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News From the Capitol.

There has been so many political whirlwinds raging through the capitol during the week that birds of a feather could hardly flock together and many a boom and boomlet has fallen as flat as the bottom of a bird cage and that too in sight of its unlucky promoter. Paramount issues have been paraded before the public like a prize winning oolt at a country fair and the tax payers are footing the bills at the rate of \$1500 per day whether they like the performance or not.

Viewed from the galleries, the actors in action look as inspiring as heroes in a moving picture show, only it costs more money to keep them in motion; but they are a fine lot of fellows and one could not refrain from applauding them if it were not for fear of an encore. The lawmakers are as chummy at times as young people at a country dance but of course they are much more dignified. They show up well in target practice and they are shooting up a few dummies now and then, but there are no casualties. It is a fine sight to witness a "law storm" when there is no damage to property.

The topic of absorbing interest at Austin is promoting prosperity of the politicians, and there are many patriots here who are anxious to save the country as so much per save and they are unflinching their flags to the breeze and some of them stand ready to break into office with an ax. It is a great gathering of those skilled in the arts and sciences of politics and only those who know every letter of the political alphabet should venture out in so rugged a sea. Texas legislators are eccentric but nevertheless safe; it has been suggested that we have inherited these characteristics from General Sam Houston and therefore came by it honestly and can't hold it, but a Texas legislature with the right sort of ballast in the gubernatorial chair is absolutely safe.

One of the new representatives from a rural district made himself ridiculous among his colleagues by suggesting that the legislature transact its business and adjourn. Many of the members are wondering why he ever came to the legislature. But the doctrine spread rapidly in the house and if it should become universally popular it will close the legislature in twenty-four hours.

There has been over 500 bills introduced in the legislature, some of them sound economically; others would shake the pillars of government and still others would blow it up. Texas is a big state and can assimilate more calamities than any other country on the globe but so long as the legislature remains in session the state will shiver like a lemonade shaker in action although it may be a case of the farmer who sheared his hogs—all noise and no wool.

We have had good rains all over the state and the next best thing that can happen to Texas is for the legislature to adjourn; God is having hard enough time keeping all Texas prosperous without artificial handicaps. The prospects are bright for adjournment on March 11th and the governor is already on record as opposing recalls.

Farms for Rent

I have three farms to rent. Land as good as there is in West Texas; good houses, plenty of water and wood. Each farm conveniently located. See me at once if you want to rent.

Z. R. STEPHENS.

J. H. Wilcox for dressed poultry

Perished in the Storm.

Last Saturday a Mexican who had been herding sheep for C. N. Crawford was found dead in the Crawford pasture about 11 miles northeast of town.

When last seen alive, H. V. Halsell, Mr. Crawford's foreman, and deceased after penning the sheep last Friday evening separated at the corrals, Halsell going to the ranch and the Mexican starting for his camp about two miles north.

On going back to the corrals next morning the Mexican did not appear and as several sheep had been lost on Thursday a search was instituted for them as well as the Mexican and at about 4 o'clock Saturday afternoon he was found about 200 yards from the place where last seen alive. He had evidently croached down by a bush and perished of cold, for his eyes were closed and death must have stricken him while in that sleep which cold produces.

A Paper's Worth to a Town.

Texas is one of the best newspaper states in the Union. Every town that has enough people in it to form a petit jury has from one to four newspapers. In each of these towns you will find one or two merchants who take a page each and get about nine-tenths of the trade. The editor spends day and night whooping, yelling and trying to boom the town, and the clear money he makes at the end of each year would not buy a tramp's lodging on the prairie in July. Just as soon as a country editor gets twenty dollars ahead he puts improvements on his paper. Yet we cannot say that his efforts are appreciated, for the local capitalist, whose interest he is booting, will stand on the corner dressed in warm cloth and talk about politics while the poor journalist is shivering in a last summer's ulster and straw hat. No, we are not appreciated here, brother. We shiver with cold while the rich man is warm. But, bless God, we will at last reach that distant shore where will never shiver another shiver.

A Nice Present

Do you want a three-sheet wall map, containing the 1910 census of Texas by counties, towns and villages, with portraits of all the governors? One sheet contains a map of the United States and possessions with portraits of the presidents. The other sheet contains a map of the world, portraits of all the rulers of the world and flags of all nations. If you want one of these fine maps free of cost call at this office and we will tell you how to get it.

Our esteemed citizen and good friend, L. S. McDowell, celebrated the fact that is 60 years young on last Monday evening, and to make him feel still younger his good wife had prepared an elegant dinner to which several of his friends were invited, and a most pleasant social time was had. At the close of the evening the guests departed all wishing their host many happy returns of the day.

"THE SWINE OR THE PLOW?"
Ah me! I saw a huge and loathsome sty,
Wherein a drove of wallowing swine
Were bawling,
Whose banquet shocked the nostril and
The eye;
Then spoke a voice, "Behold the source
Of hard!"
I fled, and saw a field that seemed at first
One glistening mass of roses pure and
White,
With dewy buds 'mid dark green foliage
Nursed;
And, as I lingered o'er the lovely sight,
The summer breeze, that cooled that
Southern scene,
Whispered, "Behold the source of
COTOLENE!"

Moore Items.

Bad weather for the past two weeks put a stop to farming, for a time, and made us think of winter only, but the sun which dawned clear and bright Wednesday morning beholding mother earth clad in ice, soon empowered it, and by noon there was every appearance of spring.

Rev. Woods preached here Sunday morning.

Remember Rev. Wooster's appointment for next Sunday at 3 p. m.

