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SESQUICENTENNIAL HISTORY SKETCHES

The one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the adoption of the Declaration of Independence will be observed by the Sesquicentennial International Exposition, which opens at Philadelphia, June 1, 1926.

THE AMERICAN FLAG

When the question of selecting a subtle flag for the Sesquicentennial International Exposition arose it became at once evident that because of the nature of the event which the exposition was to celebrate only one standard could properly be used. This was the flag of the United States of America.

With a few exceptions our flag is the oldest in the world. It has stood substantially the same for nearly 150 years while in other lands national emblems have changed as empires have fallen and vast political upheavals brought with them new banners to claim the allegiance of the populace.

Contrary to general belief the flag of the United States was not an inspired creation. It was formed from the continental Union flag by substituting in the canton circle of thirteen stars for the two crosses—St. George's and St. Andrew's—of Britain. The stripes were already there.

George Washington described its making thus: "We take the star from Heaven; the red from our mother country, separating it by stripes thus showing that we have separated from her; and the white stripes shall go down to posterity representing liberty."

In the coat of arms of Washington there were, curiously, both stars and stripes represented, and many historians have sought to establish a connection between this and the conception of the flag. Except for the coincidence, not a scrap of evidence has ever been discovered to

support this theory, however, attractive as it is.

It was a year after the signing of the Declaration of Independence that the first legislation for the flag was enacted. On June 14, 1777, now celebrated by us as Flag Day, Congress sitting in Philadelphia, adopted the following resolution:

"Resolved, That the flag of the thirteen United States be thirteen stripes, alternate red and white; and the union be thirteen stars, white in a blue field, representing a new constellation."

This was the first official step toward the adoption of our national emblem. The resolution was officially published in August and the design first promulgated by Congress on September 3rd. Where it was first displayed is still a question of dispute, but it flew in the breeze at the Battle of Brandywine on September 11th, at Germantown on October 4th, and in all subsequent engagements. The connection of Betsy Ross with it is a beloved legend enshrined in the hearts of school children.

In the spring of 1795, two more stars having been added to the Union, the circle of thirteen stars was changed to a square of fifteen to include the new states. In this form it remained for twenty-three years, and so it was when it inspired Francis Scott Key to write the immortal anthem of the Star Spangled Banner which has become inseparable from it in the thought of Americans.

The last modification of the flag was in 1818 when, the number of the states having grown to twenty and

PRESIDIO COUNTY FARM TO BE LEACHED.

On Saturday February 6th at 1 p. m., there will be a demonstration held in leaching alkali land on the farm of R. E. Petross, which is located at Hacienda four and one-half miles west of Presidio. All farmers having alkali on their land, or anybody interested in this kind of work are urged to be present at this demonstration.

While visiting the various farms on the river I have noticed several which have some alkali, and any percentage of over one-half of one percent alkali should be leached before normal crop growth can be obtained. The alkali occurring in the soil is composed of Sodium Chloride (table salt) Sodium Sulphate (glauber salt) Magnesium Sulphate (Epsom salt) and lime of Magnesium Chloride. These salts make up what is commonly called white alkali.

There is but one practical method of removing alkali from the soil, and that is through leaching well drained land. These salts were brought brought into the soil dissolved in water, and they must be removed in the same way. Ground water in seeped lands rises to the surface by capillarity, evaporates and leaves the alkali in the soil. To remove the alkali, it must again be dissolved in water and the water with the alkali in solution carries down through the drainage. Some people have the idea that such crops as sugar beets and sorghum will remove large quantities of alkali from the soil, but the amount of alkali which this or any other crops remove is negligible and

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additional ones foreseen in the future. President Monroe signed an act to the effect that every new state admitted into the Union would be recognized on the 4th of July following its admission by the addition of a new star to the flag.

The bill was signed on April 13, 1818, and in the 108 years that have passed twenty-eight more stars have appeared in the blue field, but otherwise our flag has not changed.

SAM WOOLEY

In this issue of the New Era appears the name of Sam Wooley as a candidate for the office of Treasurer of Presidio County. This is his first term in office, and according to the custom of Texas Democrats, when there is no act of the incumbent which might stir up the voters to do otherwise, than to give a 2nd term.

That Sam Wooley has been an intelligent, honest and accommodating officer, is unquestioned. In view of the general satisfactory service in which he has conducted this office, we feel certain that the people of Presidio County will continue the Democratic and time honored principle of rewarding him with a reelection without any opposition.

MARFA-ITES GUEST AT MONDAY LUNCHEON

Monday's regular semi-monthly meeting of the Chamber of Commerce was well attended and several matters of importance were discussed. A delegation of Marfa business men was present as guests, and as stated by them "learn something about how to live Chamber of Commerce should be conducted." Marfa is re-organizing its commercial club which they state has not been functioning for some time and seek to inform themselves as to the best methods being employed by various bodies of this kind in conducting such organizations. In discussing their reasons for coming to Alpine to get ideas, a member of the delegation stated that in casting about for an example of a real live Chamber of Commerce they could think of no organization which made a better showing than the Alpine Chamber and which afforded a better mark to shoot at.

The local Chamber of Commerce should feel proud of the distinction which the neighboring city of Marfa has bestowed upon it by taking this chamber for an example. A spirit of good feeling exists between the two cities and a program of co-operation would be of untold value to not only

GOOD TIMES CLUB

The Good Times Club met again Wednesday Jan. 27, at the Community House, with fifteen members present. We were sorry the rest of the members could not be there. But were glad to welcome three new members to the club.

The different communities are planning some real good times for the young people, which will take place some time in the near future.

The next meeting of the Club will be Tuesday Feb. 16, 3:00 p. m., at the Community house.

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the towns in question but to the entire section as well.

The following members of the Marfa Chamber of Commerce were present at the luncheon:

V. C. Myrick of Texas Central Power Co., Stanley Casner of Boder Motor Co., H. T. Fletcher, secretary Highland Hereford Breeders Association; W. J. Yates, Magnolia Petroleum Co. representative and H. L. Hord, Automobile dealer.

ALPINE REJOICES with Marfa in

the latter's reorganization of the Chamber of Commerce. Surely, there is no other section in the great State of Texas where it is so necessary that the communities all work together for the good of all than out here in the Trans-Pecos country. By reason of distance we are all more or less cut off from the other parts of the state, and so we are naturally thrown together. No other agency, or agencies, outside our own, are going to fight our battles (although, by pulling as one we can get some help from the outside.) Contact is the thing—but we've got to have contact (and fellowship) at home before we can hope to reach out and get it elsewhere. —Alpine Avalanche.

PRIZE WINNERS

E. T. McDonald made three entries in the Lone Star Poultry Association at San Antonio at its 15th Annual Show, and out of the three Partridge Plymouth Rock entries, he gathered in three prizes. First for the best Cock, First for the best Hen and Fourth for the best Pullet.

San Antonio, the home of the Lone Star Show, has long been the battle ground for final honors by all the winners at other Shows in Texas. The judges McDonald of Dallas, Texas and Buck of Oklahoma, City, Okla., are known as expert judges of poultry throughout the United States.

E. T. McDonald is to be congratulated on his success as a Poultry man, and Marfa should be proud of him.

Folks what haven't we got out here in West Texas, we have the best People, the best cattle, the best chickens, the best climate, the finest farms, and the finest opportunities for home seekers.

THE REBEKAH LODGE

The Marfa Rebekah Lodge held its regular meeting last Friday night at the Odd Fellow's Hall and the following officers installed for the coming year as follows:

Miss Blanche Avant, Noble Grand, Mrs. R. N. Settle, Vice Grand; Mrs. Vera Belle Keane, Secretary; Mrs. Chas. Bishop, Treasurer; Mrs. Mae Moore, Right Support of the Noble Grand; Mrs. Ida Lee Jordan, Left Support of Noble Grand; Mrs. Ruth Nicolls, Chaplain; Mrs. Marie Adams, Left Support of Vice Grand; Miss DeLaney, Right Support of Vice Grand; Mrs. Lois McDonald, Conductor; Mrs. Kate Jordan, Warden; Mrs. L. Logan, Inside Guardian; Mrs. Ernest Williams, Out Side Guardian. Mrs. Mary Fortner was elected as Representative to Grand Lodge, that meets in March at Austin. Alternative Representative, Mrs. A. G. Church. The officers were installed by Mrs. A. G. Church.

Mr. L. C. Brite went to St. Louis and Kansas City, this week to attend to business concerning the Cattle Association.

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"THINK IT OVER"

ALONG LIFE'S TRAIL

By THOMAS ARKLE CLARK

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DOING THINGS BETTER THAN THE OTHER MAN

HAWKINS is very much concerned about his son's future and the sort of education he should have in preparation for it. He has talked to me a good deal about it, and I can gather from the drift of his conversation that he is of the opinion that some lines of work offer very much greater opportunities for advancement than do others. He thinks that if he can get the boy started into the latest excursion in education his son will surely have the open sesame to success.

"What is the best thing for a boy to study now?" he asks me.

"There are no best things," I reply. "It isn't what the boy studies, it is how he studies; it isn't what he takes, but how he does it. If he can do something better than his neighbor is doing it, he will succeed."

Hawkins looked surprised and almost disappointed. He was looking for a sure thing. He had evidently never read what Mr. Emerson had said about writing a better book, or preaching a better sermon, or making a better mouse trap than the other man.

Sixty or seventy years ago Sarah Nelson in a little town in northern England began to make gingerbread to help support her family. She lived in a little three-roomed low-ceilinged cottage in which one could hardly turn round. Her family still lives there. In some way she learned the knack of making better and more toothsome gingerbread than anyone had yet made. Her fame spread; people came from long distances to buy her wares. She became known far and wide, and she prospered because she had done something better than her neighbor.

It is generally said these days that young people have no interest in religion, that they are irreverent, and that few of them go to church. Possibly it is because the ministers have not learned to preach the better sermon than their neighbors.

A great preacher came recently to the community in which I live. People came to hear him from curiosity at the outset, but those who came once came again and again. People of all religious creeds, and of no creed, people of all nationalities and of all ages, and young people especially came to hear him because he had a real message and he knew well how to present it.

If Hawkins' boy will only learn to do something well, he will get on.

WHAT'S IN A NAME?

"WHAT'S in a name?" Shakespeare asks, and then replies, "A rose by any other name would smell as sweet."

