor of wearing velvet. Smock suits of velvet, for wee boys, with vestees, cuffs and collars of contrasting crepe, are the latest innovation in lilliputian fashionland.

Satin is also being used for little boys' suits, which goes to show that they tota are dressing in festive style tuned to the gaiety of holiday parties and entertainments.

JULLA BOTTOMLEY.

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THE KITCHEN CABINET

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Good talk is like good scenery—continuous, yet constantly varying, and full of the charm of novelty and surprise. An apple a day keeps the doctor away.

A CHAPTER ON APPLES

The wholesome apple is such a well liked fruit that it needs no one to sing its praises. A fresh, juicy apple eaten at least once a day is the best of medicines. For the ill, a baked apple is easy of digestion and always appetizing. As a dessert, nothing can be more wholesome than a good apple well baked.

Baked Apple With Raisins.—Pare and core apples, fill the cavities with sugar, raisins and pieces of butter. Bake fifteen minutes. Remove and fill the centers with more sugar and cinnamon and butter. Replace in the oven and baste with boiling water to make a sirup. Bake until the apples are soft. Serve hot with cream.

Apple and Brown Bread Pudding.—Take one pint of brown bread crumbs, one pint of chopped apples, two-thirds of a pint of finely chopped suet, one cupful of raisins, one egg, one tablespoonful of flour, one-half teaspoonful of salt, and one-half pint of milk. Mix the apples and bread crumbs. Add suet, raisins, egg, flour, salt. Mix with milk and boil in a buttered mold for two hours. Serve with lemon sauce.

Lemon Sauce.—Take two teaspoonfuls of cornstarch or arrow root, two cupfuls of water, one-half cupful of sugar, one and one-half tablespoons of butter, the rind and juice of one lemon. Mix the starch and sugar, add boiling water and cook twenty minutes. Add flavoring and butter and serve hot.

Onion and Apple Salad.—Chop fine a small Bermuda onion, add two cupfuls of finely diced apple (good flavored tart apple), add a handful of dates cut fine, a sprinkling of chopped green pepper and mayonnaise enough to moisten. Serve on heart leaves of head lettuce. Sprinkle with paprika as a garnish. A spoonful of apple sauce on top is both appetizing and decorative.

Apple Dumpling.—Take four cupfuls of sliced apple, one-half cupful of water, two cupfuls of flour, four teaspoonfuls of baking powder, one-half teaspoonful of salt, one-fourth cupful of sugar, one cupful of milk and a little grated lemon rind. Mix and sift the dry ingredients, except the sugar. Add milk. Fill a buttered pudding dish with apples, add sugar, water, lemon rind, cover with flour mixture and steam one and one-half hours. Serve with lemon sauce.

Potato Pancakes.—Peel three large potatoes, grate them, add salt, pepper, a little milk and flour enough to make the batter the right consistency to fry. Heat the griddle hot, add fat and fry long enough to thoroughly cook them. Serve with apple sauce or jam of any kind.

Nourishing Soups. A cream soup is sufficiently nourishing to serve as the main dish. Where the dinner is served at noon, a hot soup is greatly appreciated for the night meal at this season of the year.

Celery with potato or onion with potato makes a good flavored soup that satisfies all.

Cream of Potato Soup.—Boil two large potatoes and mash well, adding a cupful of cream, season with salt and grated onion. Blend two tablespoonfuls each of butter and flour, add two cupfuls of cold milk and cook until smooth. Serve hot with croutons.

Sweetbread Soup.—Reheat one quart of veal stock and add two cupfuls of cream which has been blended with two beaten egg yolks. Take from the heat, season to taste, add one cupful of parboiled sweetbreads cut into fine pieces. Garnish with whipped cream and minced parsley.

Egg Soup.—Butter six slices of stale bread, sprinkle with sugar and brown in the oven. Reheat two cupfuls of veal stock and two cupfuls of milk beaten with the yolks of three eggs. Add a tablespoonful of butter; season with salt and pepper, minced parsley and a grating of nutmeg. Pour over the toast; cover for ten minutes and serve.

Cream Veal Soup.—Chop fine three pounds of lean veal and one large onion. Cover with two quarts of cold water; simmer three hours, strain and cool. Thicken with two tablespoonfuls of flour blended with a little cold milk, add three well-beaten eggs and a pint of milk. Season with salt and pepper and minced parsley.

Veal and Celery Soup.—Cut up three pounds of veal, break the bones, cover with four quarts of water and simmer for four hours; strain and return to the fire. Add two bunches of celery and two chopped onions, simmer until the vegetables are soft. Press through a fine sieve, thicken with two tablespoonfuls of cornstarch mixed with two cupfuls of milk; add two tablespoonfuls of butter in small bits, reheat and serve with diced fried bread.

Blood stains of woollen goods, if fresh, may be completely removed if saturated at once with dry starch. It absorbs the moisture and when dry all the stain will brush out.

Heinie Maxwell

Community Building

Evergreen Addition to Dignity of Landscape

There is little that adds dignity and picturesqueness to a home more than the evergreen family. However, there are comparatively few grounds—even in the suburbs—that have even the hardest varieties, such as blue spruce, arbor vitae and junipers scarcely more than one season. Here is a point well to consider. Nurseries and landscape firms sell these generally without any guarantees to the home owners of their surviving any length of time, which seems decidedly unfair—particularly if a home owner is following the advice and suggestions of a capable firm. It is well to be regulated by guarantees because one must otherwise on reflecting realize that there is quite a hazard on unwarranted stock or it would otherwise be guaranteed.

Planning to plant means a planting that will reflect thought. When a beautiful ground is observed it is a result of a capable landscape design or an owner who had the time to study out an amateur plan and through observation bring about effective arrangement of his own shrubs and trees.

Many Things Go to Real City Building

It so often happens that Dr. H. A. Morgan, president of the University of Tennessee, is correct and is so seldom wrong that we are not disposed to take issue with his latest pronouncement delivered before a Knoxville luncheon club the other day, when he said that the idea of boosting and making cities larger is wrong; that the thing to do is to make them better and cleaner, and dilute the rural territory with industry and build up the background of the city with prosperity. The United States is rapidly becoming an industrial country. It is changing so fast that the transformation is obvious. The last census showed that the nation had changed in a few short years from an overwhelming rural to a majority urban population. Doctor Morgan cannot be far wrong when he says that mere bigness is not the most desirable thing about a city.—Memphis News Scimitar.

Maxims of a Fire Chief

Whether or not the householder believes in signs, he would do well to pay heed to the following maxims, which are the result of long experience and study:

To see a paperhanger hang paper over a fue hole indicates an impending loss.

It is worse luck to look in a dark closet with a lighted match than to see the new moon over your left shoulder.

When the wind moans it is extremely bad luck to burn trash near your house.

If you have a pile of rubbish in your cellar it indicates that a crowd of people are coming to your house.—John J. Gilday, Fire Chief of Hoboken, N. J., in Popular Mechanics Magazine.

Course in Beeskeeping

Practical experience in beeskeeping is a part of the curriculum in a number of rural schools in the province of Ontario. In 16 schools in Westworth county bees are kept in observation hives in the schoolroom. The study involves little extra work on the part of the teacher, and is valuable as a nature contact and in contributing to the promotion of a great productive industry. The sale of honey in many of the schools has been more than sufficient to cover in one season the expense of installation and upkeep.

Recreation Centers

Those who are opening up new residential sections should bear in mind that the donation of suitable sites for recreation centers will enhance the value of the property they have for sale and increase its desirability for home seekers. Washington is growing rapidly, but that growth will be accelerated if through public and private contribution the education and the play of the children are assured.—Washington Post.

Colored Roofs

A certain shade of light red is particularly effective on a house that is painted a neutral shade. So, also, is a rather bright green roof. When a house is old, it is merely a case of repaint the roof, as well as the rest of the house. In this case it will be more practical to paint the roof all one color, instead of attempting several tones. Green, brown, red or reddish brown are popular roof colors.

Entertainment in Desert

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ALONG LIFE'S TRAIL

By THOMAS ARKLE CLARK

Dean of Men, University of Illinois.

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CHRISTOPHER COLUMBUS

I HAD never taken Christopher Columbus very seriously until I crossed the ocean the last time. I recall his picture in the old geography, which I studied. I was about to say, but which at least I held in my hands once a day in the country school which I attended. He was very elegantly dressed, it seemed to me, in short trousers and a curiously cut coat, and he wore a plumed hat on his head as he shook hands graciously with the mild mannered savages who came down to the shore in quite an orderly way to meet him as if they were accustomed, as a part of their daily routine, to greet strangers from Italy or Spain or wherever it was that Columbus sailed from.

"In 1492" the history said, "Columbus discovered America." It seemed to me quite the natural thing then for a man to do. Why some one had not thought sooner of doing it, I could not see, but I had not seen the ocean then nor had I much conception of its terrors.

We were eight days between Montreal and Liverpool—five of them in the open sea—tossed by the waves, blown by the wind, pierced by the biting cold when we ventured on the deck. Most of the passengers kept to their berths until the last day, coming out then pale and haggard from their illness. And all this was in a vessel fitted up with every modern comfort—play rooms, and luxurious lounges, and steam heat, and enclosed decks to shut out the fiercer winds and the overwhelming waves. We knew where we were going and how far we had come and what dangers there were to be avoided. Our path was a straight paved road as compared with the rugged course which Columbus followed.

We were less than five days out of sight of land in a safe, comfortable ship, and yet when a storm came up there were many experienced people pale with terror. Columbus and his hand were in frail boats, they were weeks upon an unknown sea, not knowing what dangers they would encounter.

It takes courage and determination and vision to be a pioneer, to blaze new trails, to discover new countries, in science, in religion, in social regions. Men are doing it even today and braving storms of doubt and criticism and abuse in the doing, and when they finally do reach the land for which they sailed we often take it as lightly as I took the discovery of Columbus.

DOING WHAT ONE MUST DO

IT IS amazing what one can do when forced into a corner. The muskrat which ordinarily confines its excursions to the earth or to the water, leaving arboreal heights to those animals better prepared by nature for such labors, was said once to have climbed a tree, and when questioned gave an explanation of its unusual behavior that he had to do it. Even human beings can do many difficult things if they have to.

It was unbelievable what young fellows accomplished in a few weeks in their preparation for service in the great war both in mental and physical affairs. Under the stress of circumstances they learned as much in three or four months as would usually require as many years.

Nancy and I visited one of the oldest and most provincial towns of Spain last summer. Neither of us had any knowledge of the Spanish language—not even enough to say "good morning," or "I should like some hot water," but we had been told by our friends who were wiser than we that people spoke English at all the hotels, and if it came to the worst we could use French.

We got into the town just at night and stepped out of the train into a maelstrom of foreign tongues and foreign customs. Fortunately we knew the name of our hotel and got to it without difficulty.