Several of the young people of this place are intending to attend the singing convention to be held at Elbow school house next Saturday and Sunday.

T. M. Smith has recovered his house.

Mr. Grant has moved to Prof. Cook's farm.

Rowland Bros. filled a large order for brooms Wednesday.

Let us see you Monday night, March 6, at 7:30 at academy hall.

In New Quarters.

The first of the week the firm of Biles & Gentry moved their stock of drugs into the building first door south of their former location. The building had been specially fitted up for them, new fixtures put in and the building overhauled and made to present a very neat and attractive appearance. This firm now has a neat store and much more room than they formerly had and they extend the public a cordial welcome to visit them.

In the back part of the store is a nice office room which is occupied by Dr. W. C. Barnett, while the front part of the store will be arranged as a cold drink department and rest room for their friends and customers.

To the Farmers Howard County.

The Texas Industrial Congress is offering \$10,000 in gold for the best cotton and corn raised in Texas this year, \$6,500 given in prizes for the best 10 acres of each, \$3,500 for the best 2 acres of each. These amounts are divided into 15 prizes, and the secretary of the congress has sent me folders and entry blanks. I would be glad to give them to you if you will call at my office, and I will also help you make out the entry and send it in for you. This will cost you nothing, and you may win a nice prize. There will no doubt be an exhibit sent to the Dallas fair this fall and every farmer should try and raise something that will do to send, and then we will have an exhibit of farm, garden and orchard products in connection with our poultry show this fall. I think this is the year of every Howard county farmer to put forth an extra effort to excel.

Respectfully,

I. E. Smith.

Toilet soap, 10c a cake or 3 cakes for 25c at Biles & Gentry's.

Joe Ward returned Friday night from Big Springs where he has been taking a special course in the business college there.—Anson Reporter.

Onion planting time. Get your sets from Pool Bros.

D. C. Everly has been confined to his bed several days on account of sickness.

Look out for J. H. Wilcox and his white mule and get some dressed poultry.

Notes by the Commercial Secretaries.

The proposed special tax for the State University and the A. & M. college is in the cause of higher education and deserves the careful consideration of every citizen and tax payer in the state. These splendid institutions are worthy of adequate support and we must look to them to furnish our leading citizens. But while providing educational opportunities for our youths we should not be unmindful of the welfare of the masses of our citizenship who have passed the school age and must depend upon the press—the great moral and industrial educator of the state—for information and knowledge. Our citizenship today is what the press has made it and no state can hope to become bigger than its newspapers. The newspapers do not receive appropriations from the state but must depend upon subscriptions and advertising for their revenues and every citizen ought to co-operate with Texas development by subscribing for the home paper.

The family garden, the poultry and the cow are great cash economizers and pocketbook conservators and may be classed with the better teams and tools as essential to better farm equipment.

Interest in the possibilities and future of Texas is greatly increasing among the population of the northern and eastern states and the number of immigrants to this state from other sections is increasing rapidly each year. One thousand five hundred homeseekers destined for various portions of Texas arrived last week. The excursionists were of the better farming classes of the older states, and are men whose addition to the population of the state will mean much to the development and prosperity of Texas. The homeseekers report that interest in Texas outside the state is unabated and that indications are for a larger movement towards this state the latter part of next month.

High prices for products of the farm, mine, factory, etc., and all lines of productive and industrial endeavor encourage development and promote prosperity. Low prices cheapen labor, stagnate development, discourage production and destroy property.

Printed advice to the farmer to stay on the farm is all right as an academic proposition but profitable farming, comfortable farms and attractive farm life is a much more convincing argument.

The farmers have been quietly rising from the depths into which they were cast by the ruinously low prices of the early nineties until now they have reached a plane where they receive a well deserved recompense for their labor and the purchasing power of a dollar has increased more than 50 per cent.

Texas is able to offer inducements to all industrial enterprises and our laws offer full protection to every dollar invested in the state. Combined with these inducements are climatic conditions which make possible the greatest degree of physical comfort and mental activity the year round. The fact that the temperature of Texas is free from extremes of cold or heat, that there is seldom a day in the year that the worker with hand or head cannot put forth the fullest measure of energy, gives the highest productive efficiency. The fact that a large portion of Texas' wage earners are also home owners is not only an element of economic advantage to Texas, but contributes to create a body of contented and conservative working men. Come to Texas.

Get Together Banquet.

At a meeting of the directors of the commercial club held on February 24th, it was decided to have a banquet and smoker for the members of the club and all interested in the upbuilding of our city.

A committee on arrangements was named as follows: Geo. H. Sparenberg, chairman, B. Reagan, J. E. Morris, W. G. Hayden, Wm. Fisher and Fox Stripling. This committee met Thursday morning at the Y. M. C. A. and plans were laid to have the banquet and smoker at Hotel Cole, Thursday evening, March 9th.

It will be for men only—a stag affair. There will be good speeches, music, etc., and a fine spread. Matters of great interest to all will be discussed and it is hoped that every one who can will attend. The object of this get together affair is to start off some good work for our people.

Messrs. Albert and Bernard Fisher returned to their home last evening at Big Springs after a short stay here. They have just returned from Chicago and New York, where they purchased a large and well selected line of goods for their big store in Sweetwater. Bernard Fisher will have charge of the Sweetwater store. He is a young man of fine business judgement, courteous to a fault, and we know will win lots of friends here. He informs us they will soon be ready for business.—Sweetwater Signal.

If you want money on land see Debenport & Webb.

