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THE JOKESMITH

Some few made, mostly stolen, some merely borrowed. If you run across a good one, mail it to us.

Schultz—Your opening sale has closed. What now?

Schwartz—Our closing sale opens.

"Did you get on your knees when you proposed to Kitty?"

"No, she did."

Hubby—Do you think there is anything in heredity?

Wifey—There must be. Junior has all the bad traits his father has.

Marie—I saw your husband yesterday, but he didn't see me.

Margo—I know. He told me you did.

Marshall, III—What kind of oil do you use in your roadster, Geiger?

Zeigler—Oil. I usually begin by telling them I'm lonely.

Sailor—Don't bother me. I am writing home to my girl.

Marine—But why are you writing so slowly?

Sailor—She can't read very fast.

Artist—This is my best canvas. I shall never do anything better.

WPA Boss—Go right ahead, old man. Don't let that discourage you.

Doubtie—Have you planted anything in your garden yet?

Brilliant—Only my watch, fountain pen, lodge pin and tie pin.

Jerry—TV television is advancing by leaps and bounds. We may have it before another year.

Angeline—How nice! I have always wanted to see what static looks like.

Helen—They say the Bivens's marriage was a terrible mistake.

Marion—That's true. Each thought the other had a lot of money.

Old lady meeting a one-legged tramp on the street—"Poor man, you have lost a leg, haven't you?"

Tramp looking down at his foot—"Well, I'll be darned if I haven't."

First Movie Actress—I am to happy! I'm married the man I wanted to marry.

Second Date—Sour grapes. You know it's 10 more than to marry you.

Henry—Did I tell you what happened to Bertha?

Jerry—Yes, you told me she married a man with a big inheritance.

Henry—Yes, she married a man who wouldn't have discovered nothin'.

Joe—Then you haven't told me.

A comic of boys out in Iowa were discussing the recent drought. Finally the question was finished when he managed to harvest.

"The drought sure has made the wheat short this year."

"Short? Say, I had to father mine to mow it."

Mrs. Askett—What do you think of Mrs. McNutt who is running for Congress?

Mrs. Tellett—Oh, I'm going to vote for her. I never saw anyone wear such adorable up-to-date gowns.

Babe—Where were you last night?

Wifie—With you, babe.

Babe—Thank goodness! Then you're the fellow that's looking for.

"American fortunes are often spoiled in wedlock," remarked the lady with the note book.

"Yes," said Senator Sorghum, "in calculating our financial distress we may have to regard Cupid as the presiding spirit of our Supreme courtship."

Mrs. Muffin—Did Mr. Habeas Corpus say he would take your suit for divorce?

Mrs. Raisinpye—Oh, yes. He said that he was an old friend of my husband he would handle it as a favor to him.

Witte—Young Spendleigh inherited a modest fortune from an aunt.

Dubbe—Has he gone through with it yet?

Witte—Not yet. So far he has succeeded only in going through the windshield of his new $5,000 car.

Teacher: "Can you tell me the difference between a stoic and a cynic?"

Abie: "A stoic is a bird that brings the babies and a cynic is the place where you wash the dishes."

Jim—Politics mean nothing to me. I'm going to vote for that fellow because I like him.

Pete—I understood you were going to vote for him because he gave you $10.

Jim—Wouldn't you like a man who gave you $10?

Wifey—Are you sure you mailed that letter I gave you last week?

Hubby—Absolutely. I distinctly remember stopping to mail it on my way to the office.

Wifey—That's funny. I've just remembered that I gave it to father to mail for me.

The teacher was trying to impress upon her pupils' minds the distinction accorded Francis Scott Key. "Why is he so famous?" asked the teacher.

"I guess because he knew all four verses of the Star-Spangled Banner," was the reply.

Mrs. Chatley—My dear, I just hate to tell you this but everyone is talking about it. They say your husband leads a dog's life.

Mrs. Rockley—Well, to tell the truth it is somewhat similar. He comes into the house with muddy feet, settles down by the fire and growls for something to eat.

The reporter was sent to write up a charity ball. Next day the editor called him to his desk.

"Look here, what do you mean by this? 'Among the most beautiful girls was Horatio Lucien Dingley.' Why, you crazy idiot! Old Dingley isn't a girl—and besides he's one of our principal stockholders."

"I can't help that," returned the realistic reporter. "That's where he was."

A lady who had employed a Chinaman as cook asked him his name.

"Me name Sam Toy Lee," he replied.

"Ah, your name is too long," the lady replied. "I will call you John."

