BRISBANE
THIS WEEK

Divide and Rule
Big Men, Light Eyes
Why Go Naked?
Borrowing a Blimp

Arthur Brisbane

Mr. Green, American Federation of Labor head, warns the miners' union not to split up the federation. Mr. Lewis, leader of the miners, tells Mr. Green, in substance, "You mind your own business." A labor split seems near.

Union labor should consider the fable of the dying peasant who summoned his sons and showed them how they could break small sticks separately, but could not break them when all were tied together.

Louis XI's motto, Divide et impera ("Divide and rule"), in dealing with powerful nobles, is not unknown to the enemies of union labor, or Goethe's

Divide and rule! Powerful word. Unite and lead! Better word.

A lonely English soldier living on an island in the Indian ocean wrote that he wanted a wife, saying, "I have hazel eyes," nothing else about himself. Already 250 English girls have offered to marry him. The 249 disappointed may find comfort in a better marriage, picking out somebody with blue eyes. It annoys many, but it must be said that practically all the great men in history had blue or gray eyes, even men from dark-eyed races, like Napoleon from Corsica, Caesar from Rome.

To save answering questions, here is a short list: Washington, Jefferson, Lincoln, Roosevelt, Edison, Henry Ford. Look up the others.

Near Tampa, Fla., a schooner loaded with men, women, children, on the way to establish a nudist colony in the Virgin islands, ran aground. Navigators were unwilling to sign for a nudist enterprise, afraid, perhaps, of catching cold, so the ship ran ashore.

Nudism is a queer atavistic craving. The human race began that way in the Garden of Eden, and each of us starts out as a nudist at birth. The struggle is to keep clothed thereafter.

It is a strange demoralization that makes some long to run about undressed; the more strange because they look so hideously ugly.

Discouraged by incompetence that wrecked two dirigibles, this country decided that lighter than air machines are not necessary. It was necessary to borrow a small privately owned blimp to take food to 3,000 Tangier Islanders, cut off from relief by ice. No heavier than air plane could land there before the blimp, which landed easily.

Mussolini threatens to leave the league if it includes a ban on oil in its sanctions. In modern war, no oil, no war. Mussolini may buy old American ships to use as float ing gasoline storage tanks. Had he come a little sooner he could have had plenty of them at a bargain, about one thousand million dollars' worth of expensive steel floating "junk" built when this country's foolish entrance into the World war found it unprepared.

England and Russia were getting along nicely, and now the Russian envoy, Litvinoff, attending the late king's funeral, commits the British unpardonable sin.

After talking with the new king, Litvinoff, instead of expressing admiration for the overwhelming royal intellect, remarked that the new king, Edward VIII, was "just a mediocre young Englishman" and repeated what the young king had said to him, something "not done."

Mr. Norman Thomas of the Socialist left wing runs for President sometimes and says the "New Deal" is leading to Fascism, a dictator.

In Italy Socialism, and doctrines even more radical, led to the rise of Mussolini, aided by castor oil and other methods. If our dictatorship comes, some radicals will look back sadly to the good old days when you could speak your mind without being shot or put to work.

One man's frostbite is another man's good news. New Jersey fruit growers say the extreme cold, freezing the ground two feet deep, will destroy orchard pests, including the gypsy and coddling moths. The cold, which has not injured trees, is expected to discourage larvae of the Japanese beetle.

Col. Charles A. Lindbergh spent his thirty-fourth birthday in Wales his wife and one son with him. He must have felt that he had already lived 100 years, and have wished almost, that he had been content to remain in the airmail service, apart from the limelight.

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CURRENT EVENTS IN REVIEW

By Edward W. Pickard

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Death of Charles Curtis, Former Vice President

CHARLES CURTIS, former Vice President of the United States and before that representative and senator from Kansas, died suddenly of heart disease at the Washington home of his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Edward E. Gann. He was seventy-six years old, and was the first man of Indian blood ever to preside over the senate. He was one-quarter Kaw Indian, his grandmother having been Princess Julie of that tribe who married a French voyageur. In his boyhood Curtis was a jockey, and later a reporter. Having studied law, he became a prosecutor at the age of twenty-four in Shawnee county, Kansas, and was elected to congress in 1892. He was made senator in 1907, was defeated in 1912, and two years later was again elected senator. He was elected Vice President on the ticket headed by Herbert Hoover, and was renominated for that position in 1932.

Charles Curtis

Mr. Curtis was greatly liked by his associates in Washington and his death caused genuine grief. President Roosevelt said:

"I am deeply distressed to learn of the sudden passing of my old friend, Charles Curtis. Whether they knew him as a senator, as the Vice President of the United States, or as the man he was in his own right, his legion of friends will remember him, always affectionately, and will mourn his passing."

Vice President Garner said:

"I was always fond of him. I was associated with him in the house and senate. He was a fine man and a good friend."

Funeral services for Mr. Curtis and the interment were in Topeka, Kan.

Long Newspaper Tax Is Held Unconstitutional

ONCE again the Supreme court of the United States comes to the rescue of a free press. Unanimously the nine justices ruled that the Louisiana law imposing a punitive tax on the advertising of the principal newspapers of that state is unconstitutional. The law was passed by a legislature controlled by the late Senator Huey Long. The court said of it:

"It is bad because, in the light of its history and of its present setting, it is seen to be a deliberate and calculated device in the guise of a tax to limit the circulation of information to which the public is entitled in virtue of the constitutional guarantee.

"A free press stands as one of the great interpreters between the government and the people. To allow it to be fettered is to fetter ourselves.

"In view of the persistent search for new subjects of taxation, it is not without significance that with the single exception of the Louisiana statute, so far as we can discover, no state during the 150 years of our national existence has undertaken to impose a tax like that now in question.

"The form in which the tax is imposed is in itself suspicious. It is not measured or limited by the volume of advertisements. It is measured alone by the extent of the circulation of the publication in which the advertisements are carried, with the plain purpose of penalizing the publishers and curtailing the circulation of a selected group of newspapers."

Raskob Sued for Alleged Income Tax Deficiency

ACTION against John J. Raskob, former chairman of the Democratic national committee when Al Smith was the Presidential nominee, and who is now president of the American Liberty league has been begun by the government for an alleged deficiency of $1,620,540 on his 1929 income taxes. The claim was filed in an amendment to the petition recently filed against Pierre S. du Pont two days before Al Smith in Washington had bitterly assailed the New Deal. In the petition, which Raskob described as "New Deal persecution," Mr. du Pont was alleged to have understated his 1929 income by $2,867,832 and an additional tax of $617,316 was asked. In the amended petition accusing Mr. Raskob, it was alleged that he and the industrialist engaged in "fictitious" sales of securities, one to the other, to a total of about $30,000,000 for the purpose of showing losses.

J. J. Raskob

New Farm Bill Pushed for Early Adjournment

LEADERS in congress hope for an early adjournment, by May 1 at the latest, and therefore they pushed the new farm bill forward, trying to get it through both houses by the end of of the week. In their desire to get away from the Capitol they already had decided to let the proposed permanent neutrality legislation go by the board.

The farm bill as rewritten by the senate agriculture committee is based on the soil erosion prevention scheme. Some Democrats joined with many Republicans in opposing the measure, one of them being Senator Walsh of Massachusetts. In a statement issued to the press he declared it was a "dangerous" bill conferring "autocratic and blanket authority" on the secretary of agriculture. He said the measure was "neither valid in law nor valid in economics."

Chairman Doughton of the house ways and means committee said he expected definite word from the White House or treasury soon on the amount and kind of taxes that might be proposed to finance the new farm program.

Speaker Byrns said he could see no reason why the tax measure should not emerge from the committee by the end of February.

He and Douglas insisted they had no advance information on what the administration might propose. Many congressmen who are usually well informed said they looked for a recommendation for levies to raise more than $500,000,000, perhaps through excise taxes.

Michigan Party Chief Convicted of Fraud

ELMER B. O'HARA, Democratic state chairman of Michigan and former clerk of Wayne county, which includes Detroit; State Senator A. J. Wilkowski and 16 others of lesser prominence were convicted in Detroit of having attempted to steal the 1934 election. Eight defendants in the recount case, which had been on trial for nearly 12 weeks, were acquitted. Two other defendants previously had pleaded guilty, thus bringing to 20 the number facing sentence for their part in the vote recount conspiracy.

Elmer B. O'Hara

For O'Hara the verdict came as the culmination of a series of calamities in a brief political career. Last November a jury in Macomb county, adjacent to Wayne, found him guilty of bribery in a drainage transaction in connection with real estate deals he had made before 1932, when he entered politics and was elected Wayne county clerk. He awaits sentence under that conviction. After conviction he was removed from office.

In the recount case O'Hara was found guilty on three counts, permitting others to alter ballots, conspiring to permit others to alter ballots, and conspiring to permit others to conduct the recount in an unlawful manner and change the result of the November, 1934, election by putting Democrats in office instead of the Republicans elected.

Liberty League Hits at Share-Wealth Schemes

AMERICAN LIBERTY LEAGUE has issued a document concerning plans for sharing the national wealth, calling them "not only impractical but utterly impossible." Reminding that wealth is not money, but land, buildings, industry, railways, raw materials, manufactured goods and metals, the league said the most feasible method of dividing it equally among all the people would be for the government to issue securities against all property and then to take over its management.

Actual division of wealth might "give a city apartment dweller an unwelcome pig or sheep," the statement added, while the farmer might receive an equally unwelcome piece of urban property. Division also would destroy wealth, the league argued, because separate units of income-producing wealth "would have no value."

Market for Farms Is Materially Better

THE farm credit administration, in its report for 1935 of operations of federal land banks, said the market for farms improved vastly last year with the land banks disposing of 73 per cent more farms than in 1934. The banks sold 8,428 farms during the year. The gain over 1933 sales amounted to 101 per cent.

Both the price per acre and the proportion of the investment recovered were appreciably higher than in the preceding year, said Albert S. Goss, land bank commissioner, in issuing the report.

Rigid Policy Announced on FHA Mortgages

HOUSEHOLDERS defaulting on government-guaranteed renovation and mortgage notes will be no more gently treated by the Federal Housing administration than are tax delinquents by the Treasury department. Stewart McDonald, FHA administrator, says there has been a general misunderstanding of this matter, and so he enunciates this policy:

"When a borrower under the modernization credit plan defaults on a loan, the lending institution files claim with the housing administration for the insurance on the loan. The matter of collecting the defaulted obligation then is turned over to the Federal Housing administration.

"In such cases it will be the policy of the Federal Housing administration to be just as rigid as the Treasury department in the collection of taxes. The collection machine is well organized and, while every reasonable consideration will be given to borrowers in default, the public must not get the impression that the housing administration will be lax in performing its duty.

"There is no reason to assume that borrowers in default will be treated like tax evaders, but rather along the same lines as an individual who is in default of tax payments."

Senator Borah Formally Enters Nomination Race

WILLIAM E. BORAH, the liberal Republican senator from Idaho, is now a full-fledged candidate for the Republican Presidential nomination. He formally put himself in the running by announcing that he would enter the primaries in Ohio to be held May 12. That state requires that the candidate shall declare himself in writing, and this Mr. Borah said he would do. The senator's statement follows:

Senator Borah

"After a thorough survey of the Ohio situation I am convinced that the people of that state should be given an opportunity to express their choice in the Presidential primary of May 12. Under the so-called 'favorite son' plan this privilege is denied them.

"To obtain an expression of popular will it is my intention to place at least eight candidates or delegates at large in the field.

"I shall make a number of speeches in Ohio and present the issues as I see them."

It is understood by his friends that the senator will make a contest for delegates in almost every state having a preference primary. He says the G. O. P. conventions have been dominated by the old conservative leaders through the operation of the "favorite son" scheme and this control he intends to destroy if possible. It is his opinion that only a liberal Republican can defeat President Roosevelt next fall, and few will deny that he is the outstanding liberal in his party.

Mrs. Huey Long Takes Husband's Senate Seat

MRS. HUEY P. LONG, widow of the late slain senator from Louisiana, took her seat in the senate to complete Huey's unfinished term, becoming the second woman member of the upper house. After eleven months she will be succeeded by Allen Allender, speaker of the Louisiana house of representatives, who was nominated for the regular term.

Mrs. Long, middle aged and comely, said:

"To my mind I have a hazy idea about the things I want to do, but I am not yet ready to announce them. I want to take my seat in the senate and get right to work—I'll need a lot of luck."