The data in the religious census taken on February 22nd, has been turned over to the pastors of the different churches and will be of much benefit to them in their pastoral work as information was secured by the census that could not have been gotten in any other way. We tried to get a detailed statement of the report but as it has not been compiled and put in proper form we were unable to do so. We understand the work done by the enumerators was the means of causing a much larger attendance at the various Sunday schools of the town.

Hess' Instant Louse Killer is guaranteed to do the work. Sold by Biles & Gentry.

The east side of the Van Gleason building is being fitted up for an undertaking establishment for the use of Lee & Ellis, embalmers and funeral directors. The firm is composed of G. D. Lee, of this place, and Mr. Ellis, of Midland, who is an experienced embalmer.

Window glass, all sizes, at Reagan's.

Daniel Baker College will hold an invitation inter-scholastic track and field meet in Brownwood April 15, which bids fair to become the greatest inter-scholastic meet ever held in the state of Texas under college supervision. The Daniel Baker track team will be the hosts of the occasion and extensive preparations are being made for the entertainment and welfare of the scholastic cinder path star during their stay in this city while in attendance at the meet.

Phone 284-green and ask J. H. Wilcox for dressed poultry.

A. G. Capps, who has been an apprentice in the T. & P. shops, finished Tuesday night. He is now a full fledged machinist and went east last night hunting employment.

Settlers Win.

There has been pending in the district court of this county for nearly six years a cash styled Bush & Tiller vs. Carr and Robinson et al, being a suit brought to try title and dispose some eighteen settlers who filed on land in the Bush & Tiller pasture in the northeast part of the county. The case has been called several times and always resulted in a verdict for the defendants. The case was called this week with two defendants, who appeared, announced ready for trial and the case was taken up. After two days spent on it was decided in favor of the defendants. We congratulate the settlers on the victory they have won after such a long hard fight. The plaintiffs were represented by Judge Ed J. Hamner, of Colorado, while the interest of the defendants was taken care of by Ellis Douthitt and Beall & Beall, of Sweetwater.

Don't Miss It.

Our special spring term will begin March 6. We will give you a four months scholarship for only \$30.00. You may select your course, if you can complete it you will save several dollars. Satisfaction guaranteed if you do your part. If you come in now, you will get till March 6 free. We have with us for this four months spring term Prof. C. C. Buzarde, an expert accountant, and member of the International Accountants Society. You can't afford to miss it.

Big Springs Bus. Academy.

Howard County Exhibit.

At a meeting of the commercial club held last Friday it was decided to have an exhibit of Howard county products at the Dallas fair next fall. The secretary, Geo. H. Sparenberg, was instructed to write the secretary of the fair association and secure space in the exposition building for the exhibit. We would suggest here that our farmers and truck growers plant and cultivate at least a portion of their crops with a view to growing something that will look well in an agricultural exhibit.

Enroll with us for the night class Monday night, March 6.

An Army of Royalty.

It is a telling indication of the importance of the livestock industry of the southwest, that the entries for the National Feeders and Breeders Show at Fort Worth, March 13 to 18, aggregate 6,000. A gathering of 6,000 farm animals, all showing the best breeding and feeding, makes a sight worth going to see. The horses at this show will include some of the choicest importations of the great stables of the north and west, many of them rated in value at \$5,000 or more. When these valuable animals go to a show they are accompanied by veterinary doctors, who look after their health closer than if they were human beings. About 2000 cattle and 1800 hogs will lend their presence to swell the exhibition, and prove what the breeders of the southwest are doing to advance the livestock industry.

200 bushels Rowden cotton seed for sale at 50c. Phone or write Prise Echols, Coahoma, Texas.

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C. J. Hockersmith and C. H. Hummel, two machinists who worked here last August, have returned and went to work in the railroad shops Monday.

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THE LOBSTER'S POPULARITY.

During the year just past the fishermen of Maine caught and marketed 18,926,542 lobsters, an excess of 2,000,000 over the catch of the preceding year and of 8,000,000 over that of the year 1905. This increased catch has been made possible mainly by the work of the Boothbay Harbor hatchery, which has hatched out and liberated in a single year as much as 140,000,000 small lobsters. The frequently announced scarcity of lobsters can, therefore, be attributed to the growing popularity of the lobster himself. There is a vast difference between the amount which the Maine fishermen received for their catch last year and the price that the patrons of the lobster palaces of Broadway and elsewhere have had to pay for the same article. The fishermen received only \$2,145,204, or a little over ten cents per pound, and for that sum they must keep and tend their traps, maintain steers dories and encounter many hardships and dangers, says the New Orleans Picayune. After the lobster leaves the hand of the fisherman, however, its value increases by leaps and bounds. The wholesaler doubles the price and the retailer trebles it, while the restaurant man marks it up many per cent. more, so that what costs ten cents when sold by the fisherman, costs \$1.50 when eaten in the lobster palaces of the great White Way.

A professor of English at Columbia university doesn't seem to be afraid of slang. In fact, he says a good deal of the so-called slang is good English; if not today, then it will be tomorrow. One of the words he was discussing was "joint," used to denote a gambling house. The professor is correct. The English language was not created in a day, and given to the world in a finished state, says the Dayton News. No other language is, for that matter, but the English, possibly more than any other, language, is still growing, and it grows through the use of what is called slang, quite as readily as through any other process. New industries and inventions naturally add words to the language. The automobile business has been responsible for many of them. Aviation is to add, and is adding, its other thousands. Every new line of human endeavor enlarges the vocabulary. But greater even than these accretions to the language is that which comes from what we call slang.