Then our trouble began. No one at the hotel could speak either English or French; no one in town could, so far as we could discover, excepting one man, and he was busy. By gestures and other indications we made it clear what we desired and ultimately got to our rooms and had our dinner served. Then we settled down to business.

I had in my bag a little book called "Spanish in Ten Easy Lessons" and proceeded to master these. They were not easy, that is quite certain, but before we went to breakfast the next morning we had learned an amazing amount, and we could be understood when we wanted change, or drinking water, or stamps or were interested in the age of the cathedral.

We found ourselves, before we left the city, almost on a par with the muskrat that had climbed the tree.

I've about concluded that a man can do almost anything he really wants to do, and at least anything that he has to do.

Daddy's Evening Fairy Tale

By MARY GRAHAM BONNER

NICK AND NANCY

"Every year, you know," said Daddy, "we like to have a talk, Nick and Nancy and I, about the stories and about our favorite subjects for stories, and then we like to hear from the children who read the stories."

"We like to hear which stories are their favorites and which animals they like to hear about especially."

"Oh yes, Daddy," said Nick, "we can make some suggestions, too."

"I always seem to have suggestions to make," said Nancy.

"Well, we'll let Nick give his first this time, just to show that we don't show all the partiality to girls."

Nick and Nancy grinned and Nick began: "Well, I still think about one of the suggestions I have made before."

"There's no harm in that," said Daddy, "for it only means you still stick by the same thoughts, and that is all right."

"Let's have this suggestion, Nick."

"I hope," he said, "that boys and girls everywhere will learn to know that it is cruel to have fox terriers' tails cut."

"Some people think it is fashionable and smart to see fox terriers



"I Agree With You, Too," Said Daddy.

with short tails and so they have them cut when the puppies are quite young.

"They say it doesn't hurt them. But they're wrong. That was what I used to think and I know I was wrong."

"The dog man who does this always has to keep the dog a week and that shows that the dog has to suffer a great deal."

"At least he doesn't as a rule bring the dog back until the dog is just about all right."

"Now a week of suffering isn't any fun. The poor little dog looks as though he had been through a lot and it seems so mean for people to make animals follow the fashions people set for them—particularly when it makes the animals suffer."

"I'd like to let boys and girls everywhere know how cruel this is. I don't think many of them do realize. The dog may be young but they have to cut through the little bone in his tail and it hurts—like fury."

"That's my chief suggestion," said Daddy, "and worth repeating. I hope, too, that people will less and less make animals suffer for what they call styles."

"I," said Nancy, "hope that girls will never when they grow up wear egrets in their hats—for that means that the mother egrets must be killed when their plumage is at its best, when the babies are young and can't look after themselves."

"I hope they will never wear birds-of-paradise feathers, or any feathers that mean the killing of birds. That is what I hope more than anything."

"I agree with you, too," said Daddy, "and now before we finish our talk I must say that we have had more requests for stories about the animals who come from far away to live in the zoo than any others, so we're going to have many more animal stories, just as we have been having a great many."

"The animals won out by a large majority the last time. Especially the wild animals and queer animals and odd animals of the zoo."

"Their ways and habits when in the zoo and when free are popular and wanted by young readers. Even teachers have said they used the stories about the animals at the end of lessons—before school was out—or beginning the day with the stories."

"But we must let every child and every reader of our stories know that if they will write to Mary Graham Bonner, 607 West One Hundred and Thirty-seventh street, New York city, they will not only have their letters answered but they will hear the story news for the months to come."

"And we will hear about their letters. We hope they will write lots of news, of what they do and of what they are planning to do."

So, children everywhere and anywhere, write to Mary Graham Bonner and tell your news and what are your favorite stories.

Duty of Men

Bobby was out for a jaunt with several aunts and uncles.

Aunt Pauline, who was walking ahead, tripped and fell against a tree. Before any of the uncles could reach her, Bobby darted ahead, helped her to her feet, and carefully brushed off her clothing.

Rejoining his uncles, he looked up at the group with quite a smug air, saying: "Us men has to take care of the ladies, doesn't we?"

CHARMING DAY-TIME FROCKS; VELVET FOR THE CHILDREN

IN FEATURING crepe satin fashion creators take occasion to remind us that "there are two sides to a question." This continued popularity of two-faced satin is merited. A material, which, being reversed, forms its own trimming, could not but win its way to the top in the world of fashion.

With the coming of the gay winter season crepe satin is in a very colorful mood. Time was when the all-black crepe-back satin frock was the center of attention, and be it here emphasized that it is still a favorite for practical wear. However, the program is being varied with the advent of fascinating frocks and ensembles of

are two outstanding style features in this model. Velvet is the fashion for children's frocks. Paris says so. Gayly trimmed are these juvenile velvet costumes. Some of them are strewn with cunning bouquets of little flowers done in brightest wool stitchery, to accent the childish note. Others, like the straightlined smock-like frock in the picture to the left, flaunt scarves and trimmings of colorful printed silk. This picturesque little dress is distinctly Parisian.

The favorite shades for the velvet costume are black, navy and brown, their somberness offset by cheerful details. Answering to the demands of



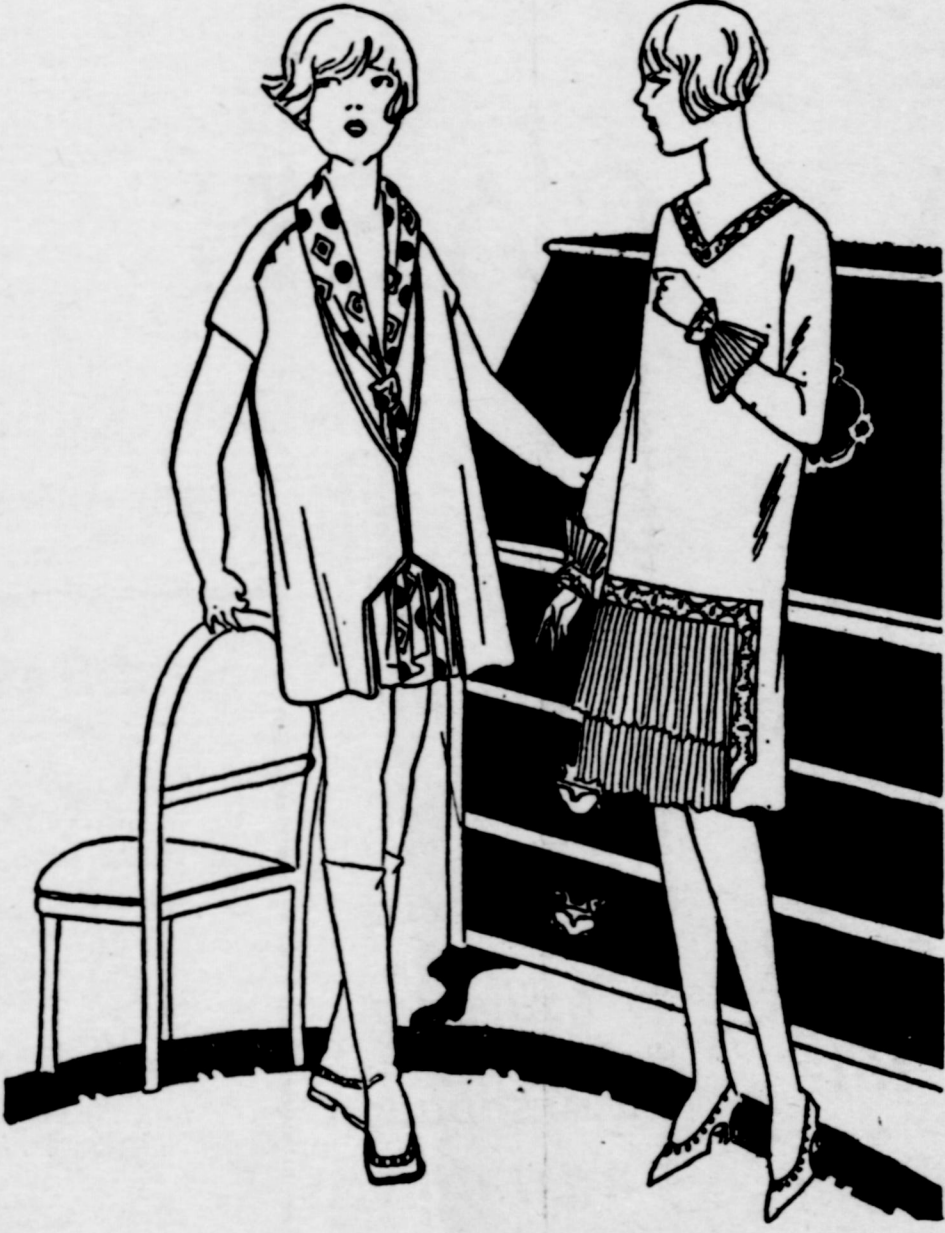
TWO MODELS IN CREPE SATIN

navy blue satin crepes. These are very handsome, especially expressed in terms of an ensemble, wherein the long coat is made with the dull-surfaced side out. While there is a preponderance of navy and black there are indications that the new wine shades, cracklehead blue and amber satin frocks will register among fashion's newest numbers. The method of procedure, when it comes to high colors, is to use the dull side for the garment proper, applying the luster effect for borderings and trimmings.

An effective treatment was noted in a long navy satin coat in a recent style show, which gives a clue to com-

the mode is a brown velvet frock designed for Miss Fourteen or younger. It is enlivened with rows of red stitching on the skirt, and other touches of novel embroidery about the neck and sleeves. A navy dress was embellished with collar and cuffs of red crepe de chine and correspondingly bright yarn embroidery.

Sometimes the silk crepe takes the form of plaiting on the velvet frock as defined in the handsome dress to the right in the picture. It is interesting to note that the sleeves are long and close fitting, following the trend of a vogue which applies to children's frocks as well as those of their elders.



TWO PARIS MODELS IN VELVET

ing modes. Circular godets of the shiny side of the material were inserted around the hemline to provide the necessary flare for the slim coat cut with the dull crepe out. Revers and cuffs stressed the luster weave, matching the godets.

Clever manipulation of crepe satin imparts chic to the frocks here pictured. Note the tendency to mold the lines to the hips in the dress to the right.

The deep circular flare which serves as an overdrape to the stylish gown to the left exposes the crepe side of the material, as also do the strips which serve as a background for the shiny satin buttons. The high collar effect and fullness about the wrist

With the inimitable artistic touch of the French couturier, a brilliant note of color it attained in the wool-embroidered bordering. The crepe for the plaiting exactly matches the velvet which is in that popular new cracklehead tone.

Nor are little girls carrying all the honor of wearing velvet. Smock suits of velvet, for wee boys, with vestees, cuffs and collars of contrasting crepe, are the latest innovation in lilliputian fashionland.

Satin is also being used for little boys' suits, which goes to show that they totos are dressing in festive style tuned to the gaiety of holiday parties and entertainments.

JULIA BOTTOMLEY.
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THE KITCHEN CABINET

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Good talk is like good scenery—continuous, yet constantly varying, and full of the charm of novelty and surprise. An apple a day keeps the doctor away.

