

New Novels Added At Local Library

Several new novels have recently been received at the library by gift and by purchase that a large portion of the reading public will gladly welcome.

The winner of the Pulitzer Prize this year is entitled "Lamb In His Bosom" a picture of rural life in an out-of-the-way section of Georgia, the author being a young matron, Mrs. Caroline Miller, who has seemingly lavished all the poetry of her nature on this refreshing book, the human touch doing wonders for a simple tale of everyday men and women. Mrs. Miller has shown herself to be a finished writer who might well give points to some grown-up in this writing business.

"Out For The Lamps Of China," written at least a year ago, has gradually climbed to the best sellers list without special advertising. Those who are familiar with Pearl Buck's vivid and often harrowing description of the native realize that it has all been done from the missionary point of view but Alice Hobart strives to show what a plain American is up against when he goes to the Far East intent only upon making a living. While she is equally good as a delineator of character and gives perhaps the same attention to detail, yet the result is a bit different and quite worthwhile.

That snappy "Stay Out Of My Life," will please another class of readers and Sophie Kerr is at her best as shown by its popularity as a serial. It is now having an enormous sale in book form as it is eminently suited for those who do not care for fiction.

Even if one is not a Sinclair Lewis admirer, yet "Work of Art" will be read. There is always curiosity as to what this versatile writer will do next and many will consider it an attempt to regain lost favor in certain quarters.

Kathleen Norris' books always sell in a big way. "Manhattan Love Song," a story of college boys and girls who go to New York to try to gain recognition, will not remain on the library shelves long at a time. She sympathizes with the younger generation in all their joys and sorrows and writes in a large following.

The scene of "Within This Present" is laid in Chicago during several years and depicts the life of a family during the changes that come with the expansion of the city. You'll miss it—Mrs. Bates' way of holding one's interest through a long recital.

The Human Book Committee.

Nobody's Business

By GEE MCGEE

MY FIRST VENTURE IN LOVE AND AFFECTION

When I reached the age of 20 summers, I decided that I was old enough to take up courting on a small scale. I knew a girl casually that was as pretty as beauty ever allowed a person to be, and I was powerful anxious to contact her with possible matrimonial intent.

Much to my surprise, she answered "by hand" one Saturday and said: "Why shure—I will be glad to have you call on me. You should take dinner with us Sunday, Aunt Julia and Uncle Bob will be here. I will be looking for you." I dressed up the best I could and went to see Tessie and her kinfolks.

It was August, a drought was afflicting the country, my new tan shoes had not been broke in very good, the distance was 5 miles, the road was dusty, I was traveling a-foot, my only suit was best suited for winter, my first linen collar had wilted, and before I got half way to Tessie's, my 2 little toes were crawling upon their neighbors, but nothing deterred me. I wobbled on.

I reached my rendezvous (French for Tessie's home) about 9:30 a. m., just as her 4 brothers had returned and caught an old rooster for dinner. I helped them pick him before I went in. I also assisted them in watering the 2 mules and taking the cow to the pasture. Tessie finally spied me and made me come into the parlor. Her 4 little brothers asked a hundred questions, such as: "Do that wart on your nose hurt?" "Where did you borrow them shoes?" "What are you coming to our house for?" "Can you see good thru dem green speckles?"

Dinner was finally ready, and I was put right to work, but was ashamed to eat very much. The old rooster was as tough as a half-eagle. I was afraid that Tessie's daddy was going to call on me to ask the blessing. I almost fainted. But Uncle Bob tried to ask it; he got it badly mixed up with the Lord's prayer, and "Now I lay me down to sleep," I took 2 helpings of several times and got them all right except I had had over my coffee in butter, milk and berries. My stomach got caught in my hair.

They had she-crit. I had never seen any before, that is—except after I had got thru eating. It was cherry pie, and I almost busted my

teeth out as I thought I had to eat the seeds. I got to use my napkin; in fact, I didn't know what it was for till I saw aunt Julia wipe the sweat off of her neck. Tessie was mighty sweet to me, but we sit ten feet apart all of the time. I started home about 5 p. m., and got there in time to sleep the hogs, shuck the corn, fetch in stove-wood, and latch up the chicken house. She married another fellow.

NOISES FROM FLAT ROCK

Holmsmoore's second son Hanson moore, has bought himself a fine motor-sickle and made the down payment with his own money which he earned by renting 12 acres of cotton land to the government which they let lay out.

Hanson rides nearly all day and nearly all night on his nice motor-sickle and sneaks thru town as fast as lightning with some times as high as 2 women with him, one of them sets on the handle bars and the other one sets in the saddle right behind his rear.

Hanson is also a trick rider and can stand upon top of same with his hands poked out. He has killed only 11 dogs and 19 chickens up to now, but his nake is not yet broke much to the disappointment of the owners of the lost dogs and chickens. He is thinking of going to the world's fare up in Chicago, provided he can find out which direction it is from here.

The manner in which Hanson is acting is hurting his daddy in flat rock's money-cup politics, he is running for mayor of our fair city, but everybody who nearly gets run over by holms and his motor-sickle swears by all and nobody that they will never vote for his daddy, he is no respecter of persons. He antagonized when he speeds thru town ansoforth and at least 12 votes have gone over to the present incumbent.

The last time he run over a girl turned up in the front wheel and ran and ran until he hit the hind wheel, and he got his shoulder badly hurt, all the end of his tail got smashed off. The policeman thought at first that he had been fractured, but it turned out that only a large hole, it was a needle hole in his back, he said he was riding only about 20 miles when he crossed the road in front of him and hit it. He is a lucky fellow with his back wheel when you try to dodge such a fellow.