The postmaster general is quoted as saying that within a few years more than \$100,000,000 has been taken fraudulently from the people through the machinery of the post office, and the spread of the rural free delivery system, says the Christian Herald. This is an enormous amount, but the authorities declare that it is far below the actual sum and possibly represents less than one-half of the total amount lost—lost through the rascality of the few and the blind credulity of the many. The whole nation would rise in indignant protest if our postal authorities attempted to emulate those of Russia by reading the private correspondence of our citizens. The schemers know this, and take advantage of it. This done, the rest is easy.

Entomologists state that the seventeen-year locusts are due in 1911, and preparations are under way to give the destructive and unwelcome insects a fitting reception, which will be, as far as possible, a "welcome with bloody hands to hospitable graves." New York officials hold out some comfort in the form of an assurance that the creatures come from the south and will be unable to cross the Hudson river, says the Troy Times. But that leaves a pretty wide area open to such invasion, and those who wish to prevent mischief will do well to be on guard prepared to use every available means of getting rid of the pests.

Uncle Sam closed the fiscal year with a handsome surplus instead of the deficit that had marked some preceding periods. And the second half of 1910, which was the first half of the new fiscal year, has shown a big reduction in the shortage that is always expected as a result of large expenditure during such months. If present tendencies prevail, however, receipts will increase relatively from now on, and the fiscal year ending June 30 next will show a surplus still larger than that of 1910.

Montreal lately deported \$100,000 worth of cold-storage eggs from China. If they wander to this country, they will find the native ancient eggs with troubles of their own. The cold-storage business is apparently meeting the fitting fate of being frozen out.

A Chicago woman takes taxicab rides to cure the blues. Riding in taxicabs is also one of the best cures we know for fatty degeneration of the pocketbook.

TURMOIL IN FRANCE THE CABINET RESIGNS

WHOLE COUNTRY IS GREATLY DISTURBED THEREAT.

RESIGNATIONS ARE ACCEPTED

Action Comes as Climax to Recent Attack on Premier Briand by Socialists.

Paris, Feb. 28.—Premier Aristide Briand, who succeeded Clemenceau as head of the French Cabinet on July 23, 1909, Monday tendered the resignation of his Ministry to President Fallieres.

On Nov. 2 last, Briand formally retired but a few hours later was restored to power and formed a new Cabinet, from which all elements not thoroughly in sympathy with his attitude toward labor had been eliminated.

The situation at present is wholly different. The Premier had declared himself weary of the bickerings of Parliament and the intrigues of the groups nominally supporting him, and expressed the wish that he might be relieved of the responsibility of Government.

On last Friday night, when he was attacked on the ground that he had not enforced the laws against the church congregations as set forth in the separation act, the Government escaped censure by the slim majority of 16 votes. At the conference on Saturday the Ministers determined to resign so soon as today's obsequies for Gen. Bruin, the late Minister of War, had been held.

At 1:30 o'clock that afternoon the Cabinet met at the palace with President Fallieres, and soon afterward the announcement of its retirement was made. Later in the afternoon it was announced that President Fallieres had accepted the resignation of the Cabinet.

Great Austin Dam Bobs Up.

Austin: J. C. Dumont, the contractor for the rebuilding of the Austin dam, who failed to carry out his contract and thus forfeited his earnest money of \$10,000, but secured an injunction restraining the city from collecting this amount, has presented to the City Council a proposition for a new contract similar to the old contract, but with a forfeit of between \$25,000 and \$50,000, including the \$10,000 put up on the former contract. The council has the matter under advisement.

How the Progressive Spirit Works.

For the purpose of interesting his tenants in the \$10,000 contest of the Texas Industrial Congress for the best yields of corn and cotton, Capt. J. L. Greer, an extensive farm owner of McKinney, has offered \$50 in cash for the best yield from ten acres of corn and ten acres of cotton grown on his plantation. Each tenant competing will also enter the Industrial Congress contest.

To Sell Indian Lands.

Muskogee: Sixty thousand acres of unallotted Indian lands in the Cherokee, Creek and Seminole Indian Nations will be thrown on the market about May 15, according to information given out here by the Commissioner of the Five Tribes. This land will be sold at the minimum price at the value that was placed upon it for allotment purposes. It may be bought from 50c to \$6.50 an acre. At a series of sales just closed in the Chickasaw and Choctaw country the minimum price was double the appraised value.

Killed By His Own Trap.

Brownsville: I. Bemtes, 62 years old, of Point Isabel, was killed in his home by a trap arranged to catch thieves who have been stealing from his private store of net goods. The trap was a double-barreled shotgun covering the storage place. Bemtes disregarded or forgot the gun in going for some stock and received a bad full in the shoulder, dying in ten minutes.

Eight More Good Indians.

Reno: In a battle sixty miles west of Tuscarora Sunday eight Indians and one policeman were killed and the other members of the Indian band were captured. The battle took place at Kelly creek, Humboldt county.

Texas County Seat Won.

San Diego: This county is in the throes of a hot campaign over the proposed removal of the county seat from this city to Bonaville. The election will be held March 25 and the outcome is in doubt.

Local Architects report an unusually large number of projected residences of the costlier sort for Dallas, work on which will commence early in the spring.

Egg Shipments From Texas.

Flintonia: Illustrative of the enormous proportions of egg industry in the coast country, it is only necessary to state that to date this place alone has shipped thirteen solid car loads to New York in addition to shipments elsewhere.

TEXAS NEWS HAPPENINGS

Work on a \$25,000 sewerage system for Memphis has been commenced.

Winfield has voted to build an \$8000 school house to replace one burned some time ago.

