One evening while E. D. Baker was speaking in the crowded village courtroom above Lincoln's office and was rudely interrupted and in danger of assault, the long legs of Honest Abe suddenly appeared through a scuttle hole in the ceiling above the platform. He leaped upon it and seizing a stone water pitcher defied any one to interfere with the right of free speech in a worthy cause.

So it will be seen that there were zestful moments in these sundry vindications of the principles of Democracy in the prairie capital.

About this time Miss Mary Todd, the daughter of a Kentucky banker, arrived in Springfield to visit her sister, Mrs. Ninian W. Edwards. She was a fashionably dressed, good-looking girl of blue-gray eyes and dark hair.

"Well, Mary, haven't you found the fortunate young man yet?" Mr. Edwards playfully asked the day of her coming.

"You know, my husband is going to be President of the United States and I hoped that I would find him in Springfield," Mary answered in a like

"There's great fishing here," said Mr. Edwards. "I know the very man you are looking for. He has come up from the ranks and is now the most popular member of the legislature. He can make a stirring speech and they say he is going to be the President of the United States. He's wise and witty and straight as a string, but a rough diamond-big, awkward and homely. You're just the girl to take him in hand and give him a little polish and push him along. His name is Abraham Lincoln."

Speed knew the Todds. When he called upon Mary she asked about Mr. Lincoln and said she would like to meet him.

"She's just the girl for you, Abe," Speed said to him that evening. "She is bright and well educated and her family has influence. She could be a great help to you."

This interested the member from Sangamon county, who was indeed eager to get along. The companionship of a refined young lady was the very thing he needed.

"Let's go over and pay our respects to her," Speed suggested. They went, Lincoln being carefully dressed in his first suit of black clothes. Miss Todd was a bright, vivacious girl of middle stature, twenty-two years old. She was fashionably dressed and carried her head proudly-a smart-looking, witty, well spoken girl, but not especially handsome. Honest Abe was



Deeply Impressed by Her Talk and

deeply impressed by her talk and fine manners and general comeliness. He felt her grace and charm and spoke of it with enthusiasm. But to hing and to her there seemed to be an impassable gulf between them, changed her mind about that, however, when she heard him speak and felt the power of his personality and saw his face lighted by the candle of his spirit. It was a handsome face in those moments of high elation. Hardship and malarial poison had lined and sallowed his skin. The shadows of loneliness and sorrow were in its sculpturing. But when his eyes glowed with passion one saw not the rough mask which the life of the pioneer had given him. His form lost its awkwardness; his face took on a noble and impressive beauty. To quote his own words to the boy, Josiah Traylor, his character was speaking as well as his lips. Mary had the insight to recognize his power. She felt the strength of his spirit. She agreed with her friends that here was a man of great promise. She felt the need

To one who loved beauty and respected women as he did, the grace and refinement of this young lady had a singular appeal, coupled, as it was, with the urge of his strong, masculine nature. It was a revelation. He was like a young poet going out into the open and seeing for the first time the mysterious beauty of the mountains or "the exquisite, delicate, thin curve

of the new moon in spring." He began to seek and study refinement of thought, of manner, of dress, of expression. He knew that he needed Mary, but had the feeling that she was not for him.

A woman who lived near the Edwards' house had a small, hairy poodle dog. One day, as Abe and Mary were walking along the street, they met this woman, who asked if they had seen her dog.

"I wouldn't wonder if some one down the street had got him tied to the end of a pole and is using him to swab off his windows," said Abe Lincoln with a good-natured laugh. "I'll try to find him for you."

Mary enjoyed fun and this and like sallies of the young legislator added a certain zest to their friendship. Women are like children in their love

of humor. The diminutive Douglas saw in Miss Todd an asset of much value and his attentions began to be assiduous. Mary was indifferent to his lofty manner and sonorous vocalism. Abe Lincoln liked her better for that.

She encouraged the visits of the latter and invited his confidence. The fact filled him with a great joy. They went about together. In the Edwards parlor he modestly told her of his work and his life plan. She differed with him on certain subjects which were unfortunately fundamental. He did not love her as he had loved Ann. But her personality pleased and fascinated the young legislator. One evening under the spell of it he asked her to be his wife. She consented. Then he began to think it over.