Great Britain Rushes Rearmament Program

IF THERE must be another war in Europe, Great Britain proposes to be in readiness. The government is hurrying up its rearmament program, which will be financed by a loan of probably about $2,000,000,000. Plans for the expansion and modernization of the army, navy and air force will be submitted to parliament early in March, and it is said will include mechanization of the entire army. Impetus to the work was given by the latest statement attributed to Mussolini that the Italo-Ethiopian war "may yet be a world-wide disaster."

Vandenberg Doubts Value of Florida Canal

SENATOR VANDENBERG of Michigan has grave doubts of the economic necessity or value of the ship canal that is being dug across central Florida, and offered in the senate commerce committee a resolution for investigation by a special committee. In support of his motion he produced letters from 11 companies operating steamships saying they would not use the canal even if no tolls were charged. They asserted the expense of employing canal pilots added to the risk of damage to ships would offset saving in navigation costs

Washington Digest

National Topics Interpreted
by William Bruckart

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Washington. — Five important stones in the New Deal recovery arch have been torn from their moorings now and, from all of the comments I have been able to pick up, it appears that the general situation has been clarified thereby. Two of the major New Deal items—the NRA and the AAA—have been tossed overboard by the Supreme court of the United States and congress, at the request of the President, now has thrown three others into the limbo of unnecessary things by repealing the legislation for control of cotton, tobacco and potatoes. These three with their parent, the Agricultural Adjustment act, represented all that was basic in the New Deal farm program.

New Farm Legislation

The importance of the President's act in requesting repeal of the three compulsory crop-control laws cannot be minimized. Mr. Roosevelt recognized, when the AAA was invalidated, that the other three crop-control laws would be of no further use because they were predicated upon the national law. He recognized further that to remain adamant would be only to permit delay in invalidation of those three laws because they were all headed for an adverse decision by the Supreme court anyway. In seeking their repeal, therefore, Mr. Roosevelt simply took time by the forelock and girded his armor for a fresh start on farm relief legislation.

Where or in what form the new farm legislation will finally emerge, none can foretell. The house and senate will pass some kind of legislation to supplant the laws invalidated by the court or repealed by congress. Necessarily, this new farm legislation will be of a stopgap character and I don't believe that any of its ardent supporters can tell you exactly what the result will be in so far as its effect upon agriculture is concerned.

As far as the compromises have been worked out, it appears that some of the leaders are willing again to enact legislation directed at crop-control in a semi-compulsory manner. If that is forthcoming, the new law actually will be nothing more than a thinly disguised attempt to circumvent the prohibitions laid down in the Supreme court opinion holding the AAA unconstitutional. In any event, the tragedy in the situation appears to me to be the absence of clear thinking, or else the circumstances we see represent political cowardice of the worst type.

It is to be remembered that in this session of congress more than any other since President Roosevelt took office, there exist a greater number of blocs; cross currents of opinion; partisan jealousy. A great deal of it is in opposition to brain trust policies sponsored by the New Deal but for political reasons the individuals who oppose these things dare not openly show their disapproval of Presidential policies as such. Thus a consensus has arisen among Washington observers that representatives and senators concerned with directing enactment of new farm legislation are likely to mess up the situation with a plan come forth with a definite and workable proposition.

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Partisan Politics Rule

The situation at the White House and in congress in connection with agricultural policies probably is the best illustration of a definite, tangible form, of how many important federal policies are being dealt with in a partisan political way rather than, as they should be, in a scientific manner with partisan politics in the background. I need not recall how many pieces of legislation have been put through congress bearing a New Deal tag of "must." Of course, Mr. Roosevelt cannot be blamed entirely for issuing orders when congress is willing to obey. It is a fact, nevertheless, that time after time and with reference to the major New Deal experiments, the legislation has been drafted by men serving under a Presidential appointment in the executive departments, the copies forwarded to given representatives or senators and 'instructions' passed along that the administration will take no substitute. It wants the specific measure and in that form.

The result of all of this has been that in numerous cases legislation was passed without more than a few members of the house and senate having even read the bills before they were asked to cast a favorable vote on their passage.

Now, representatives and senators are seeking to dodge the responsibility for their acts. This was shown definitely in the celerity with which congress acted on the Presidential request for repeal of the three crop-control acts named heretofore. I know personally of a considerable number of representatives and senators who were delighted at the opportunity to vote repeal of these laws. They never did like them—after they found out what they had passed.

President Roosevelt likely will receive some credit for seeking repeal of the discredited laws. He said it was a mistake he would be the first to admit it. So, now he has in a way admitted that he made a mistake in approving those laws although his statement concerning the repeal request was that these were useless without AAA.

Admits His Mistake

It is to be noted, however, that long before the Supreme court outlawed AAA there was a growing volume of discontent with the principles that law sought to apply. It cannot be that Mr. Roosevelt was not aware of this growing dissatisfaction and that the political advisers smelled a rat because a good many plans for modification had been under discussion privately among AAA advisers long before a Supreme court decision was in prospect. Practical men working with Secretary Wallace and Administrator Davis were steadily trying to accomplish changes in administration of the AAA law, and the three others as well, to make it workable. They were confronted, however, with a superabundance of brain trusters who could make a beautiful case in print for their views and during that time the brain trusters had the ear of the President while the practical administrators were left out in the cold.

It is thus that we see a development under the New Deal whereby most of the responsible people are attempting to dodge the responsibility that belongs to them. Some of them are attempting to clean their own skirts, or make their skirts appear clean, by damning the Supreme court; others are blaming our "system" for failure of the theories to work in practical application and still other groups point the finger of scorn at those charged with administration of the agricultural policy, blaming them for the failure. Things like this have developed before in Washington and have died down in due time but I believe that seldom, if ever, has occurred a situation in which the responsibility was so general and the blame so generally denied by those responsible.

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Must Cut Borrowing

Washington observers are watching the President's latest maneuvers on government finance with considerable interest. The President, you know, already has told agencies of the government that are equipped with borrowing power that they must reduce this borrowing. He has, in effect, withdrawn from them authorization that would have permitted the borrowing of about $1,000,000,000 during the next year.

During the last few weeks, the Chief Executive has been concerned also with reduction in governmental spending and at the same time with plans to raise additional money. He has presented a tax bill to congress, an obstinate congress. Representatives and senators do not like to campaign after passing a new tax bill, so they frankly do not like the idea of new taxes at this time.

It is too early to forecast the full importance of the President's latest moves. There are those who insist that Mr. Roosevelt is making a sincere effort to cut down government spending and to convince the nation that he is seeking to reduce the waste that is naturally attendant upon such a volume of disbursements of money as has taken place in the last three years. There are others who take the position that the President is simply building up a picture which can be shown to the voters when election time comes.

An unbiased conclusion is that a little of each claim is true. If expenditures actually are reduced, obviously the action will be welcomed by the taxpayers. On the other hand, the ballyhoo that went out from the White House and executive departments concerning the withdrawal of borrowing power was rather unjustified. It was unjustified for the reason that the move was simply a bookkeeping proposition and, further, there was error, blind error, in agencies as the Reconstruction Finance corporation and Home Owners' Loan corporation had no plans for borrowing extensively during the forthcoming summer and fall.

If one looks into the future in connection with the Presidential program of curtailing borrowing and cutting expenditures, it is rather difficult to escape the thought that a continuation of policies such as have been sponsored by the New Deal in the last three years will force a renewal of these expenditures in due course. In other words, the administration course respecting these expenditures is going to depend upon the results of the November election; if Mr. Roosevelt is returned to the White House and he continues with a substantial Democratic majority in congress, there is no reason to believe that present spending policies will be entirely abandoned.

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Valor Is Stability of One's Courage and of the Heart

The estimate and valor of a man consists in the heart and in the will; there his true honor lies. Valor is stability, not of arms and legs, but of courage and the soul; it does not lie in the valor of our horse, nor of our arms, but in ourselves.

He that falls obstinate in his courage, if his legs fall him, fights upon his knees.—Montaigne.

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A man of wit would often be very much at a loss without the company of fools.—La Rochefoucauld.

Cardui During Middle Life

Women who are entering middle life will be interested in the experience of Mrs. L. C. McDonald, of Paragould, Ark., who writes: "I took Cardui during change of life. I was so weak, so nervous, I could hardly go. I just dragged around. I had fainting spells and would just give down. My back and head hurt. I took of Cardui. I took about seven bottles. It gave me relief and strength. I am now 60 years past, and can do a pretty good day's work in the house and garden."

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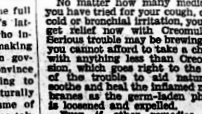
ROUGH SKIN



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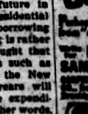
FROM GIRL TO WOMAN



Hear what Mrs. L. Thompson, of 3322 Commonwealth Ave., Jacksonville, Fla., says: "My health was all to pieces through functional disorders. I suffered nearly as much as I could stand. I would have to stay in bed. Nothing in my line would help me. Then I started taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. After taking Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription I enjoyed eating, my system functioned regularly and I felt like a new woman." Buy today at your druggist.

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Hello, Everybody!

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By FLOYD GIBBONS
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TODAY'S story, boys and girls, is from Norman Daly. But first I want to tell you about an exciting little adventure of my old friend Jed Kiley. Jed lived for many years in France. One night when he and a friend of his were slumming in a tough French cafe in the Apache quarter of Paris, they began to notice they were getting dirty looks from the motley group of thieves and pickpockets who crowded every table.

An "Apache" is a French gangster. The name, as you know, comes from a tribe of American Indians noted for their cruelty. The French Apache is not a gunman, however, like his American counterpart but he is adept in the use of a long bladed knife which he carries hidden in the folds of his baggy clothes. He can throw this heavy knife with uncanny skill and pierce a victim's heart at 20 feet. He is also noted for his intense hatred of all foreigners.

Jed knew all this and as the Apaches had been drinking heavily, he saw that he and his friend were in real danger. Their table was far in the rear of the smoke filled room and if they walked out they might feel a knife in their ribs at any moment. And no one would know who had thrown it.

One table of roughs in particular were concentrating their hate on the Americans. There were five of them and they amused themselves and the others by heaping insults on the "American Pigs." Jed pretended not to understand French and began doing a little heavy thinking. He knew the Apache character and the pride they took in their skill with knives and hit on an idea.

Jed Gave the Boys a Target, Anyway.

Jed walked over to a door in the back of the cafe and taking out a one hundred franc bill, he pinned it to the door. Then, as 50 sullen eyes followed his every move, he announced in broken French that the bill would go to the man who pierced it first with a thrown knife.

Zowie! An avalanche of knives hit that wooden door with a splitting crash. Jed thinks many of them must have pierced the bill but he's not sure. He didn't wait to see. He and his friend went out the front door and up the street like a bat out of Hades!

And with Jed still running, let's leave Paris and go down to Nicaragua with Norman Daly and see what happened to him.

Pistol Shot Breaks Norman's Pleasant Reverie.

Norman spent five years as a member of the Chicago police force but, he says, it remained for the marines to give him his greatest thrill. He was a marine in Nicaragua in the summer of 1912 and one hot night as

But Norman Knew It Wasn't a Bee—It Was a Bullet.

he lay stretched on his back, puffing away on a glowing cigar, a sudden pistol shot disturbed his reverie. The shot was accompanied by an angry buzzing sound, as though a bee had quickly passed. But Norman knew it wasn't a bee—it was a bullet!

He started to straighten up when a voice growled at him to lie down and stay down and keep smoking. Another shot and a warning buzz made him obey. He recognized the voice as belonging to a rough Texan member of the outfit who was always quarreling with an equally tough pal of his about who was the best shot.

Norman also knew these two had been drinking. He quaked in his boots but he didn't dare move. He knew what it was all about now. His cigar was their target!

This Was No Vaudeville Act—This Was Real!

Bang! Another shot! Then another and another! The bullets buzzed by so close that Norman says he could smell them. But still his cigar remained in his mouth. He pursed his lips to get that lighted end as far out as possible and hoped the boys would shoot high. Two more bullets came fast and furious and Norman winced at each blast. He started counting them to keep his nerves from breaking.

When 12 had passed and that fatal 13 was coming up, Norman nearly swallowed cigar and all. Bang! Thirteen came and passed. It was a lucky shot for Norman—he still wasn't hit—but neither was the cigar! The next shot just passed under Norman's nose and then a shower of friendly sparks sprayed his pale face.