"All light," responded John. "What's your name?"

"Mrs. Charlotte Anne Hemingway," she told him.

"Your name too long," remarked John. "I call you Chotly."

Jock—I say, waiter, here's half a dollar.

Waiter—Thank you, sir. I suppose you want me to reserve a table for you?

Jock—No, I don't. I shall come in here in about ten minutes time with two ladies, and I want you to tell me that all the tables are engaged.

The teacher was trying to impress on the children how important had been the discovery of the law of gravitation.

"Sir Isaac Newton was sitting on the ground looking at a tree. An apple fell on his head and from that he discovered gravitation. Just think, children," she added, "isn't that wonderful?"

The inevitable smart boy replied: "Yes, sir, and if he had been sitting in who's lookin' at his books, he wouldn't have discovered nothin'."

A Negro preacher was talking to his congregation about salvation. Finally his sermon was finished, and then he said, "Now, Brother Smith, will you take up the collection?"

At this point, an elderly man got up and started for the door, saying, "Parson, Ah though you said salvation was free—free as the water we drink."

"Well, brother," replied the preacher, "salvation is free and water is free, but when we pipe it to you, you has to pay to be piped."

A little girl of five was entertaining while her mother was getting ready. One of the ladies remarked to the other with a significant look, "Not very pretty is she?"

"Well, she's pretty good-looking for her age," was the last word.

"No," said the child quickly, "but awful-l-m-o-r-e."

The undersized husband was trying on the overcoat his wife had bought him for Christmas.

"You know, dear," he said, gazing at himself in the mirror, "this is a nice present and all that, and I don't think that I'm ungrateful. But really, isn't it much too big for me?"

"I know dear," she returned. "But we can't help that. You must remember that it's got to cover the radiator of the car in cold weather. We have to consider that first, haven't we?"

"Look here, Hiram, when be you gon' to pay me them eight dollars for pasturin' your heifer? I've had her now for about ten weeks."

"Why, Si, thet critter ain't worth more'n ten dollars."

"Well, supposin' I keep her for what you owe me?"

"Not by a pug full. Tell you what I'll do: keep her two weeks more, and you can have her."

Old Doctor Brown, the physician in a little town, was an enthusiastic fisherman. He was summoned from one of his angling expeditions to give his services in a maternity case.

The proud father wanted to name the baby, but had no scales in the house. So he borrowed the steelyard with which Doctor Brown weighed his fish.

"Great Scott, doctor!" he exclaimed. "Sixteen pounds!"

This was relayed from a prominent Central Kentucky judge. It was divorce day in his court, and a fat negro woman was applying for separation from her mate. The plea was granted.

Walking out of the courtroom, the negro woman was jubilant. She was putting forth praises all over the hall. She spoke into a poem of which the first two lines were lost. But it ended with—

"I jest laughed and laughed at the court's decision, cause they give him the children and they wasn't even his'n."

Two men met for the first time in a night club but before the evening was ended they got into a fight and wound up in jail. Haled into court the next morning the magistrate asked:

"Is it true as this man charges that you called him a scoundrel and a rascal?"

"I don't remember," answered the prisoner, "but now that I've gotten a good look at him I'd say I most likely did."

A rich oil magnate had just descended on one of New York's big hotels. Irritated at the indifference of the staff to his great wealth, he determined to give them something to talk about.

At breakfast the following morning he said to the waiter:

"Bring me twenty dollars' worth of bacon and eggs."

The waiter shook his head. "Sorry, sir," he replied, "but we don't serve half portions in this hotel."

Garwood Gatherings

Mrs. W. K. Lehrer of Garwood and Mrs. Elliott Hubbard of Wharton spent last week in Natchez, Mississippi, where they were in attendance at the Natches Pilgrimage.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Young of Houston spent Sunday here with his mother, Mrs. J. L. Young.

Mrs. W. R. Fenka and Billie Hope and Dorothy Cornelius were in Victoria Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Pimg, Mrs. J. W. Fling and Mrs. George Thelle were visiting in Rock Island Sunday.

Mrs. Blanche Taylor and her class of Home Economics girls entertained a large number of mothers with a tea on Friday, from 3:30 to 4 all present greatly enjoyed the afternoon.

Mrs. Bruce Fling entertained the Tuesday Bridge Club on Tuesday afternoon, when the high score prize was awarded Mrs. M. L. Heilman and second high going to Mrs. Lyle T. Phillips. Refreshments of carrot salad, olives, crackers, hot ginger bread with whipped cream and tea were served.

