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Old Land Marks Passing—No Markers

On a recent trip the old Pop Mill community seemed changed somehow to this writer. We wondered what it was all about, when we discovered that the old Avery tractor which arrived in 1920 was missing. This machine was purchased by the county to perform in the act singular and plural of Tyler County road building, but believe it or not, 'twas conspicuous by the stretches of road it did not in any way improve.

The county invested \$4,900.00 and then hired either a 4-mile or 4-horse team to pull this new contraption out to do its stunt. Stunt is right—just one would have caused the purchaser's consciences, but that one was lacking. The old thing never did perform to anybody's satisfaction.

That was experience number one in road-building machinery in which the county held the sack. Indeed, they didn't have an opportunity to even sell it for old iron.

For years this old land mark remained out in the weather. All the removable parts were lifted now, then and again until there was nothing small enough to hoist into an ordinary Ford pickup truck, and the rains and new snow storms and the sun and sheet continued in the work of deterioration.

Then came the Italian massacre in Ethiopia. Dito the Japs in their attempt to make the Chinks apologize, when too and behold came the demand for scrap iron. A master wrecker picked up the old Avery tractor, purchased for Precincts Nos. 1 and 2, according to the county records, found in Book 4, page 93, and it went to the old iron heap.

No one knows where it finally was thrust into a blast furnace, and, too, no one knows whether the Japs made cannon, explosive bullets, bombs for air-planes, scarping knives for the soldiers to use in demonstrating the fact the North American Indian methods of warfare had not been forgotten, and, further, the fact the Japs are truly savages, only modernized over the American Indians.

But the old land mark is gone. It appears Tyler County can't possess land marks, the old trees blow down and are destroyed, old mansions have burned to destruction or have been torn down and rebuilt. And, too, the historical markers the State guaranteed to all counties, was denied by hook or crook, on one knows how and the county is, s. o. l., which all well informed people knows means, singularly out of luck.

This tractor stuff, however all came to pass about the time the first bank narratorium was declared in Woodville.

We still maintain, however, the old tractor should have been allowed to remain as a memento of tractors as were used in the early history of road building in Tyler county in 1920.

AN APPRECIATION

We wish to take this method to show our deepest thanks to the many friends and relatives for their help and kindness during the sickness and death of our sweet wife and mother. Thanking you also for the beautiful floral offering, we are very thankfully, C. A. Martin and children.

McCraw For A Farm Program

Texas farmers and ranchers will be called to council by William McCraw when he is elected governor, to work out a real program for bettering rural life. The attorney general, closing a two-day, 20-talk tour of the Rio Grande Valley, declared that the real farmers and ranchers should have an important voice in government activity in their behalf. "As Governor," he said, "I expect to call the actual farmers and ranchers of every section to join forces in a real program for the improvement of rural life. Texas needs a far-reaching conservation policy, and I propose to assist the farmers in getting it."

My experience in assisting the farm co-operatives in their anti-trust litigation struggle strengthens my already clear realization that the farm and ranch problem is one in which every man, regardless of where he lives, has a vital interest. Better marketing conditions, more farm-to-market roads and better rural school opportunities all will receive full attention in my administration."

While pledging his earnest assistance to agriculture, McCraw also gave assurance of a friendly interest in the welfare of the farmer's economic cousin, the small merchant. He cited his successful defense of the chain store tax law as one instance of his aid to the small merchant and pledged to work toward equalization of the opportunities for all sizes of merchants.

Meeting to Spout For The Rockland Dam

Austin, June 13. A \$12,000,000 Rockland dam project in Tyler county will be discussed at a special meeting of the Sabine basin committee here June 17 and 18 called by R. J. Tipton of Denver, water consultant to the national resources committee. Committee members are C. S. Clark, chairman of the state board of water engineers; E. A. Wood, director of the Texas planning board; C. K. Debuss of Jacksonville and B. A. Steinhagen of Beaumont.