The cigar had burst—like a Roman candle—on the fifteenth shot!

Whew! Norman sat up and wiped the beads of perspiration off his furrowed brow. He felt like screaming with relief but he couldn't get his breath. He looked around. An anxious group of comrades stood around him, watching with bated breath. He swallowed his heart and then, true to the traditions of the Marine corps under fire, he grinned.

"Nice shooting, boys," he said.

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California Gold First Found on Sutter Ranch

It was on the land of John Sutter, a Swiss emigrant to California, that gold was discovered. Sutter had gone there in 1839, and by the time California became United States territory following the Mexican war he was the owner of an immense tract which he called New Helvetia and which, from his "fort" located at the junction of the Sacramento and American rivers on the site of what afterward became Sacramento city, he ruled practically independent of the Mexican authorities. Sutter's fort was a sort of station for the few immigrant trains that had made their way overland to California and about it he had gathered a number of workmen who tilled his fields and cut timber in the hills to the east.

It was in digging a tailrace for a water-power sawmill on the south fork of the American river in January, 1848, that John Marshall, who had charge of the work, discovered the dull yellow particles that in a few months were to make Sutter's land the mecca of fortune seekers the world over. Marshall had tried to keep the discovery quiet, writes R. A. Barry in the New York Herald Tribune, but his workmen, a party of Mormons from the disbanded Mormon battalion that had been a part of the army General Kearny marched overland from Santa Fe, spread the news in San Francisco—and the gold rush was on.

Gold was found not only at "Mormon Island," which had been formed by the construction of the millrace but along both forks of the American river as well as along the streams that paralleled the American to the north and south. That Sutter was the owner of much of the gold-bearing land did not seem to matter. Claims were staked by all comers, and Sutter was left to petition congress for some sort of redress—which was never granted.

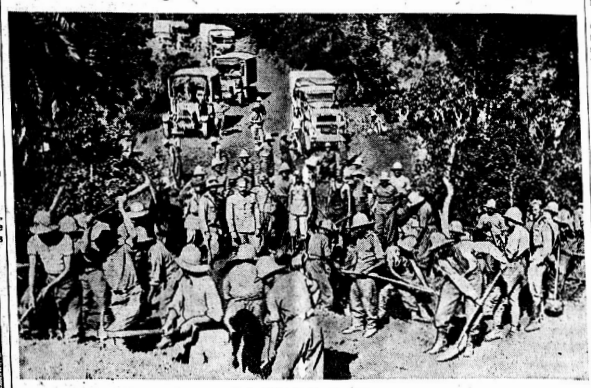
Speed of Sound

The speed with which sound travels through various materials varies greatly. In air, sound waves move 1,087 feet per second. They move through water nearly five times as fast as through air, and through hard dense materials such as steel and glass the sound waves travel from 15 to 20 times as fast as through air.

When a Blizzard Blanketed Manhattan

The winter's record sleet and snowfall and a freak wind that at times touched 100 miles an hour struck New York city the other day. The photograph shows a scene in Central park looking east towards Fifth avenue and Fifty-ninth street.

Italian Engineers Build Roads in Ethiopia

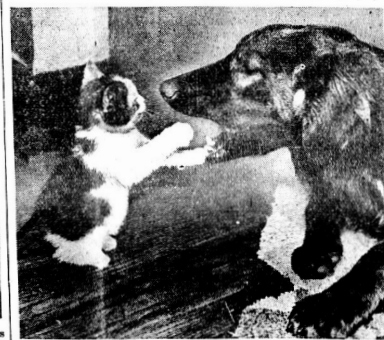


Italian engineers are constructing roads in Ethiopia for the use of the Italian forces. Recent rains have destroyed many of the roads that were built by the Italians, according to reports.

He Took the Ouch Out of the Dentist's Office

This is Dr. Leroy L. Hartman, Columbia university professor of dentistry, discoverer of the new teeth desensitizer which makes the dentist's drill a painless instrument. The substance, which it was said "will revolutionize the practice of dentistry," was discovered after 20 years of research by Doctor Hartman. He refused to profit on the discovery, and offered the formula to all dentists.

Come On and Fight, Says Pussy



Literally putting her head in the lion's mouth is this pussy, but she knows it's all right with her big pal. Kitten and dog, raised together, are inseparable, and even eat out of the same dish. Just like the baby of the family, the kitten does pretty much as she pleases with the dog, who tolerates her playful antics. They live in Detroit.

In the Land of the Wild Jackass

Here is a small herd of wild burros in Death Valley, the descendants of the little pack animals turned loose in by-gone years by prospectors overcome by thirst and starvation. Death Valley was taken into the national park service in 1933. Photograph by Union Pacific railroad.

Mission Worker Spurns Offer of Big Radio Job

The rich contralto voice of Mrs. Lillian Ulrey "belongs to God" and she will not sell its golden notes to radio or any other commercial medium for any price. She is reported to have rejected a radio offer of $500 a week. Mrs. Ulrey is a worker for the Volunteers of America

Tall Tales

As Told to:

FRANK E. HAGAN *and* ELMO SCOTT WATSON

A Splitting Tale

BEN SUTTON of Colorado Springs, Colo., has an Uncle Jim who never splits an armload of kindling for his wife but that he thinks of the time over on the Western Slope when he was working for a man, splitting logs. One morning he had an immense tree half-why split open when 26 Ute Indians surrounded him and their chief, old Holey Moccasin, told him he'd have to go back to camp with them.

Uncle Jim knew darned well they intended to burn him at the stake, but he said "All right, I'll go. But first I've got to get this log split. Now, if you want me to go very soon, you've just got to turn in and help me."

The chief agreed to help so Uncle Jim put 13 of the Utes on one side of the log and 13 on the other. "Now, all of you grab a deep holt and pull," he said. "Take both hands and I'll drive the wedges in while you hold the split open."

The redskins did just as he directed and began pulling as hard as they could while Uncle Jim began tapping at the wedges. But instead of driving them in, he began loosening them.

Suddenly he knocked the wedges out—one, two, three! . . . just like that. The log snapped shut like a steel trap and there were the Utes with their hands caught in it. So Uncle Jim took his maul and went up one side of the log and down the other, tapping the Indians on the head as he went. Then he left 'em. He didn't know whether he just gave them a bad headache or killed them, because he never saw those Utes again.

Little Drops of Water

ROBERT H. MOULTON, author and marketing authority, once lived among the ridge runners of Tennessee. He likes to recall the hazards of those early days when a man had to go out and get his meat before breakfast if he expected to eat at all.

"Once I was hunting squirrels in the Cumberland mountains," he recalls. "I was using pappy's old muzzle-loading rifle and was making every shot count. Had a nice bag of squirrels and started home when I discovered all my bullets were gone.

"At that unfortunate moment a huge bear appeared on the trail and began to chase me. So disturbed was I that beads of perspiration rolled off my forehead.

"Luckily for me, the weather turned cold very suddenly as I headed into the cove. The beads froze and by quick work I was able to catch one of them, ram it into the muzzle of my gun and fire it into the head of the bear.

"It probably would not have been a fatal injury to the bear, but I had no more than fired when the weather turned suddenly warm again. The bear, I am happy to report, immediately died with water on the brain!"

A Story Full of Interest

UP AROUND Spooner, Wis., it is natural, of course, that spoon fishing should be popular not only with the natives, but with the 26,444 visitors who inhabit the region every summer. At least, that is the assertion of Fred Record, of Barrington, Ill.

"One of my friends fished a lake in the Spooner region fifteen years ago, but with indifferent success," says Record. "The man used a spoon, but for some reason the lure of its whir failed to attract the fish.

"My friend was quitting in disgust and leaned over the side of his boat. A $10 gold piece—for in those days the possession of gold was no misdemeanor—fell from his pocket, spun in the water and was seized and swallowed by a fish, which darted away.

"Five years ago, that friend and I returned to the same lake. Again my companion's luck was poor. But just at sundown he landed an enormous pickerel which we took to camp for our dinner. You can imagine the delight of my friend on cleaning the fish, to discover a $10 gold piece in its belly.

"The treasure was slightly tarnished, it is true. But to offset this, my friend also removed three $2 bills from the fish. The $6, we figured out later, represented 6 per cent interest on the gold piece for ten years. It pleased us to learn that the amount was exactly correct."

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Headquarters of Czechoslovakia

The Hradcany at Prague has been continuously inhabited since Paleolithic times. Historical records indicate a large settlement on the Vltava river protected by two castles since the Tenth century. This fortified palace of the ancient kings of Bohemia is the headquarters of the Czechoslovak government and residence of the president. In the center of the palace area stands the cathedral of St. Vitus, founded in 930 by the saint-king Venceslas.

Germinating a Record 32½ Pound Seed in Honolulu

What is believed to be the world's largest seed, weighing 32½ pounds, is germinating in a barrel in Honolulu. When the tree matures it will be a Seychelles palm.

This palm, a native of the Seychelles islands, in the Indian ocean, produces what are commonly called double coconuts, although the tree is an entirely different sort from those which bear true coconuts, says the Pan-Pacific Press Bureau. The seeds require a year to germinate and as much as ten years elapses between fertilization of the flower and ripening of the seed.

NO UPSETS

The proper treatment for a bilious child

THREE STEPS TO RELIEVING CONSTIPATION

A cleansing dose today; a smaller quantity tomorrow; less each time, until bowels need no help at all.

ANY mother knows the reason when her child stops playing, eats little, is hard to manage. *Constipation.* But what a pity so few know the sensible way to set things right!

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A liquid laxative is the answer, mothers. The answer to all your worries over constipation. A liquid can be *measured.* The dose can be exactly suited to any age or need. Just reduce the dose each time, until the bowels are moving of their own accord and need no help.

This treatment will succeed with any child *and with any adult.*

The doctors use *liquid* laxatives. Hospitals use the liquid form. If it is best for their use, it is best for home use. The liquid laxative most families use is Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin. Any druggist has it.

The Right Way Is Not To

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TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY
By RUSSELL KAY

I always thought that six of one and a half-dozen of the other meant the same thing, but after talkin' to Mr. Lawrence Gentile about boxes of citrus fruit it seems that six boxes of Florida fruit means seven boxes of California's, only California gets paid for the seven and we only get paid for six and not only give the seventh box away but dig down in our own pockets and pay the freight on it besides.

All because California uses a smaller box than we do and as the returns are figured on a per box basis, Florida growers are behind the white whiskers and playin' Santa Claus to the tune of several million dollars a year.

It seems that the size box we use is in accordance with a law passed by the State Legislature and the average freight weight of a box of Florida fruit is 90 pounds while that of the standard California box is 78 pounds.

And the pitiful part of it is that instead of gettin' credit for bein' big hearted and generous, Florida fruit is actually penalized on account of our larger package which the trade contends is bulkier and harder to handle.

To the consumer a box of fruit is a box of fruit and the fact that a Florida box contains 10 to 12 pounds more than a California box don't help the price any when we are competin' on a box basis.

Mr. Gentile points out that the net contents of a box of Florida fruit is 292.27 cubic inches larger than the net contents of a California box, so it seems we are not only givin' the customers one fourth more juice in each individual orange, but we're givin' 'em a lot more fruit in every box, which may be kind and considerate but darn expensive, especially when you don't get credit for it.

With an estimated crop this year of over twenty million boxes, using the larger sized box, it means that Florida growers will actually give away over two and a half million boxes, to say nothing of payin' the freight to get 'em to northern markets.

So Lawrence suggests that we get smart and adopt the same size box as California at the same time tightening up on our grade and pack, shipping only our best grade fruit and encourage by-product plants to locate here and provide a market for the third grade fruit and culls that now tend to drag down the price of Florida fruit.

All of which sounds to me like a lot of horse-sense, but maybe our growers have been playin' Santa Claus so long they might resent any attempt to take 'em out of that role.

Anyhow, Mr. Gentile's idea ought to appeal to a lot of candidates who are fixin' to run for this and that and somethin' to talk to the growers about, and a good citrus box might make a lot better platform than a soap box in our fruit growin' counties.

The only trouble is that it's just as easy to put a lot of sour green fruit in a small box as it is in a large one, and unless we can break ourselves of that simply means that we'd be shippin' more and 62 more boxes of green fruit with every car than we are shippin' now — the only advantage bein' that the consumer would have less fruit per box to throw in the garbage can, which at least would be a step in the right direction.

In the meantime our citrus problem continues to go 'round and 'round and no music comes out. So what?