Shakespeare was usually right, but he slipped up on this statement. It isn't true. If they'd called a rose a deutzia or a calceolaria or a schizanthus, it wouldn't have been the same flower, and ten chances to one it wouldn't have had any odor at all. The name is a part of the sweetness.

A name has ruined or made a great many people or businesses or products.

When Casey set out to carry passengers from Champaign to Sadorus he painted the name "Reliance" on the side of his Ford. He was a poor driver, and he wanted to develop confidence. There was very much more suggestion of safety and comfort to his prospective customers, and the possibility of arriving at their destination intact than if he had called the car "Old Ramshackle."

I knew a man once who struggled for forty years against the handicap of a name. His mother had named him Percy when he was a rosy infant, and the man really never got over it. If he had been called Bill or Tom or George he might with less effort have amounted to something.

The people who named the old English ale houses knew what they were doing. There was nothing so commonplace as "Jones' Refreshment Parlors" or "Andy's Cafe." They gave them names full of suggestion. They realized the power of the imagination and the financial value of connotation. There was the "Bell and the Bottle," suggestive of quick and efficient service. There was the "Bird in the Hand" presenting the subtle caution that the opportunity near by might better be taken advantage of for fear another might not soon present itself. It reminds one of the familiar "Last Chance" of old mining days in the West. There were the "Black Boy" and the "Green Man" and "Windsor Castle"—names full of mystery and romance and with an appeal to the imagination which drew the weary thirsty traveler toward the comfort of the house.

Dickens recognized the value of names. Bill Sykes would have been a different character if he had had a different name, and Paul Dombey wouldn't have been Paul if Dickens had called him Augustus or Simon. His strange weird characters are always fitted with curious names, and the name becomes a real part of the character.

Shakespeare was wrong. There is a tremendous amount in a name.

Daddy's Evening Fairy Tale

By Mary Graham Bonner

THE MEETING

There was a meeting that night in the Fenwick house and Parent Robert was made the president of the meeting.



"Everything Will Be All Right."

They each had anecdotes to tell of the bright speeches their children had made that day and of the efforts in getting them off to school which now they laughed about, so that it was some time before the meeting was well under way.

They all decided that they would take their father's offices and do the same work as their fathers had done. Parent Harvey Wiswell would be a doctor, just as his father had been until he became young.

Some thought it was a little foolish as his father had a great reputation and he might hurt it by ignorance. But Parent Harvey didn't agree.

"I've heard lots of people say that all anyone needs is confidence in their doctor, and I'll give them that. I've thought it all out.

"I shall be very soothing with my patients and I'll say: 'All you need, dear madame, is confidence. Then everything will be all right.' Or, 'Just have a little confidence and buck up, my dear fellow.'"

"Then I'll give them each a small box in which I'll put some kind of quite harmless mixture and call it 'Confidence' and mark on the box: 'To be taken when required.'"

"That's a good idea," Parent Gerald Banks agreed. He was interested in medicines, too. His father had always run the drug store and while still there was an unmarried young man in there who could make sodas Parent Gerald wanted to be in charge.

"I've thought of a nerveless tonic I could give to parents or visiting relatives," he told them. "You know how parents will say, 'My nerves are in such a state.' Or, 'Do keep quiet, children, you make me so nervous.' Well, my tonic will be made of a sweet syrup and whenever anyone feels an attack of child-nervousness coming on this will be the thing to take.

"I shall put on the bottle: 'Shake well before using, and take three times a day or oftener if necessary.'"

Parent Billy Mahon's father was a dentist, so Parent Billy of course decided to look after the children's teeth. "I don't know but what I could hurt as little as most dentists, and as little as my father does, for he's the only one who calls himself a painless dentist.

"I could talk low in a nice kind voice and say: 'Am I hurting you very much?' That would show I knew my business. Then I can clean their teeth and look at them with a mirror and poke into the corners and then I can charge them a lot of money and say: 'Come and see me in six months' time.'"

"I bet no one would know the difference."

Parent Sammy Grant would be the town's policeman. On holidays Parent Charles Grant would assist and wear a special badge which could be painted by Parent Roger Cole, whose father was a sign painter. He could also paint the new signs for the shops.

It worked out as easily as could be. Some of the clerks in the shops would remain—the ones who had not been parents and so had not become children. They would be a great help in explaining to the new owners where everything was kept.

Whatever money was needed Parent Robert would give.

"Provided," he said, "you always leave a little money in the bank so we can put a lot of surplus figures on the bank's big calendar next year."

They made many new additions in the shops but in time it was all completed and by way of a celebration they held a great street fair. The little mothers and daddies were in the parade, dressed so that they looked too sweet for words (so their parents said when they weren't hearing). And they were allowed to sit up later than ever before and visit the shops provided they promised that they would be very careful not to touch anything.

It was a splendid tribute to the young parents of Reven-Saw that they succeeded in, as they expressed it, "putting this over."

Boys That Go to Heaven

Sunday School Teacher—Some little boys are good and some are bad. What kind go to heaven?

Small Arthur—Dead ones.

FUR-TRIMMED CLOTH COATS; APRONS OF GAY CRETONNE

THE present season will long stand out in the memory of the world of fashion as record breaking in the matter of stunning cloth coats trimmed with fur. Stylists have covered themselves with glory in the designing of the cloth coat with its fur trim, proving conclusively that it can be every inch as handsome and even more practical than an all-fur garment. It is at this time of the year, when winter merges into midseason, that the advantages of the cloth coat over the one all of fur, is really appreciated. Soon as the temperature begins to



MODELS FOR MIDSEASON WEAR

rise with "January thaw," the heavy fur coat loses in favor, being accounted burdensome. Then it is that the cloth coat asserts its practicality—which all goes to show that the purchase of a stylish fur-trimmed cloth coat is a very wise investment.

The flaring hemline is becoming the rule rather than the exception in the modern cloak versions. Sometimes the flare ripples all around the bottom of the coat, but most generally it occurs at the front or the sides. It is the side flare treatment which individualizes the coats in the picture.

Favored materials for coats practical to wear until the coming of summer include pinpoint bolivias, suedes,



A VERY CUNNING APRON

broadcloths and plaid woollens for sports.

Colors for cloth coats are most attractive, such as deep wine shades, red, rattlehead blue, hunter's green, rust, black and particularly gray. By the way, gray is made mention of repeatedly in spring forecasts not only for topcoats but for the entire costume including the millinery to accompany it. There is also a noted preference for red and brick shades. Squirrel, fitch, fox, gazelle, leopard and wolf are the popular furs used in a trimming way.

As a means of creating cheer, make it like this one in the picture, although other cunning ideas can be carried out. A little tea apron of cretonne with the bib cut in the shape of a heart would bring a note of valentine cheer. Perhaps a sewing apron would be more appropriate for the "one you love best." This is easy to accomplish. Stitch another heart on the lower skirt portion which shall serve as a receptacle for scissors and darning cotton, thus is the erstwhile tea-apron converted into a sewing apron.

JULIA BOTTOMLEY.
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The KITCHEN CABINET

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I do not own an inch of land—
But all I see is mine—
The orchard and the mowing-fields,
The lawns and gardens fine,
And more magnificent than all,
My window keeps for me,
A glimpse of blue immensity—
A little strip of sea.
—Lucy Larcom.

EVERYDAY GOOD THINGS

A simple dish which is both nourishing and easy to prepare is:

Baked Salmon With Peas.—Take one can of salmon and one can of green peas. Prepare a white sauce of two tablespoonfuls each of butter and flour, cook until smooth and add two cupfuls of milk. Stir the sauce into the salmon, add the peas and put into a buttered baking dish, cover with buttered crumbs. Be sure the salmon is well-seasoned and add a little lemon juice to give zest. Bake or steam until well heated through. If desired the white sauce may be added to the salmon and part of it to the peas, the salmon molded in a loaf and the peas served poured around it. Unmold on a platter and garnish with parsley.

Apple Sponge.—Pare, core and cook six rat apples to a pulp. Rub through a sieve. Mix two tablespoonfuls of flour and three of cold water, add one-fourth teaspoonful of salt and a cupful of boiling water. Add the apple pulp, one teaspoonful of lemon juice and sweeten to taste. Beat well, remove from the heat, add three egg yolks, well beaten. Fold in the stiffly beaten whites of the eggs and bake in a shallow dish until puffed and brown.

Asparagus Omelet.—Beat until light the whites and yolks of three eggs separately. Into the yolks stir three tablespoonfuls of water, one-fourth of a teaspoonful of salt and a few dashes of white pepper. Fold in the whites of the eggs. Melt a tablespoonful of fat in an omelet pan and turn in the mixture. Cook on the top of the stove until well cooked on the bottom then finish cooking in the oven. Have ready a sauce prepared from the liquor of the asparagus, using half liquor and half milk, add butter and flour to make a rather thick sauce, season well, add the asparagus tips and pour over and around the omelet when ready to serve.

Post Roast.—Take strips of the round from the top of the leg, cut into even-sized strips and on each place a strip of fresh fat pork. Skewer with toothpicks, brown in a little hot fat, then add seasonings and a little ketchup or iron frying pan and simmer for several hours. Serve with baked potatoes.

Tips for the Tea Table.

We are becoming more and more in favor of the afternoon tea habit, which is such a custom in England. There is something very cheery about a cup of tea served in a pleasant room with a snappy, sociable fire burning in the grate. It is not necessary to be endowed with much of this world's goods to feel that a cup of tea to a friend is not an extravagance. The housewife with no maid will not find such entertainment burdensome, with a tea wagon one trip from the kitchen will be sufficient. If one can brew the tea on the tea table, it furnishes entertainment, for we all enjoy things in the process of making.

In most homes there is a cookie jar and one of doughnuts; a few of the doughnuts sugared just before serving, will be all that is required with the cup of tea. Sandwiches are always nice and if one has time, the open sandwiches prepared and ready to serve are most attractive.

It is wisdom to eat very lightly of any afternoon repast, so it will not spoil the appetite for dinner; so very small servings of any dainty food are the rule in most homes.

If inclined to advoldupois, omit the cream and take the lemon, pineapple or a bit of sliced orange in the tea.

As sugar is always used by some, try rubbing the cubes on the well-washed skin of an orange or lemon and grating out the essential oil of the fruit into the sugar. It will add a most attractive flavor to a cup of tea.

