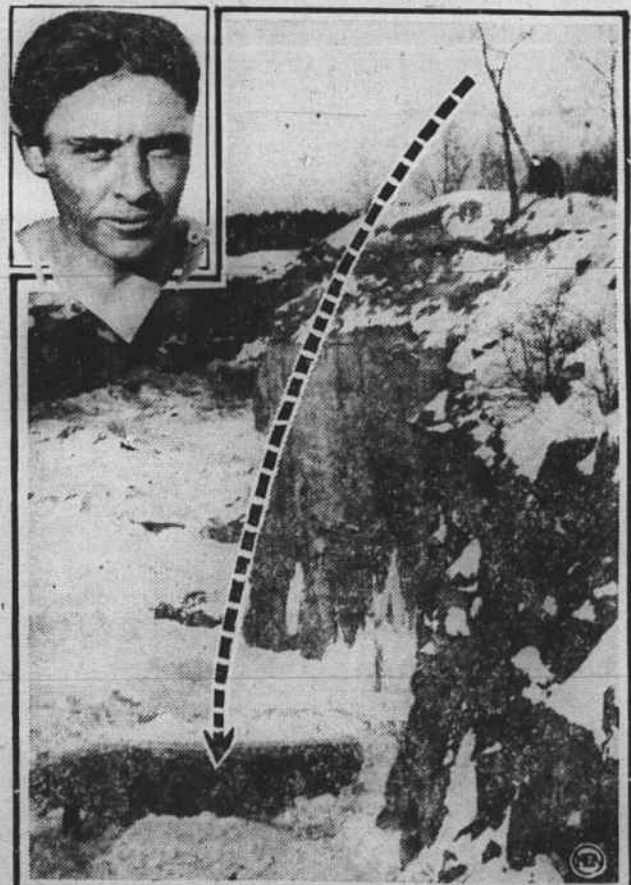


Colonel, We Salute You!



This is Maxine Brown, honorary colonel of the Sixth Infantry, referred to by the late President Harding as the prettiest girl to visit the White House, regarded by many one of the most graceful dancers in the country, and now sought by the Prince of Wales to dance in a London revue. She now is in New York City where she is popular.

Days of Real Sport!



These are the days of real sport! Up in Amoskeag, near Manchester, N. H., a brave crowd, calling themselves "super-brownies," dive and swim regardless of temperature. Joe McBride, 21 (inset), dived from the top of a maple tree 105 feet into an ice hole.

"Mistah" Cochran's Wealth Proved Of Elusive Kind

Texas Negro Who Fooled Reporters and Automobile Salesmen With Faked Bank Book and a Good Line of Seemingly Reluctant Chatter Returns to Auto Laundry

By L. C. OWEN
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San Francisco, March 6.—"Mistah" William B. Cochran, "auto laundryman" par excellence, and owner of 80 acres of prospective—very dimly prospective—oil land in Loving County, Texas, today renewed his acquaintance with work. Simultaneously, he reluctantly gave up his newly acquired prestige as leading social light and "mostest moneyed man" of San Francisco's colored section.

William, it seems, is not an oil millionaire at all—not even a near millionaire—as he has tried for the last several days to make the world at large believe. However, he has a vivid imagination, and that is something William unmuds and by vigorous arm work imparts a shining super gloss to automobiles on the back part of an open air parking grounds here. That is, he did until the end of last week.

Then it became bruited about his immediate neighborhood that William had suddenly come into great and unexpected wealth from oil. Some person with a nose for news—or possibly it might have been Mistah Cochran himself—kindly tipped off the newspapers. An army of reporters and camera men promptly swooped down.

They pried Mistah Cochran loose from a mob of auto salesmen, diamond venders and real estate agents and got him into a far corner. "How about this million dollars you just got for your oil lands," they demanded.

Mistah Cochran was reluctant to talk. It was just the proper degree of reluctance to be convincing. "Taint no million dollars at all," he finally admitted. "It's only three

hundred and fifty thousand." After that still reluctantly, he told his story. Six months ago, just before he came to California, he said, he was induced to buy 80 acres of land in Loving County, Texas. Later he went and looked at the land, it was all sand. So he kissed his money goodbye.

