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FRIDAY  
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"BAB'S CANDIDATE"  
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"TOPICS OF THE DAY"  
TUESDAY

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THE SCREEN DISCOVERY OF THE YEAR

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FOX NEWS  
WEDNESDAY  
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THURSDAY  
HOOT GIBSON

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Story of two smiling ne'er-do-wells, who came into possession of a one-horse newspaper in a little western town. Pinto cleans up the town, is elected sheriff, solves a murder mystery and wins the girl.

COMEDY  
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there. Some of the most sanguinary fighting of the Rebellion occurred around Fredericksburg. Spottsylvania, Wilderness, Chancellorsville, Salem Church, the siege and battle of Fredericksburg, and many lesser battles were fought in Spottsylvania County in which Fredericksburg is located. More Americans were killed in the five above mentioned battles than we lost altogether in the late war. After seeing the fields where these great struggles were fought, and learning more of the intimate history of the surrounding country, one realizes very strongly how nearly our union came to being deservered. The federal forces were beaten in every battle in this part of the country, and suffered considerably greater losses in men than did the confederates. That consummate general and strategist, Lee, had under him one of the best bodies of men who ever bore arms. Most all of his soldiers were boys from off the farms and plantations of the south, expert riflemen and woodsmen, inured to the hardships of out-of-door life. On the other hand, the army of the Potomac was drawn from a North which was already rapidly developing into an industrial and manufacturing region, thus the men who composed it came chiefly from the cities—clerks, tradesmen and laborers. Though possessing the same unflinching courage of the southern troops, they were not so well equipped by early training to become soldiers.

"Though most histories (printed in the east) are reluctant to record it, I am convinced that it was the Union armies of the west that finally crushed the rebellion and preserved the Union. In these armies, the troops of Sherman, Grant, and Thomas, were men who were a match in every way for the southerners; hardy pioneers and woodsmen and farmers from what was then our western frontier. If Sherman had not been able to break through the confederate lines and force his way through the South, thus cutting off supplies and men from the Virginia army under Lee, it is improbable that any northern army could have brought about his surrender.

"It was our purpose before going to visit the battle fields to secure the services of a guide or some one competent to direct us about. We soon came across an old gentleman by the name of Santley, an ex-confederate scout under Mosby. He very kindly volunteered to show us about the city. We saw the girlhood home of Washington's mother, a modest little colonial place, and the former homes of many who have figured in one way and another in the life of our nation; the house of John Paul (afterwards John Paul Jones), the law office of Monroe, now occupied by darkies, the lodge room where Washington was initiated into Masonry, the old Washington farm just across the Rappahannock from Fredericksburg, and many other spots of as great or lesser interest.

When one speaks of the war in Fredericksburg, it always means the Civil War, and when one speaks of the battle it means, to the residents, the siege of Fredericksburg. Many

buildings still show the marks of the conflict, breaches made in walls by shells, and there are evidences everywhere of musket shots. The "sunken road" where one of the most intense and bloody struggles of the war occurred, is within the city, and one can easily understand, after seeing the place, the folly of Burnside's in attempting to carry the hill on the opposite side of the road by storm.

"Shortly before leaving the town for Chancellorsville, we were fortunate in getting a noted character and resident to accompany us, one Willie White. Willie was eight years old at the time of the siege, and was imprisoned with two smaller brothers for over twenty-four hours without food or water, in the basement of a house directly in the path of the two contending armies. He was remarkably well posted on the history and events which occurred in that part of Virginia, so his incidental descriptions, explanations and anecdotes made the remainder of our trip much more interesting than it would have been otherwise.

"Chancellorsville, taking its name from the Chancellor estate on which the old breast-works used by the Union troops and their opponents may still be plainly seen. The old house also bears testimony to the great struggle which occurred there, having been made almost into a sieve during the battle. A few miles beyond Chancellorsville there is a monument erected at the spot where Stonewall Jackson fell, shot by his own soldiers while reconnoitering in front of his lines. The stone bears the dying words of this great general and simple Christian, 'Let us cross over the river and rest in the shade of the trees.'

"From this point we drove through the Wilderness on the plank road, along which the battle of that name was partly fought—an ideal fighting country, if there ever was one—thick woods and many swells in the ground, and numberless little streams. We saw the spot where Lee and Jackson had their famous headquarters on horse-back, a day or two before Jack-

son's death. "Then on to the vicinity where Spottsylvania Courthouse was fought, including the 'bloody angel,' much in its former condition, the trenches for many yards where the two armies fought one another just a few feet apart, being plainly discernable. Oak trees, which in the 60's had a circumference of several feet, were completely shot away by musket fire. General Sedgwick, on coming out into an opening in the woods at the commencement of the battle noticed his men bending over, evidently for the purpose of escaping the rebel bullets, which led him to remark, 'Well, you are feeling mighty polite this morning, boys.' He was instantly killed after uttering these words, and a beautiful monument now preserves for the future the memory of what happened there.

"After having a genuine southern dinner at the Spottsylvania Inn, we drove back to Washington, only stopping for a few minutes in Fredericksburg on our return."

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