Miss Emily Margenum and Miss Elnore Phillips spent the week-end visiting in Houston.

Mrs. L. R. Brate and Miss Marie Stahl were visitors to Wharton Monday.

Miss Ella Schiurring is spending the week in Austin with her sister, Miss Elver Schiurring, who is a student at the University of Texas.

M. J. Faktor, C. L. Raver and Dick Youngblood spent Saturday fishing down at Palacios.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Cornelius of Port Lavaca spent Saturday night and Sunday here with home folks.

Misses Gayle and Gladys Schiurring entertained at their luncheon on Monday evening with a forty-two party, in honor of Miss Ruth Smith, the occasion being the honoree's birthday. Following a number of enjoyable games, lovely refreshments of sandwiches, potato chips, cake and hot tea were served.

Friends rejoice to learn that Otto Danklefs, who has been ill for so many weeks, is improving, though still confined in the hospital at Rosenberg, where he was given a blood transfusion on Friday, and underwent an operation.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Shoop spent the week-end visiting in Victoria.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Lehrer of Houston spent a few days here this week visiting at the home of their son, W. K. Lehrer.

Sheridan Items

(By Frances Burdick)

Rev. Mr. King of Halletsville conducted services in Sheridan Sunday.

Sam Bruce, Howard Criswell and Casper Eukard were home with relatives for the week-end.

Robert Johnson, Mrs. L. R. Criswell, Bob Criswell and Elden Mosely motored to Halletsville Thursday.

Mrs. C. L. Bliss spent the week-end in Columbus, where she was a guest of her niece, Maybelle Burdick, and Mr. and Mrs. Madison.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Willis are visiting relatives in Bunkie, Louisiana.

Mrs. Harvey Jacobsen spent the week-end visiting relatives in Waco.

Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Griggs left Wednesday for a business visit to Detroit.

Among those from Sheridan who attended the Columbus high school play were, Mrs. C. L. Bliss, Mrs. E. G. Burdick, Mrs. R. L. Criswell, Sam Brisco, Harry and Zane Brisco, Jane Taylor, Belle Griggs, Chas. Griggs, Gloria Griggs, Gene Burdick and Frances Burdick.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Lundquist visited friends and relatives in Sheridan Thursday.

We regret to note that Charlie Whitley Sr. has been very ill during the past week.

Mrs. J. L. Bliss left Tuesday for a visit to her niece, Mrs. V. B. Rosser, in Houston.

Who fills your prescriptions? Let Joe Luna fill them and be assured the best ingredients made are compounded into them, and our prices are reasonable. tf

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Turner returned home Tuesday from a week's visit to Marlin.

ACCESSORIES AT Bargain Prices

When you need anything in the Accessory line, come in and look over our stock. We have, and expect to carry in stock a full line from this date on, and each week will offer special Bargains

THIS WEEK'S SPECIALS

Cool Cushion	$2.59	2-Cell Bull's Eye Flash Light	29c
Kippie Kit	45c	Car Cushions	49c
Wet—Wet	10c	Spoke Brushes	19c
2-Cell Flash Light Focusing	69c	Chamois	69c

Sponges 10c
1 Quart Ford Black . . 55c
2 Quarts Ford Black . . 99c
Top Dressing . . . 40c

FORD POLISH KIT
1 Pint Polish at 75c
8-oz Wax at . 50c
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all for $1

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We specialize on Style at all times, but this Easter finds us better prepared than ever before to give you the things you want at the prices you want to pay.

Smart Millinery 98c To $1.95

New Frocks $1.98 To $7.95

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Announcing! Our Shoe Department is overflowing with White Shoes and Sandals, all moderately priced and high styled. Our stock of Men's and Boy's Spring Shoes is complete. Let's go "White" and be in style.

The Frank Stephens Co.
Eagle Lake, Texas

Lissie Happenings

E. H. Causey attended a rice growers' meeting in Lake Charles, Louisiana, Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Gertson have been ill with "flu" this week. We hope both may soon be well again.

Election for school trustee to take the place of Benton Pussell, whose term expired, was held Saturday. Fritz Isenhower was elected.

Special pre-Easter services were held at the church Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings. The theme of thought was "Soul Winning." The text, "Unless a Grain of Wheat Fall Into the Ground and Die, It Cannot Bring Forth Fruit," was used. On Friday, from 12 noon until 3 p. m., the church was open for meditation and prayer.