Lemon Butter.—Into the upper part of a double boiler put two cupfuls of sugar and one cupful of butter with the grated rind of three lemons. Cream together, setting over the hot water. Add the juice of the three lemons and stir until well mixed. Beat with an egg beater until smooth. This makes a delicious spread for slices of sponge cake, buttered bread for sandwiches, and is a well-liked pudding sauce. It will keep in the ice chest and be ready for any occasion.

For dessert maple ice cream or plain vanilla ice cream with any kind of a sauce is easy to serve; the cream may be sent in just at the time of serving, the sauce prepared and ready. If chocolate sauce is used it is liked hot; maple cakes to serve with the cream may be either angel food, sponge cake baked in fancy shapes or cut into cubes, or oblong, frosted and decorated with any simple or elaborate candies of different colors.

Nellie Maxwell

Community Building

Nation Building Many and Better Schools

Hundreds of new public schoolhouses are being built throughout the United States, says a survey by the Indiana Limestone Quarrymen's association.

"It is surprising how many states have been caught in the wave of school-house building," says the survey. "This should be a record year. The process of replacing dilapidated structures very likely will continue for at least another twelve months.

"One fact stands out sharply. The one-room country schoolhouse is definitely passing. So are the old three-room sheds of learning. State boards of education report a remarkable reduction in the number of schoolhouses, due to construction of consolidated schools, each of which replaces several one-room shells. New schoolhouses are modern and soundly constructed. In recent months trainloads of stone have been shipped from the Bedford-Bloomington district for such use."

Thomas J. Vernis, president of the association, says educational building has accounted for nearly 25 per cent of the nation's enormous construction total in recent months, while \$225,000,000 was spent last year in replacing antiquated school structures.

School Benefited by Visits of Parents

We wonder how many parents who should visit the public school teachers of their children do so? Not many, probably; perhaps because the schools are considered so good today that parents feel such contacts are superfluous. Other parents feel that the teachers are so busy that to visit them is an imposition on their good nature. Still others are too busy themselves to take time during the day to go to the school building and manifest a personal interest in their children's important work. Those who follow the old-fashioned course and visit their children's rooms in school at least once or twice during a semester are richly repaid for the effort. They usually come away with a deeper respect for the individual teacher and for the institution; and more often than not they learn useful facts about the temperament, aptitude and personality of their own child which enables them to act as parents more intelligently. School visiting is beneficial all around. The community needs more of it.—South Bend Tribune.

Home Owners Increase

Fourteen million American families are home owners today, a survey by the Indiana Limestone Quarrymen's association shows.

"America, perhaps rightfully tagged the most extravagant nation in the world, spends in one year the colossal sum of nearly \$3,000,000,000 for automobiles. Its tobacco bill runs almost as high, while candy, cakes and ice cream and the like consume another \$2,000,000,000. Yet with all this seeming disregard for the future the great enterprise of homemaking is by no means overlooked.

Residential building being approximately 60 per cent of the year's estimated \$6,000,000,000 construction program, homemaking is easily the biggest business of the country.

Duty of Owning Home

Every man is morally obligated to provide shelter for his own. The world cannot furnish it free—man is not doing his duty as a husband, parent or citizen, unless he furnishes the most comfortable shelter his income will rightly permit.

Man is in debt whether he owns or rents by a monthly promise to pay. If by some plan the rent money can be applied to conserve all the advantages of renting and protect one from all the disadvantages of same and in the end insure the ownership of the property such a proposition should be favorably considered for its two-fold advantages.

Spruce Up, Clean Up

If every resident of the city would take the proper care of his premises, there wouldn't be any eyesores left—and nothing left to criticize, the Rushville (Ind.) Republican remarks. It doesn't require very much time and expense to set out some shrubbery and plant flowers and bushes and keep the lawns well trimmed. We can't live forever, but we can enjoy life more while we are here if we make our surroundings as pleasant as possible. Don't shrug your shoulders and complain that it's "too much of a task" for it isn't. Nothing is too big a task for the man who makes up his mind to do it.

Couldn't Convince Jury

They met for the first time for some months.

"Where have you been, John?" said James. "Haven't been laid up for a while?"

"Yes; I've been laid up for a bit."

"You're not looking fit; hope it's nothing serious?"

"Oh, nothing much—but this is the first time I've been out for three months."

"Really? What was wrong?"

"Nothing, really, only the jury wouldn't believe it!"

THE UNMAKING OF MR. LYNCH

By C. C. NEWKIRK

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HERE are men who cannot outlive their childish fears of darkness—men who cannot step into a black, deserted chamber, or mount a gloomy stairway to empty corridors, after nightfall, without a nameless, creepy terror in their hearts. Cyrus Holden, banker, was such a man. In the prime of his bachelor life the coming of each night brought with it the foolish fears that rightly belonged to his childhood. His weakness was a secret which no living person shared. The banker entertained often and lavishly in his magnificent home where none lived save himself and his servants. On such occasions, when merriment ran high, the host's laughter was as loud and his wit as sharp as any there. After the guests had departed and the servants had stolen to bed—after the laughter of the half-spent night was hushed, Cyrus Holden would steal tremblingly to his sleeping-room to toss, sometimes, until the dawn, his eyes wide open, his hearing acute and every nerve tense, suffering the torments which his wild imagination conjured up.

If he slept it was to dream of a man whose face was half masked in black, stealing toward him with a glittering blade held ready to strike. As the murderer drove the knife into his heart the banker would awake to hear the echo of his own agonizing shriek. His forehead would be beaded with moisture and his body quivering in fear.

Later, when Cyrus Holden closed his library and bedroom even to the eyes of his own servants, there were whispered speculations as to his sanity, in which the butler, the coachman and the maid offered their views. Outside the great house, no one knew or cared. From the time he had begun to double-lock and bolt these two rooms from all eyes save his own, there appeared to have been lifted from Cyrus Holden some great care. The lines which sleepless nights had etched upon his face disappeared and the flush of health and vigor came there instead. When he left the house for the day he saw to it that his sleeping room and library were as safe from invasion as the vaults of his bank. As for the window, it was always barred and the blinds closely drawn.

Only two men living today know the mystery of the locked chambers. One is Mr. Cyrus Holden, banker; the other is Mr. Jim Lynch, professional burglar and cracksmen.

Curiosity did not prompt Mr. Lynch to pry into the banker's secret. The housebreaker's motive was merely a business "proposition" on which he hoped to realize handsomely for his time, trouble and risk. If Cyrus Holden had known that the stranger who went through his house in the guise of an insurance inspector was a desperate criminal sought after by the police of a dozen cities, he might have experienced a return of the old fear.

Mr. Lynch made his entrance, unannounced, through a rear window, shortly after midnight. The burglar stood for a time in the corridor to listen. His immovable figure was concordant with the silence and darkness that reigned throughout the great house. Suddenly a bright eye looked about with inquisitive activity. Behind it two human orbs burned through the holes in a black half-mask and a firm forefinger felt its way about a pistol trigger. Then the light stole noiselessly forward the length of the corridor and, as an aid in case of a hasty exit, Mr. Lynch unbolted the front door before he turned to creep up the broad stairway.

On the upper landing to the right was the banker's library and, opening from it to the rear, his bedroom. The burglar first examined the barred window and then bent to study the fastenings of the library door. To go through the window it would be necessary to saw the bars; if through the door there would be two combination locks to "work," and perhaps a bolt or more on the inside. Mr. Lynch reflected a moment and then, moving to the rear, began to pick the door lock of the room beyond the banker's sleeping chamber. It offered slight resistance to a man who had burrowed his way through iron and steel.

As the cracksmen pushed open the door and stepped over the threshold, the beam of the bull's-eye was playing on the interior of the room and the revolver was in shooting position. Mr. Lynch operated on the theory that every locked room he entered was occupied until he had proven the contrary. He had never met an emergency for which he was not prepared. The room, however, was untenanted, and to his satisfaction the burglar observed a door leading into the banker's sleeping apartment, which was not secured by double locks and bolts, as he had found the library door.

Mr. Lynch placed his ear to the keyhole and listened for the breathing of the sleeper, but he heard nothing. Then he began with the utmost caution on the lock. He made less noise than the gnawing of a rat. The faint clink of the skeleton keys could scarcely have been heard beyond three feet—they would not have awakened the most restless sleeper.

When the door was ready to be opened the burglar closed the slide of his lantern and was swallowed up in the darkness about him. Noiselessly he turned the knob and gently pushed open the door of the secret chamber.

The banker's bedroom was dark. Over the transom from the library came enough light to give the interior a weird, phosphorescent glow, but not sufficient to annoy a sleeper or reveal the bed. Very slowly the intruder allowed a tiny ray from his lantern to travel across the floor till it found it, and then steal quietly up from the foot of the massive bedstead till it fell the briefest moment upon a pallid face, and was then withdrawn before the lightest sleeper could awake. He knew Cyrus Holden perfectly well by sight. The motionless figure lay in apparent deep and quiet sleep, one arm thrown above the head and the other extended on the coverlet. But Mr. Lynch had known men, under similar circumstances, to feign sleep, and as he advanced toward the bed with the velvet tread of a cat, both revolver and lantern were in readiness. As he bent downward to study the banker's face the burglar suddenly stood erect and shrank back, crouching.

The open eyes were fixed in a glassy stare upon the ceiling! During that moment of awful suspense the ray of light was again allowed for an instant to rest on the face. A pennyweight's more pressure on the trigger would have sent a bullet into the body of the bed. For the first time in his professional career Mr. Lynch felt his nerve oozing away. The uncanny stare of the open eyes unbalanced him. Was it the frozen stare of fear, or of sleep, or of death? If death, so much the better—but it was Mr. Lynch's principle to take nothing for granted until proven.

Placing his revolver on the carpet, he drew a gleaming knife and again crept toward the bed. The motionless face did not quiver an eyelash, only lay looking upward with that haunting, damnable stare. When the light had moved within a foot of the face, a strong arm swung from the inky background and drove the knife hilt-deep into the spot which to the robber's trained eye covered the sleeper's heart. As he pulled upward, his fingers slipped over the handle and the knife was left firmly fixed. The violence of the thrust turned the body on its side with the face away. A tremor ran through it, and then the figure lay motionless.

Mr. Lynch reeled as he stooped to pick up the revolver. Cold beads of sweat stood out on his forehead, and his legs quivered under him. Turning his back upon the bed, he worked with feverish haste to finish and get away. From cabinet to dresser he hurried, leaving the drawers open and their contents strewn about the floor, but he found nothing of value. The library—then he would be through! The door was closed, but not latched. Noiselessly but hastily pushing it open, he stepped from the haunting chamber into the flood of light.