Woodville Locals

The young people of the Baptist church with a number of others gave a miscellaneous shower Tuesday afternoon at the church for Mrs. Lowery, nee Miss Gladys Merle Mistrot, who is one of the 1938 graduates of the Woodville high school and a bride of a few months. Punch and cakes were served. Mrs. Lowery received many lovely and useful gifts.

Judge R. E. Masterson with Judge W. B. O'Quinn of Beaumont were greeting old friends and making new ones in Tyler county yesterday.

Dick Davis is home for a short furlough from Navy base San Diego, Cal.

S. P. Sims of A&M is home for the summer vacation.

Ernest Hammerly enjoyed a visit Monday from his uncle, John Simmons of Rockland, Sunday the daughter Miss Shearmon with Miss Pearl Conner and Joe Beard of San Augustine spent the day with the parents.

Moedraes John Cruse, Garland and Ed Davis of Bethany community were county seat visitors.

Mrs. G. W. Rudd of Honey Island enjoyed Sunday of last week with her daughter, Mrs. Ernest Hammerly.

Much Building and Improvements

Mrs. F. B. Sullivan have purchased over an acre of Dr. W. W. Anderson, south of the Anglin home and are building a new home. The foundation and frame work is done and the house is taking on shape and form.

Shrubs and trees are being planted and the joy of home building, which usually has trouble given for good measure, are theirs.

The bank is finishing the walls in its building and the Nellius barber shop has been refinished, new glasses placed and made modern in all ways. Still the good work goes on.

The Best Store is about finished and plans are to move in next week.

Bill Freeman Up On Murder Charge

Bill Freeman, a resident of south Tyler county, was being held in Kountze last Friday night without bond following his indictment by a Hardin county grand jury on a charge of murdering his wife, Clara Freeman, who died of septemia May 11, allegedly caused by mistreatment March 14, according to R. M. Baigus, district attorney of Silsbee. The indictment charges that Freeman used a switch on his wife and struck her with his fist while they were living in south Tyler county. Mrs. Freeman died at Caney Head in Hardin county, allegedly of a blood poisoning condition. She was the mother of four children.

The district attorney's investigation is said to have revealed that Mrs. Freeman was an expectant mother at the time of the alleged attack.

Investigation of the complaint was started last Saturday by Mr. Briggs and Sheriff T. A. Nicholson of this county and Miles Jordan of Hardin county.

C. Wrotenbery, candidate for representative will speak at the courthouse, 2 p. m., June 18.

REVIVAL

Rev. J. D. Adams of Mt. Enterprise will start a ten day's meeting Saturday night at the Mt. Zion church near Chester. Services begins at 8 o'clock. You are most cordially invited to attend.

Woodville Locals

Mrs. Emma Bradshaw is visiting her daughter, Mrs. H. S. Pope for the week.

Mrs. Madames Frank Fain and Walt Barclay were in Beaumont Monday.

during the building of Highway 45 east to the river.

Mrs. Tom Connolly of Corsicana and Mrs. J. L. Daniels of Dayton have been visiting their mother, Mrs. Ed Pope and attending the Methodist revival.

Mrs. Ida May Ford has returned from a visit in Beaumont with her daughter, Mrs. J. O. Driver, who is helping in a revival with the home Methodist church. She hopes to be here the last of this week.

D. Bellard of Beaumont made the trip to Woodville Sunday with Rev. Tom Minyard. Other friends attending the morning services at the Christian church were the Misses Corrine Browning and Ruth Cornwell and Chester Webber of Beaumont, Miss Gladys McCompton, Pauline McCompton and Dudley Kirkland of Chester. Mrs. L. M. McDougle and son of Beaumont were also here for the day.

Mrs. Jeff Raegin and daughter of Beaumont visited the C. H. Kendall family Friday.