It was like Lincoln in his relations with women to get the cart before the horse, so to speak. The points upon which they disagreed came up for consideration. She could not think as he did on the subject of slavery and the kindred one of state rights. His manners were not like hers. They grew naturally out of one's history and character. He could be kind and gentle in his way. But, mainly, his manners would have to be like the rugged limbs of the oak. The grace and elegance of the water-willow and the white birch were not for him. It saddened him to conclude that he would have to be for a long time just what he was -crude, awkward, unlearned in the graces and amenities of cultivated people. He rightly judged that his crudeness would be a constant source of irritation to the proud Mary. As their acquaintance progressed the

truth of his conviction grew more apparent. This, however, did not so much concern him as her lack of sympathy with some of his deepest motives. He decided that, after all, he did not love her and that to marry her would be committing a great wrong. Some of the unhappiest days of his

life followed. His conscience gave him no rest. He knew not what to do. He wrote a letter to Miss Todd in which he reviewed the history of his thinking on the subject of their marriage and frankly but tenderly stated his conviction that it would imperil her happiness to marry him. Before sending it he submitted the letter to his friend Speed.

The latter read it over and looked

"What do you think of it?" Lincoln

"I would never send a letter like that to a lady," Speed answered. "If you feel as you say, go and tell her

so, but don't put it in a letter." Lincoln went to see her that evening and returned to his friend in a nore cheerful mood.

"Did you tell her?" Speed asked.

"Yes, I told her." "What happened?"

"She burst out crying and I threw my arms around her and kissed her and that settled it. We are going to be married.'

What an illustration of the humanity and chivalry of Honest Abe was in the proceeding!

"I'm sure you'll get along all right together," said Speed. "Your spirit is jealous of any one likely to get in its way. But she won't, She'll fall in line and do what she can to help

Now, a little before this time, Henry Brimstead and other creditors of Davis had gone to Chicago in the matter of the satisfaction of their judgment against him. Henry had driven a wagon across the prairies and, returning, had brought Bim and her mother to his home and then to Springfield. It was while they were there that Harry had come down to Chicago out of the woods in a condition of health which had alarmed his physician. The latter had put him on a steamboat and sent him East. He was bound for the mountain country in northern New

Bim and her mother returned to Chicago on the stage, the former to take a place in the store as the repre-

sentative of Samson's interest. Harry was three years in the wilderness trying to regain his health. Success came to him in the last year

Toward the end of it he received a letter from Mr. Lincoln. It was writ- mulated," Harry remarked. ten soon after that curious climax in the courting of Mary Todd. In this

letter he said : "I am serving my last term in the legislature. I learn that you are in better health and I hope that you will have the strength and inclination to return soon and be a candidate for my seat in the house. Samson will not do it, being so busy with large affairs. You are young. You have won distinction in the service of your country. You have studied the problems of the county and the state. Samson and Baker and Logan and Browning agree with me that you are the man for the place.

"As for myself, I am going to be married in a year or so. I shall have to give all my time to the practice of the law. I am now in partnership with Stephen T. Logan and am slowly clearing my conscience of debt. I have done what I could for the state and for Sangamon county. It hasn't been much. I want you to take up the burden, if you can, until I get free of my debts, at least. By and by I may jump into the ring again."

Harry was glad to obey the sum-Soon after the arrival of Mr. Lincoln's letter his doctor gave the young man what he called "an honorable discharge." The magic of youth and its courage and of good air had wrought a change of which the able doctor had had little hope in the beginning.

In his travels through the great forest Harry had met David Parish and Stephen Van Renssalaer, at whose homes on the shore of the St. Lawrence he had spent many a happy summer day. Three years had passed since that fateful morning on the prairie. Through the winters he had lived in a comfortable hunter's camp on the shore of Lake Placid. Summers he had wandered with a guide and canoe through the lakes and rivers of the wilderness hunting and fishing and reading the law books which he had borrowed from Judge Fine of Ogdensburg. Each summer he worked down the Oswegatchie to that point for a visit with his new friends. The history of every week had been written to Bim and her letters had reached him at the points where he was wont to rest in his travels. The lovers had not lost their ardor. Theirs was the love "that hopes and endures and is patient."