"Good God!" There before him, with a revolver leveled full at him, stood the perfect image of Cyrus Holden! Mr. Lynch's nerve stretched and snapped! He was standing on the edge of eternity! He only knew one thing to do—shoot before the other fellow! Like a lightning flash he swung his own weapon into position and pulled the trigger—once!—twice!—thrice!—all in a second's time. Through the smoke he saw the figure yet standing in the same threatening posture—piercing him with that stony stare from behind the leveled revolver. It did not shoot—it did not move! Was it man or devil?

The next instant the weapon dropped from the burglar's hand, and turning he ran screaming and cursing through the dark chambers, where the body lay with the knife driven into it—through the next room into the corridor—headlong down the steps and out into the streets from the awful place—unmanned and a temporary maniac.

The banker awoke at the three shots to hear the unearthly shrieks and hurried flight of some one through his secret chambers. A moment afterward a concealed panel door opened from a wall of the bed chamber where the body lay, and Cyrus Holden timidly emerged from his unknown sleeping closet, bearing a light. He advanced to the bed and rolled the wax counterfeiter of himself on its back. A knife was sticking in the cardiac region of the dummy double. Then the banker crossed into the library. The wax statue of himself which stood there, holding the leveled revolver, presented a most grotesque appearance. A portion of its lower jaw was shot away, and there were two other bullet holes in the body, either of which would have proved fatal—if the dummy had been a man.

At his feet Mr. Holden found Mr. Lynch's lighted bull's-eye and revolver. This suggested to him the probability that the burglar would not tell the secret of the locked chambers, and he hastily refastened the doors as he heard the butler coming up. As the banker again passed through the panel door into his secret sleeping closet there was a look of pleased triumph on his face. The disfigurement of the wax dummies did not seem to annoy him. They had proven valuable substitutes, and he could order two more from Paris.

The cool night air and the peaceful suburban street brought Mr. Lynch to himself with a jerk. He realized that his conduct was unprofessional in the extreme, and pulling off the black half-mask, he slunk into the darkness of a convenient alley. An hour later he was speeding from the city aboard the first outbound train. That was his last night's work in the "crooked" line.

A Permanent

He—What became of your millionaire friend?
She—Oh, the wild waves got him
He—"Whose?"—Texas Ranger.

FAMILY BUDGET SAVES WORRIES

Spending on Paper Gives Feeling of Security.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

The United States government is wondering how it ever got along without a budget, and the homemaker who has tried such a spending plan for the family income feels the same way. This scheme of spending the income on paper first gives a sense of financial security. It is the only way to make sure that every member of the family will get his just share of the family income, that all necessary expenses can be met, and that a fair portion will be saved for future needs. Such a budget is comparatively easy to make and far easier to live up to



Making a Family Budget Saves Worries.

than many families think, until they have tried it. The bureau of home economics of the United States Department of Agriculture gives these suggestions for drawing up the family budget:

First, list all the purposes for which money must be spent. Include every expenditure from taxes to shaving soap, if you can, and by no means forget savings. Only by considering every use to which the family income must be put can a balanced budget be made. Get the co-operation of all the family in this if possible and clear up any false ideas about what a budget really is.

Make the list of expenses detailed.

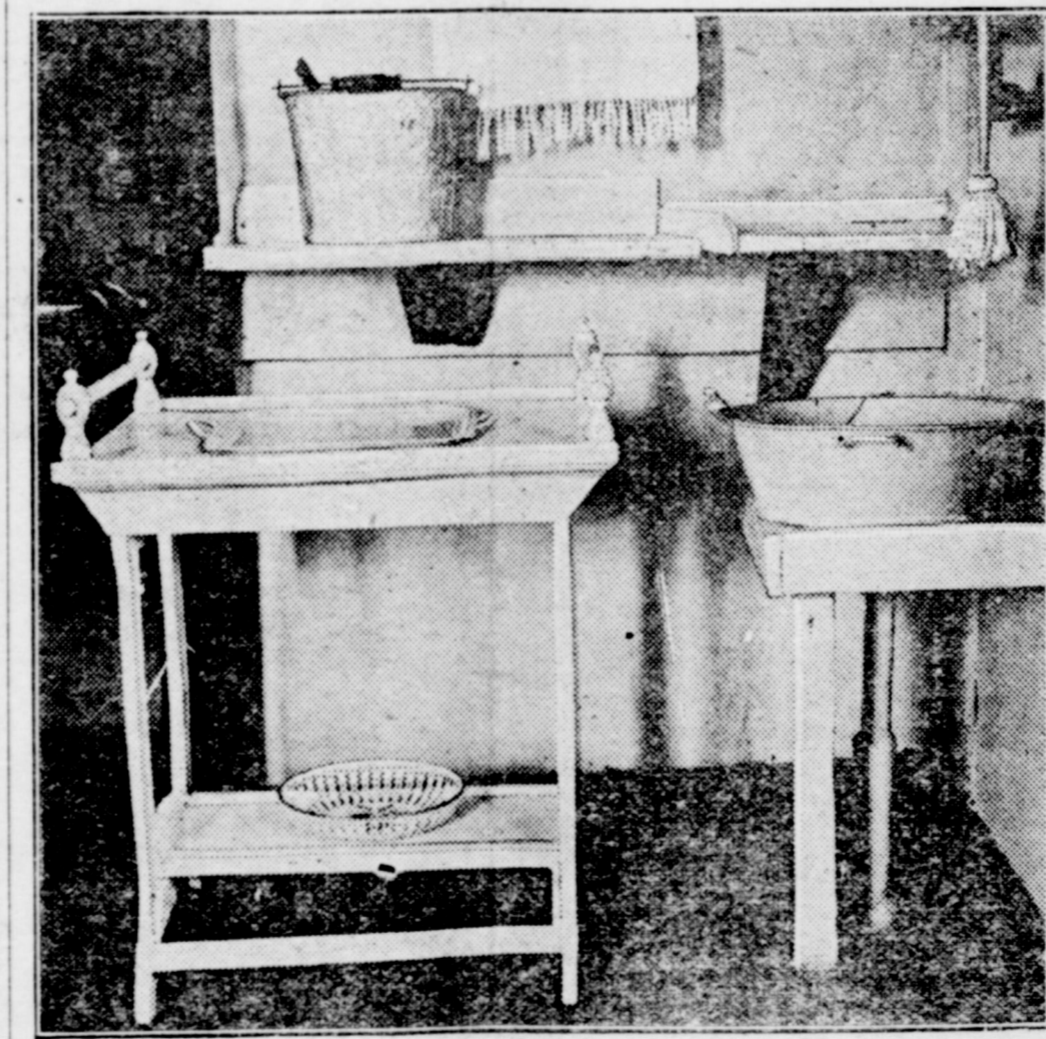
Hot Pot of Mutton and Barley Is Easily Made

The United States Department of Agriculture gives the following directions for making a hot pot of mutton and barley:

- 1 pound mutton
- 3 onions
- 1/2 cup pearly barley
- 1/2 cup celery tops or other seasoning
- 1 tablespoonful salt
- herbs
- 4 potatoes

Cut the mutton into small pieces, and brown with the onion in fat cut from the meat. This will help make the meat tender and improves the flavor. Pour this into a covered saucepan. Add two quarts water and the barley. Simmer for 1 1/2 hours. Then add the potatoes cut into quarters, seasoning herbs, and seasoning, and cook one-half hour longer. This recipe will serve five people. Rice can be used in place of barley.

VIRGINIA WOMAN MAKES INEXPENSIVE SINK



Homemade Sink, Drain Board and Tea Wagon.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

"Necessity is the mother of invention." Like many farm women, the one whose sink is illustrated was without running water in her kitchen, and without any convenient arrangement for disposing of waste water. Dishwashing was a needlessly hard task, and yet the cost of a new sink was prohibitive.

Inspired by suggestions from the extension agent from the Virginia Polytechnic Institute and the United States Department of Agriculture, this woman, who is a widow with three small children, living in Albemarle county, Va., solved her problem by cementing an old dispan to a drain pipe, as shown in the picture. A hole was made in the bottom of the dispan to fit the

HOT PUDDINGS FOR DESSERT SATISFY

Cottage Pudding Is an Acceptable Conclusion.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Hot puddings for dessert were more popular a generation ago than they are now—partly because many of them took much time to prepare and cook, and partly with our newer knowledge of diet, a rich heavy pudding is considered inappropriate at the end of a rich heavy meal. But when for some good reason the other courses and dishes of a meal have been less satisfying than usual, a good plain hot dessert such as cottage pudding may be a very acceptable conclusion to a dinner. Perhaps smaller than ordinary portions have been served—or one has used up a number of leftovers—or there may have been unexpected company, necessitating a change in menu. Whatever the reason for choosing it, cottage pudding is appetizing and filling, and is one of the easiest desserts one can have, for it can be put in the oven about the time the first part of the meal is served, and will be ready to take out in about half or three-quarters of an hour, depending on the kind of pan in which it is cooked. It is therefore a good "last-minute" and emergency dessert, served either plain or varied in many ways.

The recipe below is given by the United States Department of Agriculture:

- Cottage Pudding.
- 1 cupful milk.
- 2 1-3 cupfuls sifted soft wheat flour.
- 1/4 to 1-3 cupful fat.
- 1 egg.
- 3 teaspoonfuls baking powder.
- 2-3 cupful sugar.
- 1/4 teaspoonful salt.
- 1/2 teaspoonful flavoring.

Mix and sift together the dry ingredients. The eggs are beaten slightly and added to the other liquid ingredients, which are then stirred gradually into the dry. The melted fat is added last to the batter, rather than mixed with the liquids. Bake in a fairly hot oven (about 390 degrees Fahrenheit) if muffin pans are used to make individual servings; or at a more moderate temperature (about 365 degrees Fahrenheit) in a thin loaf.

Cottage pudding is usually served hot with a sauce, which may be hot or cold. It may be hard sauce, whipped cream, chocolate sauce, a canned or stewed fruit sauce, or one of the slightly thickened hot sauces such as lemon, orange, raisin, or vanilla, which sometimes have egg or cornstarch as the thickening agent. Small amounts of canned fruit may be utilized to advantage in such a sauce, as, for example, some leftover canned pineapple or peaches.