A CHAPTER ON APPLES

The wholesome apple is such a well liked fruit that it needs no one to sing its praises. A fresh, juicy apple eaten at least once a day is the best of medicines. For the ill, a baked apple is easy of digestion and always appetizing. As a dessert, nothing can be more wholesome than a good apple well baked.

Baked Apple With Raisins.—Pare and core apples, fill the cavities with sugar, raisins and pieces of butter. Bake fifteen minutes. Remove and fill the centers with more sugar and cinnamon and butter. Replace in the oven and baste with boiling water to make a sirup. Bake until the apples are soft. Serve hot with cream.

Apple and Brown Bread Pudding.—Take one pint of brown bread crumbs, one pint of chopped apples, two-thirds of a pint of finely chopped suet, one cupful of raisins, one egg, one tablespoonful of flour, one-half teaspoonful of salt, and one-half pint of milk. Mix the apples and bread crumbs. Add suet, raisins, egg, flour, salt. Mix with milk and boil in a buttered mold for two hours. Serve with lemon sauce.

Lemon Sauce.—Take two teaspoonfuls of cornstarch or arrow root, two cupfuls of water, one-half pint of sugar, one and one-half tablespoons of butter, the rind and juice of one lemon. Mix the starch and sugar, add boiling water and cook twenty minutes. Add flavoring and butter and serve hot.

Onion and Apple Salad.—Chop fine a small Bermuda onion, add two cupfuls of finely diced apple (good flavored tart apple), add a handful of dates cut fine, a sprinkling of chopped green pepper and mayonnaise enough to moisten. Serve on heart leaves of head lettuce. Sprinkle with paprika as a garnish. A spoonful of apple sauce on top is both appetizing and decorative.

Apple Dumpling.—Take four cupfuls of sliced apple, one-half cupful of water, two cupfuls of flour, four teaspoonfuls of baking powder, one-half teaspoonful of salt, one-fourth cupful of sugar, one cupful of milk and a little grated lemon rind. Mix and sift the dry ingredients, except the sugar. Add milk. Fill a buttered pudding dish with apples, add sugar, water, lemon rind, cover with flour mixture and steam one and one-half hours. Serve with lemon sauce.

Potato Pancakes.—Peel three large potatoes, grate them, add salt, pepper, a little milk and flour enough to make the batter the right consistency to fry. Heat the griddle hot, add fat and fry long enough to thoroughly cook them. Serve with apple sauce or jam of any kind.

Nourishing Soups.

A cream soup is sufficiently nourishing to serve as the main dish. Where the dinner is served at noon, a hot soup is greatly appreciated for the night meal at this season of the year.

celery with potato or onion with potato makes a good flavored soup that satisfies all.
Cream of Potato Soup.—Boil two large potatoes and mash well, adding a cupful of cream, season with salt and grated onion. Blend two tablespoonfuls each of butter and flour, add two cupfuls of cold milk and cook until smooth. Serve hot with croutons.

Sweetbread Soup.—Reheat one quart of veal stock and add two cupfuls of cream which has been blended with two beaten egg yolks. Take from the heat, season to taste, add one cupful of parboiled sweetbreads cut into fine pieces. Garnish with whipped cream and minced parsley.

Egg Soup.—Butter six slices of stale bread, sprinkle with sugar and brown in the oven. Reheat two cupfuls of veal stock and two cupfuls of milk beaten with the yolks of three eggs. Add a tablespoonful of butter; season with salt and pepper, minced parsley and a grating of nutmeg. Pour over the toast; cover for ten minutes and serve.

Cream Veal Soup.—Chop fine three pounds of lean veal and one large onion. Cover with two quarts of cold water; simmer three hours, strain and cool. Thicken with two tablespoonfuls of flour blended with a little cold milk, add three well-beaten eggs and a pint of milk. Season with salt and pepper and minced parsley.

Veal and Celery Soup.—Cut up three pounds of veal, break the bones, cover with four quarts of water and simmer for four hours; strain and return to the fire. Add two bunches of celery and two chopped onions, simmer until the vegetables are soft. Press through a fine sieve, thicken with two tablespoonfuls of cornstarch mixed with two cupfuls of milk; add two tablespoonfuls of butter in small bits, reheat and serve with diced fried bread.

Blood stains of woolen goods, if fresh, may be completely removed if saturated at once with dry starch. It absorbs the moisture and when dry all the stain will brush out.

Nellie Maxwell

Community Building

Evergreen Addition to Dignity of Landscape

There is little that adds dignity and picturesqueness to a home more than the evergreen family. However, these are comparatively few grounds—even in the suburbs—that have even the hardest varieties, such as blue spruce, arbor vitae and junipers scarcely more than one season. Here is a point well to consider. Nurseries and landscape firms sell these generally without any guarantee to the home owners of their surviving any length of time, which seems decidedly unfair—particularly if a home owner is following the advice and suggestions of a capable firm. It is well to be regulated by guarantees because one must otherwise on reflecting realize that there is quite a hazard on unwarranted stock or it would otherwise be guaranteed.

Planning to plant means a planting that will reflect thought. When a beautiful ground is observed it is a result of a capable landscape design or an owner who had the time to study out an amateur plan and through observation bring about effective arrangement of his own shrubs and trees.

Many Things Go to Real City Building

It so often happens that Dr. H. A. Morgan, president of the University of Tennessee, is correct and is so seldom wrong that we are not disposed to take issue with his latest pronouncement delivered before a Knoxville luncheon club the other day, when he said that the idea of boosting and making cities larger is wrong; that the thing to do is to make them better and cleaner, and dilute the rural territory with industry and build up the background of the city with prosperity. The United States is rapidly becoming an industrial country. It is changing so fast that the transformation is obvious. The last census showed that the nation had changed in a few short years from an overwhelming rural to a majority urban population. Doctor Morgan cannot be far wrong when he says that mere bigness is not the most desirable thing about a city.—Memphis News-Scimitar.

Maxims of a Fire Chief

Whether or not the householder believes in signs, he would do well to pay heed to the following maxims, which are the result of long experience and study:

To see a paperhanger hang paper over a fue hole indicates an impending loss.

It is worse luck to look in a dark closet with a lighted match than to see the new moon over your left shoulder.

When the wind moans it is extremely bad luck to burn trash near your house.

If you have a pile of rubbish in your cellar it indicates that a crowd of people are coming to your house.—John J. Gilday, Fire Chief of Hoboken, N. J., in Popular Mechanics Magazine.

Course in Beekeeping

Practical experience in beekeeping is a part of the curriculum in a number of rural schools in the province of Ontario. In 16 schools in Westworth county bees are kept in observation hives in the schoolroom. The study involves little extra work on the part of the teacher, and is valuable as a nature contact and in contributing to the promotion of a great productive industry. The sale of honey in many of the schools has been more than sufficient to cover in one season the expense of installation and upkeep.

Recreation Centers

Those who are opening up new residential sections should bear in mind that the donation of suitable sites for recreation centers will enhance the value of the property they have for sale and increase its desirability for home-seekers. Washington is growing rapidly, but that growth will be accelerated if through public and private contribution the education and the play of the children are assured.—Washington Post.

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**HIS
TWELVE-MULE
MACHINE**

By KATHERINE MORROW

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THE moonlight fell through the climbing roses over the wide plaza of a country house where some people were sitting. It was midsummer in the foothills of the California Sierras, and the insects, the dogs, and the water in the ditch had their voices in the air with the people.

The talk, uninfluenced by the beauty of the night, had been mostly of murders and scenes of blood. Then a girl shook it off quickly.

"Alice and I sleep outside now. Also Ned, the restless, takes to a hammock. It's glorious."

There had been too many tales of an abnormal nature for the equilibrium of the timid ones. A voice came from the corner:

"It isn't safe."

Ned Carter laughed with his sisters. "I've a little revolver—a beauty," he said, "and nothing could come within half a mile! Besides, there are the dogs."

"Yes," the three admitted in chorus, "we're too much on the alert for impressions. We're too anxious to work for anything to escape."

"Oh," said a girl from the steps, "I've heard this sort of thing before. I'll venture you snore profoundly all night."

"I advise you not to test us in disguise," they retorted. Ned added with vigor: "I'd bet my twelve-mule threshing machine that neither man, woman, child, nor animal could pass our front gate at any hour of the night unchallenged." He laughed: "Ah, the gleam on my pistol in the moonlight!"

At eleven that night two who had been guests of Ned and his sisters sat together, scheming.

"We'll do it," they said as they separated.

The next afternoon two girls in a cart drove a fat mare over hot stretches of brown meadows and along dusty roads that lay over the hills. They darted into stray cowards, and drove among the stones of dry creek-beds. As they rattled home in the twilight a collection of bleached cattle bones lay at their feet.

Under the awnings of a little gray cottage a woman waited.

"You're late," she said as they came up. "But here's Joe."

"Bring up the riding horses tonight, Joe, and put on men's saddles," called his young mistress as she went in the house.

"And now, mother, may we have tea? We want to be ready by midnight."

As the clock struck twelve Mrs. Head laughed her apprehension and her sense of the effect of light opera. The girls were in men's canvas suits and summer sombreros. Bulky bundles were tied to their saddle strings and they supported others on their shoulders.

"But we've really no sign of defense," they suddenly exclaimed, looking at each other.

In a moment Mrs. Head had produced two huge leather pistol cases. When they were strapped on, no beligerent cowboy or primitive desperado could have hit a more happy effect of emphasizing independence.

The girls strode out to their horses and, tightening the girths, took their mounts quickly.

"We'll stay out on the haystack when we come back, remember; so please go to sleep and forget us."

But the men had reined up before them. The instant of silence compassed eons of apprehension before one of the men spoke.

"How far to Mokolunne Hill, partners?"

Promptly it came, though burdened with an unnatural guttural inflection: "Quiten sabe!"

Daring to risk no more, the girls pulled out and, passing the horsemen, rode quietly down the road.

The men watched them disappear, ignoring an impulse to follow, before they continued on their journey.

"A couple of suspicious-looking greasers up to no good," said one, as they trotted ahead through the night. The outbuildings of the Carter ranch appeared ahead. The girls grasped each other's hands.

"The pistol cases," they whispered. "They saved our lives!"

At a little weather-beaten cabin used as a smithy the girls dismounted. It was as if they pledged themselves in epic measure, standing there, silent, in the spirit of the adventure.

Tying their horses, they loaded themselves with the bundles, and walked cautiously, slowly, towards the gulch they must cross before they reached the road lying in front of the house.

They crept through its thick, uncertain shadows with the animal stealth of the forest, and found themselves up in the high light of the roadway. Forty yards lay between them and the gate which shut in people, and dogs, and a little revolver that was pretty in the moonlight.

Their watch showed one o'clock. Step by step they accomplished with almost suspended breath. Of a sudden a dried fig leaf under a foot filled the air with a sharp crackling. Transfixed with a horror that raised their hair, one balanced on the ends of her toes, the other crouched low on her knees.