Hanson and his motor-sickle has

State Ready For Electrification Of Rural Districts

The rural electrification of North Carolina will be an important step in the agricultural advancement of the State according to David S. Weaver, agricultural engineer at State College.

Thousands of farms over the State are well situated to take advantage of the possibilities now awaiting development, he said, and the time is coming when these farms will be equipped with efficient and economical electrical appliances.

Already there is a large potential source of power which may be obtained by extending rural transmission lines from the 49 municipally-owned plants now in operation. Still more power can be obtained by the development of hydro-electric plants along the many streams in the Piedmont area.

Before a transmission line can be erected with assurance of profitable operation. The farmers along the proposed right-of-way must guarantee the consumption of a reasonable amount of current for each mile of transmission line.

Weaver said that in a number of communities the farmers are getting together and ascertaining how many of their number will use the current if a line is erected. When a sufficient number agree to install electricity, negotiations can be made with the local power system for extending transmission lines.

He is making a special study of rural electrification possibilities in North Carolina, and is willing to offer suggestions to any group of farmers who communicate with him. He hopes to soon have an investigator available for every two or three counties to go into the field and help the farmers plan for the obtaining of a transmission line and the installation of electrical appliances.

Calcium Strains Bones

Calcium is absolutely essential for proper bone and teeth development and for the prevention of tooth decay; it is therefore necessary for adults as well as growing children, although not in so large quantities for adults.

Calcium is found in many of the foods that we eat, but it is often difficult to get enough of it. The best sources of calcium are milk, milk products, and leafy green vegetables. It is also found in some fruits, such as oranges and lemons, and in some nuts and seeds. However, it is often difficult to get enough of it from food alone, especially in the case of growing children and the elderly. Therefore, it is often necessary to take calcium supplements.

New Revised Sales Tax Rule To Apply On First Of August

"Invisibility" Is Optional, Sales Tax Doesn't Have To Be Shown Now

Revised rules and regulations on the collection of North Carolina's sales tax will be effective August 1, instead of on the previously announced date, July 15, A. J. Maxwell, Commissioner of Revenue, announced this week.

The regulation permitting merchants to make the sales tax "invisible" is not new, the Commissioner said, pointing out that the original regulations adopted a year ago permitted it.

Willard Dowell, secretary of the North Carolina Merchants' Association, who has made a business of keeping the three per cent levy obnoxiously "visible" since its passage, hopes that it will be repealed. He took issue strongly with the proposed "invisibility" ruling.

The original regulations adopted by this department in June, 1933, provided that it is optional with each

merchant or by agreement with groups of merchants whether the tax be shown as a separate charge on such sale of merchandise," Mr. Maxwell said.

"This regulation is outlined in the revised rules. Many merchants and groups of merchants have heretofore, under this ruling, shown the tax as a separate item and many have not shown it as a separate item. A merchant is not required to state the tax separately from the price of the merchandise, but he may do so if desired."

However, the act and the regulations prohibit the merchant from advertising in any way that he absorbs the sales tax, or any part of it. It must be added to the price of the merchandise.

Delay in sending copies of the rules to merchants has caused the postponement of the effective date. As soon as they are available they will be sent to every registered merchant.

Eagle on U. S. Coins

The eagle was put on U. S. coins April 2, 1792, when President Washington signed the law to establish a United States mint, which went into effect at once. Early in October, 1792, the first half dimes were cast, bearing the eagle.



Over the Hills and Far Away

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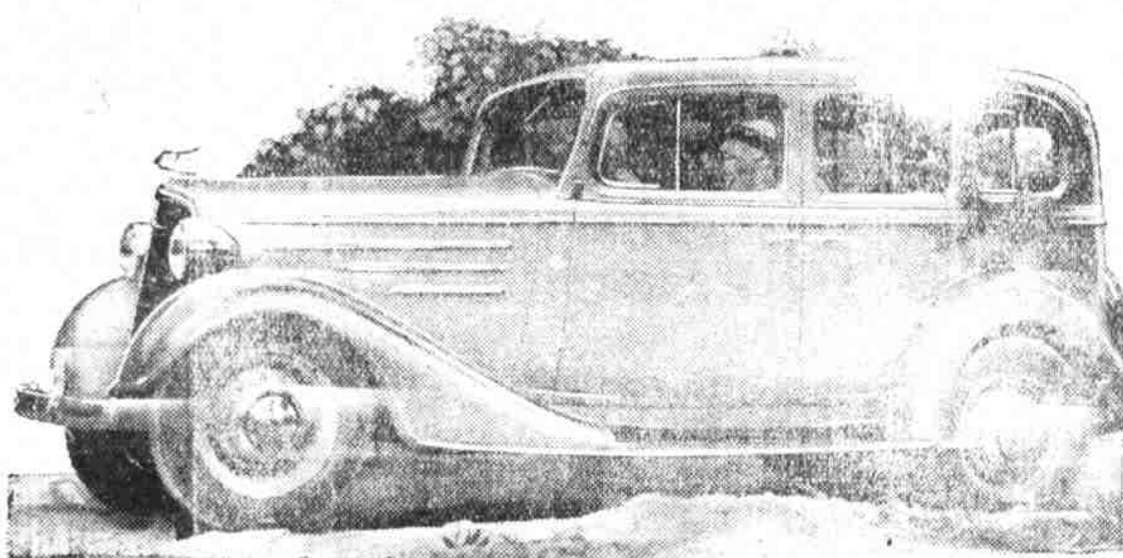
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