Miss Vivette Van Buskirk of Houston, who has been visiting relatives and friends here, returned to her home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. McDaniels of Iago spent Sunday visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Letts.

Billy Rainey of Van Vleck spent Wednesday here with Junior Hough.

Mission Band meets with Ruby Gertson Saturday. They will have an Easter hunt.

The children cordially invite you to their Easter program Sunday morning. A pageant, "The Story of a Song" will be presented, as well as other numbers. Sunday night the League members will give the following program: Discussion of the League topic; play, "From a Young Man's Viewpoint," by Jim Bill Adkins, Alvin Wiese, Buddy Houth and Henry Sunderman; pantomime, "Beneath the Cross of Jesus," Lois Wiese, with Lucille Hough as soloist.

Mentz News

(By Mrs. O. J. Class)

Rev. Father Rocco spent several days visiting in Eagle Lake last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Hillie Kotzebue and wind and Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Frank and son were dinner guests Sunday evening at Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Braden and daughters.

Mrs. Frank Miller of Bernardo spent Sunday and Tuesday with Mr. W. J. Braden and daughters.

Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Meartz and baby and Mrs. Alma Hodge visited Mr. and Mrs. Otto Hill and family at Cat Spring Sunday.

Mrs. Otto Class of near Eagle Lake spent Tuesday with Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Class and son.

Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Braden and family of Jones Creek spent the week-end here with Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Heilrich and son.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Wendel and family of Jones Creek spent Saturday here with Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Heilrich.

THANKS TO VOTERS

I want to thank those who so loyally supported and voted for me in the city election last Tuesday.

W. L. WAHRMUND.

Strickland Insurance Agency
FIRE, TORNADO, AUTOMOBILE, AND CASUALTY INSURANCE.
W. S. Strickland, Mgr. Eagle Lake, Texas

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SERVICES

"Are Sin Disease and Death Real?" is the subject of the Lesson-Sermon which will be read in all Churches of Christ, Scientist on Sunday, April 12.

The Golden Text is: "All flesh shall see the salvation of God" (Luke 3:6).

Among the citations which comprise the Lesson-Sermon is the following from the Bible: "The Lamb which is in the midst of the throne shall feed them, and shall lead them unto living fountains of waters: and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes" (Revelation 7:17).

The Lesson-Sermon includes also the following passage from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy: "If sickness is real, it belongs to immortality; if true, it is a part of Truth . . . But if sickness and sin are illusions, the awakening from this mortal dream, or illusion, will bring us into health, holiness and immortality" (page 230).

Rock Island Items

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hand and Mrs. Louis Sinkler of Houston were visitors over the week-end with Mrs. Grodhaus.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Wegenhoft were visitors in Rock Island Tuesday. Owen A. Miller returned to Glidden with them.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday School at 10 a. m. Morning worship at 11 a. m. Young People's League at 6:45 p. m. Evening worship at 7:30 p. m.

There will be no mid-week Bible study because of the meeting of the Brazos Presbytery in Galveston.

You are cordially invited to these Easter worship services at our church.

W. M. LOGAN, Pastor.

Where Are Your Policies?

WHEN the fire gong clangs where are your Insurance Policies? You protect your property with insurance. How are you protecting your insurance policies? You will need them to get the insurance.

YOUR insurance policies and other valuable papers will be absolutely safe if you keep them in a private safe deposit box in our vaults. You alone have the key. Our vault is fire-proof—burglar-proof—moth-proof.

The First National Bank
Eagle Lake, Texas
MEMBER F. D. I. C.

Chesterville News

R. L. Graves, who is with John Larsen, at Melon, is spending his family for a few days.

Mrs. Claude Bodle was re-elected school trustee in Saturday's election. Mrs. Bodle has made a splendid trustee.

T. B. Tubbs motored to Houston Sunday and spent the night with relatives. He was accompanied home by his daughter, Mrs. Mae Farland and little girl, for a visit. A. J. Jordan spent Saturday in Houston.

Mrs. R. L. Graves, Mrs. Roy Medaker and Mrs. J. H. Willis motored to Lissie Tuesday afternoon, meeting Mrs. Willie Crow Sr. and Mrs. Will Crow Jr. Mrs. Pat Anderson, Mrs. Tey Crow, Miss Viola Anderson, Miss Ollie Burnett, Mrs. Rufus Denton and Mrs. Fred Adkins of near Nottawa at the home of Mrs. Roy Winnett in Lissie and having Bible study.