After an eight days' search, the body of L. S. Faucher, drowned Saturday, Feb. 18, in a fifteen-foot rise in the Concho, near San Angelo, was found in a drift two miles below the place where the man disappeared.

The Australian swimmer, Longworth, at Sydney, N. S. W., Sunday, covered 121 yards in one minute and five seconds, a new world's record.

James Watterson of Austin has been awarded the contract for the erection of a \$3,093 power house for the city of Georgetown. The building will go up at once.

Coriscana business men have set on foot action looking to the extension of the State railroad from Palestine to that city, a distance of some 60 miles.

The Tuxedo, Jones County, State Bank, is in the hands of Examiner John K. Work, and will be liquidated by H. E. Parlan of Stamford.

The Weatherford fire department will hold a week's carnival beginning March 13.

A portrait of ex-Lieut. Gov. Barnett Gibbs has been ordered hung in the Senate chamber.

Arrangements are making for planting at 320-acre apple orchard near Roswell, N. M. The whole acreage will be irrigated.

Col. W. G. Sterrett, has appointed as deputy fish and oyster commissioner: J. L. Deutch, Palacios; W. W. Wood, Hobbsport; Henry H. Serrell, Matagorda; Mr. Wood is a son of former Commissioner Wood.

An election has been ordered by the Commissioners' Court for March 25 to determine whether or not Brady precinct shall issue road bonds in the sum of \$75,000. The precinct as laid out extends ten miles north and ten miles south of Brady and five miles east and west.

The Boosters' Club of McGregor is working to secure a bond election for the purpose of building graded roads in the McGregor country. George Causfield has been in Ellis County inspecting the roads there with a view of reporting upon their utility and value.

Menard, the county seat of Menard County, had a celebration and was put on the railway map last Saturday. The Frisco extension from Brady has reached that town and the result was a big blow out Saturday consisting of an old-fashioned barbecue and dance at night. Several excursion trains brought in several thousand people.

More than 6000 head of farm animals have been entered for competition at the National Feeders and Breeders Show at Fort Worth, March 13 to 18. This is by far the largest number of entries ever made at a Southern Stock Show, and it includes some of the finest cattle, horses and sheep in the country.

Formal opening exercises of the West Texas State Normal will take place at Canyon City on March 4. Work on this building was commenced in February, 1910.

The planing mill and box factory of the Keith Lumber Company at Vothe, eight miles north of Beaumont, was destroyed by a fire, Friday. The loss will amount to about \$30,000.

Seven brick and stone buildings are being and are to be erected in New-castle at an early date, four of which are under construction, and the work is being rushed.

Ollie Sapp, a farmer residing on Cowhouse creek, eight miles west of Killeen, was killed while dynamiting stumps in the field.

A man and woman, giving their names as Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Booth, hooked \$900 worth of diamonds from a Fort Worth jewelry store, and were picked up by the Dallas police and the stones recovered.

Following a quarrel, Vastin Blount, aged sixty-five years, was shot and instantly killed by E. A. Pegg, a jockey on Joe Wolten's ranch seventeen miles from San Antonio.

A few days since Collector Ellis of Dallas County sent the State Treasurer a remittance for \$164,878.90, covering taxes collected for the State and for school purposes during January in Dallas County.

Lannigan Bros. of Amarillo, bought one thousand three-year-old steers at \$45 per head, and O. M. Linz, of Dalhart, bought six hundred three at \$40 per head at Dalhart last Saturday.

Dr. Ralph Steiner, State Health Officer and president of the State Board of Health, announces March 10 as "clean-up-day" for Texas.

GOOD NEWS EPITOMIZED

HAPPENINGS OF UNUSUAL INTEREST TO OUR READERS, IN READABLE SHAPE.

BOTH FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC

If It Was of Sufficient Importance You Will Find It Recorded Here.

Cleburne capitalists are figuring on installing an ice factory at Clifton. It now looks like there will be no increase in congressional membership. Memphis has ten miles of cement sidewalks under construction and contract.

The First Baptist Church of Gainesville will soon install a new pipe organ.

A new boiler for the city pumping station has been bought by the city council of Grand Saline.

Comanche Indians believe that late Chief Quannah Parker was poisoned, and did not die from natural causes.

Brig. Gen. Joseph Tilford, U. S. A., retired, died last week in Washington at the advanced age of 82 years.

A Constantinople newspaper reports the Turkish steamer Hurrett, filled with Moslems, burned at sea and not a passenger saved.

Lieutenant S. B. West, U. S. A., of Fort Davis, was frozen to death while out in a blizzard near Cape Nome, Alaska.

St. Louis was selected as the next meeting place of the National Education Association, department of superintendents.

The State Legislature of New Hampshire, now the largest State Legislature in this country will soon consist of 400 members.

The city commission of Shreveport has ordered an election to take place on April 1, for the issuance of \$250,000 street improvement bonds.

The safe of the State Bank of Mead, Okla., was blown and \$2300 stolen. The robbers cut all telegraph and telephone wires leading into the town before blowing the safe.

That the rivers and harbors bill, passed by the house, carrying \$1,744,900 in appropriations for Texas river surveys will be approved by President Taft is understood to be assured.

Albert H. Sutherland, theatrical manager, and husband of Julia Ring, the actress, was found dead in his bed Tuesday morning at his home on Broadway.

The election for the incorporation of Niles, the packing house district of North Fort Worth, resulted in a vote of 33 to 0 in favor of incorporating.

At Alva, Okla., Miss Ruby Lynn, Miss Nola Alexander, Miss Eva King and Mrs. Wilcox were accidentally poisoned by eating chocolate candy, containing a ptomaine.