On a day in June, 1841, he boarded a steamboat at Ogdensburg on his way to Chicago. He arrived in the evening and found Samson at the home of Bim and her mother-a capacious and well-furnished house on Dearborn street. Bim was then a little over twenty-five years old. A letter from John Wentworth says that she was "an exquisite bit of womanhood learned in the fine arts of speech and dress and manner."

The store had doubled in size under her management and with the help of the capital of Samson and Sarah Traylor. The epidemic had seized her toward the last of her nursing and left the marks of its scourge upon her. It had marred her beauty, but Samson writes, "the girl was still very handsome. She was kind of scared to meet Harry for fear of what he'd think of those little marks on her face, but I told her not to worry."

"You are the smartest and lovellest looking creature that I ever saw in my life," said Harry after he had held her in his arms a moment.

"But see what happened to me-

look at my face," she answered. "It is more beautiful than ever." he said. "Those marks have doubled my love for you. They are medals of honor better than this one that I wear. I want to marry you as soon ward to that since I was sixteen."

"Then I think I'll take you and marry you before you have a chance to fight another duel."

"I don't hear anything but love and marriage," said Samson. "We've been rassling down at our house to keep Josiah from running off and getting married. He's engaged already."
"Engaged! To whom?" Harry asked.

"To Annabel Brimstead. She's a little older than he is. She laughed at him and promised to marry him as soon as he was nominated for President by all his friends. She would now vote for him herself. He has become a good athlete and the best scholar in school. He has every boy and girl in the village working for him evenings and Saturdays."

"What are they doing?" Harry "Making those newfangled things they call lucifers. You can build a fire in a second with 'em. They cut splinters out of soft wood, dip their ends in brimstone-which Joe learned how to make-and put them in a hot oven until the brimstone is baked. Then a scratch will bring a flame. Joe puts them up in bundles and sells them to the merchants and calls them

lucifer matches. He has invented a

machine that will cut and dip a thou-sand splinters an hour. I tell you, Annabel is in danger." He took a lucifer out of his pocket and scratched it on the bottom of his boot. The party looked with wonder at its flame which quickly consumed the slender thread of pine in his fin-

"I have always thought that Joe would make a whale of a man," said

"We all seem to be threatened with immediate and overwhelming happiness," Bim exclaimed.

"The only thing in the way of mine is the national debt that I have accu-

"I knew he'd think of something," said Bim ruefully. "If I wanted to abolish the noble institution of marriage I'd make him chairman of the ways and means committee."

"Harry, your credit is still good with me, and I'm prosperous," Samson began. "I want you to know that Bim's energy and skill are mostly responsible for my success. I guess we owe more to your sickness than you're aware of. If it hadn't been for that we would be plodding along at the same old pace. We would not have felt the need of speeding up. your misfortune that brought Bim into the store. If she wants to retire and marry you, I rather think she is entitled to do it. I don't want any more fooling around about this matter. Sarah and I couldn't stand it. She's

it. The thing has worried us plenty. We rebel and demand action before anything else happens. We feel as if we had some rights in this case."

cept me awake nights taking about

demand," Harry answered. "Bim must name a near day. I only need a week to get some clothes and go up to Milwaukee on a little matter of business." "I don't know whether we'll give him week or not," said Bim playfully,

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"A great many things may happen to him in a week." (To be continued)

Mrs. Balf Bond was a passenger of Corvallis, "I concede them and second your to Salem Saturday.

NOTICE OF SCHOOL ELECTION TO INCREASE TAX MORE THAN SIX Halsey visitor Monday, taking train for Junction City. PER CENT OVER THAT OF PREVIOUS YEAR

Notice is hereby given to the legal voters of School-District No. 41 of Linn County, State of Oregon, that an election will be held in said District at the school house on the 26th day of November, 1921, at two o'clock in the afternoon, to vote on the question of increasing the amount of the tax levy in said District for the year 1921 by more than six per cent over the amount of such levy for the year immediately preceding.

It is necessary to raise this additional amount by special levy for the following reasons:

Wrs. J. A. Robertson of and Mrs. Harry Park of wille left on Monday's to a lowing reasons:

wing reasons: General school expenses.

2nd-Pay off outstanding warrants. Dated this 25th day of October, 1921.