Story Telling

Miss Julia Belle Cruse has been in charge of the Story Telling Hour on the Hi School lawn on the past two Wednesdays. This week Miss Cruse used James Whitcomb Riley's animal stories. Games were also enjoyed. Next week Mrs. F. B. Sullivan will be in charge and will tell a number of stories, varying in type, so your child should be there and help decide to some extent the stories to be told hereafter. There will also be games to enjoy. Remember from 4:30 to 5:30 each Wednesday afternoon. Miss Cruse, Madames Sullivan, Watt Barclay, J. E. Wheat, Esca Walker, Forest Kemp, and J. C. Hamilton were the committee in charge of these hours and others have been invited.

Judge J. M. Combs To Address Masons

Judge J. M. Combs of Beaumont will be the principal speaker as 18 lodges in the 28th Masonic district meet Tuesday night, June 22, at Commenet yellow Pine lodge No. 470. H. N. Adams is worshipful master of the host lodge.

Tentative plans for presentation of a play by Beaumont cast have been made subject to approval of lodge officials. L. E. Gillet of the Beaumont lodge plans to inspect the Colmesnell high school auditorium with a view to recommending the affair be held there. Maurice Courtney is chairman of the arrangements committee which will announce more details of the meeting within the next few days.

Sonja Heinie In Happy Landing

We are especially anxious for our friends to see Happy Landing, and the Fain Theatre has secured the picture for the mid-night Saturday, Sunday afternoon and Monday night shows. This is Sonja's third picture and each one gets better as the supporting cast also give more toward the hours entertainment. Don Ameche is a public favorite; Jean Hersholt who takes the place of Dr. Defoe for the Canadian quints, in their Country Doctor picture and others; Cesar Romero, Ethel Morgan, Leah Ray, Billy Gilbert, Wally Vernon, Raymond Scott and the dozens of skaters who are real artists on ice, bring to you one of the most interesting, clean and enjoyable pictures of the year. Two of Miss Heinie's family heirlooms are used in the picture.

In the costume worn in the Norwegian celebration, the red embroidered cap and colorful hand-woven shawl were given her by her mother, which belonged to her mother's mother. Do not fail to see this picture. Signed: THE WILLARDS

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John Cruse who is in the Veterans hospital in Alexander suffered a severe heart attack a few days ago and much concern is felt over his condition.

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June Brides Are Celebrated, But How About the Groom?

June is the month of brides, and June brides are famous the country over. But nobody ever thinks of the June groom, who stays dutifully in the background until he's called to the altar. What do our June grooms think about as the fatal hour approaches? Do they actually chew their fingernails and consider the advisability of running away? Most of them probably do. Jack Haley of the movies gives his opinion in the following pictures.



"Gosh, tomorrow I take the big step. Gee, everybody's been giving me advice. Can you imagine. Some guys have the nerve to tell me that putting this ring on Mabel's finger means putting a ring around my neck! You know, a ball and chain! They're jealous, that's all!"

No More Tomatoes This Season

Tyler county tomatoes for green pack shipping have played out. The growers' association, which shipped seven cars of tomatoes has tentatively closed its shed. The eastern and northern markets through a broker direct to the eastern and northern markets, have suffered from the low prices this season, but they have averaged better than a cent on the six cars on which reports are now in. The first car netted \$1.18 per hundred pounds while the next two cars netted 83c per hundred pounds.

The fifth car paid a penny a lb. and preliminary reports from the broker indicate that the sixth car will pay off at the same price. It will likely be several days before the reports come in for the final. An effort is being made to get the checks for the tomatoes to the growers as soon as the drafts arrive. All shed labor and growers checks will be distributed at the shed between 1:45 and 2:30 on Wednesdays and Saturdays until all bills are paid. Tomato checks that are not called for at the shed will be mailed to the various communities, but growers are urged to call for their checks at the shed.

One report has been received to date on the cucumbers; that shipment netted the local growers 85c a bushel. The market is reported somewhat lower, but a fair price is expected for the other two truckloads which were taken from the county this year. Since the rains benefitted the cucumbers others may possibly be shipped later this week.