A cupful of nut meats, seeded raisins, sultanas, dried currants, or dates may be added to plain cottage pudding batter to make a more elaborate dessert. Except for the sultanas and currants any of these should be chopped into convenient pieces and lightly floured. They are added when the batter is mixed. A chopping bowl is more satisfactory for preparing the nuts or fruits than a meat grinder. Chopped dried figs, either just as they come, or stewed and drained of all liquid, may be added if liked, or stewed fig sauce may be used with a plain pudding. Canned blueberries (also fresh blueberries and blackberries in season) and canned cherries are other fruits which may be added.

GUNSTON HALL HOME OF GREAT AMERICAN

Built by George Mason, Far-Seeing Statesman.

In 1750, at a plantation in Maryland near the Potomac river, a wedding took place, and to it flocked the planters and their ladies from miles around in Maryland and Virginia, writes Mary Mayo Crenshaw in St. Nicholas. It was the marriage of George Mason, fourth of the name in this country and scion of a very ancient family, to Ann Eilbeck, sixteen years old and already a great belle and beauty. Mason, then twenty-five years old, was described by a contemporary as "young, wealthy, handsome and talented."

Soon after the wedding the young couple began to build their now famous home, Gunston hall. It was named in honor of George Mason's ancestral home in England. They threw themselves wholeheartedly into the task. Mason himself was the architect. He had woodcarvers come over from England, and for three years these worked on the classic designs which lend such charm to the home, and which have been copied by some of America's greatest architects. At the end of this time the stately mansion was finished and a house-warming was held. Scores of guests came from miles around in their gilded chariots and quaint coaches, or in boats from the Maryland side. Two of the nearest neighbors, Lord Fairfax and George Washington, must have been there to drink the health of the young pair—Washington then a tall young man eighteen years of age. And we can imagine the pride of the slender young wife in her beautiful new home, and seem to see her in the soft candlelight dancing the minuet or the Sir Roger de Coverley.

Mason was destined to become one of the most famous statesmen of America. He lived at Gunston hall during the remainder of his life, John Este Cooke in his delightful history of Virginia has said:

"Mason was called upon to draft the Virginia bill of rights and constitution, and did so. The former is the most remarkable paper of the epoch, and was the foundation of the great American assertion of right. Jefferson went to it for the phrases and expressions of the Declaration, and it remains the original chart by which free governments must steer their course in all coming time."

All of it found its way into the Constitution of the United States, and the first ten amendments of the latter were taken bodily from the bill of rights.

The year 1925 is the 200th anniversary of the birth of George Mason. Proper observances are to be held on October 26 at Gunston hall. But there is a perpetual memorial, not limited by time, not temporary, but unending, to this great man, in the country he helped so much to found and in the reverent hearts of a whole people.

No Eggs for the Band

"Once on a western tour," Mr. Damosch relates, "we struck a town where the hotel accommodation was very, very poor. A dozen members of the orchestra had to put up in a hotel where the rate was \$1 a head for dinner, bed and breakfast. It didn't seem to be worth more, either.

"When the men went down to the dining room for breakfast in the morning they were led to an untidy table by a frowzy maid. The maid was busy taking their orders when the proprietor put his head in at the door and called:

"Lizzie, no eggs for the band!"
"This speech," Mr. Damosch ended, "spread among the orchestra, and for the rest of the season, whenever some demand was made upon me that I couldn't grant, the men would smile and shake their heads and repeat:
"Lizzie, no eggs for the band!"

"Stinging Snake" a Myth

The biological survey says that the "stinging snake" myth apparently originated more than 200 years ago and is reported to have been first published in an old "Report to Lords Proprietors of the Carolinas." John Clayton also mentions this myth in a letter to the Royal society of London in 1688. In the first mentioned report it is asserted that there lived in the Carolinas a snake whose tail was a poisoned horn or spike. This account refers to the horn or stinging snake, which is harmless. The horn snake is bluish-black with a few red bars across the belly. The tail of this snake tapers to a fine point having the appearance of a horn or spike, but it is quite incapable of piercing or stinging anything.

Reason for Joyfulness

The day seems to be arrived when there is really so much to make us think well of the destiny of mankind; such fair reason to rejoice in the mere fact of existence; so large a promise of ever-extending human knowledge and insight; such general softening of manners, spreading of intelligence and enlarging of average happiness, that it appears more becoming for man, the chief at least of animals, to be singing with the lark in the sky than croaking with the frog in the swamp.—Sir Edwin Arnold.

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J. C. BEAN THE CONTRACTOR, REPORTS MARFA'S MANY IMPROVEMENTS

Did you see that new brick garage recently completed for J. C. Fuller, its a peach of a home for the Buick Sedan recently purchased by him, said Mr. Bean.

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It looks as if, judging from recent activities of our Chamber of Commerce, preparations is being made for a "rush"

W. B. Mitchell has overhauled his garage, making it now with the many improvements like a new and most modern building of this type.

Mr. Bean here remarked that if anyone had, or were ever thinking of any improvements to be made, to remember him

He said George Jones had also recently installed a concrete dipping vat on his ranch near Valentine, not that his cattle need dipping at this time, but that it paid to keep your stock clean. An ounce of prevention is better any old time than a pound of cure.

There is being considerable improvements being made at Marfa's already beautiful Cemetery. Several lots are being enclosed with cement blocks old tree uprooted and replaced by new ones, all trees pruned and the grounds cleaned generally. Those in charge are to be congratulated for their care and the interest taken by them in this Sacred Spot of ground.

The friends of the late Dr. Orr are stirring up an interest, with the view of placing a monument over the last resting place of this great man. This is most laudable. He was, indeed, a friend of the afflicted and his healing art and skill caused many to bless his name.

William Bunton is having his ranch renovated from within and with out, by plastering, painting and adding a new room, when completed it will vie with many of our city "Home Place" dressed up, homes. He is also having the old

Sheriff J. E. Vaughan returned this week from San Antonio where he met with the Highway Commissioners in the interest of the Robt. E. Lee and Shafter highways in Presidio County. He reports that work will soon recommence on these roads here. Commissioner Cate will be out this way in a week or two to inspect road conditions in West Texas. Our Sheriff deserves a great deal of credit for the effective interest shown by him in good roads in the county. He is saving the tax payers money. Presidio County has never been obliged to issue road bonds, and yet we are gradually getting the roads in good shape.

CONFERS DEGREES

Marfa's local Council of Royal Arch Chapter of Masons last Friday conferred council degrees on the following: Colonel Stodter, B. T. Cordock and Jno. McDonald.

The members of the Alpine Chapter who attend and assisted in the degree work were:

John Perkins, C. A. Gilley, H. E. Allen, A. A. Newell, G. K. Lange, A. B. Sandifer, F. E. Weyers, G. W. Baines, Leo Howell and R. A. McMurry.

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Locals and Personals

Henry Goffield and Ernest Williams have been this week attending Federal Court in El Paso.

Ben Pruitt spent several days in El Paso this week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Anderson of Boise, Idaho, visited Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Brite, last Saturday and Sunday. They were en route to New York to buy goods for Mr. Anderson's several Golden Rule Stores in Idaho.

Mr. Anderson is a cousin of Mrs. Brite.

Mr. E. W. Groom, Secretary and General Manager of the Pecos & Rio Grande Telephone Company of Ft. Stockton, spent Wednesday in Marfa completing engineering work in connection with rebuilding the telephone system.

Mr. Groom stated that material for the work would be ordered immediately and work started as soon as a construction gang could be secured.

PRESIDIO COUNTY

the farmer should waste no time in trying to reclaim alkali land in this manner. Likewise alkali can not be removed by merely running water which passes over the surface, unless the soil is quite porous and enough water is applied to carry the salts downward the desired depth. The salts are carried downward thru the soil and are not carried off by the water which passes over the soil without entering it. For successful leaching, the soil must be sufficiently porous to permit the percolation of water deep into the underlying strata. Some soil light and porous at the surface may have a stratum of adobe below the surface which will render leaching slow. As a general rule, however, alkali soils are porous, because it is the proosity of the soil which permitted the accumulation of alkali in the first place.

As to the time it takes to leach land will depend upon the kind of soil. Some lands can be leached much faster than others. The best time of the year to leach alkali soils will not depend upon season so much as it will on opportunity. Generally speaking, after the crop is harvested in the fall up until about thirty days before planting time is a very good time to do the work. The presence of alkali in the soil is often shown by poor stands and undersized or stunted plants.

R. S. Miller,
County Agent.

DISTRICT COURT

District Court convened on Monday in regular January term, with Judge C. R. Sutton and Dist. Atty. Mantague present. The following Grand Jury were sworn in for the term:

G. C. Robinson, foreman; C. P. Arthur, Ben S. Avant, Chas. Bishop, M. D. Bownds, H. M. Fennell, J. M. Hurley, Orr Kerr, E. F. Nicolls, Hugh Ridout, John Lock, and Dan Coffman.

The following bailiffs to the Grand Jury were sworn:
F. C. Myers, Owen Shields, Robt. Speed and P. F. Dyshes.

The following were admitted to the bar:
Conrado Vasquez, Royce McCall and Juliette Dillon.

ANNOUNCEMENT

TO THE VOTERS OF PRESIDIO COUNTY:

I am announcing in this issue of the local paper for sheriff of Presidio County. I don't feel that I need any introduction to the people of this county, for I have lived here all my life. I am making this announcement of my own free will and accord and no man is responsible for my candidacy. I propose to be in a position when elected to enforce all the law fairly and impartially and propose to give every man a fair deal.

I shall at no time have any personal criticism of my opponent. He has been Sheriff, or will have been, three terms and his record is well known. I believe in the capacity of Sheriff I can serve the entire citizenship without bias or prejudice. It is on my own personal record as a man and citizen of this county for the whole of my life, and with the belief that I can make a good officer that I seek the office.

I shall make an active campaign of due time and it shall be my purpose to see personally every voter in the County. In the meantime, and until I can see you, I want to take this means of soliciting your support.

Your very truly,
Joe Bunton.

LOS— On the Streets of Marfa a Stone Marten Choker, finder please leave at City Hall or return to Mrs. Jno. T. Hamie and receive reward.

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Mrs. Tucker's Shortening

Now is a good time to set out trees and vines. I would be glad to order yours
J. R. Jacobs.

ANNOUNCEMENT

The New Era has been authorized to announce J. W. Bishop as a candidate for County Commissioner for Precinct No. 2 subject to the July primary.