B. M. BOND, District Clerk. D. TAYLOR, Chairman Board of Directors

Notice of School Meeting

Notice is hereby given to the legal voters of School District No. 41 of Linn County, State of Oregon, that a school meeting of said district will be held at school house on the 26th day of November, 1921, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon

for the purpose of discussing the budget hereinafter set out with the levying board, and to vote on the proposition of levying a special district tax.

The total amount of money needed by the said school district during the fiscal year beginning on June 20, 1921, and ending June 30, 1922, is estimated in the following budget and includes the amounts to be received from the county school fund, state school fund, elementary school fund, special district tax, and all other moneys of the district:

ì	BUDGET—ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES Personal Service		
t	Principal's salary	1.600.00	E
١	Assistant principal's salary	1.125.00	
	Seventh and eighth grades teacher's salary	900.00	
	Fifth and sixth grades teacher's salary	900.00	
١	Third and fourth grades teacher's salary	810.00	
	First and second grades teacher's salary	900.00	
ı	Janitor's salary	720.00	
•	Clerk's salary	10.00	\$6,965.00
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,	Material and Supplies	11100 1100	
ı	Furniture (desks, stoves, curtains, etc)	50.00	
e	Supplies (chalk, erasers, etc.)	400.00	
	Library books		
	Flore	10.00	6
	Flags Playground equipment	25.00	
١.	Janitor's supplies	100.00	
	Fuel		
	Tight	364.00	
	Light	25.00	
	Water	22.50	43 300 50
	Postage and stationery	15.00	\$1,136.50
	Maintenance and Repairs		
	School building and grounds		200.00
	Indebtedness	111111111111111111111111111111111111111	WE TOTAL DE
	Warrant, and interest thereon		3,000.00
	Insurance		
	School building, furniture and fixtures		30.00

Total estimated amount of money for all purposes during the	year	\$11,331.
Estimated Receipts		
From county school fund during the coming school year\$1,6	85.00	
	53.50	
	95.00	
Estimate of probable unexpended balance at end of current		
	00.00	
Estimated amount to be received from all other sources dur-	00.00	
	85 88	

Total estimated receipts, not including proposed tax. Recapitulation Total estimated expenses for the year ... \$11,331.50 Total estimated receipts not including proposed tax .. Balance, amount to be raised by district tax

Dated this 25th day of October, 1921.

Attest:
B. M. BOND, Distrist Clerk. D. TAYLOR, Board of Directors.

Original Estimate and Accounting Sheet, School District No. 41

This original estimate is made in compliance with section 231-A of the school laws of 1921 and shows in parallel columns the unit costs of the several services, material and supplies for the three fiscal years next preceding the current year, the detail expenditures for the last one of said three preceding fiscal years and the budget allowances and expenditures for six months of the current year. ("Six months of the current year" means six months of the last school year.)

EXPENDITURES.

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ITEM	e ensuing school year	Budget allow- ance in detail	Expenditures in detail	od of M	Second year? Give 9 yearly totals 91	Give year 19
Personal service	1600	1140	900 —	1350.		
Teacher-Principal	3125					
Asst. Principal	900				Contract of	
7th and 8th Grades	900.5					
		600.—				
3rd and 4th Grades	900				97	
1st and 2nd Grades	720				1200	5
Janitor	10				E. 364800	
		\$5076.60		-		44710
Total—Personal Services Material and Supplies	\$ 6965	1\$3076.60	p-1806.60	P/210.	\$4600	\$4710
Furniture (desks, etc.)	\$ 50	4\$ foo	\$ 100	\$ 160	73.	12.57
Supplies (chalk etc.)		600			×31	
Library books	125				A	1
Plags.	10 -	10	10	10.	4.2	(S) (1) (S)
Playground equipment	25					
Janitor's supplies	100	40	50	50	223	
Fuel	364-	370 -	370 -	370		
Light	25 -	14 41	6 60	10	Sec - 100	
Water	22 50	22 50	22 50	22 50	6 25	
Postage and stationery	15 —	10 —	15 —	15 —		
Total-Material and supplies	\$ 1136 50	\$1166 91	\$ 674 10	\$ 677 50	\$ 612 50	\$ 627 50
Maintenance and Repairs	N 1200 61	2011			Litter .	S. 200
School building and grounds	200 -	150 -	50 -	50	21.11	8 63
Total—maintenance & repairs INDEBTEDNESS					\$ 500 -	\$ 150 -
Warrants and interest thereon		1045 -			752 50	
Total-Indebtedness		1045 -	1045			
Building, furniture & fixtures				30	200	
Total-Insurance	30 -	1	1999	30 -	3394	
Grand Total	\$11331.50	\$7438.51	\$6575.70	\$9012.50	\$5742.50	\$5517.50