But the moments returned no echoes of an alarm.

Nearer they moved and almost imperceptibly nearer. The breath from their lungs seemed a thousand voices. At last they stood together at the gate, looking up at the white house spreading its piazza over three who were in slumber.

With motion so fraught with care it seemed motionless, they managed to arrange a series of things on its fence pickets. Then they salaamned low in a burlesque of social mockery, and waved their hands in a pantomimic farewell.

Little by little, they moved up the road again, through the gulch, and on to their horses. Not a note from the throats of the dogs followed them.

Mounting, they walked the half-mile to the spring before they even dared express their elation.

"It's too good to go to sleep on," said one.

"Let's ride on it," said the other. They chose the black depths of the twisting stage road, and, leaving the moon-bathed open, took four miles of wooded riding. The farm dogs below in the valley barked greeting, but no one else seemed abroad in the land. The spirit of the night was wholly theirs.

At three o'clock they were home. They stabled the horses and walked back to a lonely haystack. Ginger beer, crackers, and blankets had been stowed there, so they made festive toasts to their success before they settled to sleep with the dew of the morning.

The sun was hurrying on toward the breakfast hour when a girl at the Carter farm awakened her companions.

"Horror!" she cried aloud. All three sat up in their hammocks. Visions of Ku Klux, White Caps, and midnight assassins ran riot in their minds. A certain terror stiffened their very joints.

Facing them from the inside of the gate hung a long white placard, printed in letters of flaming red:

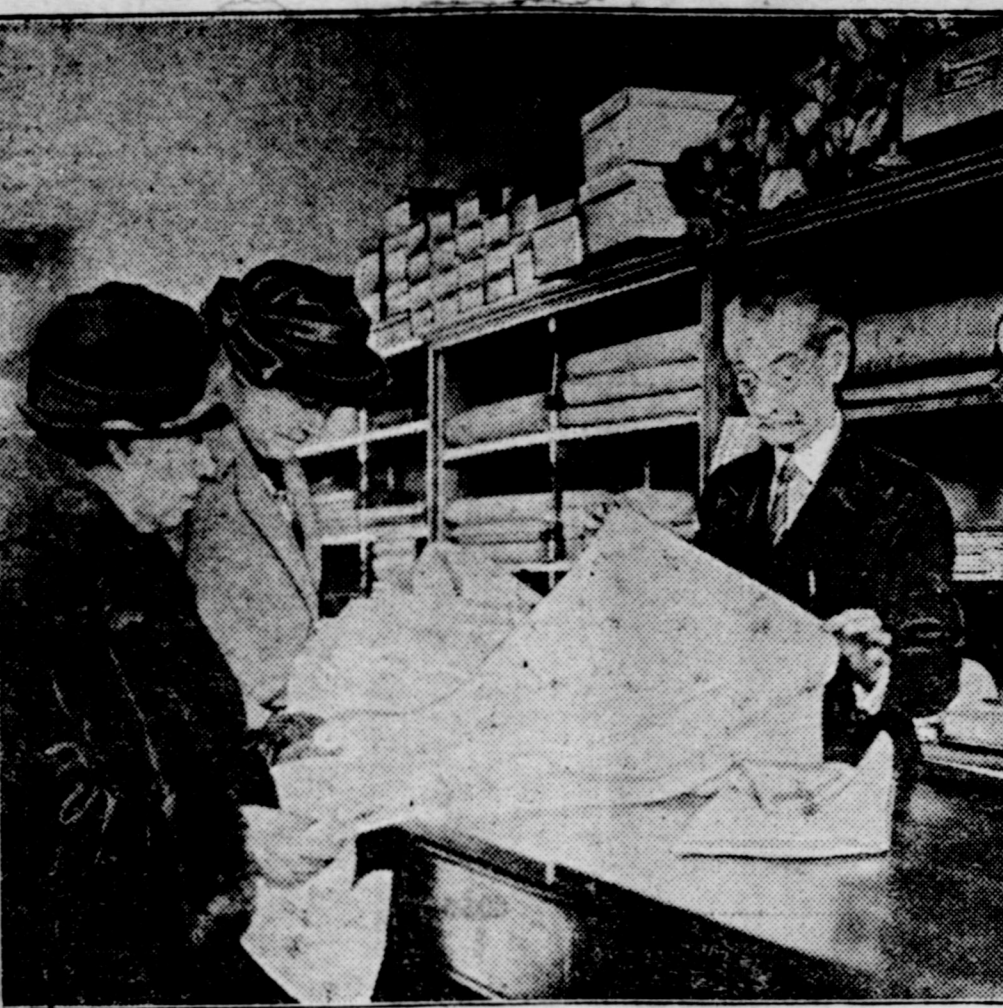
"We are Iron-Jawed Hyenas of the West and our food is Gore."

Two red hand-marks decorated each end. Underneath hung a calf's skull and cross-bones, livid with fiery symbols. Along the fence were rows of bones bearing the same ghastly stamp, and on another post hung another placard:

"Thirty years have we been on your track and at last we have found you!"

In a moment a contagion of laughter reached even the kitchen. The truth had dawned! As they swayed in the clutches of a mild hysteria, a mounted messenger appeared with a note addressed to Mr. Edward Carter.

USE COTTON MATERIALS IN VARIOUS WAYS



How Many Women Are Good Judges of Cotton Fabrics?

Did you know that velvet, corduroy and India linen are all cotton materials, in spite of their trade names or their appearance? That there are almost a hundred common cotton materials women use in different ways for family clothing or household purposes? Do you know the difference between spun and reeled silk, worsted and woolen, satin and sateen? That although we instinctively look for goods that are "all wool and a yard wide," such material as part-cotton serge may give very good service considering its cost? That paper "yarn" is found occasionally in fabrics, combined with cotton, wool, or even silk fabrics?

The bureau of home economics of the United States Department of Agriculture in its textile division is studying a great many such questions with a view to aiding the housewife in the selection of the materials her family needs. Women ought to know more about the various kinds of fibers in each sort of material, the best materials for any given purpose, and how to make simple tests for durability and quality in each case. A cheap fiber is not necessarily a poor investment if the purchaser knows what she is getting, if it suits her purpose, and if the price is what it is worth.

FILL COOKIE JAR FOR THE HOLIDAYS

Supply of Sweet Cakes Is Valuable Asset.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

As the Christmas holidays draw near, a supply of cookies, kept in airtight tins or jars, is a valuable asset to the housekeeper. Perhaps she has boys and girls coming home from boarding school or college, with seemingly insatiable appetites and glowing recollections of the good things mother makes; or the holiday season brings unexpected callers, and visitors from a distance; or there is need for a few last-minute Christmas remembrances, which may well take the form of a box or fancy basket of delicious home-made cookies.

Peanuts or other nuts, chopped or whole, dates, raisins, figs, or frostings of various kinds may be used to modify the recipes given below by the United States Department of Agriculture. The chopped nuts and dried



"Just One More Cookie, Grandma, Please."

fruits may be mixed with the dough or pressed into the tops of the cookies after they have been cut out. The amounts used depend on individual preferences.

Drop Cookies.

1/2 cupful milk
4 cupfuls sifted soft-wheat flour
or 3 1/2 cupfuls sifted hard-wheat flour
2 eggs

4 teaspoonfuls baking powder
1 1/2 cupfuls sugar
1/2 teaspoonful salt
3 teaspoonfuls flavoring

The fat may be any mild-flavored edible fat. The quantity given is for

Cotton, the bureau points out, may be chosen for its low cost, ease of laundering, coolness and durability; mercerized cotton because it combines durability and beauty with low cost; linen for its absorptive properties, resistance to soil, beauty and durability; wool for its warmth; silk for its great beauty and durability; and artificial silk, now frequently called rayon, for its extreme luster. Mixtures of fibers may be desirable in cases where wearing quality has not been too greatly sacrificed in order to lower cost. There are also many grades of cotton, linen or other fibers, with which the purchasers should be familiar to some extent. The method of weaving a fabric is an important point, bearing upon its durability and attractiveness. Such familiar weaves as the basket weave, the twill or the satin, mean to most of us entirely different materials, and influence our selection. The finish of a material should be understood, as, for instance, the difference between mercerization, which is a process that strengthens cotton and gives it a gloss, and the finishes produced by applying paste-like fillings to the cloth. The subject of dyes is a very large one in itself, but the housekeeper can learn how to test whether the color of a material is fast to the purpose intended—fast to light or to water.

lard or other fat containing no water. If butter or margarine is used one-sixth more fat or two tablespoonfuls will be required. Place the fat in a warm place until it becomes soft, though not melted, so that it may be combined easily with the sugar. This is just as satisfactory and much quicker than the laborious method of creaming together the cold fat and sugar. After the fat and sugar have been thoroughly combined stir in the beaten egg yolks and add alternately the dry ingredients, which have been mixed and sifted together, and the liquid. At the start add only a small quantity of liquid. (If too much is added, it dissolves the sugar, and the fat separates into large masses that must be recombined with the other ingredients by beating, thus making useless the work of combining the fat and sugar in the beginning.) Add the flavoring and fold in the well-beaten egg whites. Drop small portions of the mixture on a greased baking sheet and bake in a moderately hot oven (about 375 degrees Fahrenheit). This amount makes about 50 cookies.

Crisp Cookies.

1/4 cupful milk or less
4 cupfuls sifted soft-wheat flour
or 3 1/2 cupfuls sifted hard-wheat flour
1 cupful fat (see preceding recipe)

1/2 teaspoonful salt
4 teaspoonfuls baking powder
2 cupfuls sugar
2 eggs
3 teaspoonfuls flavoring

Combine the ingredients in the same way as for drop cookies. Roll the dough thin, handling it no more than necessary, cut it in any desired shapes, and bake the cookies on a greased baking sheet in a fairly hot oven (about 375 to 400 degrees Fahrenheit). Instead of rolling out the dough it may be chilled and sliced thinly. Whether rolled or sliced, chilling the dough makes it easier to handle. This amount makes about 100 thin cookies.

Children love plain cookies cut in fancy shapes, and if one makes cookies often, it may pay to have a number of animal or other interesting cutters on hand. They are made of tin and are relatively inexpensive.

How to Resize Rug and Stop It From Curling

Resizing adds to the durability of the rug and makes it look much better. It can be done at home or by a carpet dealer, says the United States Department of Agriculture.

The rug should be stretched tight and true and tacked at frequent intervals, flat down, on a floor or some other flat surface where it can remain undisturbed. It should then be sprinkled generously with a solution made by soaking and dissolving one-fourth pound of flake glue in one-half gallon of water in a double boiler or a container surrounded by hot water. The rug should be allowed to dry for at least 24 hours. If it is light weight, care should be taken not to put on so much glue that it penetrates to the right side.