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
(Senate Bill No. 163)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That E. J. Gardner, Olcan, New York holder of Tax Certificate No. 977, issued the 3rd day of August, A. D. 1931, has filed same in my office and has made application for a tax deed to be issued thereon. Said certificate embraces the following described property in the County of Highlands, State of Florida, to-wit:

Lot 14 Block 60 Sebring.

The assessment of the said property under the said certificate issued was in the name of Mrs. L. M. Snyder Estate.

Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property therein will be sold to the highest bidder at the courthouse door on the first Monday in the month of March, 1936, which is the 2nd day of March, 1936.

Dated this 20th day of January, 1936.

(SEAL) W. Z. CARSON,
Clerk of Circuit Court of Highlands County, Florida.
By F. E. Macdonald, D. C.
Jan. 24-31-Feb. 7-14-21.

NOTICE

In compliance with the Revised General Statutes of Florida, I will be at the different Precincts in Highlands County as scheduled below on the dates named to assess taxes for the year 1936. The law provides each property owner shall make a return to the Assessor of all their property. It is important that each owner of real estate, personal property or intangible property to see or send in their tax returns between now and April 1st, 1936.

Venus, at Postoffice, Monday, February 3rd.

Hicoria, at Postoffice, Tuesday, February 4th.

Brighton, at Postoffice, Thursday, February 6th.

Lake Placid, at City Hall, Friday, February 7th.

De Soto City at Postoffice, Wednesday, February 12th.

Istokpoga, at Postoffice, Friday, February 14th.

Ft. Bassenger & Cornwell, at Postoffice, Tuesday, February 18th.

Avon Park, C. R. Head Office, February 19th and 20th.

Sebring, Court House, February 28th and 29th.

CYRIL BALDWIN,
Tax Assessor Highland County.
Jan. 17-24-31-Feb. 7-14-21-28.

BILL TO FORECLOSE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA. — IN CHANCERY.

Avon Florida Citrus Corporation, a Florida corporation,
Complainant,
Vs
M. H. Shaffer and Ella M. Shaffer, husband and wife, if living and if dead against their heirs, devisees, grantees or other claimants to this complainant unknown claiming an interest by, through or under the said M. H. Shaffer and Ella M. Shaffer in and to the property hereinafter described,
Defendants.

PROCESS BY PUBLICATION
IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA TO:

M. H. Shaffer and Ella M. Shaffer, husband and wife, if living and if dead against their heirs, devisees, grantees or other claimants to this complainant unknown claiming an interest by, through or under the said M. H. Shaffer and Ella M. Shaffer in and to the property hereinafter described, herein called defendants.

Whereas it appears from the sworn Bill of Complaint filed in the above cause by the Avon Florida Citrus Corporation, that said defendants are not residents of the State of Florida and that their last known address was Title Trust Building, Connellsville, Pennsylvania and their residence was Fayette County, Pennsylvania.

Now, Therefore, you, M. H. Shaffer and Ella M. Shaffer, husband and wife, if living and if dead against their heirs, devisees, grantees or other claimants to this complainant unknow claiming an interest by, through or under the said M. H. Shaffer and Ella M. Shaffer in and to the property hereinafter described, defendants are hereby commanded to be and appear before the judge of the Circuit Court in and for Highlands County, Florida at the Court House on March 2nd, 1936, the same being a Rule day of this Court, and there to appear and to answer the complainant's Bill of Complaint filed in the above cause which seeks to foreclose mortgage, note and lien upon the following described property in Highlands County, Florida, to-wit:

Grove numbered Eighty Nine (89) in Section Sixteen (16), Township Thirty Three (33) South, Range Twenty Eight (28) East, according to map or plat thereof duly recorded in the public records of said County and state, together with tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging,

and said Bill of Complaint further prays for an accounting between the complainant and defendants and that failure to pay any indebtedness found to be due by the defendants upon said mortgage, note and lien that the property be sold by order of the court and the proceeds from said sale be aplied to the payment of said indebtedness and that the defendants, after said sale is made be barred and enjoined from claiming any right, title or interest in and to said property or any part thereof, and that a receiver be appointed to care for, preserve and protect said property pending the outcome of said litigation, and that the court will enter such other and further orders and decrees as this court may deem proper in this cause, and this you, said defendants, are in no wise to omit under penalty of the Bill of Complaint being taken as confessed against you.

Witness, the Honorable W. J. Barker and H. C. Petteway, Judges of the said Court and W. Z. Carson, Clerk of said Court, and the seal of said Court at Sebring, Florida, this the 30 day of January, 1936.

(SEAL) W. Z. CARSON,
As Clerk of Circuit Court in and for Highlands County, Florida.
By Leona A. Jordan, Deputy Clerk
WALKER & WILLSON
ATTORNEY AT LAW
BARTOW, FLORIDA
Jan. 31-Feb. 7-14-21-28.

BILL TO FORECLOSE

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Complainant,
Vs
P. T. McCance, if living and if dead against Mary L. McCance, Margaret M. McCance, Mrs. Jane H. Mabon, sisters; Joseph K. McCance, W. J. McCance, brothers; Mary McCance Bryce, Margaret McCance Sloan, nieces; and G. Arnold McCance, nephew; and against all other heirs, devisees, grantees or other claimants by, through or under said P. T. McCance, to this complainant unknown,
Defendants.

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Whereas it appears from the sworn Bill of Complaint filed in the above cause by the Avon Florida Citrus Corporation, that said defendants are not residents of the State of Florida and that their addresses and places of residence are: Mary L. McCance, 326 Aiken Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Margaret M. McCance, 326 Aiken Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Mrs. Jane H. Mabon, 510 Rossiyn Place, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Joseph K. McCance, 326 Aiken Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; W. J. McCance, New Haven, Connecticut; Mary McCance Bryce, Mt. Pleasant, Pennsylvania, Margaret McCance Sloan, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; and G. Arnold McCance, Casper, Wyoming.

Now Therefore you, P. T. McCance, if living and if dead against Mary L. McCance, Margaret M. McCance, Mrs. Jane H. Mabon, sisters; Joseph K. McCance, W. J. McCance, brothers; Mary McCance Bryce, Margaret McCance Sloan, nieces; and G. Arnold McCance, nephew; and against all other heirs, devisees, grantees or other claimants by, through or under said P. T. McCance, to this complainant unknown, hereinafter called denf

SOCIAL and Personal News

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HELEN BECKETT
Society Editor

Eastern Star Tea Program Completed.

The program for the Colonial Silver Tea at the Jacaranda Hotel Saturday afternoon from 3 to 5 under the auspices of Leigh Chapter, O. E. S., has been completed and fine entertainment is promised for those who attend. The program as arranged follows:

Piano Solo, Miss Kipp; Tap Dance, Nancy Morgan; Readings, Miss Vondelle Osborn, Arthur Crews; Patriotic Number by pupils of Mrs. Sadie Myers Brown; Duet, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Garber; Piano Trio, Dorothy Hughs, Fay Gordon and Mary Lydia Stebbins; Dance, Neil Powell; Solo, Mrs. Ruth Sebring of Sebring; Violin Miss Martha Marsh; Dance, Nita Bryant; Solo, Mrs. Martha Kimmell of Sebring; Piano Trio, Mary Lydia Stebbins, Elizabeth Rawlings and Dorothy Hughs; Orchestra.

The patriotic number by pupils of Mrs. Brown will be in costume and the following characters will be portrayed:

Rosalie, Jean Cannon; Grandma, Gloria Cochran; Martha Washington, Peggy Mandis; Mrs. Samuel Adams, Gloria Hughs; Mrs. Betsy Ross, Josephine Reck; Madame de Lafayette, Martha McNicholas; Mrs. Benjamin Franklin, Betty Jane Weisand; Molly Pitcher, Louise Bishop; Columbia, Shirley Coates.

Musical reading, "Long Ago," by Betty Touchton, accompanied by Jane Hartt.

A cordial invitation is extended to the public to attend.

Dr. and Mrs. R. A. Slessor, Mrs. William Ritchie and Mr. and Mrs. A. Gilmour spent Thursday visiting in Orlando and Silver Springs.

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OFFICE . . 2 JACARANDA ARCADE

B. P. W. C. Valentine Party at Jacaranda Hotel Was Big Success.

The members of the B. P.W.C. held their annual benefit bridge Friday evening of last week at the Jacaranda Hotel.

Valentine decorations and tallies were used and after four progressions of bridge, refreshments of orange juice and valentine cup cakes were enjoyed.

Miss Vondelle Osborne gave several very interesting readings and Miss Frances Brown tap danced, and they both received lovely gifts from the club.

High door prize for ladies was won by Mrs. Fannie Spink which was a tray, and the door prize for the men was won by C. L. Johnson a lovely box of homemade Valentine candy and group prizes for the evening went to Miss Hixon, Miss Rhoda Thomas, C. S. Bell, Mrs. Stella Frye and Mrs. G. P. Thayer.

Guests for the evening were: Mrs. William Reck, Mrs. J. B. Brick, Mrs. Kathrine Dickenson, Mrs. Paul Rumpsa, Mrs. Margery Cuurch, Mrs. Olive Anderson, Mrs. Georgia Voorhees, Mrs. G. P. Thayer, Mrs. C. P. Turner, Mrs. Hollingsworth, Miss Richmond, Mr. and Mrs. S. Y. Hartt, Mrs. C. E. Mann, Mrs. W. H. Yates, Mrs. L. E. Bass, Mrs. A. C. West, Mrs. Charles Sherman, Mrs. Stella Frye, Mrs. Foster, Mrs. O. C. Wilkes, Mrs. M. E. Covington, Mrs. Floyd Johnson, Dr. and Mrs. A. M. Morgan, Miss Mildred Myers, Fr. Geo. Shilling, Miss Hixon, Miss Rhoda Thomas, Mrs. Fannie Spink, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bell, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Franklin, Mrs. C. H. Pardee, Mrs. S. C. Pardee, Dr. and A. Slessor, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. McFarland, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Campbell, Mrs. H. E. Keller, Dr. and Mrs. A. H. Able, Miss May Alexander, Mrs. Lillie Hixon, Mrs. Lee Hagood, Mrs. J. B. Taylor, Mrs. Sadie Myers Brown and Miss Margaret Strahan of Grand Rapids, Mich., Miss Helen Reuswig, Mr. and Mrs. Freed Peden, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Ginn, Mrs. A. R. McGinnis, Miss Helen Skelley, Mrs. C. E. Crabtree, Miss Nathelle Osborne, H. A. May, Miss Millie Pearson, Mrs. Francis Shockley, Miss Mattie Tompkins, W. R. Carter, Bill Kouwenhoren, Miss Morgan, G. F. Smith of Dundee, Miss Alma Harrell, Mrs. C. M. Hower, Mrs. D. G. Perry, Mrs. M. V. Pilcher, Miss Eleanor Bryant, E. A. Emery, Mrs. Charles Maderia, Mrs. C. E. Wright, Mrs. James H. Robinson, Mrs. Kathleen Jones, H. R. Currie, Mrs. W. T. Hall, Mr. and Mrs. Bennett and Mrs. C. Parke Anderson.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilmour Honor Scotch Guests With Whist Party Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Gilmour entertained Monday afternoon with a Scotch Tea in the lounge of the Jacaranda Hotel. This lovely affair was given in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Gilmour's guests, Dr. and R. A. Slessor and Mrs. William Ritchie, of Scotland.

The lounge was very attractively decorated with gladiolus and nasturtiums under the direction of Mrs. C. E. Crabtree.

The afternoon was very pleasantly spent in progressive whist, which ended with Mrs. L. E. Bass winning first prize, Mrs. M. V. Pilcher second, Mrs. George Dakin of Sebring third, Mrs. S. C. Pardee fourth, Mrs. J. B. Hart was sitting in the lucky chair and Mrs. A. C. West won consolation.