BRIDE HONORED

Mrs. Jessie Z. Mills and Vernon Mills, were co-hostesses Thursday afternoon at the home of the former, honoring Mrs. Robert Watts with a miscellaneous shower. More than 40 guests were present and a number sent gifts who could not attend. After the bride had opened the gifts and they were inspected, by all feed drink were served and enjoyed by all.

WIGGINS-ALEXANDER

Kountze, June 15.—Miss Kathleen Alexander of Kountze and Osborne Wiggins of Beaumont were married June 7 at Willis, Texas, in the home of Rev. W. B. Moon, who performed the ceremony. Mrs. Wiggins is the daughter of Mrs. J. T. Cruse and is a graduate of Kountze high school and Lamar college, and has been teaching in the Chance school for the past three years. Mr. Wiggins is the son of P. S. Wiggins, and is employed by the Wilson Packing company in Beaumont. The bride is a sister of Mrs. Ed Richardson and has many friends in this community, who wish for them both a well filled future of prosperity and happiness.

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Mrs. Glen Clow left Friday for Oklahoma where Mr. Clow expects to be located with a major oil company.

R. G. Best and Mrs. Frances Dupuis of Port Arthur are visiting the brother, J. O. Best and family.

Miss Mary Frances Hickman and Miss Virginia Powell are enjoying vacation at home from University work.

Sam Nowlin of Houston was looking after business affairs here Monday.

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J. F. McCaslin was here a short time recently, greeting friends returning from Nederland, where he had taken his wife and daughter for a visit to Bullard where they are now located.

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Connally Wins For Texas Farmers

Past time work for needy farmers was made possible under the relief set-up by an amendment offered by Senator Tom Connally and adopted by the senate last week. Farmers, who have not had any crop losses and other misfortunes and who are in need, will be permitted to supplement their farm incomes by working part time on rural relief projects without being put on the relief rolls. "We all know," remarked Connally, "that the great bulk of all the relief money in the WPA goes into industrial areas, to the cities. Out of the extreme drought section, a portion of which is in my State up near the Colorado and the Kansas lines, we have the condition that when there is plenty of rain it is a very fertile country, and the farmers make good crops; but in recent years they have been suffering from terrible drought. It ought to be the purpose of the Congress to keep such a man out on the farm and let him carry on his own business; but many of them are leaving the farm unless they are making by working short periods of time on the WPA. Under present WPA rules a farmer cannot be hired to work on a country road for a single day unless he is on relief rolls. This amendment will remedy that situation."

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TODAY

It is a gloomy moment in history. Not for many years—not in a lifetime of most men who have lived—has there been as much gloom and deep apprehension; never has the future seemed as incalculable as at this time.

In our own country there is universal commercial prostration and panic, and thousands of our poorest fellow-citizens are turned out without employment, and without prospect of it.

In France, the political caldron seethes and bubbles with uncertainty; Russia hangs as usual, like the horizon of Europe, while all the energies, resources and influences of the British Empire are sorely tried, and are yet to be tried more sorely in coping with the disturbed relations in China.

It is a solemn moment, and no man can feel an indifference—

Open House at Home Of Rev. J. C. Boyd

Rev. and Mrs. J. C. Boyd are very happy that their three daughters, who are teachers in the Joshua and Boyd schools, could be here for a visit at the close of their schools. However, Miss Ruth was called to A&M college last week and her father, Rev. Boyd, drove to Bryan with her early in the week. Thursday, between the hours of 5 and 7 o'clock p. m. Mrs. Boyd held open house honoring her daughters, the Misses Elizabeth and Jennie Mae, Madames C. E. Smith and J. Robert McCombs presided over the large punch bowl, nestling in a border of cut flowers and ferns, on the lace covered dining table and served the iced drink and cakes; Mrs. J. E. Wheat assisted Mrs. Boyd and daughters in receiving and presenting the guests and Mrs. J. H. Willard presided over the guest book. Between 40 and 50 registered and a number have expressed regret that the weather was rainy for they had planned to come. The other daughter, Miss Ruth, also her brother and wife from Austin plan to be here this week end, which will be one of the very few times all have been together at home at the same time for a number of years.