Advanced Ideas in

This German Prison

At Icherhausen near Armstadt, in Thuringia, the prison is so pleasant that no one has ever attempted to escape from it. The prison authorities have made the prison life tolerable, humane and educational. In the first place there are only 400 prisoners, although there are cells for 520. Within the prison is a local court in which all misdemeanors are judged by four employees, assisted by two representatives of the convicts. Many of the sentences imposed by the judge are lighter than those suggested by the convicts. Every prisoner is permitted to supplement the prison fare by purchases from the outside. The prisoners work for low wages but are allowed to keep the money—on an average 15 marks a month, although clever workers make as much as 40 marks. The living conditions are as pleasant as possible and the prisoners are allowed regular gymnastics and occasional turner competitions.

Cure Your Cold the Sensible Way

At the first sign of Colds, Fevers, Headaches or "Flu," take one of Bond's Pills at bedtime. It will start your liver and remove the bile and poisonous germs. You wake up well. Cost 25c.—Adv.

Remember Robin Hood Stories

Don and mother went with grandfather to a neighboring town, where grandfather was to preach. After the services a stranger kindly invited them to dine with her at the inn. They accepted, and were just finishing dinner when the hostess turned to Don and asked if he had had all he wanted.

"No," was the prompt reply. And when questioned further, announced he wished a pot of ale.

His amazed mother asked what he meant, well knowing the child did not know what ale meant. "Isn't this an inn?" asked the child. And when mother said it was, he replied, "When Robin Hood's men went to an inn they always asked for a pot of ale."

Cuticura for Pimples Faces.

To remove pimples and blackheads smear them with Cuticura Ointment. Wash off in five minutes with Cuticura Soap and hot water. Once clear keep your skin clear by using them for daily toilet purposes. Don't fail to include Cuticura Talcum. Advertisement.

Brain Workers in Want

At a recent session of the five academies which form the Institute de France the plight of certain French Intellectuals—painters, sculptors, writers and savants, who have glorified their country by pure knowledge and disinterested art—was deplored by Paul Chabas. Of recent years, he said, the lot of mental workers had been considerably ameliorated—as was only right—but brain workers, he said, had been forgotten or sacrificed. M. Chabas reviewed the great achievements of the institute, which was founded 180 years ago, and of which he is president.

"Penny" Nails

It should really be "pounds," not "penny," when you ask for a six-penny or an eight-penny nail. Years ago it used to be that a thousand nails of a certain size weighed six pounds, of another a bit larger the same number weighed eight pounds—hence eight-penny nails, six-penny nails, which, hurriedly spoken, soon became contracted to six-penny, eight-penny.

Potatoes Prized as Food

Potatoes are the largest single world crop among the vegetable products. The lowly spud is now produced in greater quantity than either rice or wheat. It has become an important food crop in every temperate and cool climate in all parts of the world.

Well to Remember

Remember there is a limit to human endurance. The friend who stands up for you may tire in the course of time and sit down.

All men are born ignorant and lots of them never succeed in outgrowing it.

Swallowing sage tea is one way to drink in wisdom.

Why have RHEUMATISM?

OH, what a wonderful feeling to be free from that miserable rheumatism. To know again the joy of limber joints and active muscles—freedom from that agonizing pain!

How often have you longed for some relief as you suffered torture from swollen, inflamed muscles and joints—how often have you said you would give anything in the world for a few hours' comfort!

But you didn't know that all you had to do to get real relief from this nerve wracking misery was just to build rich, red blood, did you? You didn't know that rheumatism had to be stopped from the inside by destroying the impurities that cause it—by building millions of red cells in your poor, weak blood, did you?

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It's Brand New
Marcel Swelgart, when she was a very little girl, went one day with her mother to call at the home of an old friend, who had passed on to another life. Marcel went into the silent room and at once became interested in the coffin. She looked it over from end to end, stooped down and viewed the bottom critically and then whispered to her mother: "It's brand new."

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J. E. VAUGHAN

In this issue of the New Era J. E. Vaughan, our present Sheriff, announces his candidacy for re-election, subject to a Democratic primary which will be held in July. He is now serving his 3rd term as Sheriff of Presidio County, and his record shows in speaking language for itself.

And again this year as in his candidacy in past years, he is the first one to come forward to let the voters know publicly his desire. It is difficult to speak in simple words and terms of this noted Big Bend sheriff. Zane Grey has immortalized him in his widely read and most interesting—The Lone Star Ranger. When but a boy in his late teens he joined this noted body of fearless riders and straight shooting guns, that has had for years a national reputation for preservers of the peace and protectors of the outlands, the terror of the wild and lawless.

After serving with the rangers and distinguishing himself with that noted order, he became a U. S. Mounted Inspector and finally Sheriff of Presidio County, the most popular of the Big Bend Counties.

In the border counties of Texas, especially that of Presidio, where there are lawless men both here and near in foreign territory, where the settlements and ranches are far between and in many instances located in rough places, the courage, in fact all the metal of character, is tested as if by fire. He has maintained law and order with fear and without distinction, whether one was poor or rich has not caused him to depart from the path of duty—his sworn oath of office.

Probably there are some who would like a change. The office of Sheriff is one of the most difficult to fill, especially when the officer is active and seeks to do his duty, his position is beset by two diverse influences. One would seek obedience to the strict interpretation of the written law; the other would favor he passing over the broken law, interpreting it according to personal interest, and, therefore, in favor of lenient action on the part of the officer.

J. E. Vaughan has made an ideal border Sheriff. He has in course of his official duties occupied the golden mean. He has been strict without being tyrannical; just, with the quality of mercy unconstrained, and in every act governed by the desire to serve the people.

Especially, should his candidacy commend itself to the ladies of the county, to them in all his official acts he has been most considerate having a special care to protect the interest of their boys. The boys of today will soon be the men of tomorrow, and most complimentary to our sheriff is the fact that all the boys of the county, if they could vote, would walk up to the polls and cast their ballot for him. There must be some good reason for this. What is the answer? His Record.

HOUSEHOLD SCIENCE CLUB

The Household Science Club will meet with Mrs. J. C. Gregg, Thursday. The following new officers will take charge:
President—Mrs. Clay Mitchell,
Vice-President—Mrs. H. A. Coffield,
Secretary—Mrs. Perry Kerr,
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Charter No. 8674 Reserve District No. 41
REPORT OF CONDITION OF

The Marfa National Bank

At Marfa, in the State of Texas, at the close of business on Dec., 31st A. D. 1925.

RESOURCES

Loans and discounts, including rediscounts	\$ 276,690.82
Overdrafts, unsecured	\$ 931.74 931.74
U. S. Government securities owned:	
Deposited to secure circulation (U.S. bonds par value \$70,000.00)	
All other United States Government Securities	416,465.98
Total	\$ 186,465.98
Other bonds, stocks securities etc	12,485.00
Banking House \$6,951.28, Furniture and Fixtures, \$2,640.83	9,592.11
Real Estate owned other than Banking House	5,865.26
Lawful reserve with Federal Reserve Bank	54,484.98
Cash in vault and amount due from National Banks	63,227.48
Amount due from State banks, bankers, and trust companies in the United States (other than included in Items, 8, 9, and 10)	650.41
Checks on other banks in the same city or town as reporting bank	89.86
Total of Items 9, 10, 11, 12, and 13	63,967.84
Checks and drafts on banks (including Federal Reserve Bank) located outside city or town of reporting bank	2,384.61
Miscellaneous cash items Mex. Coin	901.45 3,286.06
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer and due from U. S. Treasurer	3,500.00
Total	\$ 617,269.79

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock paid in	\$ 70,000.00
Surplus fund	\$ 70,000.00
Undivided Profits	\$ 3,626.86
Reserve for	3,626.86
Less Current Expenses paid	3,626.86
Circulating notes outstanding	70,000.00
Amount due to State Banks, bankers and trust companies in the United States and foreign countries other than included in Items 22 or 23	461.71
Cashier's checks outstanding	6,500.17
Total of Items 22, 23, 24, 25, and 26	6,961.88
Individual deposits subject to check	330,645.54
Certificates of deposit due in less than 30 days (other than for money borrowed)	1,500.00
Dividends unpaid	5,600.00
Total of demand deposits (other than bank deposits) subject to reserve items 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, and 32	\$ 337,745.54
Certificates of deposit (other than for money borrowed)	10,000.00
Other time deposits	33,851.21
Total of time deposits subject to Reserve Items 33, 34, 35, and 36	43,851.21
United States deposits (other than postal savings), including war loan deposit account and deposits of United States disbursing officers	14,909.11
Liabilities other than those above stated	85.19
Total	\$ 617,269.79

STATE OF TEXAS,

County of Presidio—ss.

I, M. D. BOWNS, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

M. D. BOWNS, Cashier

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5th day of Jan., A. D. 1926.

(Seal)

E. F. Nicolls, Notary Public.

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Locals and Personals

Mr. Henry and March Coffield left the first of the week for their old home in Ark., to visit their parents.

G.A. Howard and Jap Bshop left Sunday for El Paso to attend Federal court.

Mrs. C. E. Mead has been on the sick list this week, having been confined to her bed from an attack of appendicitis.

Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Robinson returned last week from San Antonio where they spent the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Moore have returned from El Paso where they spent the holidays with their son and daughter.

Mrs. T. D. Secrest is visiting her children in El Paso, having gone there for the Christmas holidays.

Lieut Edmundson and J. J. Kilpatrick Jr., were in Marfa Wednesday from the Candelaria Country.

WANTED—Two rooms for light housekeeping. Address answer to P. O. Box No. 175—Marfa, Texas.

LOST—A child's tan cap Sunday night in front of Capt. Harkins residence—Return to Mrs. Joe Humphreys.

ANNOUNCEMENT

The New Era has been authorized to announce J. E. Vaughan as a candidate for re-election to the office of Sheriff of Presidio County subject to the Democratic primaries to be held in July.

The Parent-Teachers Association will meet Tuesday afternoon 3:00 p. m. at the Community House. All members are requested to be present as important business will be brought up.

Mrs. R. R. Ellison of El Paso is spending the week-end here, the guest of her mother Mrs. M. A. Wells. Mr. and Mrs. Tom Crosson are spending a week in El Paso.

Mrs. L. C. Brite left this week for Fort Worth to attend a meeting of the Federated Clubs of Texas. Mrs. Brite is a delegate for the Davis Mountain Federated Clubs. She will be joined by her niece Mrs. Paul Morris and they will go from there to California for a visit with relatives and friends.

T. C. Taylor of Marfa, S. Wooten of Van Horn, O. C. Dove of Marfa, J. H. Heard of Hernandez, N. M. and M. H. Wright of Sierra Blanca, mounted customs officers, are in El Paso attending federal court which opened yesterday. They are registered at the St. Regis.

FOR SALE—Alfalfa and Johnson grass.

B. A. Johnson, Fort, Davis Texas. R. E. L. Tyler returned Thursday from San Antonio, where he went to see his son-in-law Ed Still who for some time has been under treatment there. Mr. Tyler says that he is doing as well as could be expected under such conditions, and that his physician holds out hope for his final recovery.