Delicious refreshments of tea, sandwiches, cake and strawberry ice cream were enjoyed by the guests. Those playing whist were, Mrs. Paul Garber, Mrs. W. H. Yates, Mrs. M. V. Pilcher, Mrs. J. B. Taylor of Grand Rapids, Mich., Mrs. Olive Anderson, Mrs. Katherine Dickenson, Miss Fannie Hires of Dayton, Ohio, Mrs. S. C. Pardee, Mrs. C. H. Pardee, Mrs. S. Y. Hartt, Mrs. W. H. Kempton, Mrs. George Scott McKnight, Mrs. J. B. Hart, Mrs. M. E. Covington, Mrs. F. H. Shepardson of Burlington, Vt., Mrs. W. D. Dorminey, Mrs. E. L. Dorminey of Americus, Ga., Mrs. L. E. Bass, Mrs. C. P. Anderson, Mrs. A. M. Morgan, Mrs. Stella Frye, Mrs. H. E. Godwin, Mrs. Fred Patterson, Mrs. Margery Church, Mrs. J. E. Brick, Miss Hixon, Mrs. Martha Ammons of Sebring, Mrs. Clara Hundertmark of Sebring, Mrs. William Reck, Mrs. E. L. Rickett, of Schenectady, N. Y., Mrs. George Dakin of Sebring, Mrs. J. L. Campbell of Sparta, Ga., Mrs. C. E. Wright of Grand Rapids, Mich., Mrs. William Hauptmann, Mrs. A. C. West, Mrs. C. S. Donaldson, Miss Margaret Strahan of Grand Rapids, Mich., Dr. and Mrs. Slessor, Mrs. William Ritchie, Mrs. W. T. Coates, Mrs. A. H. Able, Mrs. F. M. Farnell and Mrs. H. A. Vickery. Tea guests for the afternoon were, Mrs. H. R. Pittman, Misses Helen and Louise Pittman, Mrs. M. E. Swearingen, Miss Hattie Hundertmark, Miss Millie Pearson, Miss Rhoda Thomas, Mrs. Sadie Myers Brown, Miss Mildred Myers and Mrs. Charles Sherman.

Apron Party at Lanier Home.

A committee of the ladies Bible class of the Methodist church gave a benefit party Tuesday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. Lanier on the Sebring road. This affair was given as an apron party, the proceeds to help decorate the interior of the church.

The house was decorated with gladiolus and roses and the guests were served a refreshment course at the close of the evening.

A very interesting program was given as follows: Miss Elizabeth Rawlings, a piano solo, Miss Vondelle Osborne, a reading, Miss Mildred Wray, a piano solo, Mrs. Ten Eyck Gerouard, a reading, Miss Gwendolyn Reid, a piano solo, Buell Piety, guitar, Mrs. Floyd of Sebring an accordian solo, and Mrs. M. Crews of Sebring gave a piano solo.

Attending this affair were: Mrs. Robert Franklin, Mrs. John Raab, Mrs. Clara Bigbee, Mrs. C. H. Gerrard, Mrs. W. P. Martin, Miss Mildred Wray, Mrs. Verna Morris, Mrs. Devon Reddick, Miss Isabel Reed, Mrs. Arthur Johnson, Mrs. Tom Graham, Mrs. B. S. Cole, Mrs. W. W. Daniel, Miss Hazel Reid, Miss Gwendolyn Reid, Miss Vondelle Osborne, Mrs. Hayes Maxwell, Mrs. A. Gerrard, Mrs. Harry Jackson, Mrs. Roscoe B. Tubbs, of Bloomington, Wis., Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Davis, Buell Piety, R. L. Franklin, Mrs. J. B. Reid, Mrs. H. A. Latham, Mrs. R. A. Gaylord, Mrs. H. W. Reddick Macel Reid, Miss Elizabeth Rawlings, Miss Helen Reuswig and Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Wester. Attending from Sebring were, Mrs. Alice C. Harper, Mrs. Minnie Lachmen, W. Scott Heiser, Miss Florence Gabble, Miss Dorothy Heeter, Mrs. M. Crews, Mrs. R. C. Floyd and Mrs. Virginia L. Olin.

Mrs. Garber Hostess Tuesday Afternoon.

Mrs. J. Paul Garber entertained the members of the Tuesday afternoon bridge club this week in the lobby of the Jacaranda Hotel.

The lobby was decorated with a variety of spring flowers and high score prize for the afternoon was won by Mrs. A. H. Able.

After several progressions of bridge the guests were served delicious refreshments of ice cream, cake and coffee.

Lefevre - Dawson Engagement.

The announcement of the engagement and approaching wedding of Miss Inez Dawson, former Avon Park resident and now of Clearwater, to Ralph Eugene Lefevre of Tampa will be of interest to her many friends in Avon Park. The following story from Clearwater appeared in the Tampa Tribune last Saturday:

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Dawson, of Clearwater, today announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Inez Dawson, to Ralph Eugene Lefevre. The wedding will take place at the Dawson home March 28.

The engagement was made known at an informal party given last night by Mrs. Dawson. The party rooms were decorated with flowers and other appointments carried out the valentine motif. Each guest's plate was marked by a combination place-card and tally in pink and silver which bore bridal silhouettes and also revealed the engagement announcement.

At the conclusion of the games prizes wrapped in silver and pink ribbons were presented to the holders of high and low scores.

Guests at Party

Those invited were Miss Louise Redd, Miss Eva Emery, Miss Edna Grooms, Miss Sue Ledbetter and Mrs. Elizabeth Dillard, all of Tampa; Miss Evelyn Lefevre, Miss Alma Bryant, Mrs. George Keener, and Mrs. Roy Lefevre, all of St. Petersburg; Miss Evelyn Graham, Miss Nettie Belle Smith, Miss Lottie Livingston, Mrs. G. Stolz and Mrs. Louie Adcock, all of Clearwater.

Miss Dawson is the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dawson. She was born in Memphis, Tenn., coming to Florida with her parents several years ago. She received her early education in Jacksonville and later was graduated from the Avon Park high school. She has made her home in Clearwater for the last two years and has been a popular member of the young social groups in this and surrounding cities.

Mr. Lefevre is the son of Mrs. E. H. Lefevre, of St. Petersburg. He was born in Indianapolis, later going to Dallas, Tex., where he attended school. He is an active member of the Lions club acting as chairman of the inter-city civic clubs relationship committee and is also a past deputy district governor. He is connected with the Orange State Oil company in Tampa, where the young couple will reside.

Mrs. Coates Hostess For Scotch Visitors.

Mrs. W. T. Coates entertained a few friends Friday afternoon of last week at her home on the Sebring road. The affair was in honor of Mrs. R. A. Slessor and Mrs. William Ritchie of Scotland who have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. Gilmour for about a month.

The house was very attractively decorated with nasturtiums and flame vine and a Valentine motif was carried out in the tallies and refreshments which were chiffon pie and coffee.

The bridge prizes for the afternoon went to Mrs. A. H. Able high and Mrs. S. Y. Hartt second high.

Enjoying this lovely affair were: Mrs. A. Gilmour, Mrs. R. A. Slessor, Mrs. William Ritchie, Mrs. W. H. Yates, Mrs. A. C. West, Mrs. S. Y. Hartt, Mrs. L. E. Bass, Mrs. Olive E. Anderson, Mrs. C. H. Pardee, Mrs. S. C. Pardee, Mrs. Georgia Voorhees, Mrs. A. E. Hollingsworth, Mrs. A. H. Able, Mrs. William Hauptmann, Mrs. George S. McKnight, Mrs. William Reck, and the hostess, Mrs. Coates.

Senior League Party at Hut.

The Senior League of the Methodist church enjoyed a party Thursday night at the Hut.

Valentine decorations were used and games and contests supplied the entertainment, after which refreshments of punch and sandwiches were served to the following guests: Martha Mae Harris, Gertrude Harris, Merle Payne, Merle Graham, Agnes Young, Letha Young, Mary Holland, Evelyn Holland, Goldie Mae Eads, Macel Reed, Lauretta Reed, Dorothy Skipper, Mattie Rogers, Ruth Teildo, Ruth Piety, Louise Alderman, Albert and Melvin Rogers, George Hayes, Buel Piety, George Gerrard, J. C. Still, Virgil Still, Howard Johnson, Ray Cole, Claude Cole and others.

Hill - Dann Wedding Last Week.

Court house records disclose that J. W. Hill of this city and Doris Dann of Lakeport were married on Thursday of last week by Elder W. J. Hartzog.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Shockley, Mrs. A. H. Able, Mrs. E. A. Rickett and her sister, Mrs. Daniels, of Havre de Grace, Md., were visitors in Tampa Thursday of last week, and they also attended the fair while there.

Mrs. Hauptmann Entertains Club.

Mrs. William Hauptmann entertained the members and friends of the Thursday afternoon club at her home yesterdey.

The house was decorated with flame vine and the hostess served refreshments of cherry pie with whipped cream and coffee.

Mrs. L. E. Bass held high score for the club and Mrs. Roe high for the guests.

Club members present were: Mrs. N. T. Smith, Mrs. C. R. Head, Mrs. W. H. Kempton, Mrs. C. A. Clark, Mrs. Katherine Bristol, Mrs. J. B. Rogers, Mrs. George S. McKnight, Mrs. L. E. Bass, Mrs. S. Y. Hartt and Mrs. Hauptmann. Guests of the club were, Mrs. Laughlin, Mrs. Roe, Mrs. Ernest Armstrong, Mrs. Georgia Voorhees, Mrs. George Gerrard and Mrs. W. H. Hollingsworth.

The next meeting of the club will be in two weeks and will meet with Mrs. L. E. Bass as hostess at the Jacaranda Hotel.

Mr. - Mrs. Dilley Hosts to Club.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Dilley entertained the members of the Thursday evening bridge club, of which they are members, at their home on the Sebring road last week.

The hostess had bowls of nasturtiums and calendulas placed in suitable places around the room, and after several progressions of bridge a delicious salad course was served.

Enjoying this affair were: Mr. and Mrs. Freed Peden, Mr. and Mrs. John Hood, Mrs. W. D. Dorminey and her guests, Mrs. E. L. Dorminey of Americus, Ga., Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Keller, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Johnson, Brisco Willis and Mr. and Mrs. Dilley.

Prizes for the evening were awarded as follows: Mrs. C. L. Johnson high score prize for ladies and John Hood high for men. The lucky cut prize for the evening was won by Mrs. E. L. Dorminey.

Miss Wray Hostess at Surprise Party.

Miss Mildred Wray entertained Monday evening with a surprise birthday party for Elbert Cribbs and Howard Wray.

Garden flowers were used in the decorating and games supplied the entertainment for the evening after which refreshments of ice cream and cake were served to the following guests: Odean, Lucile, Willie and Joe Bishop, Mary Edwards, Josephine Brooker, Goldie Mae Eads, Nathlee Maulden, Melvin and Ralph Rogers, Ike Harden and the honorees and hostess.

Both Elbert and Howard received many lovely gifts from their many friends.

Mrs. Wester Hostess At Hi-League Party.

Mrs. A. C. Wester entertained the members of the Hi-League of the Methodist church at the Hut on Friday evening of last week, the affair being in the form of a Valentine party.

Games and contests were played during the evening and refreshments of cup cakes decorated with Valentines and punch were served to the following: Albert Wester, Nellie Reid, Mary Pardee, Doris Reddick, Harry Elwell, Gwendolyn Reid, Alton Cole and Louise Rogers.

Baptist Missionary Society Meeting.

The members of the Baptist Missionary Society met Monday afternoon at the church with Mrs. J. L. Collins in charge for the afternoon.

Members present were: Mrs. Loys Frink, Mrs. S. J. Pendleton, Mrs. Will Bennett, Mrs. W. C. Touchton, Mrs. J. B. Coen, Sr., Mrs. J. B. Coen, Jr., Mrs. J. D. Sherman, Mrs. W. W. McFarland, Mrs. William Reuingree, Mrs. S. S. Saggus, Mrs. F. S. Seibert, Mrs. David Stuckey, Mrs. J. L. Collins and Mrs. Otto Skipper.

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Prof. H. L. Bisset is confined to his home due to the flu.

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Mrs. Chas. Clements Hostess to S. S. Class.

Mrs. Charles Clements entertained the members of Mrs. E. C. Weavers Sunday school class Friday evening at her home.

In door games were enjoyed during the evening after which refreshments of punch and cookies were served to the following: Josephine Brown, Pattie Rounds, Mary Clements, Hazel Reed and Mrs. E. C. Wever.

Storkistics—

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Flowers will be interested to learn they are the parents of a daughter who was born on Wednesday, February 19th at Jacksonville. The young lady weighed six pounds and nine ounces and has been named Grace Darling.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sachsenmaier are the proud parents of a son and heir who arrived this morning at four o'clock at a Sebring hospital. The young man tipped the scales at eight and a half pounds and both he and his mother are reported to be doing nicely.