JOE BUNTON

In this issue Joe Bunton comes out in a signed article announcing for Sheriff of Presidio County. As he states Joe needs no introduction to the people of Presidio County for all of his life he has lived here.

A most important characteristic of an officer is to serve without regard to personal likes or dislikes. He so promises to serve the citizenship without bias in favor of or prejudice against any, if intrusted with this high office.

It is his great American privilege to ask for and seek office at the hands of the sovereign people, and if elected, judging by his personal life, without question he will make a faithful and efficient officer. This is the first time he has sought office in the county and this fact itself should deserve consideration at the hands of the voters.

THE AUSTIN NURSERY

There is a good season for planting, the best in nine years. Plant a commercial orchard and let people come and pick their fruit. They will pay more than if you took it to them.

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Marfa, Texas.

D. D. Kilpatrick was a visitor to Marfa Tuesday.

OPERA HOUSE Movies

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1st—"HOME MAKERS"—(A Jewel)

TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY—Richard Dix in "A Man Must Live."

THURSDAY and FRIDAY—Colleen Moore in "Painted People."

(A First National)

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J. C. Bean, H. P.

J. W. HOWELL, Sec.

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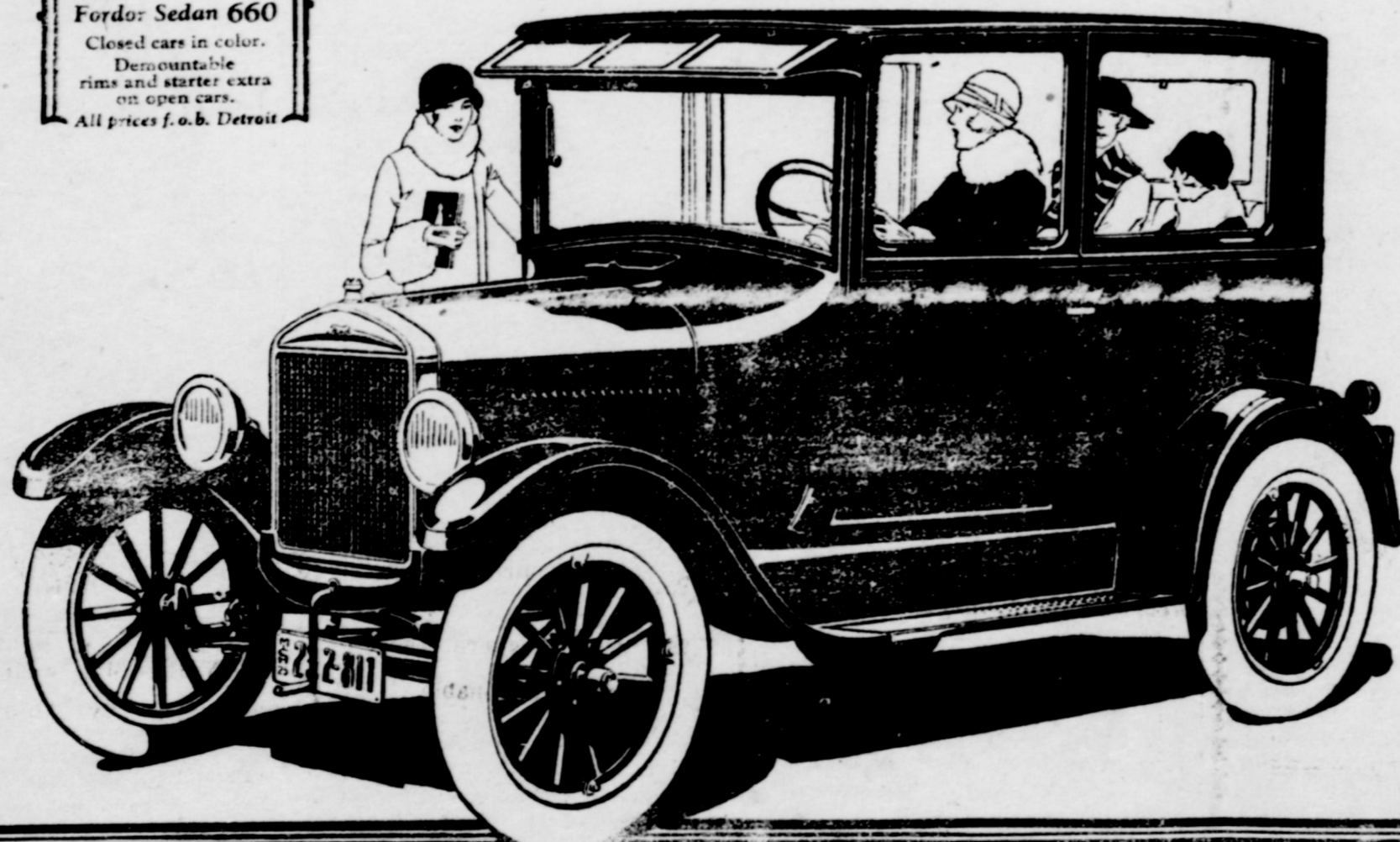
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Many Craters on Unimak Isle

Often Causes Great Confusion in Locating Various Eruptions.

Washington.—While America faces a coal shortage this winter, prospectors in the interior of Alaska are anxiously awaiting the end of summer-like weather, so the rivers may freeze and they can make their way out. Unusually high temperatures for November followed the reported activity of Mount Shishaldin, a volcano on Unimak Island.

"Unimak Island, the largest of the Aleutian 'stepping stones,' is a focus of volcanic activity second only to the Katmai district, scene, in 1912, of one of the greatest volcanic eruptions the world has known," says a bulletin from the Washington headquarters of the National Geographic society. "Although it has an area only a little larger than Rhode Island, so many craters occur on Unimak Island that there is often a great deal of confusion as to the location of the various eruptions reported.

Fujiyama's "Double."
"Mount Shishaldin, the peak recently reported active, is the most striking and beautiful of the eleven major craters of the island. It has one of the most nearly perfect cones in the world, seeming to float suspended in the air above its cloud-girt base. Because of its white symmetry it has been called the most formidable rival of the celebrated Fujiyama. Fortunately, however, is the visitor who has seen this Alaskan queen in all her beauty, for most of the year Unimak, and the rest of the Aleutians, are enveloped in a heavy blanket of fog and low-lying clouds.

"Despite Unimak's size and its separation from the mainland 'panhandle' of Alaska by only a narrow strip of water, it is of little importance. There are no good harbors around its shores. "Cod fishing on the great banks to the south of the island, which are similar to those of Newfoundland, and the mining of small quantities of sulphur and pumice stone are the principal industries. The inhabitants are mostly the remnants of the original native tribes found here by the Russians in the eighteenth century.

"There is no tourist trade, partly because there are no accommodations for them, but mainly because the beauties of the island can be seen to advantage with binoculars on shipboard. West coast steamers bound for Nome and other places on the Bering sea, or for the Arctic ocean, pass almost around the island, for the narrow strait separating it from the mainland is not as safe as Unimak pass, the strait between it and the rest of the Fox group.

"Like its sister islands Unimak is in general desolate and scraggy along its rocky, grass-covered lower slopes. It is treeless, and, except for its heavy rainfall and fogs, has a delightful climate. Summers in Unimak are cooler than places farther north, while in winter the weather is milder than that of Tennessee or Kentucky, twenty degrees of latitude farther south. The warm Japan current, which sweeps up the coast of Asia and around the Aleutians, gives it a January average of 30 degrees above zero.

"Grasses of all kinds grow in abundance on the lowlands all year round but the climate is too damp to mature grain. Although the soil is rich, being composed of a vegetable mold mixed with volcanic ash, the land is rugged and there are no places where farms of any size can be made. Small though the island is, the interior has never been thoroughly explored, and reports of a lake of sulphur in solution there have never been confirmed.

On Direct Route to Japan.
"Unimak and other islands of the Aleutian chain, believed to be the route by which man first migrated to the Western hemisphere, should be better known to the world at large, for they are on the shortest route between our northwestern states and Japan. The great expanse of the Pacific and the curvature of the earth place Yokohama almost due northwest of Seattle, if one follows the most direct path.

WATER POWER DEVELOPED AT GREAT RATE IN FIVE YEARS

Projects Involving 24,000,000 H. P. Listed by Government, Says Power Commission.

Washington.—The last five years have witnessed the greatest water power development in the United States, according to the annual report of the federal power commission.

In the five-year period ending June 30, 1925, the federal power commission has received 524 applications for power development and 100 applications for transmission lines. Eliminating duplications, the applications for power projects will involve when built an aggregate estimated installation of 24,000,000 horse power.

"While a considerable number of applications are undoubtedly for projects that will not be developed for many years, and some perhaps never," says the commission, "yet the aggregate of projects reasonably certain of construction in the near future involves more than twice the water power in operation when the federal water power act was passed in 1920."

"The American world flyers remember Unimak as part of one of the most difficult stages in their globe-circling trip. Port Moller, the community to which Major Martin made his way on foot after his plane crashed, is about 150 miles farther east. The district presented the same pitfalls for aviators as Unimak, conical peaks and sharp ridges rising suddenly out of dreary fog-hidden tundras and marshes.

"In addition to Mt. Shishaldin, Unimak has several other exceptional peaks. Pogromni Volcano, the mile-high sentinel of Unimak pass in the western part of the island, today is but the broken shell of a vast crater which is said to have 'burst' in 1795. Other violent eruptions are reported between 1827 and 1890. Lately it has been a very well behaved volcano. A thin, slow wisp of smoke is a constant reminder, however, of its lurid past. The Isanotsky peaks are credited with a violent eruption within the last century, but, as is the case with so much of the rest of the history of the island, there is no confirmation. Their appearance suggests a long period of erosion rather than frequent activity."

NEW POLICE SHIELD



This new shield has been adopted by the Chicago police for the war on bandits and every station is provided with the equipment. The shield is bullet proof, easily carried and allows full vision.