Two Large Webster's Dictionaries for sale cheap.
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C. E. Miller, of the firm Hadlock-Miller, El Paso, was in town Thursday on business.

CARDINAL GIBBONS COUNCIL NO. 2318.
Meets second and fourth Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p. m. All visiting brother cordially invited to be present.
M. J. Dillon, G. K. C. M. Urias, F. S.

Mr. and Mrs. Friese of Bandera, Texas, came in last Saturday to take their daughter Miss Florence Friese home, since Mrs. Friese was unable to finish out her school term here, owing to injuries that she received in an auto accident during the holidays.

Mrs. Burt Malone and little granddaughter of Glendale, California came in this week for a short visit with friends. Mrs. Malone will spend the remainder of the winter in Valentine with her son Johnnie Malone. Mrs. Malone is expecting her daughter Mrs. Charlie Crosson and family next month, as Mr. Charlie Crosson is moving back to this part of the country.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS.
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Survey	Block	Certif.	Grantee	Acres
2	200	501	T. & St. L. Ry.	640
12	200	506	"	640
36	200	518	"	640
6	206	611	"	640
14	206	615	"	640
16	206	616	"	640
26	206	621	"	640
4	207	627	"	640
6	207	238	"	640

and pleading five and ten years statutes of limitation, and alleging that plaintiff sold said land to one Raymond Fitzgerald in the year 1919, he being the owner of the land described as aforesaid, by deed conveyed said land to Raymond Fitzgerald which deed is recorded in the deed records of Presidio County, Texas, in Vol. 58 P 606; that in said deed there was retained a vendors lien against said land to secure a part of the purchase money for said land amounting to the sum of \$13,154.00 that thereafter in the year of 1920, the said Raymond Fitzgerald conveyed this said land to Mrs. Eva M. Evans wife of R. H. Evans, the consideration being the assumption of the vendors' lien note in the sum of \$13,154.00 executed by Raymond Fitzgerald to this plaintiff as aforesaid, which deed is recorded in Vol. 42 page 504, deed records Presidio County, Texas, and that thereafter the said Eva Evans joined by her husband, R. H. Evans re-conveyed this land as aforesaid to this plaintiff the consideration being the cancellation of the vendors' lien note so executed to this plaintiff by Raymond Fitzgerald and so assumed by the said Eva Evans.

7. Plaintiff would further show that at the time he accepted the deed from the said Eva Evans and her husband R. H. Evans on July 15, 1924, which deed is recorded in deed records Presidio County, Texas, in Vol. 67 page 50 in cancellation of the said note as aforesaid, that the said land so conveyed to him was not worth any more money than what due him by reason of the aforesaid note and which was a lien against the land to secure the payment of said note.

8. Plaintiff alleges that the recording of the above mentioned judgments upon the Abstract of Judgment Record in Presidio County, Texas, as aforesaid, constitute a cloud upon this title and seriously interferes with the market value of said land, and depreciates the value of the same to his damage.

HEREIN FAIL NOT, And have you before said Court, on the said first day of the next term thereof, this writ with your endorsement thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and seal said Court, at office in Marfa, Texas this, the 23rd day of December A. D. 1925.

Anita Young
Clerk District Court Presidio County Texas.

ANNUAL STOCKHOLDERS MEETING

December 24.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN That the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Marfa State Bank of Marfa, Texas, will be held at the office of said bank on the 11 day of January 1926 at 2 o'clock p. m., for the election of Directors and the transaction of such business as may come before the meeting.
Ben S. Avant Cashier.

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TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY—EMPTY HANDS Jack Holt.
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Meets 2nd and 4th Friday at 7:30 p. m.
Oddfellows Hall

Mrs. Winnie B. Kilpatrick, N. G.
Mrs. May Norton Moore, Sec.

MARFA CHAPTER No. 176, R. A. M.

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MARFA CHAPTER No. 364 O. E. S., meets the 3rd Tuesday evenings in each month. Visiting members are cordially invited to be present.

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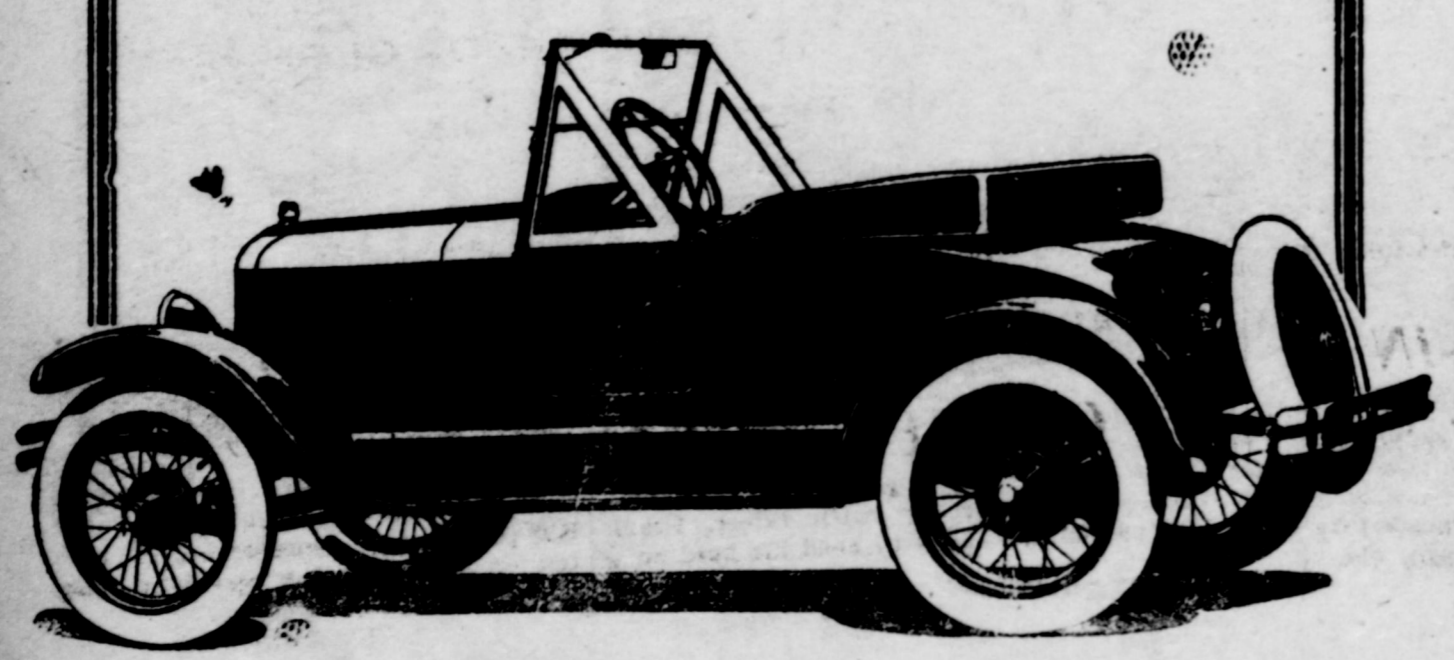
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Akron, Ohio.—Akron, the rubber manufacturing capital of the world, has hopes of being the Friedrichshafen of the new world.

The first step toward this realization has been the bringing of 14 high officials of the original Zeppelin works in Germany to the headquarters of the Goodyear-Zeppelin corporation.

Months of laboring over blue prints and charts have brought forth designs for new development in the realm of lighter-than-air craft. Whenever there is a market for a commercial or military airship, the transplanted Zeppelin works will be ready to build it.

Pian World's Largest.

Designs for the GZ-1, the world's largest dirigible, have been completed by the Zeppelin and American engineers. Its plans and specifications show it to be a ship of over 6,000,000 cubic feet gas capacity, measuring about 900 feet in length, and capable of developing 5,000 horsepower. Improvements, as yet kept secret, have been worked out to add to the safety and strength of the ship.

The passenger-carrying GZ-1, according to the plans, will have pullman equipment inside, with compartment seats which can be made into berths at night, a dining-room, corridors, bathrooms, including showers, and promenade decks running the length of the ship on both sides.

As designed, the ship will be able to carry 100 passengers and to make the trip between New York and London in 48 to 64 hours, depending on whether it is flying eastward with the prevailing winds, or westward against the wind.

Commander Jacob H. Klein, executive officer of the Los Angeles, declared recently on a visit to the scene of the Goodyear-Zeppelin operations that there is room in the navy's hangar at Lakehurst, N. J., for a 6,000,000-cubic-foot ship, alongside the ship he commands, which has a capacity of 3,000,000 cubic feet.

"I believe not only that a ship the size of the GZ-1 would be practical, but that shortly we shall see airships built with a capacity of 10,000,000 cubic feet, which probably will be the maximum capacity for many years to come."

British Also Build.

The British government at present is building two ships of 5,000,000 cubic feet capacity each, the Goodyear-Zeppelin officials are informed. These British ships, built for hydrogen, a gas of greater lifting power than helium, will compare in performance almost exactly with the GZ-1.

So confident are the officials of the new concern that commerce via air is at hand that they believe once under way their work will develop be-

yond the proportions of that enjoyed by Friedrichshafen in its heyday.

Besides designing the GZ-1, the 14 engineers from Friedrichshafen and three or four Americans have been working for several months in planning hangars and operating fields, selecting tentative locations for them, designing mooring masts and making a study of operating and climatic conditions in the United States along the lines of various projected routes.

Among the German officials of the Goodyear-Zeppelin company is Capt. Ernst A. Lehmann, vice president and director. Lehmann's most recent achievement of world-wide note was his piloting of the ZR-3, now the Los Angeles, to the United States from Germany in the summer of 1924.

Dr. Karl Arnstein, another vice president of the corporation, was chief engineer of the German Zeppelin building corporation at Friedrichshafen.

Ex-Kaiser Wears Gaudy Uniforms

English Visitor at Doorn House Is Impressed by Regal Atmosphere.

London.—Doorn house in Holland, where former Emperor William of Germany has his abode, may not be a palace, but nevertheless it is beautifully furnished, and withal, it smacks of the regal.

The one-time ruler of Germany does not suggest the weary exile, pining to return to his homeland. Notwithstanding his white beard, which becomes him well, he looks younger than he did in 1913, a year before the commencement of the World war, which culminated in his undoing.

This is what Alexander Montgomery Carlisle, an old-time friend, who has paid a visit to Doorn house, has to say of William II. Mr. Carlisle says he stands erect, talks vivaciously and retains his old dignity and bearing. In his exile William continues to wear his showy uniforms and decorations, and there is much of the old Potsdam regality at Doorn house. Age has mellowed him somewhat and there appeared a tendency on his part to forget the bitterness of the World war.

Friendly Toward England.

It seemed natural, as his visitor was an Englishman, that William in his talk mostly referred to England, for which he said he always had had friendly feelings.