Mrs. William Reck is confined to her home with the flu.

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Mrs. C. E. Lanier is recovering from a bad case of the flu.

C. E. Crabtree was a business visitor in Miami Monday.

Frank McNeil of Sanford was a business visitor here Friday.

Mrs. J. L. Wells is reported improving after a week's illness.

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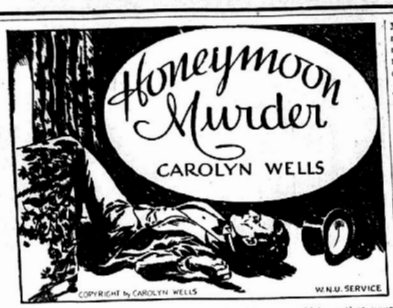

CHAPTER IX—Continued

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When Simpson heard the details of death in a locked room, he rubbed his hands in satisfaction.

"Secret passage?" he asked first.

"No, nor any of the other regular and orthodox explanations. We've been all over them and not one fits."

"Hermetically sealed room, eh?"

"Just exactly that. Now as there's no sign of a weapon in either case, what can we look for but poison?"

"Looks like it. Autopsy this time?"

"Yes. Medical examiner and local G. P. Both signed the certificate that there was no trace or hint of poison of any sort, known or unknown."

"No curare, no datura?"

"Just that. And no new, inexplicable type of virulent poison that can be imagined or invented."

"I'm. And just what am I to do?"

"Help me in any way you can. But mostly, dig up the cause of death."

"Organs?"

"Will be at your disposal when you want them. Do you have to have those of both?"

"Don't be silly! Can I make bricks without straw?"

"Oh, all right. Now most important of all, can you get about the matter at once? Can you do it up posthaste? Can you tell me results in a few days if it will save an innocent young woman's arrest, and probably trial and possibly conviction?"

"Whew! That sounds serious."

"It is serious. Listen."

Stone sketched a brief history of the inimical side, showed how bitter and venomous the Malden faction was, and soon extracted Simpson's promise to go at the business with all possible dispatch.

"It's too unbelievable," Simps ruminated. "Poison it's got to be, because it can't be anything else. But what poison? There can't be a new poison available that no one knows anything about. There can't be a resultant death from poison that leaves no trace whatever. They say there is, but there isn't. Except —no, that won't do. Who had access to these two victims that knows — really knows — anything about poison?"

"Nobody knows anything about poisons but you, old man; that's why I'm here. And anyway, if somebody did, he wasn't there to administer it. You can't suspect a bride, on her wedding trip?"

"I can't suspect anybody. Why can't one suspect a bride?"

"We won't argue that; let's keep to the point."

"Very well. Then how about the murderer being some man in love with the bride and also wanting her fortune?"

"Commonplace, but suppose it if you want to. I only want the way it was done. Is there a poison, which could kill some time after it was administered?"

"Perhaps. But only after a painful and lingering agony. None, which would allow the victim to slip to the floor and die quietly, or to die quietly in his bed."

"You see a resemblance, then? In the cases, I mean?"

"Resemblance? They are identical. You see, the hotel room was practically sealed because of the fact the two people were shut in it alone. And the second case, the young man was in a sealed room, you say. So we're hunting for a method of death, which will not be prevented or impeded by obstacles of any sort."

"Bringing it back to the miraculous."

"If you like. Do you suspect any of the party or household or whoever were concerned?"

"None of them knows anything about medicine or toxicology."

"Yet the deed was done."

"Yes, and it's up to me to discover who did it, and how and why, Simps."

"I don't apprehend a new poison, Stone. If it is poison, it is a new way of using it, or an ingenious method of application—oh, well, when we have the post mortem we'll know."

CHAPTER X

"AND you'll make all the haste possible," said Fleming Stone.

"Of course," replied Doctor Simpson. "You know that without my telling you. You'll have to be here; my eyes are not all they used to be, and I don't want to drag in outsiders. I'll call you as soon as I can use you."

"I wish you could keep that poor girl out of trouble, Mrs. Malden, I mean."

"Poor child. I'll do all I can. Why in the world do they accuse her of the second death, too?"

"Only because the old dame is looney. I mean really touched, not just angry and excitable."

"Oh, I doubt she's demented. However, that's outside my jurisdiction. You keep a watch on her, though; she may do the little lady harm."

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Fleming Stone sat at his wide-flat-topped desk, with many papers spread out before him.

He had a secretary, and a competent one, but his work was largely that of research, and seldom had to do with sorting or filing documents.

Most of the letters before the detective at the moment were those which had made up the packet Stone took from Bob Coles' suitcase when in Scottstown.

To Stone's disappointment they had not amounted to much, but a sudden thought had turned his attention back to the mass of documents. Hastily he ran over letters from friends of Corey Malden, as well as small scraps of memoranda or old notes written by the same people, yet not in any way connected with the matter in hand.

Yet he studied them all with meticulous care, and sorted them into neat piles of corresponding penmanship.

"There it is," he said to himself, "as plain as day. No chance of mistaking it."

He reached for a good-sized book from the shelves behind him and read the marked paragraphs over.

"This is the sign of a love or large sums of money, and its prevalence in handwriting has to be carefully estimated. To find one a or o, which has this break, would have slight significance. One or two, even, might be accidents, but not when the break is constantly repeated."

He called his secretary from the next room.

"Plum," he said, as the man appeared, "I'm going 'round to see Miss Curry, the graphologist. Hold the fort and learn anything you can from callers, but tell no one where I've gone."

In less than a half hour he was earnestly talking with the young woman whom he considered the best hand-writing expert he knew.

"You're right, Mr. Stone," she said, after studying the specimens he showed her. "That sign is unmistakable and undeniable. An opening at the top of a small a or

"I Don't Apprehend a New Poison, Stone."

a small o, merely means garrulity or generosity, but an opening, be it ever so tiny, at the bottom, is something to ponder over. This formation is well-nigh impossible to imitate. To show its full significance it must be universal in the person's writing.

"This is the sign of that trait of humanity which makes them tempted, not by small peculations, but by thefts of very large sums.

"Moreover, this formation indicates mathematical talent. And so these writers frequently attain positions of trust and at skilled labor. It is easily recognized and it is impossible for the man who uses it to control his hand so that he shall not use it."

"This is all most interesting, Miss Curry. To be sure, I have read it in your book, but it is far more definite to hear you say it. I'd rather not show you the writing of this man—"

"It is not necessary, Mr. Stone. The opening at the bottom of the letter is, I am sure, always there. It may be almost undiscoverable, even with a strong lens, but it is there, as you will find, if you try hard enough."

"Do you often meet this letter formation in specimens sent to you to analyze?"

"No; such people and their friends, if the friends know about it, prefer to keep such things hidden. In fact, I have never seen a clearer, more positive delineation of it than the one you showed me."

"All graphologists know of this fact, of course?"

"Oh, yes; and many laymen."

Stone showed Miss Curry a few letters he wanted to know about, and then, the interview over, he went home.

"Guess I'll have to study up on it a bit," he told himself.

He went over his letters and papers again.

He had told Bob to get all possible bits of handwriting done by anyone connected with the case, and he had also told him to cut off names or addresses, which would help to identify them.

Moreover, he found that two of the specimens, by different hands, both bore that strange o broken at the base.

One of these he knew to be that of the lawyer, Farman.

It would be plausible enough to think that Farman was eager for a large sum of money, but far from likely that he stood any chance of getting it. If he proposed to loot the Malden coffers he would have to get up very early in the morning. The other one was to ridiculous to think about. Might as well suspect Perilla herself.

He continued his task of reading over the letters. It might be possible, he thought, that Miss Curry's information should add some little light on the dark outlook.

The names of the men he sought for were almost never mentioned. He discovered the minor fact that Roger Garth studied to be a doctor before he decided to be a lawyer. Also, a note added in Bob's hand stated that Tony Gaskell had worked in a chemical laboratory many years ago, and that Bob himself wished he might do the same.

It was then that Stone concluded to go to see Mrs. Coles. He felt he ought to do so anyway, but he hoped to learn something pertinent to Bob or Bob's work.

To his surprise and satisfaction he found the lady was visiting friends in New York and therefore he need not go to Philadelphia. It was not such a long journey, but Stone's time was valuable, and he had a lot to do.

So after telephoning for an appointment to call, the detective went that afternoon to see Bob's mother.

He found a sweet-faced, fair-haired little lady who greeted him with a sad smile.

"I am glad to see you," she said, "because Bob had grown very fond of you. He had thought of being a doctor or rather a chemical expert—I don't know just what they call them—but he changed entirely and wanted only to be a detective."

"I wish he might have done so," Stone responded. "I should have been glad and proud to have him for my assistant.

"You won't mind if I ask you some questions, will you?" Stone said. "I know you want to know the truth, whatever it may be."

"Why, I do know it," said Mrs. Coles, in evident astonishment. "I know my boy is dead. What more is there to know?"

"You're satisfied that his was a natural death?"

"Oh, yes. What else could it be? Surely nobody would want to kill my boy! That would be too absurd. Why should anyone do that, Mr. Stone?"

"I don't say anyone did, but we detectives have to look at things from all sides, you know."

"Well," said Mrs. Coles, "if you want to question me, go right ahead. But please don't say my Bobby was—killed. I can stand the loss of my boy, my dear one, but I couldn't stand it to think he was —was killed!"

"Of course," Stone said, in agreement. "He was generally well, though, wasn't he?"

"Oh, yes, that. But the doctor told me that heart disease is unusually prevalent just now, and a strong man may be stricken down most unexpectedly."

"Malden was a friend of Bob's, wasn't he?"

"No. I think they never met until the wedding party took place. But Bob liked him immensely. He liked all the crowd. They were a nice lot; he told me all about them. He was there overnight, you know, a sort of house party."

"A gay time, I daresay."

"Not so much that, for they all had colds and took aspirin or something. I think it upset Bob; he never takes nostrums. But the wedding was lovely, I wasn't well enough to go; I'm rather an invalid. But Bob told me all about it."

"As you're his mother, you won't mind this question. Was Bob in love with Mrs. Malden?"

She nodded her head. "Yes," she said, "he was. But nobody could help loving that girl."

"And after Corey died he hoped maybe she might turn to him."

"Yes, Mr. Stone, he did. How you understand! But she only cared for Corey, which was all right, of course. I like a one-man girl. Still if Bob had lived I do believe he could have made her happy."

"I've no doubt of it. You know, Mrs. Coles, I knew our Bob pretty well. He was a fine character. And he was learning every day. He had a real talent for detective work."

Stone stayed a bit longer to cheer her all he could, and then under plea of being a busy man he took his leave.

Reaching home again, Stone found Tony Gaskell there, awaiting him. The two had become friendly, even intimate, in their many conferences as to Perilla's affairs.

"Can you put me up for the night, old chap?" Gaskell said. "I know I've trespassed a lot on your hospitality of late, but I've an early appointment tomorrow morning, and a late one tonight."

"Of course, Gaskell. Just make yourself at home. We'll meet at dinner. I'll be in and out all the afternoon, but we can have a confab this evening."

Stone jumped into his waiting car and gave the chauffeur an address. It proved to be that of a tourist agency, and Stone hastened inside. Looking at various clerks, he saw one of them give him a slight nod. Stone went over to him and sat down till he should be through with his customer.

"Him?" said the detective, ungrammatically, but eagerly.

"Yes, sir. Reservations for Bermuda, day after tomorrow."

"Good. Make me a note of the steamer and time of sailing."

From there Stone went to the home of the district attorney, Morris.

"Any news from the seat of war?" Stone asked.

"No real news. Have you any?"

The district attorney looked anxious. "No, except that no news is always good news."

"Well, you'll hold off a couple of days longer, won't you?"

"If I can. You know, Mr. Stone, I can't have a murder accusation brought to me and take no notice of it whatever. If Farman comes here and says Mrs. Malden poisoned her husband I've got to listen—"

"Yes, but let it go at listening. Tell him you'll take up the matter next week. Listen to me a few moments, Morris."

The district attorney did listen, and was really impressed by what he heard.

"I didn't mean to tell you quite so much," the detective stated, "but this latest development makes action imperative at once, and I can't act if you and Farman are hobnobbing."

"I see that, of course, but I can promise nothing. If Farman comes in I'll do the best I can to meet your wishes. That's all I can say."

"Pray Heaven, he holds off a bit," said Stone, earnestly, for that hold-off might mean life or death to somebody.