The school pupils are anticipating a happy time Friday afternoon at their Easter egg hunt. Mrs. Tate, who is always so interested in her pupils, will no doubt have a treat for them.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hunt and young folk were visiting relatives in Eagle Lake Sunday afternoon.

MISSIONARY SOCIETY

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Methodist Church met in a business session Tuesday afternoon. The meeting next Tuesday will be held at the home of Mrs. R. P. Wilcox. The World Outlook program will be held with a silver tea and social hour to follow.

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Mr. and Mrs. C. M. George visited relatives in El Campo during the week-end.

Many a Friend Recommends BLACK-DRAUGHT

People who have taken Black-Draught naturally are enthusiastic about it because of the refreshing relief it has brought them. No wonder they urge others to try it. For instance, Mrs. Joe O. Roberts of Podgersville, Ala., writes: "A friend recommended Black-Draught to me a long time ago, and it has proved to be very, very good. Black-Draught is good for constipation. I find that taking Black-Draught prevents the bilious headaches which I used to have. . . . A purely vegetable medicine is the thing of . . . CONSTIPATION, BILIOUSNESS

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FRESH GROUND MEAL, 20 lb sk 35c
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LIPTON'S TEA, ¼ Lb	19c	3 CANS LIBBY'S PURE VIENNAS	25c
CALIFORNIA Prunes 3 lbs	14c	4 CANS LIBBY'S Potted Meat	15c
HERSHEY'S BREAKFAST Cocoa 1b can	12c	LIBBY'S CORN Beef per can	17c
MAYFIELD CORN	05c	UNIVERSAL SOAP 4 bars	15c
PORT HOWARD Tissue 3 rolls	19c	PETER PAN SALMON	12c
3 TALL OR 6 SMALL Pet Milk	20c	No. 10 Can Uncle Bob's Pure Cane Syrup	49c

Good Quality Rind On Sliced BACON, Lb . 19c
RIO We Grind It COFFEE, Lb . 10c

FANCY YELLOW Onions 3 lbs	10c	QUART JAR BAMA FANCY Peanut Butter	24c
PHANTOM Kotex 3 pkgs	49c	Walker's Relish Spread or Salad Dressing pt jar	13c
Small, Juicy California Sunkist Orange, Doz	10c	NO. 2 CAN PETIT POIS Fancy Peas	18c
2-LB. BOX RIVER BRAND RICE	13c	10-oz. can Vigo Dog Food 6 cans	25c
STEW MEAT OR GROUND Meat Lb	12½c	GIANT SIZE PACKAGE Super Suds	17c

STRICTLY NO 1 QUALITY Potatoes, 10 lbs 19c
Extra Fancy Winesap Small Size APPLES, Dozen 9c

INCUBATOR—Practically new Super-Hatch 260-Egg Incubator, a bargain for cash. Can be seen at Lynn Shoe Shop.—Mrs. J. E. Lynn. 10-apr-tf

JUST INSTALLED—Late Model Battery Tester and Charger; batteries tested FREE. Only 65c for Charging. Ask about our 6-point Battery Service.—End O' Main Service Station, W. B. Harrison, Phone 77. (27-mch-tf)

SALESMAN WANTED.—Available at once. Rawleigh Route of 800 families in South Lavaca, North Gonzales, DeWitt counties and Eagle Lake. Only reliable men need apply. Can earn $25 or more weekly. No cash required. Write today.—Rawleigh's, Dept. TXD-216-Z, Memphis, Tenn. 11-apr-1tp

Announcements

For District Attorney, 25th Judicial District of Texas:
HENRY S. PAULUS

For County Judge:
H. P. HAHN

For County Clerk:
JOHN HASTEDT

For Sheriff:
FRANK F. HOEGEMEYER

For Assessor-Collector:
E. H. RABEL

For District Clerk:
W. C. PAPENBERG

For County Attorney:
OTTO P. MOORE

For County Treasurer:
MRS. JNO. KUNETKA

For County Commissioner, Prect. 4:
H. L. READING

TIME FOR PITILESS REALISM

(From an editorial in The Rotarian Magazine)

When a leading newspaper of a large city announced, a few weeks ago, that four of its residents were to be killed outright before New Year's Day, readers were jogged out of their complacency to read further. They discovered that the four citizens "marked for death" were to meet their end in a horrible form—on the highway.

The news writer had been on the "beat" that included the morgue. He was sickened by what he had seen. He had visited hospitals, and had witnessed the slow suffering of the victims of what had been to the homes of victims, had heard piteous tales of children left without a father or mother, or compelled to look after themselves as well as the injured member of the family. The reporter wrote simply, but factually. He predicted from the statistics of what had happened that four more persons were to be killed in motor accidents—and he guessed with a deadly accuracy.