I, B. M. Bond, do hereby certify that the above estimate of expenditures for the year 1921.1922 was prepared by me and that the expenditures and budget allowance for six months of the current year and the expenditures for the three fiscal years next preceding the current year as shown above have been compiled B. M. BOND, District Clerk. from the records in my charge and are true and correct of

HALSEY ENTERPRISE

lots and Tittles

(Continued from page 1) Mrs. E. Brandon returned Saturday morning from Portland, where she visited her son.

Mrs. T. P. Patton left on Saturday's train for a visit with her daughter, Mrs. O. B. Stalnaker

W. N. Price of Jefferson was a

C. E. Johnson of Plainview passed through here Monday on

Mrs. J. A. Robertson of Portland and Mrs. Harry Park of Brownsville left on Monday's train for Portland. Mrs. Robertson had been a guest at the Park home for a week. Mr. Park accompanied them to Halsey.

Mrs. Paul Anderson and son William of Crawfordsville were passengers to their new home in Portland Monday morning. They had lived at Crawfordsville but a short time.

F. W. Leonard came over from Brownsville last Monday morning and took train for Independence, where he runs a shoe repairing shop. He goes home to Brownsville to spend his Sundays.

Mrs. Louis Howe of Brownsville left for Corvallis Saturday morning via Halsey. Mrs. Howe has been under the weather for some time, but is on the mend. She is a member of the Pollyanna club of Brownsville and stated that the club raised about \$80 from the sale of baskets last Friday night for the gymnasium in the planned community building.

Mr. and Mrs. Terry Anderson of Irish Bend visited Mr. and Mrs. C.W. Harpole of this place Sunday.

R. E. Gensele of Halsey left Thursday for Portland and way points. - Albany Democrat.

The last day for filing reports of school club work is Nov. 15.

Fifty years ago, the Albany Democrat's files show, Linn county had \$3,863,066 in assessed property

The county truck was hauling logs last Saturday to Muddy creek.

Last Sunday the C. P. Staffords enjoyed a feast with Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Dean, following which the Deans and the Footes motored as far as Sweet Home and through Lebanon home.

The district Pomona grange of Linn and Benton counties held an all-day meeting last Saturday with Crowfoot grange at the Crowfoot grange hall. There was a program and a basket dinner was served.

No butter is for sale in Albany. Democrat, fifty years ago.

Miss Beulah Minson of Albany arrived last Saturday for a week end with her brother.

The Linn county school club stock judging team, composed of Dellis and Clifford Cornutt of Shedd and Ruth and Irene Quimby of Halsey, attended special judging classes at O. A. C. Saturday.

There are 4034 motor vehicles in Linn county.

The Albany Democrat twentyfive years ago said: Flour is \$1.10, the highest in years.

Rena Walker returned to school Tuesday, after suffering with a hard case of poison oak.

Kenneth Cross returned Saturday from his mother's home at Payette, Idaho.

M. W. Windom returned to Brownsville Friday to take in the Pollyanna Club basket social for the benefit of the community building fund.

Mrs. D. F. Dean and Mrs. C. P. Stafford were Albany visitors last Friday.

Mrs. C. E. Jones and Mrs. F. M. Miller of Jefferson were Friday arrivals, to spend the week end with Mrs. Lizzie Reese of this place.

Dean Tycer was in Halsey Friday morning from Brownsville.

The committee of the children's farm home met in Albany last Thursday with Mrs. Wallace Unruh, a state welfare worker, who is to take charge of the campaign to raise the balance of the \$125,000 necessary to complete the plans of the committee; \$60,000 is promised from the Portland chest fund providing the balance is raised in the counties of the state. Linn, Benton and Hood River counties have raised their pro rata of funds asked for and many other counties