

# Today

About Texas.  
Very Large State.  
Biggest the Least of It.  
Fine Men, Better Women  
By ARTHUR BRISBANE

This is written on a journey between New York and Fort Worth, Tex., via the Pennsylvania and the M. K. & T.

You pick up the well edited Muskogee Daily Phoenix, studying first the news summary. It gives 14 lines to Muskogee, 12 lines to the United States in general, two and one-quarter to Europe.

That's intensive cultivation in the home field. Some statesmen that would like Uncle Sam to go wandering over Europe like a Yankee Don Quixote, seeking adventure, should subscribe to the Muskogee Daily Phoenix and read it carefully.

Texas is the state for which the flying machine was invented. Automobiles will do for other states, but not for Texas; they can't go far enough in a week.

On the fastest train you leave the eastern border of Texas at Texarkana, at 8 a. m. You reach the western edge of the state at El Paso at 12:59 p. m. on the next day. Several European nations could be packed on either side of that stretch of railroad track.

Fold your map of the United States up toward the north and Texas reaches Canada. Fold it toward the south, it reaches well into Central America. Fold it to the right eastward, it reaches New York, to left westward, it reaches California.

Yet mere bigness is the least of Texas' greatness.

Edward Burke striving to establish peace between England and its North American colonies—he failed luckily—thought he was paying us quite a compliment when he said, "There is America, which at this day serves for little more than to amuse you with stories of savage men and uncouth manners, yet shall, before you taste of death, show itself equal to the whole of that commerce which now attracts the envy of the world."

Texas, under intensive cultivation, could easily feed the 1,600,000,000 inhabitants of this earth, and Texas will, in days to come, eclipse the commerce of Britain, as completely as Britain now eclipses that of Haiti.

If it were possible for Burke to see this magnificent state, a gigantic empire within a great republic, as it exists now with its high roads, railroads, great cities, forests, farms, factories, packing plants, orchards, and happy people even his fine vocabulary would fail to express the wonder with which he would be filled.

Inexhaustible, inconceivable, is the wealth of this state. Yet its greatness lies neither in size nor in wealth, but in character and purpose. When the people of Texas wrote their declaration of independence of Mexico, and established themselves a republic, before they entered the United States they put in that declaration a few words more important to the future of Texas and humanity than all the oil wells, all the fertile land.

Texas cut itself off from Mexico because the government of Mexico had failed to provide public schools for the children.

Wherever you look in Texas today you see magnificent public schools, high schools, as beautiful as the palaces of old, state normal schools and other public institutions, for education.

In the comparatively small city of Denton, 5,000 young girls study under state direction. Those girls represent the Texas "crop" of highest value.

But the bigness of Texas does overwhelm you, after visiting other geographical divisions, just as the bigness of the Coliseum, or the grandeur of St. Peter's impresses you after seeing other buildings.

In an ordinary state, or country, you can shoot an arrow in the air, and it falls to earth you know not where.

But you can shoot an arrow, or a shell from a "Big Bertha" in Texas, go to the spot where it landed, shoot it again, and keep that up indefinitely, and it will land, everlastingly, in Texas. It's really a big state, and very beautiful.

Buy yourself a little house in Switzerland and a little automobile. That car will take you in a short run to France, Italy, Germany, Austria, Belgium.

Settle, in the center of Texas, and you will wear out your tires trying to get anywhere else.

It's a rugged state, a powerful state, conscious of its present greatness and of the future.

Think of a state in which, because of cheap fuel, electric power costs 1 cent a kilowatt hour.

Think of reading, tucked away in a corner of that admirable daily, dear to all Texans, the Dallas Morning News, this casual announcement, printed yesterday, "Another large gas well, the largest yet tapped in the Ada field, was brought in Saturday at 1,317 feet. Open flow gauge on the well measured 25,000,000 feet; the tools were blown out of the hole."

No wonder young Stinnes, whose father seems to own most of the real money in Germany, and a good deal of what is left in Russia, is now mousing around in Texas to see what he can see and buy.

There is more hidden away under this land of Texas than all the wealth that all the imaginations of the world ever dreamed of.

Every other state in this union can be proud of being "a sister of Texas." And Texas might well hang over the door of every public building, refinery, factory, farm house and school, "It hath not yet been shown what we shall be."

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## Convict Refuses to Reveal Story of Dead Mayor

### Son of New Jersey Official Who Ended Life Visits Prisoner at Penitentiary.

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee.

Lincoln, Nov. 14.—Louis Folsom, N. J., who recently committed suicide following an attack upon him by blackmailers, failed today, he said, to secure the names of his father's persecutors from Charles Currey, penitentiary inmate, who had declared that he was familiar with them.

Folsom, however, intimated that he had secured information which would be of service to him in the search he and the prosecuting attorney of Irvington are making for the blackmailers.

He came here from Irvington for the express purpose of questioning Currey, who told newspaper reporters several weeks ago that he would only divulge the names after he had been released from the penitentiary, where he was sent after being found guilty in Omaha of a charge of breaking and entering. His sentence expires in 16 months.