"Safety First" has been dinned into the public ear so long that it has lost much of the effectiveness it once had. But stories of almost revolting realism such "And Sudden Death" which appeared originally in "Readers Digest," short circuit the route between comprehension and action. Scaring people to make them drive safely is justified by a mounting accident toll wherever automobiles are known. In the United States, for example, more persons lost their lives on highways in the past 18 months than were killed in battle during the similar period when that country was engaged in the World War. A suggestion to the civic, service and women's clubs: Why not a cold-blooded program, "Accident Prevention in Our Community," with the doctor, the undertaker and chief of police telling what they know of the subject, with realistic word pictures drawn from their own experience?

SCHOOL IMPRESSIONS

See that the child has a place to put away his toys and other possessions. Getting the habit of this is valuable because habits of neatness and order simplify one's life and makes association with others easier; they encourage orderly thinking, too. One can tell that it is a psychologist speaking and not a parent. These are pretty and reasonable-sounding words, but certainly not uttered by a parent following Christmas when there can be no "orderly thinking."—Wills Point Chronicle.

One of the best things in Dr. McGuffey's school readers was that piece in the second reader which taught the advisability of having a place for everything and keeping everything in its place. It so impressed Slate Press, when he was going to school, that he kept his lunch bucket between his feet all morning, so he'd know where to find it at long recess. The modern child, so said, puts its lunch in its desk at school. But when S. P. was studying the second reader he didn't have a desk. He sat on a bench and learned his back against the wall. He usually sat between Sethel Thorne and Johnny Peel. They were restless and squirmy and not very studious, so sometimes S. P. didn't know his own lesson when it came time to recite. It was their fault, not his. Miss Henrietta, the teacher, was patient but probably pessimistic. She would be surprised now if she could hear how glibly Slate Press can read and get by the big words in the book. It still may be that he reads better than he understands but the student's lack of comprehension is not the teacher's fault. Anyhow, when one reflects that the three biggest men in Europe today, the three most unquestionable dictators never got beyond the high school grade in their young years, one may wonder if the higher education leads to the higher jobs like we are told it does by the professors.—Slate Press in Dallas News.

Rock Island Items

On Thursday of last week, Misses Ruth Powers, Lily Olsen and Alice Wright were joint hostesses to members of one Thursday Club, with their husbands as guests, furnished entertainment for the evening and a delicious luncheon was served to about twenty-six guests.

Members of Class No. 4 of the Methodist Sunday School, with their teacher, Mr. Humphreys, enjoyed an outing at the Wheeless tank on Saturday evening. A delicious stew was cooked and salads, pies, pickles and cake were enjoyed.

Mr. and Mrs. B. S. Fields of Eagle Lake spent Friday here, guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Zumstein.

Mr. and Mrs. Owen Wheeless and daughter of Houston, were Sunday guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. U. A. Wheeless.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wright of Hempstead were visitors here Thursday.

J. L. Hunt spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Will Hunt at LaPorte.

Mrs. Jack Hand and Mrs. Laura Starkey of Houston spent the week-end here with their mother, Mrs. Grodhaus.

CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Sunday School at 10 a. m. Holy Communion and Sermon at 11 a. m.

Everyone is invited to the Easter service at Christ Church. Come and worship with us on this holy feast day.

C. G. MARMION, Rector.

Miss Odile Rowe returned home Sunday from a two weeks' visit to relatives at Lonoke, Arkansas.

TO MY FRIENDS

I hereby express my thanks to my friends for the most generous vote that they cast for me in the city election last Tuesday.

W. E. WELFORD.

Ed R. Spencer of Columbus was among the visitors in the city Tuesday morning.

BUSINESS LOCALS

SPRINGS GREASED.—I have the equipment to lubricate, springs with metal cases. Let me grease your springs with Texaco Graphite Grease.—End O' Main Service Station, W. B. Harrison, Phone 77.