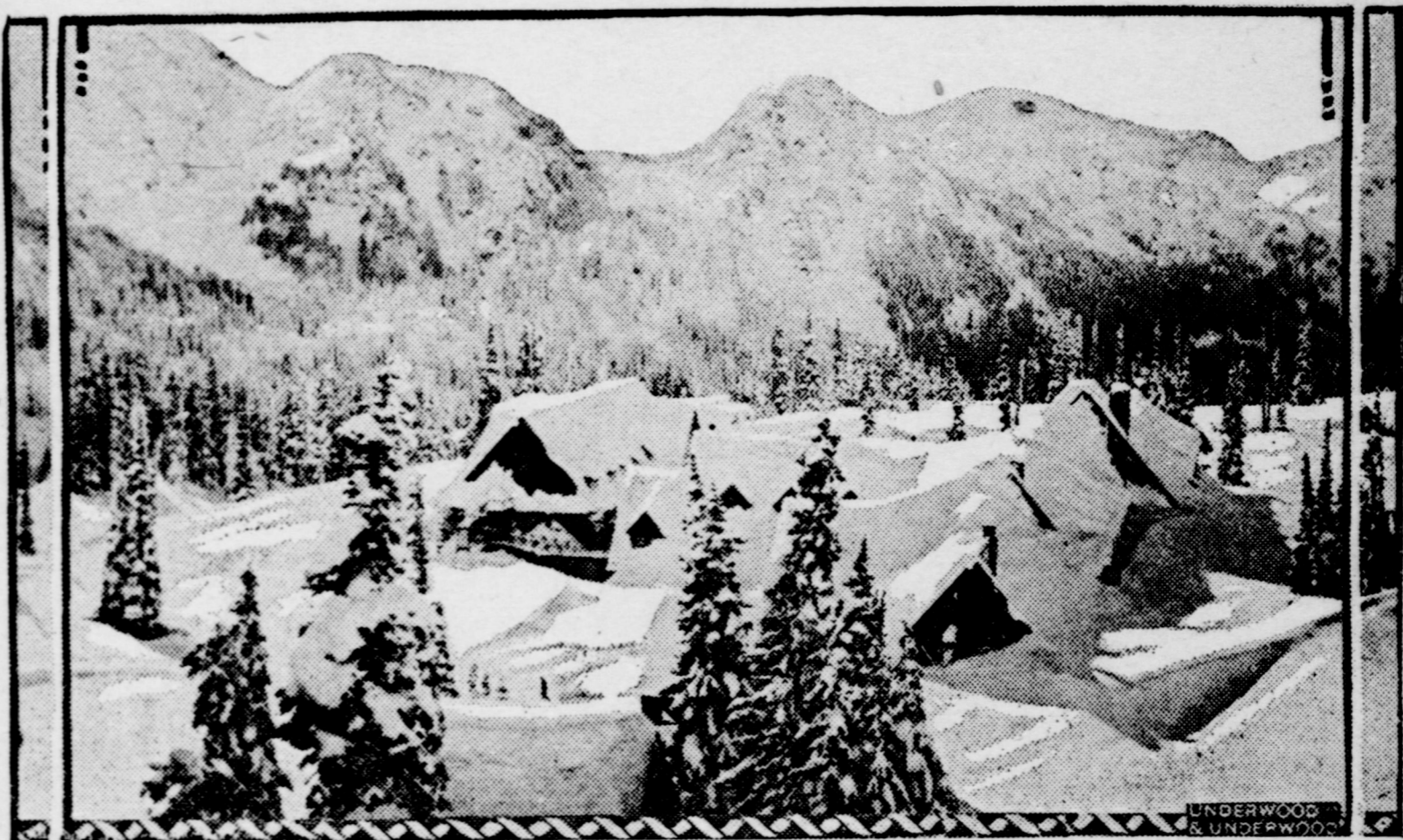
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Illinois Banker, Wife and Little Son Murdered



Mystery surrounds the murder, at their home near Batavia, Ill., of Henry W. Jeske, banker and farmer, his wife, Eva, and their six-year-old son Ralph. They were slain as they returned home in their automobile and the murderers fled in the car, which was found three miles away. The house was ransacked but not robbed. The illustration shows the victims and their residence.

Chance for Winter Sports on Mt. Rainier



Paradise valley, 5,500 feet up the side of Mt. Rainier, will be kept open this winter for snow and ice sports, according to an announcement by the national park service. Visitors will have to enter the second or third story windows of Paradise Inn to get accommodations, as the famous hotel will be buried under fifty or sixty feet of snow, but once inside they will find warm rooms, electric lights and good food.

Has Apartments to Suit Moods

Kept in New York of Necessity, Man Finds One Home Bore.

New York.—There is at least one man in New York city to whom the saying "variety is the spice of life," is more than a mere phrase. Furthermore, he obtains all of his variety within the confines of the city. For present purposes it serves to dub him Mr. Trotter.

After a youth of roaming from one corner of the world to another, circumstances compelled Mr. Trotter to stay constantly in New York. Such a restriction on a born roamer naturally proved irksome. In his own words, Mr. Trotter was "about to bust" when an inspiration came to him that solved his problem.

Mr. Trotter, it should be explained at the outset, is of a whimsical inquiring nature and his wanderings were marked more by amused curiosity than high adventuring in the manner of soldiers of fortune. He sauntered rather than strode during his travels and in his quiet way managed to penetrate the local life wherever he went—ignoring and showing his disgust of the alien colonies of his countrymen.

With such a background of activity, he naturally began to chafe when he was confined to a single place—even when it is as big as New York. Life ordered itself into an inexorable routine and sameness; there was plenty to do but it was essentially alike no matter how much the scene might change from day to day.

Twitted by Friends.
"I was fast becoming a boor," explained Mr. Trotter the other day. "My friends twitted me about being a rolling stone who would eventually find settling down superior to wandering about. And they always wound up sooner or later with that bromide that, after all, variety is the spice of life. Right now I am glad they did because it finally led to my inspiration.

"I am not a man of great means but I am fixed so that I needn't worry. I had been living in a comfortable hotel, where there was nothing to be desired from the point of view of service or surroundings. But it took me just about a month to exhaust all of the observations that there were to be made about the place. I penetrated all of the surface life there and a great many of undercurrents, at least all that were interesting to me. It was like reading one book repeatedly and not a very exciting or deep book.

"One night a friend called on me to chide me for not going about more with the gang. Gadding, he called it.

I told this friend in as kindly a manner as possible that the activities that were offered thus bored me. He finally said that I was incorrigible and then ended up with the same old bromide—well, after all, variety is the spice of life.

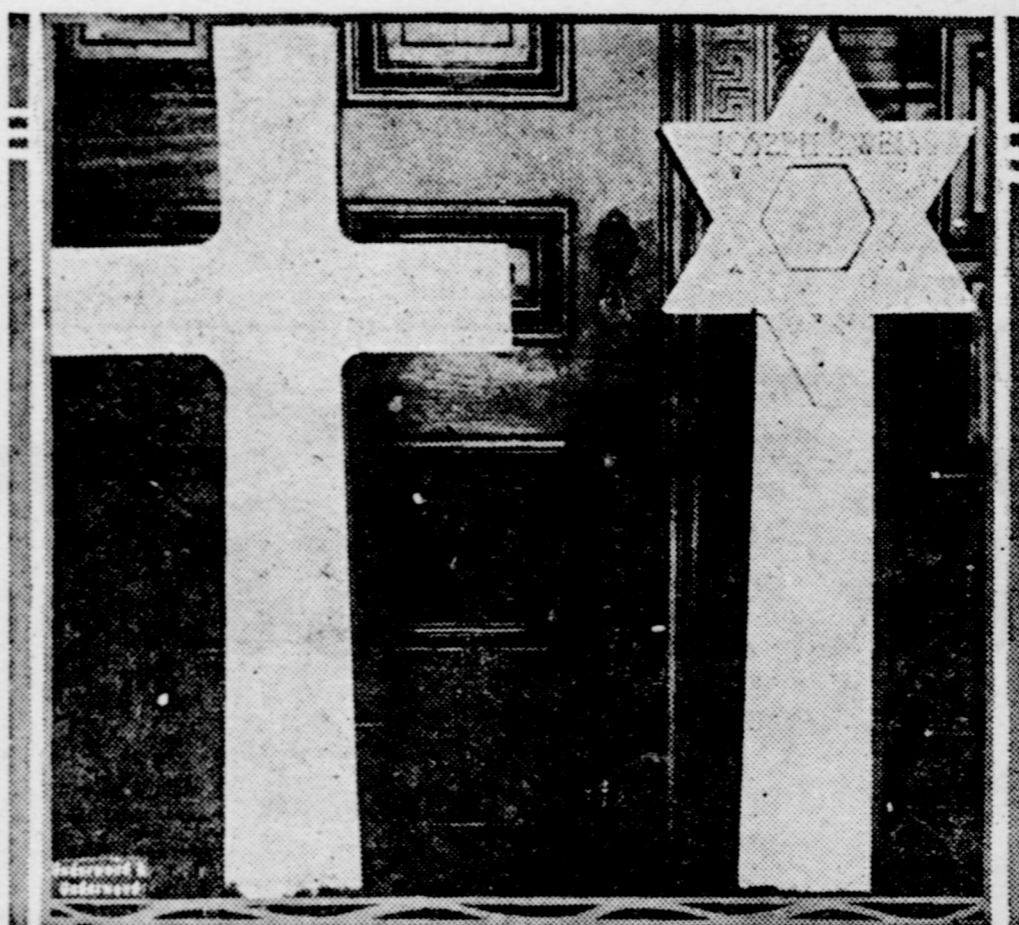
"After he had gone I got my hat and stick and went for a walk. Tramping the streets at night soon filled me with what the French call the homesickness for elsewhere. I felt a nostalgia for my hotel. I didn't want to go back to it that night but tried to persuade myself that I should reconcile myself to my fate. I wandered farther than I thought and suddenly found myself very tired. My hotel is in the Seventies and I was away below Fourteenth street. There was no taxi in sight or I would probably have gone home. Instead I espied a faint sign in the deserted street which said Hotel. I remembered that this particular house had been quite famous in its day before New York moved uptown. I knew also that it clung to its traditions and that it was perfectly clean. On the spur of the moment I went in, paid for my room and spent the night there.

Idea Is Born.
"The next morning when I woke up I was bewildered about my surroundings, but at the same time it spurred my old inclination for inquiry. I was curious about everything; the people in the lobby were different from my daily associates. I tried to figure them out. Thus the idea was born.