GIVEN DEGREE WITH HONOR AT STATE U

Among those receiving degrees at the University of Texas last week was noted Miss Wilma Douglas Best of Woodville, who shared with Elmer Staten Wynne of Baytown, bachelor of arts highest honors.

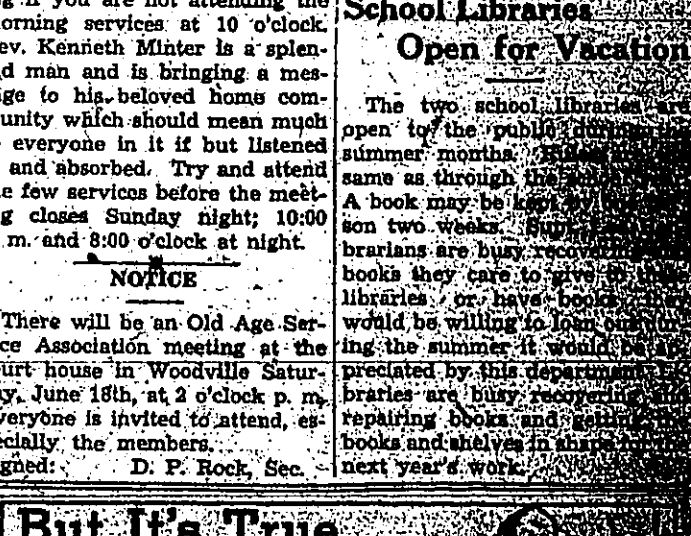
METHODIST REVIVAL

In the beginning the revival was scheduled to close last night, but it will go on over next Sunday. You are missing a blessing if you are not attending the morning services at 10 o'clock. Rev. Kenneth Miller is a splendid man and is bringing a message to his beloved home community which should mean much to everyone in it if but listened to and absorbed. Try and attend the few services before the meeting closes Sunday night; 10:00 a. m. and 8:00 o'clock at night.

SCHOOL LIBRARIES Open for Vacation

The two school libraries are open to the public during the summer months. The same as during the school year. A book may be loaned for a period of two weeks. The librarians are busy with the books they care to give to libraries, or have books which would be willing to loan during the summer. It would be appreciated by this department if librarians are busy repairing books and getting books and shelves in shape for next year's work.

But It's True



SO NEAR AND YET SO FAR



THE PALACE

BY CHRISTINE WHITING PARMENTER

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James murmured, as if his mind had wandered a little from what Ned was saying: "If I could only know where she is now!"

"I know where she was six weeks ago," Ned said, looking at James. "You do?" James Lambert's voice sounded belatedly.

"I heard not half an hour before I started over," Ned told him. "Corinne was at a tea this afternoon and gave one of the other women a lift home—Mrs. Ed Whitney, whose niece was in school with Nora, you remember. She and some friends were on a motor trip through Maine a while ago. They stopped somewhere for lunch and couldn't get away for several hours—some trouble with their car—and to pass the time they wandered into the hotel ball room to watch a dancing class—children of the summer population, I suppose. And Nora was at the piano!"

"She was?"

"Ned nodded.

"Mrs. Whitney didn't recognize her at first. Said she looked a good deal older, and—well, pretty rocky. She was going to speak, but on second thoughts decided it would be kinder not to. But she made some inquiries of the hotel people who were natives of the place. They said that Nora was trying to support her family. That she played the organ at church, and gave music lessons, and made cakes to sell during the summer season, and—"

Ned hesitated, as if uncertain whether to finish, and—well, they said, Father, that she was living in a little old barn or garage or something, down near the water."

James stared at him.

"My Nora living in a barn?"