MEN WANTED.—For Rawleigh Routes of 800 families in South Lavaca, North Gonzales, DeWitt counties, and Eagle Lake. Reliable hustler should start earning $25 weekly and increase rapidly. Write today.—Rawleigh, Dept. TXD-218-S, Memphis, Tenn. (21, 4-4, 4-25)

BABY CHICKS.—White, brown and buff Leghorns, every Tuesday and Friday; also we are booking orders on R. I. Reds, B. P. Rocks and White Rocks. CUSTOM HATCHING.—Eggs set every Monday and Thursday; tray holds about 160 average size eggs.—KUBALA HATCHERY, East Bernard, Texas. 27-mch-tf

EASTER DANCE.—All night Saturday, April 11th, at Schneider Hall, with music by Blume's orchestra. Admission 75c, tax included.

CANE SEED—10,000 Pounds Red Top Cane Seed at $1.50 hundred; also some GOOD Cotton Seed.—Frank Arnold Gin, Garwood, Texas. See Bill. 27-mch-tf

OLD-TIME DANCE.—Mentz Hall, Sunday April 12th, music by Eddie's Orchestra. Admission 40c, ladies free.

FOR SALE.—Pure bred Bronze Turkey Eggs; also Poults.—Mrs. C. A. Brewer, Eldridge, Texas. 4-10-4t

FOR RENT.—Apartment with all modern conveniences; telephone or see, Mrs. O. Green. Phone 61. (6-mch-tf)

HAY FOR SALE.—Good Hay, in any quantity, $8.00 ton at barn, or delivered in Eagle Lake.—J. C. Smith, Eagle Lake, Texas. 4-3-4t

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Varmints and Critters of Texas

(P. J. R. MacIntosh, in Texas Weekly)

The Lone Star State has a wide variety of creepy-crawlies, such as assorted and unassorted bugs, spiders, gallinippers, vinegaroons, snakes, lizards, ants, hornets, chiggers and other odd critters which bite, sting, scratch and many upon occasion make themselves troublesome. Some of these are worse than others and some are blamed for evil traits of which they are innocent. Yellow jackets, for instance, are well meaning fellows when let alone; rattlesnakes may not always bite; tarantulas are not so bad as they are painted and some have a bad reputation but are quite harmless, while still others may seem obnoxious but are seldom seen or their evil qualities may be entirely mythical or grossly exaggerated.

First of these interesting varmints to be considered is the joint snake which is famed not so much for its deadly bite as for its ability to withstand being chopped in pieces, these pieces afterwards uniting and leaving the snake to ramble off as well as if nothing had happened to it. It is difficult to find anyone who has ever personally witnessed this miracle of biology, the story being always second or third hand, the narrator usually having heard about a man whose grandfather once found a joint snake and chopped him into four pieces and the pieces "come together and the snake wiggled off as good as ever," or "my Uncle Josh over in Burleson county got him a joint snake and nine and run it through a meat chopper and dumped it out and when Uncle John came back a while later the joint snake was done gone," and so on.

Aside from the fact that the joint snake is not a snake and does not join itself together after being chopped into pieces, these stories are probably substantially true. The so-called joint snake, however, is a rather common species of legless lizard which, like many of his kind, possesses the ability to snap off his tail when he is in a tight corner, and in time a new tail will grow, but of course the discarded tail will not reunite with the original body. The condition said lizard also has a fragile tail from which he is easily separated, but he is such a fast-moving creature that he does not lend himself readily to such experiments. This belief in the joint snake and its regenerative powers seems to be quite general throughout Texas.

Another horrendous critter is the hoop snake which takes the end of its tail in its mouth and goes trundling along over the landscape. Further detailed accounts state that there is some doubt as to use of the hoop snake's tail, and when threatened it launches itself forward and impales its adversary on its javelin-like tip. To date the hoop snake has not rolled into this writer's ken.

Still another strange and rarely seen reptile is the whip snake, which lashes its victim to death. Information regarding the whip snake also comes by word of mouth, many times relayed. One narrator tells of his father being chased up a tree by a whip snake which "stood off and whupped and whupped the tree till it had whupped all the bark plum offen it." After a while the snake evidently grew tired and went away from there.

A snake which is not verionous but which is accused of much mischief in the rural districts is the milk snake, which is believed to go on a liquid diet, causing alarming depletion of the farm's daily milk supply. When a cow is not yielding her daily modicum of milk, the farmer is likely to announce that "they must be a milk snake around," and proceeds to unlimber the family musket and go gunning for the culprit. Probably the snake is more interested in a diet of rats and mice than he is in milk.