R. D. Eby, who had been in the tailoring business in Luling for the last five years, killed himself at 5:30 Monday afternoon by shooting himself with a 38-caliber pistol.

Work is being rushed on the big canal of the Valley Reservoir Irrigation company, which is to water the lands about Chapin. Five cars of machinery for the pumping plant were unloaded and have been placed.

A movement, bearing a promising appearance, is on foot to install a commercial canning plant at Hempstead.

Cutting a hole in the roof and then sliding down a pipe, William Woods, Lee J. Turner and a man named Wade escaped from the jail at Belton. They disappeared in some woods about a mile north of town.

Fire at Cushing Monday night destroyed a grocery store, a drug store and a meat market, with a loss of about \$6,500.

R. M. Riley, aged 77 years, a Texas Ranger, served through the Civil War and was four years Sheriff of Llano County, died in Austin last Wednesday night.

Anton Novodky, a Bohemian farmer living three miles south of Taylor, was kicked in the side by a horse, from the effects of which he died. He is survived by a widow and one child.

Bridgeport is to vote on a \$20,000 bond issue for a school building. Chicago parties have under advisement the establishment of a cement factory at Clifton.

The California Senate last week passed the recall bill, covering all elective officers, by a vote of 36 to 4.

I. M. Putnam and associates of Oklahoma City have arranged to give as a starter 1500 acres of land lying alongside of that municipality toward the founding of a great interdenominational university. It is estimated that these lands can be so handled as to realize at least \$3,000,000 for the endowment fund.

At Shreveport the contract for the construction of the new Commercial National Bank building, to be ten stories high and to cost \$325,000, was awarded to Stewart & McChesney, contractors, of Little Rock, Ark. The building must be completed within one year.

The creamery at Roswell, N. M., having proved to be such a great success, Dexter, six miles south of that city, is making arrangements for installing a similar plant.

Viscount Waverhampton, formerly Secretary of State for India, and from 1908 until 1910 Lord President of the Council, died in London last Saturday.

Mrs. Baldwin Drummond, formerly Mrs. Marshall Field, Jr., of Chicago, was robbed of diamonds, pearls and other gems to the value of approximately \$130,000 from her state-room on the steamship America of the Hamburg-American Line some time during Saturday night.

Track laying on the Galveston-Houston interurban has been completed from Texas City to within five miles of Houston, and the track has been ballasted ready for use.

The commissioners' court of Parker County has decided to improve the grounds around the court house at Weatherford by building walks, etc., to cost some \$1,600.

A well borer on a farm a mile west of Claremore, struck a flow of heavy black oil at a depth of 85 feet. The flow is good, and the oil is of a fine lubricating quality.

The Masonic Order at Mount Vernon has let contract for a new two-story brick building, the upper story of which will be used for lodge room.

H. L. Newman, founder of the American National Bank of El Paso, and one of the largest ranch owners in that section, died at his home Wednesday night, aged 73 years.

After the contracts were let for a \$100,500 garbage and sewerage plant at El Paso plant a year ago, it was discovered that the site acquired by the city was included in the Champaign zone. Another site was purchased, and last week the contracts were signed anew and construction begun.

Last Tuesday morning about 10 o'clock, while Mrs. Allen Reeves of Cookeville was out of the room, her little 18-month-old child's clothing caught fire and all of its clothes were burned off and the child died about 1:30 o'clock.

An unknown man was killed by an eastbound freight train four miles west of Clyde. Papers on the remains indicate his name to be Col. William Biggs, apparently from the Soldier's Home at Los Angeles.

Last Thursday morning fire destroyed L. E. Wilson's cotton gin at Cleburne, entailing a loss of about \$20,000. Considerable cotton near the gin was burned.

The Collin County Fair meeting, was announced for March 1, but the date has been changed to March 6. This will be the first Monday in March.

The Texas State Bakers' Convention will be held in Dallas April 25, 26 and 27. Over 500 invitations have been sent and a large attendance is expected.

W. K. Golden is arranging to install a new steam laundry plant at Clifton. Ore City is a new town being promoted on the new Port-Bollivar Railway.

Texas Division Sons of the American Revolution, at its meeting in Houston elected W. G. Bell, Austin, president; F. F. Downs, Temple, secretary. The next meeting will be held in Austin.

The Kansas Senate yesterday defeated the initiative and referendum and the recall bills which had been passed by the House.

Troup is having a season of sidewalk building. Miss Mary Ohm, a German girl employed at the home of John Mueller, of Abilene, was seriously burned Monday morning when she attempted to start a fire with gasoline, mistaking the same for kerosene.

J. W. Powell, aged 28, of Buchanan, killed his sweetheart, Miss Maud West, aged 18, with a shotgun, and then turning the weapon on himself ended his own life. The tragedy is thought to have been caused by jealousy.

The body of T. Bogojavlensky, Russian Consul General at Ispahan since 1908, was discovered in a well on the grounds of the consulate at Teheran, Persia. The official had been drowned and foul play is suggested.

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The Final Settlement.
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"Well?"
"Don't be hasty. Promise to give him \$50."

Violation of Rules.
"They have expelled my favorite waiter from his brotherhood," said one hotel patron.
"Yes," replied the other, "be accidentally smacked and said 'Thank you, a dollar's worth for a 50-cent tip!'"

The strongest symptom of wisdom in man is his being sensible of his own follies.—Rochefoucauld.
The satisfying quality in Lewis' Single Binders found in no other 5c cigar.