"That's what Mrs. Whitney said; but she's one who makes the most of a good story. Dad, so don't let me worry you. What riled me was that she told Corinne she thought we ought to do something about it. She implied, as gently as possible, that we'd treated Nora outrageously. Corinne was so mad she didn't have sense enough to ask the name of the town; but I'll call Mrs. Whitney on the telephone and find out. Even Corinne thinks that something should be done—that is, a cynical smile curved Ned's lips. "She's afraid there'll be talk unless we do it!"

For a moment or two James Lambert did not respond. Then he arose and unlocked the cabinet door of Chinese lacquer. As the doors swung open Ned saw that it contained letters—neat piles of letters held together with elastic bands, and a somewhat surprising pair of silver slippers, tarnished now, from being laid away.

"Nora!" he thought, and then his father turned, extending the postal written so long ago.

"I got this in the early summer, three years back. I guess she was poking a little fun at me. I'd told her, you see, that to survive a house must be founded on a rock. She says:

"Safe upon the solid rock the ugly houses stand; Come and see my shining palace built upon the sand!"

"Except for a hint the first time they went to Capri. It's the nearest thing to an invitation she ever gave me. I wish—"

"I wish—to God—I'd gone."

Ned was studying the postal—its quotation—instructions, and the small red map.

"A shining palace," he observed. "That's not the idea Mrs. Whitney gathered—not at all. Corinne said that she appeared quite horrified. Well, Dad, these directions are plain enough. I'll go to Maine tomorrow."

But James, who had resumed his seat before the fire, shook his head.

"No, son, I'm going myself. I dare say I'm the stubborn old man that Martha showed me this evening; but I'm not too stubborn to ask forgiveness of the only daughter I ever had, nor too old to take a journey of a few hours. If they turn me out—and I can't imagine Nora turning her father out, Ned—I can come away again; but I want to see the situation with my own eyes."

He arose, moving briskly, alertly as if he had told himself, there were something to move for, rummaged in his desk for a few minutes, and then said: "I thought there was a timetable around here, but evidently Martha's been clearing house. Will you call up for me, Ned, and engage a Pullman chair on the first train? I want to get off early. And before you leave ask John to have the car here at the proper time."

"That won't be necessary, Dad. I'll run you down to the station myself. I'd like to."

"That'll be fine!" ("How bright the eyes are! No more blinking.") "I'm going to turn in now. If you don't mind. Good-night, son."

"Good-night, Father."

As Ned stood for a moment watching the old man go upstairs, he realized that both the evening and the morning had been a long time ago.

It was well past the middle of the next afternoon when James Lambert found himself trudging along a highway in the state of Maine, with Nora's postcard in his pocket, and something akin to mingling in his heart. For how would she receive her father after his long silence—his long neglect? James wondered, and wondering, his subtle fear increased.

As her card had hinted might be the case, he found the Port's one taxi out of commission, and following those three-year-old instructions, he had taken a joggling, one-man trolley to the end of the route. After a couple of giggling schoolgirls left the car he was its only passenger; and despite the familiar warning: "Don't talk to the molorman," James went forward and spoke through the little window.

"Do you know a Mrs. Donald Mason who lives somewhere around here?"

"The man's face brightened. "Sure I do! Hold my car five minutes for her every Saturday night when she goes down to rehearse the choir, and ten every Sunday mornin' when she goes to church. As I says to her, 'The Shore Line Electric Railway company won't never be any wiser, Mis' Mason, and it don't need the extra time so much as you do.' That's what I said; and the president of the company was to call me down for runnin' off schedule. I'd keep right on doin' it because the year my wife died Mis' Mason made a birthday cake for my little girl. It had fancy pink frosting on it same as the high priced ones she makes for the summer folks, and five pink candles all ready to light up. I don't know how the president of the company was, but that's what she done and I'd hold my car a good half hour if she was to ask me."

"So would I," said James. "And you mean she plays the organ at some church?"