Texans have a wholesome fear of all snakes, chiefly, of course, the rattlesnake. One belief regarding rattlesnakes is that at certain seasons they travel in pairs, and if one is killed, the other will follow the killer to avenge its mate's death. Many section also have stories of a gigantic rattlesnake twelve or fifteen feet long, which dwells in their locality and is never see, though such stories of him as his trail across a dusty road are found. Rattlesnakes are certainly not creatures with which one cares to be unduly friendly, but their bite is seldom deadly except in the case of a child, there being so much more venom in proportion to the blood in a child's body. Other venomous snakes in Texas are the water moccasin, which seldom bites; the copperhead, which is not to be trifled with, and the beautiful coral snake of the Gulf Coast, which is not common. Nevertheless, whether venomous or harmless, all snakes are anathema in the Lone Star State, and at sight of a snake, however innocent of evil intent, the average Texan is likely to make the welkin ring with frantic calls for the army, navy and fire departments.

A creature of which many tales are told is the horned toad or horned frog, which is neither a frog nor a toad but a true lizard, with a somewhat toad-like body. It is a perfectly harmless and useful little animal and is much in demand in gardens, where it devours quantities of insect pests. The horned toad is supposed to be able to squirt blood from its eyes when disturbed.

But all the tribe of horned frogs or horned toads can lasting fame when Rip was dug out of the cornerstone of the old court house at Eastland about eight years ago. Horned frogs are reputed to be able to go for a long time without fresh air food or water, and so, by way of experiment, Rip was entombed in the corner-stone of the court house when it was built in 1897. When the new court house was being erected in 1928, 31 years later, the incident of the frog's entombment was recalled and the opening of the old corner-stone was awaited with much interest. When the great moment arrived, the stone was broken open before the expectant gaze of hundreds of gog-gle-eyed citizens, including three clergymen, and the horned frog was resurrected, not merely alive but hale and hearty. Rip (or Rip Van Winkle, as he was christened) made a triumphal tour of the State and was even taken to New York and Washington to see the late President Coolidge, this being one notable interview when Mr. Coolidge, for once, did all the talking.

Rip died later and his embalmed remains are on view in the present court house in Eastland which is therefore both his tomb and his mausoleum. Rip's experience occasioned a wide demand for horned frogs for home and amateur experiment, to see if they were as resistant to lack of food and water as the history of the Eastland specimen would seem to indicate. From such records as are available, it would appear that none of the specimens under observation was ever able to approach the record-breaking performance of Rip.

There are some other fearsome varmints in Texas which have gained bad reputations, perhaps undeservedly. The tarantula's bite is firmly believed to be poisonous, and in truth the big, ugly, hairy spider is far from prepossessing in appearance, but high-browed scientists assure us that he is quite harmless. Very few Texans will believe this. Even less worthy of a vote of confidence is the centipede, which does not look like a fit fireside companion for a peaceable citizen. The centipede is said to not only carry "pizen" in its bite, but each of the scores of claws with which he clamps down on the object of his attack is reputed to be venomous. And then there is the scorpion, also sometimes known as the "stingin' lizard," whose bite, although painful and with an effect which may last for several days, is not especially serious.

Many tales are told of the various turtles which dwell in Texas, the majority of the stories having to do with the snapping variety. Not even death is supposed to induce a snapping turtle to release its grip, the only thing which will do so being said to be a peal of thunder. Chop off his head, we are told, and he will still hang on—until it thunders. The writer was in Orange some time ago when an alligator was dug out of a bayou with a large snapping turtle firmly clamped to its tail. In this case, a tire iron proved an excellent working substitute for the clap of thunder. Some of the fables of bygone days are said to have eaten these ordinary turtles, throwing them on the fire alive. When the turtles stopped crawling out, they were supposed to be done—as they probably were.

Not many of these fearsome beasts, from hoop snakes to scorpions, are likely to be encountered by the tourist who is not staying long in Texas and does not follow too zealously his quest for knowledge in the State. We do not have many mosquitoes, these being found mainly along the Gulf Coast, where they are known as gallinippers and, we are told, are frequently confused with the large flocks of ducks for possibly it should be pelicans) which frequent that region. Natives of these sections, we are further informed, shoot the gallinippers, cut off their legs, dry and varnish them and sell them for souvenir walking sticks. We wouldn't know about that, either. And we have uncounted billions of crickets which fill the streets in the summer-time, get into the houses, creep into dark corners and keep us awake with their midnight serenades. But crickets are harmless pests and Texans believe that killing them brings bad luck. And finally there are chiggers, or red-bugs, which are fairly well known outside of Texas. This being the case, we have no especially exclusive information to impart regarding the chigger, but being a native-born citizen of Texas, our local red-bug may be said to be possessed of remarkable vig