"I am confident," William told Mr. Carlisle, "that if honest diplomacy had been used, and if certain members

of the British cabinet had visited Berlin before the war, things would have been very different. To some extent it was a war of lawyers, and I always have disliked the lawyer."

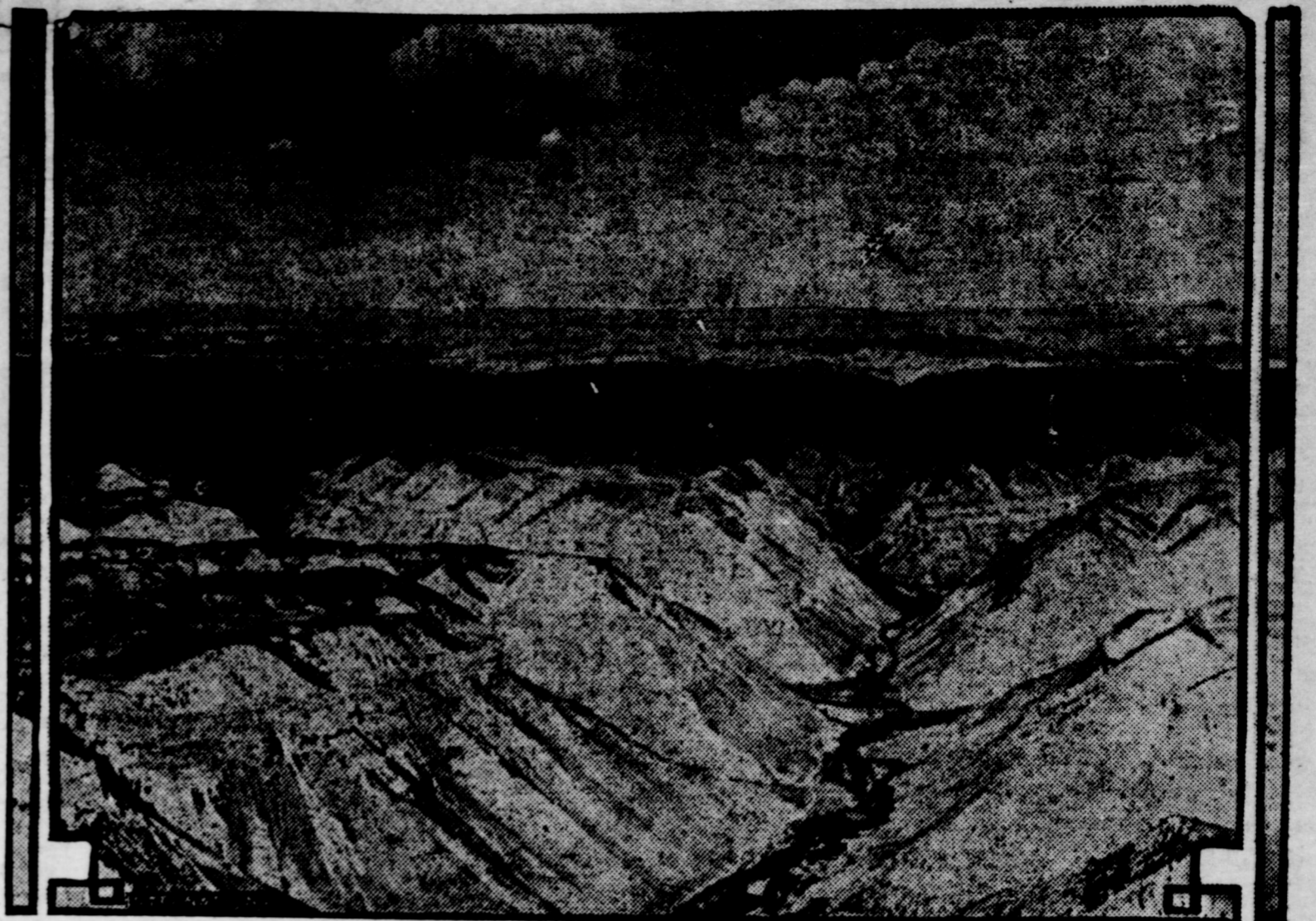
Gypsy "King" Sails for Europe to Find "Queen"

New York.—Frank Kaslov, "king of American gypsies," is on the way to Europe to find a gypsy princess to make his queen.

The weeping and wailing of his followers at a steamship pier caused consternation to a special detail of secret service men who were escorting the Italian debt commission, headed by Count Giuseppe Volpi, to board a liner. A special guard accompanied them to the pier because of demonstrations by anti-Fascist Italians upon their arrival.

Walls, screams and cries greeted the party on arrival at the pier. The Italians learned that the followers of Kaslov, whose wife died a year ago, were giving him a farewell party as he set forth to find a new gypsy queen. Gypsy law, it was explained, requires that he must have a consort of royal blood and he is going to Venice to find one. He is forty-two and has six children.

Air View of Parachute Creek Canyon in Colorado



Here is an air view of the great Parachute Creek canyon of western Colorado. The walls of the canyon rise almost 3,000 feet above the valley and the top of the plateau is 8,400 feet above sea level. It is part of the naval oil shale reserves.

Prisoners From Poland Return to Lithuania



Scene in the border village of Varena where Lithuanians greeted political prisoners from Poland who had been released after a treaty between the two countries was signed.

De Valera Presides Over Sinn Fein



Eamon De Valera, the militant Irish Republican leader, recently presided over a large meeting in Dublin described as the Sinn Fein and Fheis. He is seen above with some of the delegates.

UNCOVERED SCANDAL



Attorney General Dan Moody of Texas, whose investigation of road commissioners has resulted in a scandal in the Lone Star state.

KHALIFA OF RIF



Muley Ben el Mehedi, who has just been proclaimed khalifa of the new Riff protectorate, representing the sultan of Morocco. The ceremony took place in Tetuan.

Four Dixie Highway Finishers



Here are the four men chiefly responsible for the completion of the Dixie highway which now extends from Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., to Miami, Fla. Left to right, they are Judge A. M. Allison, F. Stacy Hill, Nathan Bachman and John E. Lovell.

"ATLANTIS" IN PACIFIC MYTH, SCIENCE HOLDS

Noted Geologist of Vienna Discredits Theories of Sunken Continent in Western Seas.

Honolulu.—"Lemurian," "Mu," and all the other hypothetical vast land areas forming "lost" Pacific continents, like the lost Atlantis of ancient European imagination, receive no credence on the part of Dr. Francis Xavier Schaffer, noted geologist of Vienna, now traveling in the Pacific area and the Orient. Doctor Schaffer is backed up in his opinions also by the scientists at the Bernice P. Bishop museum of Honolulu.

Though no land areas of continental size ever existed in the Pacific, Doctor Schaffer believed, there are regions or movable zones where emergence and submergence are constantly in progress.

"Such a line," he said, "goes all around the Pacific and connects the

Antarctic continent with the continents of the southern hemisphere. It is easy, too, to see that the northern continents may more than once have been connected by way of the Bering strait and by the rising of the relatively shallow sea bottom between Greenland and Europe.

Dr. Herbert E. Gregory, director of the Bishop museum, disagrees with the theory advanced by Dr. J. Macmillan Brown, chancellor of the University of New Zealand, who claims that the Pacific islands are the remnants of a once great empire that collapsed into the ocean in a series of cataclysms.

"Geological evidence," said Doctor Gregory, "gives no proof that there ever was a large area of land in the central Pacific. No rock has been found which could be considered part of an old continent. The only way that geologists will ever be able to make a real test of these theories will be by an ex-

tensive system of borings which must extend through the coral and the comparatively new levels of the islands, and also by a carefully planned sounding of the Pacific ocean."

"The lost-continent theory cannot be substantiated by botanical discoveries," said Dr. Forest B. H. Brown, botanist of the Bishop museum. "In the Hawaiian islands, for instance, over 80 per cent of the plants with net-veined leaves occur nowhere else in the world. Had Hawaii been a part of a continent of which the other Pacific islands were also parts, one would expect more plants in common to all."

Queer Pets

New York.—Turtles are pets of Columbia's coeds. There are 41 in one dormitory. The mode started when dogs, cats and canaries were forbidden.

Three of the six existing species of flamingoes nest in the Andes of southern South America at an elevation of more than 10,000 feet.

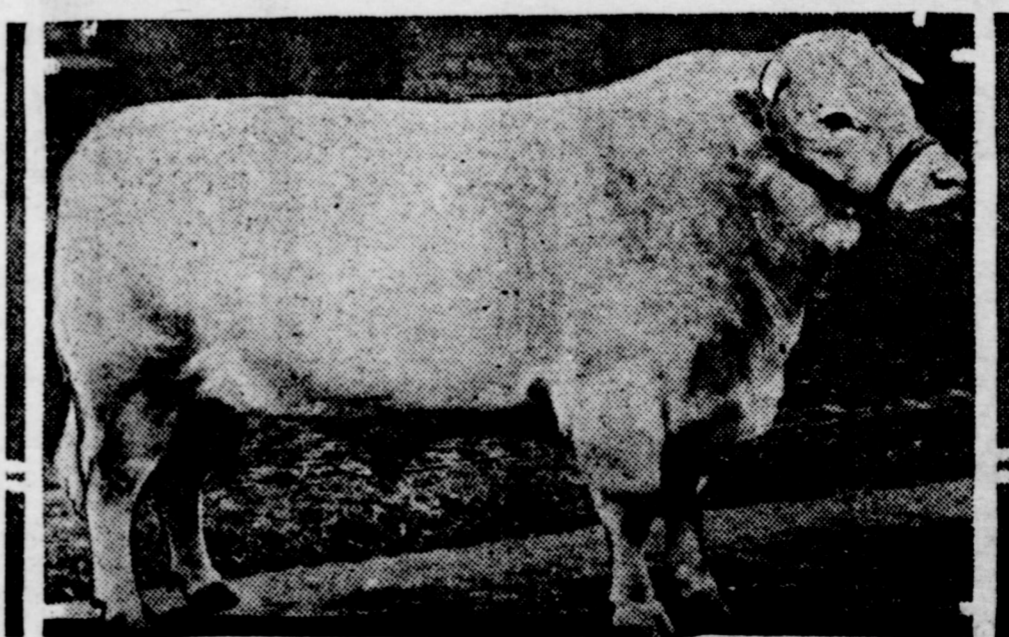
Test for Fear

New York.—Columbia boys are being kicked on the shins in tests of fear. A pupilometer measures the amount of dilation in the eyes when students of psychology become alarmed.

Briand Likes Movies

Geneva.—Aristide Briand of France is a movie fan. Recently he tipped journalists he was going on a very important mission. They trailed him to the cinemas.

American Buys Wales' Prize Bull



King of the Fairies, the international grand champion shorthorn bull of 1924, bred on the prince of Wales' Canadian ranch and exhibited at the recent International Live Stock show in Chicago, where he won the blue ribbon in his class, is now the property of a Missouri cattle raiser. Frank D. Baker of Kansas City bought the animal for \$1,050 to head his herd on a farm at Hickman, Mo.