Last Thursday, Mistah Cochran continued, two "white gemmens" suddenly appeared at his auto laundry. They offered him \$350,000 for his land, and he accepted. He pulled a bank book which showed in most approved bank chirography a deposit of the alleged purchase price.

All went well and everybody believed in William's suddenly acquired wealth, until the story got down into Texas. Loving County it seems, has no oil; it is not even near an oil producing section.

"Taint Loving County—it's Loring County," declared William when confronted with facts. There is no Loring County in Texas.

William spent most of Tuesday being "third degree'd" by reporters. Tuesday night he admitted the truth. "The mostest ah ever got outen that land was stung," he declared.

"Ah told some promotahs here about it and they said they'd send a man down an' look at it and if 'twas any good they'd permote it. They gives me a 'greement saying I git \$10,000 as soon as de man gits back—pervidin' the land's got oil on it. After that I'm to get \$340,000 more when dey sells de stock. The man comes back and says de lans no good. I shows the 'greement to some friends and pretty soon de reportahs come. A girl fren fixed up de bank book.

Dats how come."

There are no auto salesmen, diamond venders or reporters hovering around Mistah Cochran today.

Also he's fired the substitute whom he hired to unmud autos for him while he basked in the counter-felt spotlight of opulence. And if his cup of grief isn't sufficiently full, it might be added that his best girl has totally deserted him.

CURRITUCK PLANNING FOR BETTER SCHOOLS

Three special tax elections are to be held in Currituck County on Saturday, April 26, and in each case, if the election carries, a local annual tax of 30 cents on the \$100 valuation of property will be levied to supplement the funds for the six months public school term in that district.

One district affected is Barco or Crawford District Number 7, election for which will be held at the old one teacher school near Barco; another district in which a special tax election will be held is Tulls, or Crawford township school district number 5, and in this district the election will be held in the old one-teacher school near Tulls; while the third district affected is the new Shawboro district formed by the consolidation of Indiantown, Gregory, Shawboro and Corner Gum Corner Gum schools, and this election will be held in Shawboro North.

No county in Northeastern North Carolina is making more rapid strides in education than is Currituck at this time, the schools of the county now forming one effectively coordinated system.

COLORADO'S BIGGEST GUSHER

Denver, March 6.—(By The Consolidated Press.)—An official test of discovery well on the Hamilton Dome in Moffatt County, Colorado, shows it flowing 4,580 barrels a day with the drill about twenty feet in the sand. The company claims the well is the best ever brought in in Colorado.

R. R. Moss is spending a few days in Washington, N. C.

COOLIDGE CARRIES MINNESOTA COUNTIES

St. Paul, Minn., March 6.—Calvin Coolidge yesterday carried the county Presidential primaries in this state thus insuring his getting the state at the National Convention.

The height of optimism in China is saying the crown prince will inherit the throne.

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125 experts who devote their whole time to studying betterments. Who make 500,000 tests per year to maintain our supremacy.

Consider Studebaker history. For 72 years this concern has stood for high principles and policies.

For two generations, against all the world, it held first place in horse-drawn vehicles.

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5-Pass. 112" W.B. 40 H.P.	
Touring	\$1045.00
Roadster (3-Pass.)	1025.00
Coupe-Roadster (2-Pass.)	1195.00
Coupe (5-Pass.)	1395.00
Sedan	1485.00

Now for years its name and fame have been committed to like attainments in fine motor cars.

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There is no room here for details and comparisons. You will find them all in Studebaker showrooms. But let us cite some significant facts.

That lack of vibration, so conspicuous in Studebakers, costs us \$600,000 yearly in extra machining of crank shafts.

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Our modern plants and their equipment cost \$50,000,000. All to give you the maximum value at the minimum of cost.

It is folly to buy a car in this class without knowing what we give.

parts comes from the costliest steels. For some we add 15% to the quoted price to get exactness in them.

That Chase Mohair, used in our closed cars, is made from the soft fleece of Angora goats. Cotton or ordinary wool, or a combination of both, could reduce our price \$100 to \$150 per car, but it would sacrifice Studebaker quality.