"Purposely prowling about for variety is not my way. It smacks too much of the tourist and superficial. My solution was simply this: I hunted up residences in various parts of the city in which I could gratify my moods and my curiosity about the lives and ways of places and people. The very rich have homes in town, on Long Island, in the Far West, in Palm Beach and elsewhere. Why not apply the same principle to New York city? I have, and I have found it one of the most interesting adventures of my long career. I needed my hotel address for business and social reasons. Accordingly I maintained my quarters there and kept most of my things there, but I now have four other places in different sections of New York to which I can go at any time that the mood strikes me.

"It gives me a whimsical amusement to start a day and never know in which one of my residences I will spend the night. And in each section I have a different circle of friends or acquaintances. Somehow none of them have ever crossed each other's paths, disproving that other saying 'the world is small after all,' while at the same time it proves that variety is the spice of life—if you live it."

For Graves of Unknown Soldiers



Upon 1,682 white stone markers over the last resting places of unknown American soldier dead in France the United States government will chisel this legend: "Here rests in honored glory an American soldier known but to God." For graves of Christians the cross will be used, and for those of Jews the "Star of David" design.

PICKED BY "ZIGGIE"



Like a jewel expert picking out a flawless pearl from a heap of imitation ones, Florence Ziegfeld, "Glorifier" of the American girl, lighted on the blond, beautiful person of a young Boston miss, Betty Lee Cooper, as she trudged along Tremont street. It did not take long to persuade her to sign a contract with "Ziggie."

Lebanon Troops Relieved by French



Joseph Kanaan, commander of the Christian volunteers in Lebanon (wearing cap), watching entry of the French regulars who relieved his troops after their battles with the Druses.

Believed to Have Found City of Lost Cherokees

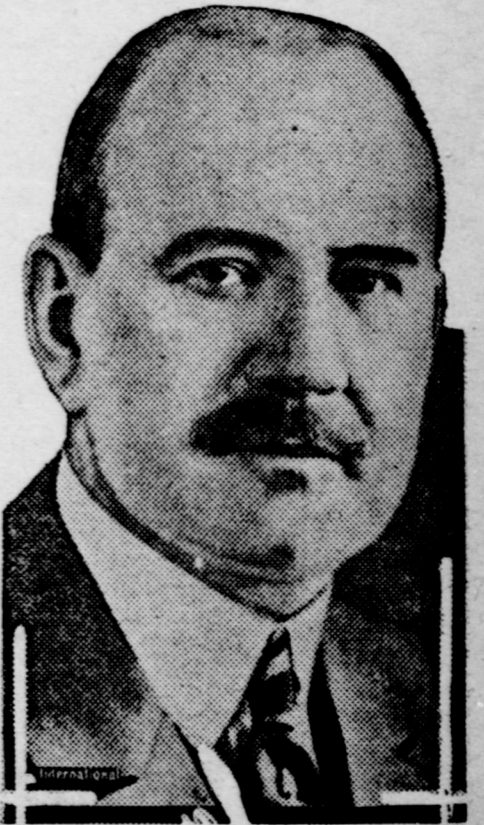
Lincoln, Neb.—What may have been the habitat of the legendary lost tribe of Cherokee Indians for which the famous Chief Sequoia lost his life in the search in 1848, has been uncovered in Richardson county, Neb., by E. E. Blackman, curator of the State Historical society museum.

Professor Blackman found the remains of an ancient Indian city, together with several pieces of pottery and many chipped flint tools, different from those made by tribes hitherto known to have inhabited that region. Unearthed articles bear unmistakable signs of Cherokee origin, Mr. Blackman said. This led him to believe it possible that the site was once the location of the lost tribe which legends say split away from the tribal home in southeastern United States and pushed across the Mississippi, never to return.

Don't get the idea into your head that a baby cuts teeth; it's the teeth that cut the baby.

Eugene Field had eight children.

HIS LIFE THREATENED



Arrest in Kenosha, Wis., of an alleged blackmailer has brought out the fact that Charles W. Nash, multimillionaire president of the Nash Motor company, has recently received three Black Hand letters demanding \$10,000 from him on pain of death.

EDICION ESPAÑOL

Juan Rivera, Editor;

Ramon Valdez, Colobrador.

Consul, Juan Ritcher, Redactor Honorario.

El único Periodico que se publica en Español en este Condado, para beneficio de la Colonia Mexicana y es el mensajero del Distrito de Big Bend.

COLMOS

El colmo de un obsequiero; regalarle un cabrito al que tiene ganado

El colmo de un carpintero; hacer un palo en el agua.

El de un plomero; tener un hijo de soldado.

El de un Sastre: hacer un chaleco con el genero humano.

ENTRE AMIGAS

A mi hombre -dice una- le ataca el vino a la cabeza, y suelta cada disparate.

—Pues al mío le ataca a la mano, y suelta cada "bofeteta."

Un servicio oportuno, aunque sea pequeño, basta para borrar una ofensa grande.

AVISO

Apreciables Subscriptores:

La semana pasada apareció una marca colorada en un lado de sus nombres, esta marca significaba que su término de suscripción es ya vencida, por lo cual les anticipamos a nuestros favorecedores que pasen a pagar en nuestra oficina o nos remitan el importe por correo por razón que no tenemos colectores, pues les damos las gracias por su liberal patrocinio y confiamos que sigan como nuestros permanentes subscriptores para poder principiar nuestro periódico español de 4 páginas.

Favor de dirigir toda correspondencia en español o el importe de suscripciones al editor de esta edición, así:

JUAN RIVERA,
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MARFA, TEXAS

La Srita. Enedina Martínez sigue con mayoría de Votos

El cómputo de votos para Reina del Carnaval de Marfa, Texas, en los momentos de entrar en prensa nuestro periódico, es como sigue:

Srita. Enedina Martínez... 1,410
" Beatriz Martínez... 939
" Francisquita Flores... 883
" Ida Miller... 463
" Trinidad Mendias... 292
" Estela Ramos... 68
" Elena Lara... 25

No se olvide de mandar la cuota de la suscripción, necesitamos su cooperación urgentemente.

GRAN BAILE

Por encargo de la Sociedad Mutualista "Unión y Progreso" de este lugar, participamos a todos los amantes de la Diosa Tepsicore, que el Gran Baile de Fantasía que dicha Sociedad prepara para el día 13 de Febrero tendrá verificativo en el espacioso Salón de Casner Motor Co., donde será servida además una escogida y exquisita cena. No olviden la fecha y lugar.

En la Tienda de Ropa de Murphy-Welker encontrarán los aficionados al Baile bonitas telas para los trajes de Pierrot y Colombine, así como antifaz de seda y toda clase de artículos de tocador.

Mandenos Nuevas las publicamos gustosamente GRATIS

Joe Bunton

En este número aparece el Sr. JOE BUNTON con un artículo firmado anunciándose para Alguacil Mayor del condado de Presidio.

Así como él testifica, Joe no necesita introducción entre la gente del Condado de Presidio porque él ha vivido toda su vida en este lugar.

El más importante característico de un oficial es de servir sin ningún acuerdo a parecidos personales o desaparecidos. Así él promete de servir la ciudadanía sin ningunas miras en favor de o perjudicar en contra de naiden, si le confían a él el cargo de esta importante oficina.

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Esta es la primer vez que él ha pensado de tomar oficina en el condado y esta causa por sí misma debe de merecer consideración en las manos de los votantes.

Votad por el Sr. Joe Bunton para nuestro próximo Alguacil Mayor.

Sesion Extra-ordinaria del Cuerpo de la Mesa Directiva del C. Catolico de Marfa

Domingo, Enero 24 1926

El Cuerpo de la Mesa Directiva del Centro Católico, de Marfa, se reunió como Sesión Extra-ordinaria el domingo Enero 24, 1926 en su local de reuniones, a las 10: p. m., estando presentes todos los oficiales y miembros de la misma.

El Presidente, Silbestre Ordoñez, hizo una moción que se trataria de formular una nueva Boleta, para cuyo fin se escogio por moción de los miembros la Boleta abajo anotada con sus respetivos candidatos, a saber:

Boleta

DE LA MESA DIRECTIVA, C. C. C.

Para Presidente

Silbestre Ordoñez
Hilario Machuca

Para Vice-Presidente

Perfecto Juarez
Moises Jiner

Para Secretario

Ricardo Garcia
Juan Rivera

Para Sub-Secretario

Gregorio G. Guerrero
Cornelio Olios

Para Tesorero

Vivian Dominguez

Para Sub-Tesorero

Damas Olguin
Gregorio Rodriguez

Para Vocales

1er. Isabel Dianda
1er. Jose Salgado

2do. Paz Rodriguez

3ro. Eusebio Lopez
3ro. Damas Olguin

Para Colector

Cruz Martinez

Para Vigilante

1er. Crispin Vasquez
1er. Jose Chavez
2do. Secundino Natividad
2do. Juan Magallanes

Para Enfermero

Rafael Carmona
Manuel Rincon

Después de formular los candidatos, por acuerdo del 1er. presidente hizo una moción con el fin de juntar fondos especiales voluntariamente entre los socios de la misma, cuya moción fué secundada por los miembros presentes, y para el día Domingo 21 de Marzo se verificara una fiesta y atenderan todos los miembros y apreciables familias y algunos intimos amigos que sean invitados.

No habiendo otro asunto que tratar se prorrogó la Sección a las 1: p. m. sujeta a la llamada del Presidente.

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PATRIOTICA INICIATIVA

A nuestra mesa de Redacción ha llegado carta del Sr. Roman Valdez "mexicano" por lo cual hace una llamada a los que verdaderamente conspetuen el Patriotismo y el deber de mexicanos en el extranjero

Para que contribuyan con su óbolo por pequeño que sea para socorrer a nuestros hermanos damnificados de Nayarit, dichos obolos aparecerán los nombres de sus donantes con su respectiva cantidad en las columnas de esta edición y las de nuestro colega de San Antonio, Texas, "La Prensa", es axtamente como parecieron en dicho periódico la lista autentica de los buenos mexicanos que ayudaron con su obolo a las victimas de los volcanes de Puebla y para las escuelas del Centenario. ¡Así se hace Patria! ¡Así es la humanidad!

Pueden los interesados en contribuir con lo que puedan, entregarselos al Sr. Roman Valdéz, Marfa, Texas, quien les dará recibo de éllo y donde verán sus nombres en los periódicos susodichos, ó bien los pueden ellos los donantes, mandarlos directamente por correo o por el modo más seguro que crean conveniente.

Pues como decimos antes, lo que el Sr. Valdez hace es una exitativa patriótica, digna de imitarse, y no un timo.

La Redacción.

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