NEIGHBORS

By ROBERT STEAD
Author of "The Cow Puncher," "The Homesteaders"

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WINTER LIFE

SYNOPSIS—Lured by his four-year-old playmate, Jean Lane, Frank Hall, aged six, ventures on the forbidden road of a dam, into the water and is saved from possible death by clinging to Jean's outstretched arms.

CHAPTER X—Continued

As the frost settled down about me I at length, by a great effort, sprang out of bed and went groping for my clothes.

"You won't always think so," she replied as though with some strange glimpse of prophecy, and set busily about preparing breakfast. In these operations she discovered that everything that could freeze had frozen; we melted the butter until it ran over the stove and then we gathered it up as I spread it on the toast.

Spoof into the house, and I turned our own oxen out and put his in the stable. We were soon to learn the cause of Spoo's absence from our threshold for a full three weeks.

that trip with old Buck and Bright," Spoo protested. "Perhaps more; they're soft with being stall-fed and may quit altogether on the road, and you may not find a convenient armful of hay with which to fix them.

We were so tremendously alone that it seemed the world was full of ourselves and God. But a gaunt phantom of doubt and uncertainty stalked us even on those moonlit walks.

CHAPTER XI

That gaunt phantom of doubt gradually closed in upon me. I resolved to fight it, but its very intangibility baffled my efforts to throw it off.

"I'll be right, won't it?" said I, trying to buck him up, and really knowing nothing about it.

"Too bad the day is so dull," Jack said, looking out of our window in the direction of Jake's homestead.

"Quite possible," her brother insisted, with the firmness of one who is prepared for the worst.

"How much do you suppose it will cost me?" "How much have you got?"—Life.

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Distressing Feature
Mrs. M. C. Van Winkle, chief of the women's division of the Washington police department, said the other day: "My experience leads me to think that boys are growing better, while girls are growing worse."

The Perfect Answer
"I have been telling a lot of different stories about how I got my eye blacked," said the proprietor of the Right Place store, in Petunia.

A Success Talk
John D. Rockefeller, Jr., whose income tax for last year breaks all records, said in a recent success talk: "Every successful man has had more failures than befall the unsuccessful man."

Checks and Balances
It's difficult for men to check their expenses unless they have a bank balance. It is painful to see a woman laugh when she doesn't want to but thinks she ought to.

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That Gaunt Phantom of Doubt Closed In Upon Me.

Edicion Espanol

**Si Ahora No.
¿Para Cuando?
Ahora es tiempo para establecer este Periodico en Espanol**

Estimados Amigos y Suscriptores:

Una vez más tomo la pluma en mis manos para manifestarles que siempre sigue mi deseo al establecer un periódico en español para el beneficio y provecho de la Colonia Mexicana en general -- Para cuyo evento, este periódico apareció en forma de una página dando una pequeña idea de como aparecerá cuando sea formalmente un periódico de 4 páginas uds. ya lo han leído se han interesado de su contenido durante las semanas que lo han estado recibiendo. Yo siempre estoy trabajando afanosamente y trompezando con varios obstáculos y murmuraciones así como sucede en todo tránsito en nuestra vida pero aún nunca me daré por vencido y continuaré trabajando hasta tener el éxito en darles un periódico de 4 páginas publicado en nuestra sagrada idioma mexicana.

Este periódico, como le había prometido que daríamos a nuestros suscriptores 4 páginas en español a principios del año que entramos--les prometí que en este tiempo -- por que yo creía que para este tiempo tendría el número debido de suscriptores permanentes para esta fecha para haber podido empezar con el periódico de 4 páginas con su respetable título a según la mayoría de selección por los suscriptores. Yo tenía deseos de principiar este periódico con 4 páginas para el día primero del corriente mes pero parece que los compatriotas no quieren u por lo menos entenderán que no necesitan el periódico u no desean saber las nuevas que ocurren de cuando en cuando en los alrededores de nuestro condado o vecindad, no desean esperar a ninguna noticia buena para nuestro porvenir que en tiempo inesperado apareciera en estas humildes columnas por instrucción de nuestros Consulados. El periódico es el mejor mensajero que existe en el mundo por que da sus noticias en las mismas palabra que se imprimió.

Queridos lectores, mi palabra para un periódico regular en español (ú mejor dicho mexicano) no es propaganda para mi conveniencia o interés, esta es propaganda a favor de toda la Colonia Mexicana y solamente estoy esperando sus respuestas si desean un periódico permanente en español y esta respuesta espero que me la den tan pronto como sea posible con un gran número de suscriptores pagados en adelantado por un año, estas suscripciones las pueden conseguir entre sus amigos, parientes y amigos. Yo desearía de todo corazón principiar este periódico en 4 páginas hoy mismo pero ustedes saben que no tenemos ningún recurso de capital y el éxito de este periódico depende solamente del patrocinio de nuestros suscriptores mexicanos. Si no juntamos el numero requerido de suscriptores permanentes será imposible que salga a luz el periódico de 4 páginas. Yo seré constante en seguir dándoles un periódico bueno y de interés general si mis compatriotas son conmigo y me ayuda cada uno con su liberal suscripción que paguen de \$2.00 de cada uno por año, no es cosa de sacrificio a comparación del beneficio que recibirán del periódico español. Tan pronto como obtengamos el número de suscriptores para empezar el periódico regular entonces publicaremos el nombre de todos nuestros suscriptores y a la vez dándoles las gracias, en las columnas encontrarán artículos de interés personal, recetas para cocina, recetas del tocador, etc., Literatura, Cuentos para niños, Chistes., y un Departamento de Información, imprimiremos un periódico que verdaderamente sea de su agrado y provecho y que bien valga los \$2.00 que paguen de suscripción cada año, no dejéis que esta pequeña cuota nos sea parecer un obstáculo enorme y nos impida de las condiciones de nuestra vida, -- no es así-- Si nos decidimos en tener un periódico permanente de 4 páginas todos pueden ayudar con \$2.00 por cada año y verán que no les faltará conque comprar el pan de cada día "El querer es poder" y en la unión esta la fuerza" en estos dos frases no admiten escusa ninguna.

Pensad profundamente y verán que un periódico mexicano es indispensable y deben darle buena acogida en todo hogar mexicana. Ahora para anunciar nuestras listas de suscriptores deseo que nuestro suscriptor u amigos que tenga familia que interesen a sus hijas a que busquen suscriptores, y para la recompensa de su trabajo les pagaremos el 30 por ciento, por ejemplo: Si toman una suscripción por \$2.00 la solista citadora deja 60 centavos a su favor y me remite \$1.40 y si consigue dos suscriptores y pagan \$2.00 cada uno, nos remite \$2.80 y deja a su favor \$1.20 etc., pues ésta es buena idea se ayuda ud. y nos ayuda a nosotros, escriba u venga inmediatamente por los libros de recibos para que comience a juntar suscriptores tan pronto como sea posible. Vamos haciendo un gran esfuerzo, ¡Ahora es tiempo. si no hacemos esto ahora, entonces ¿Para cuando?

Ahora antes que continúan de leer este artículo les suplico que lo graben en su mente y no tomarlo como un artículo de cuentos u chistes pero verdaderamente es un artículo de suma importancia que si se dirigen al pie de la letra llevando esta magna obra adelante tendremos éxito y orgullo por ser el primer y único periódico que se publicó en la idioma mexicana en el Distrito de Big Bend, Un periódico del Pueblo para el Pueblo y soportado por el Pueblo mexicano.

Vuelvo a repetir ¡Adelante! ¡Adelante! con nuestro Periódico con nuestro periódico mexicano, sigan los consejos de su humilde editor como su capitán y pronto venceremos a la enemiga desunión pasaremos las trincheras de lo imposible, llegaremos a las cumbres del Palacio de la Oportunidad con nuestro periódico mexicano que es la Antorchita que nos alumbrará del camino de la Ignorancia.

Diriján toda Correspondencia a mi para que sea prontamente atendida.

Quedo Respetuosamente
JUAN RIVERA.

LOCALES

El Niño Alberto, hijo de Dn. Juan Rivera y esposa, mientras se hallaba dedicado a sus juegos en el patio de la casa el miércoles de la semana pasada, un perro grande que iba pasando brincó el cerco y dirigiéndose al niño se abalanzó sobre él y echándolo al suelo le mordió la mano y el brazo, volviendo a brincar el cerco desapareció. Las morrán algo profundas y se necesitó el servicio del doctor Daracott y ya se halla muy recobrado. Pues por ésta le llamamos la atención al Sr. Marshall y había de matar todo perro hambriento que anda suelto en la calle.

El Sr. Manuel Deanda, expiró su último aliento de vida el día 8 de los corrientes a las 11: p. m., en su residencia de Presidio, Texas dejando en un valle de lágrimas a su esposa, Sra. Domitilia C. Deanda, a 3 hijos; Isabel, José y Jesús, 2 hijas Eulalia, Vda. de Morales y Josefa V. Campos esposa de Eugenio Campos, y a un gran número de sobrinos, nietos y parientes que lamentan amargamente su despedida.

El Sr. Pineda al tiempo de su muerte contaba con ciento once y nuevo meses de edad.

Q. E. P. D.

Dn. José Pineda, quien recientemente fué anunciado como muerto en Marfa y en las columnas del Nuevo Era, estuvo en esta ciudad de visita esta semana. El Sr. Pineda ha vivido en Nuevo México habiendo sido anteriormente un prominente ciudadano de Presidio.

La Señorita Delfina Torres quien pasó las vacaciones con sus amigos en esta ciudad regresó a su residencia de Colorado, Texas esta semana. La Srita. Torres nos patrocinó por un año de suscripción a este periódico por lo que le damos las gracias.

Una Comisión de 15 miembros de la Sociedad de "Los Caballeros de Colón" salieron el domingo fecha 10, en la madrugada con el fin de llevar a cabo la iniciación de 20 miembros en la ciudad de Fort Stockton.

Las Fiestas de San Jose se esta aproximando rápidamente y ya es tiempo para que los Socios de el "Centro Católico" se esten preparando para formular planes para hacerle una elegante fiesta al Santo patron de la Sociedad que es San José.

No olviden que la Sociedad del "Centro Católico" tiene su Reunión General el 3er. domingo de cada mes.

Si desean establecer este periódico en español de 4 páginas ahora es tiempo, para que remitan la cuota de suscripción, dirijan toda correspondencia español a el editor de esta sección.



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Overdrafts undoubtedly good	1,399.86
Bonds and stock's and other securities	950.00
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Furniture & Fix.	5,153.90
Cash on hand	16,377.59
Due from approved reserve agents	167,099.42
Interest in Depositors' Guaranty Fund	6,909.70
Assessment depositors' Guaranty Fund	4,527.69
Total	\$ 467,313.41

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock	\$100,000.00
Certified Surplus Fund	1,000.00
Undivided Profits, net	163.44
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Cashiers checks outstanding	8,006.58
Total	\$ 467,313.41

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