Folsom denied he had ever seen Currey before, but said there was no doubt in his mind that the penitentiary inmate had known his father. He would not say whether he had learned where Currey had become acquainted with the late mayor.

"I will tell what I have found after I have returned to Irvington and can check up the details," he said.

He admitted, when asked, that he was afraid that his case would be weakened were he to tell all he knew at this time, but confessed that his 1,500-mile trip had not been without some success.

Folsom's statement that he is certain Currey knew his father does not tally with Currey's declaration to penitentiary officials that he has lived all his life in Nebraska.

According to penitentiary records, he was born in Franklin county, Nebraska, in 1872, and has a sister, Mrs. C. H. Brown, living at Aurora, Ill. He also stated that he was single.

When interviewed some weeks ago, he said he had been born in Illinois; that he had lived a good part of his life in New York, and that he had a daughter living in New York city. His connection with Folsom was revealed from letters written to the deceased man's wife.

## Coolidge May Veto Soldier Bonus Bill

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The groups in their districts, viewed abstractly, and as a national issue, the bonus is not favored. If the roll calls on it were secret, it would be beaten. This sentiment against the bonus expressed itself in both conventions in 1920. The republican convention, after listening to an appeal in behalf of the bonus, turned it down and was silent. The democratic convention went further and in its platform specifically disapproved the bonus in the following words:

"The fine patriotism exhibited, the heroic conduct displayed by American soldiers, sailors and marines, at home and abroad, constitute a sacred heritage of posterity, the worth of which can never be recompensed from the treasury, and the glory of which must not be diminished."

This expression of anti-bonus sentiment in the democratic platform would have been even stronger but for the personal popularity of the young ex-soldier from Oklahoma, who made the fight for the bonus on the convention floor.

If the bonus does not pass congress before the two national conventions come in June and July there is no reason to anticipate that the 1924 conventions will act differently on this subject from the 1920 conventions. It is an axiom with politicians that men do not vote their gratitude, but do vote their resentment. They feel that if they pass the bonus the ex-soldiers who will be beneficiaries of it will then vote as they feel on other issues, while the considerable larger number of taxpayers will vote their resentment against whatever

party is responsible for the additional taxation.

Whether the bonus passes or not, the reduction in taxation planned by Mr. Mellon will surely come. It may vary in form from Mr. Mellon's recommendation. But something like the amount he names will actually be cut from the national tax bill.

Those senators and congressmen who have already said they will oppose Mr. Mellon's suggested reduction will be an insignificant minority. The present tax structure will be cut to something like the degree and in something like the way Mr. Mellon has pointed out. If the bonus is adopted at all it will be accomplished by a separate form of taxation applied specifically to the payment of the bonus and lasting as long as the bonus lasts.

## Free Shoe Fund Already in Debt

### Shoes Furnished Needy "Kiddies" in Advance—Many on Waiting List.

With 10 pairs of shoes already given out to poor children actually barefoot, the Free Shoe Fund starts the year in debt to the shoe stores.

And a list of wistful little children of the poor is already waiting until kind-hearted people shall have sent in enough money that they, too, may have the covered and greatly needed shoes which will protect them from the lurking dangers of disease and maybe worse.

Teachers investigate each case. Children get shoe orders from School Officer Carver.

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## What kind of a boy was IRVIN S. COBB?