The measure of what we love and admire is the measure of our own worth.—Dobson.
Garfield Tea purifies the blood, cleanses the system, clears the complexion, eradicates disease and promotes Good Health. It is sweet to feel by what fine spots threads our affections are drawn to gather.—Sterne.

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J. O. Gibson.

Easter Sunday comes on April 18th this year, which indicates a late spring, but indications are sometimes very misleading on the weather especially in west Texas where all signs fail and the oldest inhabitant cannot forecast without being doubted.

Phone 284-green and ask J. H. Wilcox for dressed poultry.

Reagan wants to supply your drug store wants.

W. P. Copeland, former freight agent here but now of Roscoe, passed through here on Friday enroute to Big Springs in answer to a summons from Superintendent Ward. Cope says he expects it was to notify him of a promotion into the general offices, but his depot friends rather thought it was to be the opposite. —Colorado Record.

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Onion planting time. Get your onion sets from Pool Bros.

T. J. Chandler and family came in here from Rockmart, Georgia, and will locate with us. He bought 160 acres of improved land from N. D. Smith nine miles north of town and will take possession at once. Mr. Chandler is a very pleasant young man, full of energy and the kind that makes a success of his undertakings. We need more of his sort here and gladly welcome him to our midst.

New local view postals—Reagan's.

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Producers

To promote the prosperity of a community we must increase our wealth. To increase wealth, we must create property, increase the value of property, and move property into the community. The farm, the mine and the fisheries are the natural wealth creating lines of industry. They create property. The building of factories, railroads, opening mines and farms add wealth to adjoining property. They increase the value of property. The immigrant and the capitalist in moving to Texas and buying farms and building railroads and factories bring property with them. They move property into the State. So view it as you will, to be prosperous we must create property, increase the value of property and move property into the community. The man who increases our wealth through either of these channels is a producer and is a public benefactor. There are other important factors in the development of a community, but production is the basis of all prosperity.

In discussing economic subjects it is customary to divide the people into two classes—the producer and the consumer. The farmer is the most prominent type of the Texas producer.



A Producer.

The producer is interested in producing all he can and getting as high prices for his products as he can. The consumer is interested in consuming as little as he can and buying it as cheaply as he can. The tramp is the highest type of an exclusive consumer.



An Exclusive Consumer.

The tramp consumes as little as he can and gets it as cheaply as he can. Low price products make tramp life easy and farm life difficult, and vice versa. All the people are consumers, and most all people consume more of less the products of another. Most all the people are producers directly or indirectly, and net profits accrue only by production exceeding consumption. High prices for products of the farm, mine, factory, etc., and all lines of productive and industrial endeavor encourage development and promote prosperity. Low prices cheapen labor, stagnate development, discourage production and destroy prosperity.

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Read a case of it: Theodore Scholz, Big Springs, Texas, says: "Doan's Kidney Pills cured me of a severe attack of kidney trouble after everything else had failed to give me relief. I could do very little work, as the result of a lame and aching back, and the kidney secretions were too frequent in passage, causing me much annoyance, especially at night. Doan's Kidney Pills, procured at J. L. Ward's Drug Store, rid me of my trouble, and I believe they will do the same for other sufferers."

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Sunday School Convention.

The last line has been written, the last letters are being mailed, the finishing touches on the program, and the detail work of all committees are complete, for the mighty gathering of Sunday school forces of Texas, which will convene at Fort Worth, Thursday, March 9, to Monday, March 13.

The main sessions of the convention are to be held in the First Methodist church, and the overflow and conference meetings will be held in the First Baptist, First Christian, Taylor Street Presbyterian and Saint Paul's Methodist churches.

J.H. Wilcox for dressed poultry.

W. R. Settles was here today from his North Concho ranch.

New line of pipes at Reagan's.

W. F. Cushing was here yesterday from his Glascock county ranch.

Try Reagan's toilet articles—they are satisfactory.

Gib Jackson left this afternoon on a business trip to Tahoka.

Triumph seed potatoes at Pool Bros.

Get your onion sets from Pool Bros., the up-to-date grocers.

G. C. and Frank Cauble left today for Dalhart to attend the convention of the Pahandle Live Stock Association.

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JUST LIKE EM.



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And all forms of skin diseases in Tetterine. It is also a specific for Tetter, Ringworm, Scabies, Infant Sore Head, Chaps and Old Itching Sores.

"Enclosed find one dollar for which please send me two boxes of Tetterine. This makes five boxes I have ordered from you, the first one only, being for me. I suffered with an eruption for years, and one box of Tetterine cured me and two of my friends. It is worth its weight in gold to any one suffering as I did. Everybody ought to know of its value." Jesse W. Scott, Milledgeville, Ga.

Tetterine at druggists or sent by mail for 50c. J. T. Shuptrine, Savannah, Ga.

Ellen Terry's Joke.

When Ellen Terry was presented with a Founders' gold medal at the New theater, New York, recently—an honor conferred in recognition of her great services to dramatic art—she was called upon to make a speech of acceptance. It so happened that the actress was exceedingly hoarse and she was therefore forced to cut her remarks short. So she told this story: "A friend of mine once bought a parrot and gave much money for it with the understanding that it could speak fluently, but when he reached home with it he found to his dismay that the bird was dumb. So he took it back. 'This parrot cannot say a word,' he said indignantly to the bird fancier. 'It can't talk at all.' 'Talk!' the dealer exclaimed. 'Come to think of it, I know it can't, but it's a devil to think.'"

Successful Life Work.