"The Methodist Episcopal at the Port. Gosh! that woman can play to beat the band. Folks that never set foot inside a church before, are right over at the organ when she looks over the music. Yes sir, she plays like a breeze! She gives piano lessons too; and makes bakery stuff to sell durin' the season. She's a smart woman, Mis' Mason. You can tell to hear her talk that she's got a real good education; but she's common as own folks for all that—don't high-tail no one. Here's the end of the line now. You just keep going till you see their mail box. Name's right on it. It ain't only a short half mile and you can't miss it. Yes, ocean side; only the house don't show from the road. It's way in back of the dunes—made out of an old barn they bought cheap. Terrible cold place to live come winter, seems though."

The conductor, his garrulous conversation and his trolley car, jogged out of sight and feeling somewhat lonesome, James started forward. The ocean was not visible from here, but the salt of it was in the air, and he heard the distant roar of waves breaking against rocks. As the sun disappeared behind a cloud the old man stopped, laid down his bag and buttoned his coat higher about the throat, shivering a little. In summer this road would be alive with tourists, he supposed. It was deserted now—a man-made strip of place between the rocky pastures which bordered it on either side.

Strange, James Lambert mused as he started on again, that 24 hours ago he hadn't dreamed of being here. Strange too, that despite the uneasiness he felt at seeing Nora, he was happy that he'd been here for years and years. After a time he found himself hurrying a little. That "short half mile" which the conductor promised, seemed very long. Yet he couldn't have missed the place. This was a lonely stretch of road with no lanes leading seaward. He stopped again, drew Nora's postcard from his pocket and was studying it minutely when a voice startled him.

"Say, Mister, have you seen the R. F. D. man?"

Moving a step or two forward James saw that the voice belonged to a small boy who had, apparently, been swinging on a rustic gate, half hidden from view by a clump of fir trees. There was a mail box too. This must be the place! The old man's heart-beats quickened as he responded: "I haven't seen anybody since I left the trolley. Are you?"

Then, all because a sudden breeze had blown the boy's hair away from his forehead, the question died on James' lips. Where had he seen a forehead and hair like that? he asked himself, some half-forgotten memory stirring to life. Ah! now he recalled it! The door to his own library—a tall young man standing upon the threshold, youth incarnate.

"You're kind of out of breath, aren't you?" the boy was saying. "I guess you've been hurrying. If you're tired why don't you sit down on that rock? It's a good enough place for you. The shore was a walking for you, wasn't it? You've been hurrying, haven't you?"

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"So would I," said James. "And you mean she plays the organ at some church?"

"The Methodist Episcopal at the Port. Gosh! that woman can play to beat the band. Folks that never set foot inside a church before, are right over at the organ when she looks over the music. Yes sir, she plays like a breeze! She gives piano lessons too; and makes bakery stuff to sell durin' the season. She's a smart woman, Mis' Mason. You can tell to hear her talk that she's got a real good education; but she's common as own folks for all that—don't high-tail no one. Here's the end of the line now. You just keep going till you see their mail box. Name's right on it. It ain't only a short half mile and you can't miss it. Yes, ocean side; only the house don't show from the road. It's way in back of the dunes—made out of an old barn they bought cheap. Terrible cold place to live come winter, seems though."

The conductor, his garrulous conversation and his trolley car, jogged out of sight and feeling somewhat lonesome, James started forward. The ocean was not visible from here, but the salt of it was in the air, and he heard the distant roar of waves breaking against rocks. As the sun disappeared behind a cloud the old man stopped, laid down his bag and buttoned his coat higher about the throat, shivering a little. In summer this road would be alive with tourists, he supposed. It was deserted now—a man-made strip of place between the rocky pastures which bordered it on either side.

Strange, James Lambert mused as he started on again, that 24 hours ago he hadn't dreamed of being here. Strange too, that despite the uneasiness he felt at seeing Nora, he was happy that he'd been here for years and years. After a time he found himself hurrying a little. That "short half mile" which the conductor promised, seemed very long. Yet he couldn't have missed the place. This was a lonely stretch of road with no lanes leading seaward. He stopped again, drew Nora's postcard from his pocket and was studying it minutely when a voice startled him.