Note the bumpers, the steel trunk, the extra cord tires, the motometer, the courtesy light on some models. Figure what they would cost as extras.

The infinite care

We use 35 formulas for steel, each

SPECIAL-SIX

5-Pass. 119" W.B. 50 H.P.	
Touring	\$1425.00
Roadster (2-Pass.)	1400.00
Coupe (5-Pass.)	1895.00
Sedan	1985.00

worked out to exactness for supreme service in its place.

We employ 1,200 inspectors to make 30,000 inspections of the material and workmanship in each Studebaker car—before it leaves the factory.

Consider how Studebaker has always led in the building of high-grade cars. We were first to use cord tires as standard equipment. We were the first quantity manufacturers to build bodies of the highest grade.

If you want beauty, fine upholstery, rich finish and equipment, consider that Studebaker has had more experience in fine coach building than any other motor car maker.

Our place no accident

The pedestal place which Studebaker holds in the fine-car field is not the result of accident. It comes from principles as old as this business—the ceaseless and determined ambition to excel.

Learn the result of these efforts. Compare detail by detail, part by part, with any car you wish. When you foot the advantages, you will find that they number scores.

These are facts you should know. They are inducing 150,000 per year to choose Studebaker cars.

Some sell at \$1,045. Some meet with every requirement in size and power and luxury. But the chassis are all alike, save in size. The same steels, the same standards throughout. Every important Studebaker part represents the best we know.

People have learned these facts—hundreds of thousands of them. The demand for Studebakers has almost trebled in three years. It has become overwhelming, even for our facilities.

Investigate the reasons. You will find them by the scores. Then, if you choose a rival car, we shall have nothing more to say.

BIG-SIX

7-Pass. 126" W.B. 60 H.P.	
Touring	\$1750.00
Speedster (5-Pass.)	1835.00
Coupe (5-Pass.)	2495.00
Sedan	2685.00

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CAN'T COMPEL GROWERS TO DELIVER TOBACCO

Raleigh, March 6.—The Supreme Court yesterday decided that the Tobacco Co-Operative Association cannot compel the delivery of the tobacco crop of this year when it has not paid for last year's crop nor given any sufficient reason for non-payment. In two other cases the court also decided that the contract is legal and binding on the growers.

CHANGES IN HOME BREWED ENTERTAINMENT AT ALKRAMA

"Wandering Daughters," by Dana Burnet, at the Alkrama today, is replete with humor as well as dramatic situations. Not only may satire that would do credit to that prophet of jazz, F. Scot Fitzgerald, be found in such remarks as "the father of a modern girl ought to be a night watchman"—but there are characterizations that reveal the amusing contrasts between the past and present generations.

The Bowens, who belong to yesterday, find their pleasure in sociable and the home orchestra, but their daughter who represents the age of jazz finds her in the ridiculous revels of the sensation-seeking set at the country club. It is a toss up as to which is the funniest, the trick orchestra that makes life at home miserable for the up-to-date Bessie Bowen, or the silly parties in which the younger set indulge.

Last, but not least, there's the servant in the house who gets the craze for jazz. The milkman who serves the Bowdens thinks that the daughter of the house is running a contest with the maid to see who can get home the earliest. Alice Howell, the comedienne, takes her fling in drama in the role of the slavery.

J. W. Price of Nixonton was in the city on business Wednesday.

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GIVES A HOME FOR AGED JOURNALISTS

Tampa, Fla., March 6.—Charles D. Haines of Altamones Springs yesterday withdrew from the gubernatorial race, announcing that he will devote his life to bettering conditions in Florida, and at once announcing a gift of \$150,000 for the establishment of a home for aged newspaper men and the founding of a school of journalism at the university.

ANOTHER LAWYER IN RALEIGH UNETHICAL.

Raleigh, March 6.—Following up yesterday's disclosures of unethical law practices, the Wake County grand jury declared that S. F. Bennett had solicited clients and his case will go before the bar association of the State for disbarment.

CALIFORNIANS FOR SENATOR COPELAND

Bakersfield, Cal., March 6.—Anti-McAdoo Democrats in California yesterday placed their ticket in the field with Senator Royal Copeland for Presidential nominee.