"Oh, well, it will probably drift along all right. And I promise you I'll do the very best I can in your interest and young Mrs. Malden's."

Stone left the district attorney in an uncertain mood, but Morris was slowly and surely coming around to the detective's view of the matter.

CHAPTER XI

WHEN Farman came on his momentous errand District Attorney Morris greeted him with little enthusiasm.

"It's a terrible thing," Farman said, "to drag the Malden name in the dust, but worse, indeed, to let murder take place without question or comment."

"Why are you so sure it is murder?" asked Morris. "Have you evidence, witnesses, testimony—in a word, are you ready to conduct a murder trial?"

"We are ready, or can get ready for anything that means law and justice."

"Then go and get ready and come back when you are all prepared."

This authority, or what seemed like it, given by Morris was just what Farman wanted, and he well knew how to twist the permission to his own ends.

That evening Fleming Stone and his self-invited guest were earnestly talking over the immediate outlook.

(TO BE CONTINUED)

Electricity and Steel Making

Electricity, in the commercial production of steel by use of the electric furnace, is used almost wholly as a source of heat rather than for any direct chemical action, and the steel which results is as a rule purer (of higher quality) than that usually obtained through other processes. Of all factors in the progress of shaping steel into usable cross sections, the invention of the rolling mill by Henry Cort some time in the Eighteenth century was the most important. Cort's idea was that steel could be squeezed into shapes between rollers while it was still hot, and from his idea grew the present-day rolling mill industry, which in the United States produces about 24 tons of finished product for every ton of castings that is made.—Chicago Tribune.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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Lesson for February 23

PEOPLE BEFORE PROPERTY

LESSON TEXT—Luke 8:34-37.

GOLDEN TEXT—No servant can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon.—Luke 16:13.

PRIMARY TOPIC—Jesus With His Friends in a Storm.

JUNIOR TOPIC—Jesus With His Friends in a Storm.

INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—Sympathy or Selfishness?

YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—Human Welfare Before Financial Profit.

After his teaching by the parable of the soil and the lighted candle, Jesus exhibited his credentials, enforcing his teaching by demonstrations of his mighty power.

1. Jesus Calming the Storm (vv. 22-25).

In this miracle he demonstrated his power over nature.

1. Jesus asleep (v. 23). While the disciples were sailing the ship the Master fell asleep.

2. The frightened disciples (vv. 23, 24). The storm seems to have been an unusual one. These sturdy men were used to storms, but as their ship was being filled with water they awoke Jesus with the cry of fear.

3. Jesus rebuked the wind and water (v. 24). At his word there was a great calm. We can with confidence put our trust in Jesus Christ for, as he calmed the tempestuous sea, so he can calm the raging storms which threaten our destruction.

4. Jesus rebuked the disciples (v. 25). After rebuking the raging elements, he turned to the disciples. He did not rebuke them for waking him, but for their lack of faith.

II. Jesus Casting Out Demons (vv. 26-39).

In this mighty act Jesus' power over demons was demonstrated. Demon possession was in that day, and it is today, an awful reality. The characteristics are often similar to cases of insanity, and many are called insane, who are really demon-possessed.

1. Jesus met by the demoniac (vv. 26-29). This poor man's suffering was dreadful. He abode in the tombs without clothing. At the sight of Jesus he made an outcry and fell down before him and besought him not to torment him. There is no doubt in the mind of demons as to the reality of a place of torment. Sin imposes upon its victims anguish and shame.

2. Jesus' question (v. 30). He asked him, "What is thy name?" His purpose was to bring the real man to consciousness, to enable him to distinguish between himself and the demon who held him. The answer shows that the man thought his case was hopeless. He said, "Legion," which meant that many demons had entered into him and, therefore, he was powerless to free himself.

3. The demons' request (vv. 31, 32). They asked permission to enter into a herd of swine. It seems that demons have a dislike for disembodiment. In the presence of Jesus the demons tremble and beg permission to act.

4. Their request granted (vv. 32, 33). Just why this was done we do not know. Since Jesus did it, we must believe that it was right and wise.

5. The effect upon the people (vv. 34-37).

a. The keepers of the swine went and made it known in the city and country. That a supernatural event had taken place was not questioned by the keepers.

b. The people made investigation. They saw the man sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind, and heard the testimony of those who had seen what was done.

c. The multitude besought Jesus to depart from them. How sad it is that in the face of the mighty works of Jesus men will not open their hearts to him.

6. The request of the healed man (vv. 38, 39). He desired to be with Jesus. This was natural and right, but his responsibility was to go home and show to the people there what great things God had done for him. This is over the responsibility of saved people—to go back to the very neighborhoods where they lived and make known the saving power of Jesus Christ.

III. Jesus' Power Over Disease (vv. 42-48).

Jesus heals a woman with an issue of blood. Observe:

1. Her helpless condition (v. 43). She had been a great sufferer for twelve long years (Mark 5:26).

2. Her faith (v. 44). Her faith was demonstrated by pressing her way through the thronging multitude.

3. Her confession (v. 47). She thought furtively to get the blessing, but Jesus perceived that virtue had gone out from him, and had her make a public confession.

4. Christ's words of encouragement (v. 48). He told her that it was her faith, not her touch, that saved her, and bade her go in peace.

All Around the House

If your cactus does not bloom pinch leaves and branches, leaving only branches that grow upward. Water whenever soil is dry.

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To dice or cut marshmallows easily dip a dry scissors into powdered sugar.

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Meat thawed quickly is likely to be tough. Keep frozen meat in warm place before cooking.

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One teaspoon of chopped maraschino cherries and one tablespoon of orange juice added to boiled salad dressing makes a delicious dressing for fruit salads.

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If an apple tree is broken by winter storms, pare off the splinters with a sharp knife or chisel and treat the wound with creosote, then give it a coat of linseed oil and lead paint. Do not let the creosote touch the live bark.

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Chocolate cake scorches easily on the bottom and sides because of the large percentage of fat it contains. It is therefore necessary to bake it in a moderate oven.

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Rub equal parts of linseed oil and vinegar well shaken into leather covered chairs, occasionally. It keeps them in good condition.

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Tie a cheese cloth or paper bag over the mouth of food chopper when cutting bread, nuts, etc., through it. Every bit will then be saved.

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Status of Alien Who Has Taken Out "First Papers"

The "first papers" are simply a declaration of the alien's intention of becoming an American citizen. The declaration gives him no right, privilege, or duties of American cttizenship, nor does it deprive him of any of his rights as a citizen of another country.

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There We Differ

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Joys of city life are often eclipsed; but the chief one is left out—that you are let alone; sometimes, too much so.

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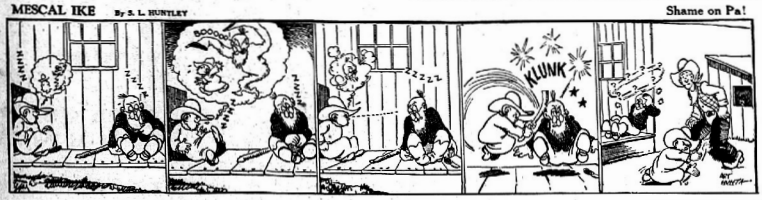

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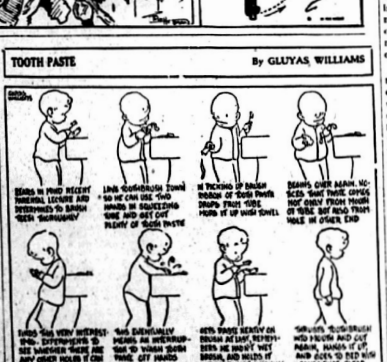

CHINA CHANGES

Chinese Boys Learn Embroidering.

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AMERICA'S first foreign trade as a new-born Republic was with China. From Amoy, aboard British vessels had come the tea which was dumped overboard at the famous Boston tea party. Within six months after England had accepted the independence of the Thirteen Colonies, our own first merchant vessel, the newly christened Empress of China, was already on the high seas, bound for Canton—and tea. Both Canton and Macao then figured prominently in early American trade.

One can picture the feverish activity of New York harbor during those early days of 1784 when the little 360-ton ship was reaching the final stages of her overhauling and was being loaded with 30 tons of ginseng (China's "dose of immortality"), 2,000 fur skins, 1,270 cannelets, and small quantities of cotton, lead, and pepper.

Then came sailing day. Washington's birthday. The departing Empress of China voiced a salute of 13 guns; the battery responded with 12.

In his pocket Captain Green carried a sea letter, penned by the young congress and addressed to the "Most Serene, Most Puissant, High, Illustrious, Noble, Honorable, Wise and Prudent, Lords, Emperors, Kings, Republicks, Princes, Dukes, Earls, Barons, Lords, Burgomasters, Councillors, as also Judges, Officers, Justicians, and Regents of all good cities and places, whether ecclesiastical or secular, who shall see these patents or hear them read."

Thirteen months later, after four months at Whampoa, anchorage for Canton, the sturdy ship was back in New York, her holds filled with 463,000 pounds of tea, 962 pieces of chinaware, 400 pieces of silk, 42 nankeens, and 2,730 pounds of cassia.

Her successful voyage signaled the expansion of our merchant marine. Tiny ships, manned by youthful American sailors, were soon prowling the eastern seas, beating the monsoons up the China coast, and cluttering the Canton harbor. The China trade was on.

Swift Growth of Trade.

Homes in Salem and Boston, and, to a lesser degree, in New York and Philadelphia, became veritable museums of Chinese goods and curios. In 1790 the China trade represented approximately one-seventh of our foreign imports. Within another fifty years our vessels were bringing home about 15,000,000 pounds of tea annually. This trade also gave birth to the swift clipper ships.

American enterprise, however, came to China much later than that of European nations; for, be it remembered, the disappointing new continent's wildernesses, inhabited by savage redskins, appeared on the horizon when Old world adventurers sought China's riches by sailing westward.

But what of the China coast today, the lodestar which attracted those early explorers?

Macao today is a transplanted city, a bit of medieval Europe tucked in a Chinese setting. The pink, blue, and other pastel-colored buildings that line the water front and dot the hills up to the walls of historic Monte fortress, the weathered churches, and government offices are Portuguese. True, the majority of shops are hung with chromatic signs bearing Chinese ideographs, for the city's population is 97 per cent Chinese, but the banner that floats over the tiny area of little more than eleven square miles is the red and green emblem of Portugal.

Here it was that early in the Sixteenth century Portuguese traders, extending the oriental sea route which Vasco da Gama had carved around Cape of Good Hope to India, first opened commercial relations with opulent Cathay. Here they founded the pioneer European settlement in the Far East and held the monopoly on Chinese trade until the Eighteenth century.

In 1557 the Portuguese received conditional cession of this territory because of their assistance to the Chinese authorities in an attempt to subdue the pirates that infested the coast and the river approach to Canton. Pirates still lurk just around the island corners to plunder hapless vessels, and the Portuguese still control the rocky peninsula and two nearby islands, where they gained their first foothold.

Macao Still Important.

Here came the Dutch to be repelled by Portuguese battleships and the Monte guns; later, the long arm of the East India company stretched across the sea to reach into Macao's rich trade pocket. To all early sea trade with Canton, Macao served as gateway. Even the Empress of China had to stop here to get the official Chinese permit before she could proceed to Whampoa anchorage.

How truly the little possession served as the China outpost is revealed by reading the epitaphs carved on some of the tombstones in the little Protestant cemetery. Names of sailormen and merchants from Boston, Salem, and British ports appear frequently. Here, too, rest Robert Morrison, the noted British missionary; Edmund Roberts, special diplomatic agent of the U. S. A. to several Asiatic courts; Thomas Waldron, first consul of the United States for Hong-Kong, and others who featured in the early intercourse with China.

Macao has lost much of its commercial luster since Hong-Kong capped its vitality; yet today its volume of commerce is greater than in early years, although insignificant in proportion to the total trade now carried on in this region. With recent harbor constructions at the cost of some $2,500,000 and a reclamation project of 130 acres, it again makes a bid for greater attention.

Fish, firecrackers, opium, and gambling are now Macao's chief stock in trade. The important, colorful fishing industry employs some 2,000 junks and 50,000 men and women.

If recent years have brought little change to Macao, the same cannot be said of Canton. The ancient southern metropolis has been undergoing long-needed beauty treatments, and from it a new Canton is emerging. Little more than a decade ago Canton presented much the same appearance as when the clipper ships were lading their cargoes from its musty godowns. It was Chinese—deliberately, stubbornly Chinese.