"Say, Mister, have you seen the R. F. D. man?"

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Robert Stapp made a trip to Waco and Austin since school closed and had a short visit with his two brothers.

Miss Audrey Ruth Smith with Mrs. Clyde Phillips and son returned Thursday for a visit in Hot Springs and Alexander, La. A cousin of Mrs. Phillips returned with them for a visit.

Helen Thurston, a pretty, little Hollywood blonde, thought that she could climb a rope as fast as a monkey, so—

—here they are off to a good start at the halfway mark.

Mortimer Mopus—that's the monkey's name—climbed the race for himself, by stepping on the young lady's—

—wrist and slipping to a safe landing, proceeded to wrap himself around the beam, like the fur of a lady's coat collar. The Hollywood girl didn't win this time—but she certainly moved this time. There must be something to that. (Daringly predicted.)

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Historic Hoaxes

By Elmo Scott Watson.

FOR several years, just as regularly as winter came around, press association dispatches carried the news about hunters up in Canada having to fight for their lives against packs of ferocious timber wolves. In fact, a winter without such a wolf story was like a winter without Christmas and Santa Claus. And strangely enough all of these stories came from the town of Algoma.

And then when the whole nation had become thoroughly "wolf-conscious" (and "Algo-conscious") J. W. Curran, editor of the Sault Ste. Marie Daily Star, confessed that it was all a hoax. He had attempted to interest outside newspapers in the resources of the Algoma wilderness and had failed. So he turned to wolves to help him. The non-existent ferocious beasts turned the trick.

Tourists were attracted to the area in increasing numbers. Even the discovery there of low grade iron ore deposits as the result of the provincial government's offering a bounty for developing iron ore beds is credited to the wolf campaign.

But after while Mr. Curran became tired of hearing his paper called the "Wolf Gazette." He had accomplished his purpose and in an editorial he exposed the hoax. He said, "Any man who says he was bit by a wolf is a liar." Then he offered a \$500 reward for anyone who could claim that an Algoma man had been attacked by a wolf. That reward is still standing for no one has yet tried to collect the \$500. There are wolves in that region but it seems that they're not as fierce as the "Wolf Gazette" once claimed they were.

World War Veterans' Ranks Are Diminishing

More than 37,000 new names were on the roll of America's defenders on Memorial day this year according to Mary Rhodifer, rehabilitation chairman of Jack Grennan Unit of the American Legion Auxiliary. During the past year, World War veterans have been dying at the rate of 103 per day. Mrs. Rhodifer pointed out meaning that 37,595 has passed since last Memorial day.

"This heavy death rate among men who served in the World War has placed an increased burden upon the American Legion and Auxiliary, and has enlarged the need for Poppy Day contributions," added Mrs. Rhodifer. "The money received for memorial Poppy Day recently will form the principal source of support for the Legion and Auxiliary welfare activities during the coming year. Almost every veteran now dying leaves a widow and children. Unless legal proof of a disability received in the service amounting to 30% or more has been established by the veteran no government aid is available for the widow and children. The Legion and Auxiliary must step in with emergency aid, if the family is without means, and strive to keep the home together. For every veteran who dies, several are stricken down with disabilities. This government provision is a hospital for all, whether the beneficiary is available, but many forms of aid are furnished and again the Legion and Auxiliary must step in, the more Poppy Day contributions the better."

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Sugar, Imperial cane, 10 pounds for..... 44c

Teco Bulk Coffee 2 lbs. for..... 25c

Matches 3 boxes for..... 10c

Oatmeal, 3 lb box with Bowl..... 23c

Lipton or Maxwell House Tea 1/2 lb pkg with glass..... 21c

Kraft's Malted Milk, 2 lb can..... 54c

Tex-Joy Coffee, 2lb pkg with premium..... 59c

Mustard..... 12c

Quart Jar..... 15c