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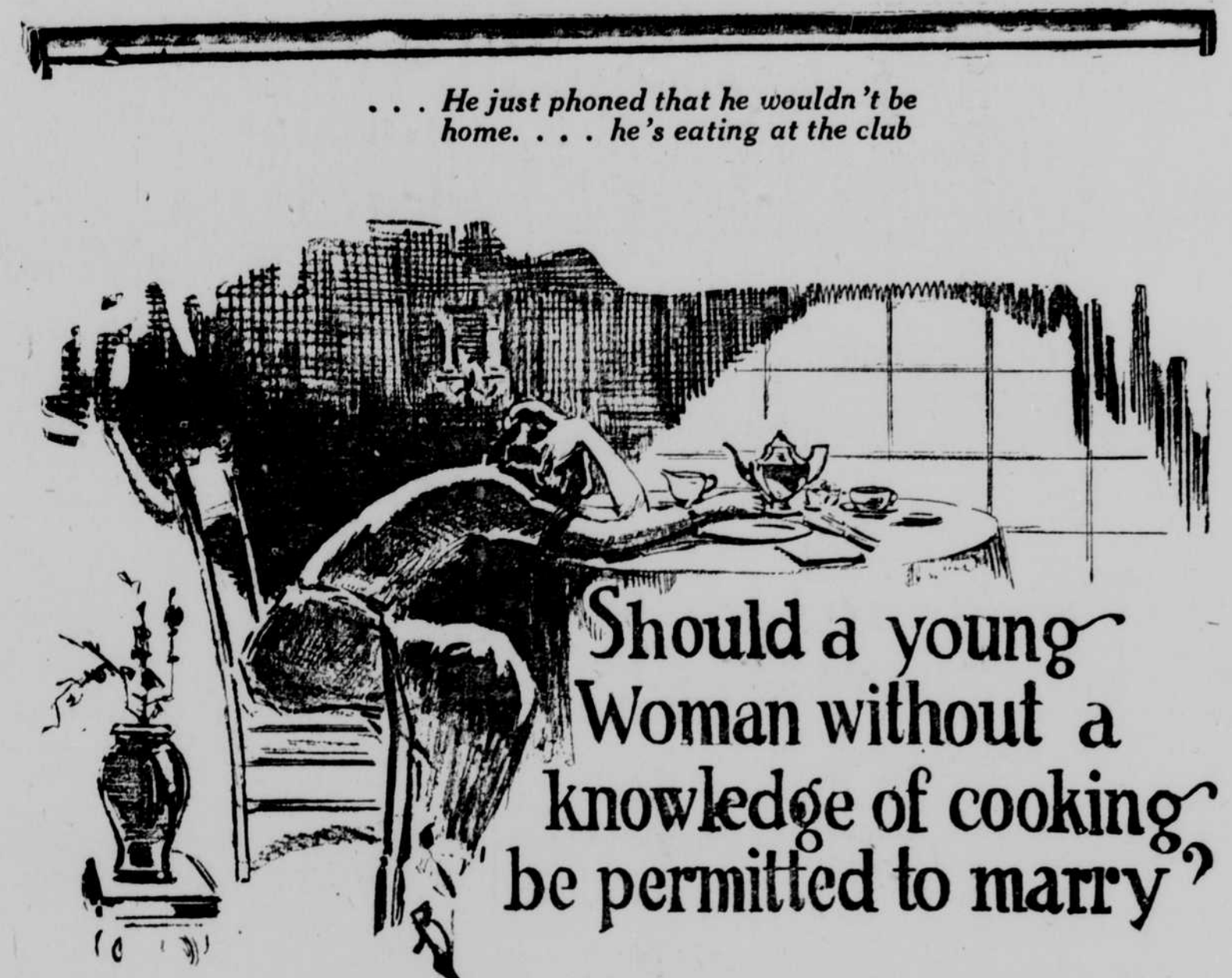
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Should a young Woman without a knowledge of cooking be permitted to marry?

**Would You Like to Learn More About Cooking?**

If you fancy foreign cooking, rare dishes nowadays served only in our foremost hotels and cafes; if you wish to learn how easily you may surprise your own guests at home with choice delectables originated by famous European chefs, read

**"Favorite Dishes of Foreign Nations"**

in this magazine next Sunday by **JUAN MULLER** formerly chief chef Hotel Waldorf-Astoria and Hotel La Salle, now manager Brandeis restaurants, Omaha.

Are you in doubt as to what to plan for your Thanksgiving menu? Do you wish it to cost much or little? Will you pay high prices for turkey, or what meat will you serve? You will find a wealth of helpful advice and novel suggestions in Verda E. Williams' article, "Food Thoughts for Thanksgiving," in November PRACTICAL COOKERY, with next Sunday's Omaha Bee.

Mrs. Phebe B. Fullaway, directress Omaha Young Women's Christian association cafeteria tells the secrets of good pastry baking. Her interesting article, "The Finishing Touch to a Delightful Meal," and the tempting new recipes included will positively make you hunger for these sweets. Read it and file away her recipes, in November PRACTICAL COOKERY.

These and other timely, instructive and valuable hints in cookery will be presented by able writers on such subjects, in addition to a special feature by M. Massara, chef of Omaha club and Omaha Country club, entitled "Awakening Sleepy Appetites," revealing the reason why so many husbands prefer club meals to eating at home.

She was a charming young bride of but a few short months. That her happiness was assured was acknowledged by her many admiring friends. Her beauty surpassed that of any other young woman among her acquaintances. She danced wonderfully well. Her technique in piano attracted more than local attention. Yet . . .

. . . in spite of her radiant beauty and unusual accomplishments, her happiness seemed to hang in the balance. She was very unhappy. She knew, and Jack knew, that she lacked the one qualification necessary to make her circle of happiness complete—a knowledge of the Art of Cooking.

Should she have admitted her ignorance of cooking before entering the bonds of matrimony? What would you have done? How many other girls are making the same mistake? How many young women among your own acquaintances are taking the responsibility of a household lacking the proper knowledge of the Art of Cooking?

How many husbands forsake home cooking in order to dine at their club? What does a knowledge of cooking mean to the economic success of the home? Does extravagance in cooking mean "better" cooking, or does it often "spoil" the dish?

These questions and hundreds of others will be answered in the most interesting, fascinating and instructive articles and features ever presented for your perusal in the first and succeeding issues of The Omaha Bee's

## Practical Cookery Magazine

The first issue of this magazine will be Sunday, November the 18th. You'll find it "chuck-full" of interesting, inspiring and instructive articles written by some of the most prominent authorities on the Art of Cooking. In this magazine you will find a multitude of new ideas in cooking. It is YOUR magazine to read and enjoy. Don't miss a single copy. It is published and edited under the direct supervision of The Omaha Bee and will appear EXCLUSIVELY in this paper.

Watch for the First Issue of "Practical Cookery" Magazine in The Omaha Bee Next Sunday