Today old suspicions have been minimized. The Bund, formerly a muddy track lined with rat-trap buildings, is now a wide, well-paved thoroughfare fronted with modern eight and nine-story hotels, department stores, commercial houses, and an up-to-date custom house. Narrow streets and alleys, accessible only to the traffic of wheelbarrows and sedan chairs, have given way to wide streets to such an extent that tour conductors find difficulty in playing up the "tortuous channels" of old Canton.

Canton as It Is Today.

The visitor who a few years ago wrote that "you have to choose your place to knock the ashes off your cigar, or they will alight in a dish of soy or dried duck, on the one hand, or a pile of wonderfully wrought silk embroidery on the other," could now whisk through 60 miles of wide, paved streets in one of the thousand or more motor cars that honk their way through the city. Thousands of buildings were razed and much of the old wall demolished to provide for these modern arteries of bustling Canton. The great fire of 1927 also assisted in clearing ground for these sweeping changes.

"Everything new originates in Canton," say the Chinese. Politically there is much truth to this statement. Here is where Sun Yat Sen found followers for his three principles of Kuomintang. By popular subscription, a modern monument and memorial auditorium, in which new political ideas are born and talked into vigorous activity, has been built as one of Canton's forms of recognition of the late leader.

Two new bridges are being constructed across the Chu Kiang (Pearl river), linking Canton city with Honan island. Some of the old temples have been converted into school rooms and the Cantonese boys and girls enjoy tennis, handball, and basketball on courts laid out in the ancient enclosures.

All of the old, however, has not disappeared. In narrow lanes one finds secluded restaurants selling snake meat, served in broth. Elsewhere men and boys work elaborate embroidery patterns on silk in half-lighted rooms. Nearby a boy is weaving magic colors in shimmering silk on a crude loom, his dingy cubicle illuminated for night work by a single smoky oil flame.

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EDITORIAL

This week we honor the birthday of a great American, George Washington. Washington was like Lincoln in two respects but very unlike him in others. Washington like Lincoln he was a president of the United States and they both served during a critical time. Having been reared in a nice home and being of a wealthier family than the average, he did not have to struggle for an education.

Every person, no matter how young or how old, knows the story of how George Washington cut down the cherry tree and of his famous sentence, "Father I cannot tell a lie." When we read his life history and think of the great heights he reached in accomplishments we make a resolution to always tell the truth, for after all no matter how many wrong-doings we do that would be easily covered up by a falsehood, in the end it is best to tell the truth and to take as our motto, "I cannot tell a lie."

Juniors and Seniors Make Choice of Work

In connection with their discussion of the youth employment problem, the members of the Junior and Senior history classes expressed their choice of careers as follows:

Charles Sherman—surgeon (he would like to go to Annapolis), Willie J. Bishop—aviation, Cecil Clements-aviation (at West Point) Chester Gibbons and Richard Benentt would like to join the navy and study aviation, Herbert Reck—aeronautical engineering, J. C. Still—Finger Print Expert, Walter Sheretz—Electrical Engineering, Cleland Belin—Prize Fighter, Ray Mathis—Railroad Conductor, Archie Bryant—Lawyer, Cyril Baldwin—Lawyer, H. L. Bishop—Instrumental music, Bill Klump—Hotel Management, Early Lynn—Football Coach or Newspaper writer, Helen Tuten — Nurse, Virginia Gough—Surgical Nurse, Eloise Dickinson — Language Teacher, Myrl Payne—Stenographer, Hazel Reddick—Stenographer, Helen Cannon—Stenographer, Evelyn Holland—Dietitian, Elizabeth Rawlings—Librarian, Louise Houser—Basketball Coach, Johnnie Saggus—Aviation, Minnie Lee Lewis—Bookkeeper, Thelma Perry - Beauty Parlor Operator and Newspaper writer (she expects to marry a Drug Store man), Harold McClelland—Mortician, Billie Martin—Musical Career, Buell Picty—Civil Service, Morris McCord—Analytical Chemistry, Dorothy Weisheyer—Bookkeeper, Ruth Edwards—Stenographer, Leola Holton—Stenographer, Nelle Willeford—Commercial art, and Robert McGibney—Lawyer.

Freshman Classes Study Speech Errors

The freshman English classes, under the direction of Miss Pearson, have recently made an intensive study of common errors in speech. They learned not only the incorrect form but the correct form as well. After studying these, each member became error conscious. A part of each recitation consists of reports of errors which have been heard in general conversation since the last lesson. No names are mentioned in connection with these reports but it has been noted that members of every class in high school and even teachers have been guilty of errors in their speech.

Each one who recites tries his best to make no errors. If he makes one, the class knows it and tells him about it.

The freshmen class would like to invite the entire school to join with them in a "Watch Your Speech" or Better Speech Club. Who will join?

Drive on for School Band Uniforms

In an effort to secure band uniforms for the band the following letter has been sent out by Mr. E. L. Roberts, band director, to the parents of the band members.

Dear Parent:

The Avon Park High School Band is planning to make the trip to Tampa to compete in the State Music Festival.

Before making this trip, we would like for the Bandto have uniforms. As the expense of regular uniforms is prohibitive, we thought it advisable to have white gabardine trousers (or white skirts) with a red stripe down the outer seam. The sweaters will be red and the caps white with red bands.

If the parents will pay for the actual cost of the trousers and sweaters, we will arrange for the caps, braid, etc.

Trousers $2.75
Sweaters $2.25

Please advise us as soon as possible whether you will assist in getting your child a uniform. If we outfit the band this year, we will have to put in our order very soon.

We will appreciate your cooperation in this matter.

Yours very truly,
Everett L. Roberts
Music director
Avon Park High School

Mr. Roberts hopes to receive the cooperation of the parents because he is very anxious for the band to appear in uniform at the Florida State Contest in Tampa.

New Books Added To School Library

The County-School Board has recently bought about $110 worth of books for our school library.

Several biographies which deserve special notice are the following: "Man for Ages," Bacheller; "Days of Alfred the Great," Tappan; "Daniel Boone" and "Wilderness Scout," White; "Kit Carson," Vestal; "Boy's Life of Grover Cleveland," Davis; "Autobiography of Buffalo Bill," Cody; "Boy's Life of Fremont," Seymour; "Mahatma Gandhi," Rolland; "Boy's Life of W. S. Grant," Nicalay; "Boy's Genghis Khan," Lamb; "Andrew Jackson" and "Fighting President" Nicalay; "Girl in White Armour," Paine; "Abraham Lincoln the Prairie Years," Sanburg; "Life of Mary Lyon," Gilchrist; "Marquette, Priest, Pioneer, Etc." Repplier; "Boy's Life of Theodore Roosevelt," Hagerdorn; "Greek Leaders," Hopkinson; "George Rogers Clark" and "Winner of the West," Faris.

From a literary standpoint the following fiction is notable; "Kenilworth," Scott; "Henry Esmond" and "Vanity Fair", Thackery; "Man for Ages," Bacheller; "Lorna Doone," Blackmore; "Old Creole Days," Able; "Man from Glengarry," Connar; "Oliver Twist," Dickens; "Adam Bede," and "Mill on the Floss," Eliot; "Cimarron," Ferber; "Vicar of Wakefield," Goldsmith; "Rise of Silas Lapham," Howells; and "Moby Dick," Melville.

So many of the old books had been read and reread that they were almost completely torn up. Now most of these books have been repaired and are back on the shelf almost as good as new.

The Avon Park school library is being run under strict regulations. A book can only be kept out one week with a fine of two cents a day for every day it is kept over that length of time. With this money books much needed by the school are bought.

By the work of Miss Pearson, Jean Correll, and others the library has been greatly improved. The books have been separated and placed under different headings such as poetry, travel, classic, and fiction, making it easy to find any book.

Eighth B News

The eighth grade boys are now learning how to tumble. They are using the pads which Mrs. W. M. Reck gave to the School. Miss Hicks is the instructor.

The boys are now learning summersaults. The best tumblers in the class are Billie Meriwether, L. C. Davis, Ralph Rogers and James Ward.

PARK THEATRE PREVIEWS

Sunday and Monday, "Smilin' Thru."

A deluge of letters from the public has persuaded Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer once more to present Norma Shearer's immortal dramatic triumph, "Smilin' Through," hailed by critics and public alike as one of the greatest photoplays ever made.

Star Plays Dual Role

It is in "Smilin' Through" that the striking Miss Shearer plays a dual role, a feat which duplicates that of Jane Cowl who starred in the original New York stage production. Miss Shearer portrays both the tragic Moonyeen in the hoop-skirted Victorian sequences and Kathleen Sheridan in the modern scenes around which the happier romance of the tale centers.

It is Miss Shearer's second venture into the unusual in drama. Her previous departure was in "Strange Interlude," in which she had the singular experience of both speaking and hearing her silent thoughts expressed audibly.

In the speaking screen version of "Smilin' Through," Miss Shearer has an advantage which Jane Cowl was not permitted in the stage production. First as the intended bride and then as the ward of Sir John Carteret, the role which Leslie Howard plays, Miss Shearer is able to return in fantasy to the mind of her brooding lover—in which moments of reverie she appears twice in a single scene.

Thus, although the story covers a fifty years' elapse of time, during which Leslie Howard grows from youth to white-haired old age, Miss Shearer remains youthful throughout. It is, the star concedes, her severest dramatic test to date, not excepting her difficult role in "Strange Interlude."

Wednesday and Thursday, "Two In The Dark."

Lovers of spine-tingling mysteries will find their surfeit of suspense and thrills in RKO Radio's screen offering "Two in the Dark" with Walter Abel and Margot Grahame.

Opening with a situation seldom equalled for stark drama, the plot unfolds with an ever-increasing tempo of action and suspense until the thrill-crammed climax bursts with unexpected surprise leaving the audience hanging onto their seats.

Walter Abel, who recently scored as d'Artagnan in "The Three Musketeers," plays the role of an amnesia victim in "Two in the Dark," and he finds himself distressingly entangled in a murder mystery.

His memory entirely blank, he does not know himself if he committed the crime, and the further he delves into the mystery, the more enmessed he becomes in its fantastic ramifications.

All the scholastic scaffolding falls, as a ruined edifice, before one single word—faith.

Avon Park Teams In Double Victory

The basketball teams of the Avon Park High School won over the Fort Meade teams in games played on the local court Monday night, February 17.

The Avon Park girls won by a 16-5 score, and the boys 21-18.

The Avon Park players in the girls game were; L. Houser, M. J. Sundstrom, and Helen Delaney, forwards; E. Rawlings, running center; Bessie Garrett, jumping center; J. Correll, M. Townsend, and J. Hartt guards.

Officials for the girls game were Mrs. Paul Garber, referee; M. L. Stebbins, scorekeeper; and C. Belin timekeeper.

Playing on the Avon Park boys team were; Early and Ellis Lynn, forwards; B. Windham, center; J. Vilkaitis, C. W. Meriwether, and C. Sherman, guards.

Officials for the game were; Jack Head, referee; Paul Garber, umpire; M. L. Stebbins, scorekeeper, and C. Belin, timekeeper.

Quo Warranto Suit Hearing Postponed

The hearing on the quo warranto suit brought by grove owners and others against the City of Avon Park and set for this week has been postponed until March 20. Judge W. J. Barker opened the hearing Thursday morning at Lake Byrd Lodge for the purpose of taking testimony, and then postponed the case so that may being made by a committee can be completed.

Bridge and Dance Cancelled

The Washington benefit bridge party and dance, sponsored by the Woman's Club of DeSoto City and scheduled for Friday night, Feb. 21st, has been cancelled, owing to the death of Bernard Etheredge, son and sister of two members of the club. Invitations are recalled.

POLITICAL Announcements

For Sheriff

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Sheriff of Highlands county, Florida for a second term, subject to the Democratic Primary election, Tuesday, June 2, 1936. I solicit your support in my behalf.

DOYLE SCHUMACHER.

For Tax Assessor

I wish to announce myself as a candidate for nomination to the office of TAX ASSESSOR of Highlands County, subject to the will of the Democratic voters at the primary election to be held Tuesday, June 2nd, 1936.

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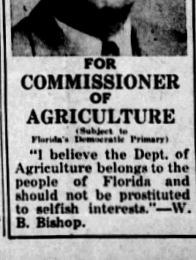

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