"He has achieved success who has lived well, laughed often, and loved much; who has gained the respect of intelligent men and the love of little children; who has filled his niche and accomplished his task; who left the world better than he found it, whether by an improved poppy, a perfect poem, or a rescued soul; who has never lacked appreciation of earth's beauty or failed to express it; who has always looked for the best in others, and given the best he had; whose life was an inspiration; whose memory a benediction." — President Schurman.

CHILDREN AFFECTED
By Mother's Food and Drink.

Many babies have been launched into life with constitutions weakened by disease taken in, with their mothers' milk. Mothers cannot be too careful as to the food they use while nursing their babes.

The experience of a Kansas City mother is a case in point:

"I was a great coffee drinker from a child, and thought I could not do without it. But I found at last it was doing me harm. For years I had been troubled with dizziness, spots before my eyes and pain in my heart, to which was added, two years later, a chronic sour stomach.

"The baby was born 7 months ago, and almost from the beginning, it, too, suffered from sour stomach. She was taking it from me!

"In my distress I consulted a friend of more experience and she told me to quit coffee, that coffee did not make good milk. I have since ascertained that it really dries up the milk.

"So, I quit coffee and tried tea and at last cocoa. But they did not agree with me. Then I turned to Postum with the happiest results. It proved to be the very thing I needed. It not only agreed perfectly with baby and myself, but it increased the flow of my milk.

"My husband then quit coffee and used Postum and quickly got well of the dyspepsia with which he had been troubled. I no longer suffer from the dizziness, blind spots, pain in my heart or sour stomach.

"Now we all drink Postum from my husband to my seven months' old baby. It has proved to be the best hot drink we have ever used. We would not give up Postum for the best coffee we ever drank." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

Get the little book, "The Road to Wellville," in pkgs.

"There's a Reason."
Ever read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are interesting, true, and of human interest.



BRANT SHOOTING ON GREAT SOUTH BAY

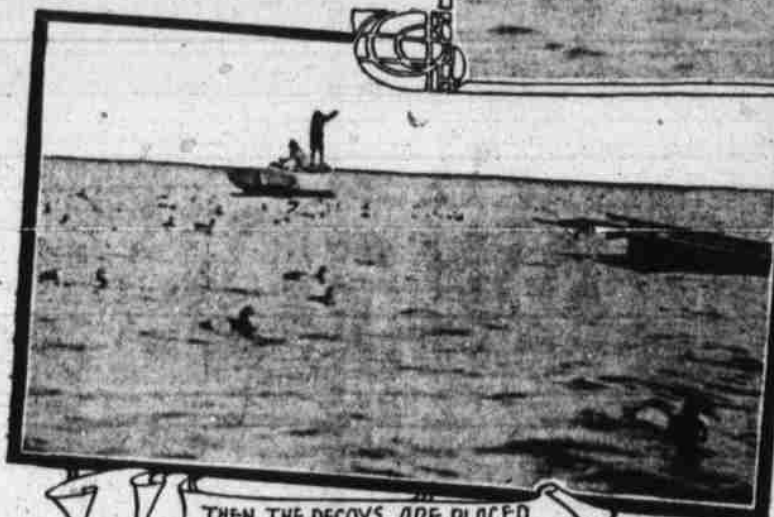
BY EDWIN MAIN POST



THIRTY years ago this spring my wise father built a flat-bottomed sloop, 45 feet long on the keel and 17 feet wide, with an enclosed cabin that has square windows instead of portholes, and a headroom of six feet all over it. This cabin is 21 feet long, and consists of one large room with four wide berths, and a toilet room and a kitchen on either side of the centerboard, at the forward end.

Father named the boat Macy, after an old friend, and has had her continuously in commission since she was launched; and Andrew Sammis, her first captain, is still in charge—a bit gray now, but still the same careful and trustworthy skipper as of yore. With the opening of the ducking season in October she goes into what we call winter commission, and when the end of the season comes around she is hauled out, thoroughly overhauled and prepared for the summer work. A few years ago we built an overhanging stern on her and installed a gasoline engine, so that we are no longer the slaves of the wind god. The "Macy's Baby," as the stoolboat that carries the battery is called, is always at her stern, and this, with the addition of two skiffs and one or more dinkies for use in the ice, makes quite a formidable tow for the old boat. When we have more than a day or two to spend in the quest for the wily duck, we send the Macy out early to get a good place, and have a catboat meet us at the dock to sail over to her. Generally we catch a train that arrives at Babylon at half-past three o'clock, and we reach the dock ten minutes afterwards.

Lay aside for a few moments your



troubles and worries, and come with us down to kill some brant. It is half-past one o'clock, and I look up from my desk and see my father's smiling face as he says: "Come, Buster, it is time to start." In a moment I have put on my coat and hat, and we are on our way to the Wall street entrance of the subway, as happy as ever two schoolboys starting on a holiday were. We meet you on the platform, and I relieve you of your bag or gun as we board a Brooklyn train. We change at Atlantic avenue to the Long Island train, and soon are at Jamaica, where we change once more to the local steam train and while away the next hour in swapping stories. The train stops at Babylon, and we pile out on the platform and into the dilapidated hack that takes us down to the dock. As it is early in the season and the days have not yet shortened enough to make it impossible for us to reach our destination before dark, the Macy is awaiting us, anchored just off the dock, and we see our good George coming off in the little skiff to speedily set us on board.

As you board the skiff you will not have to ask George, "Are there any birds?" for he will say: "Brant? Why, there's 5,000,000 of the cusses in Cedar Island cove. We'll have some of them critters, and don't you forget it." Captain Andrew greets us with a cheery "Good day, gentlemen," as we reach his side, and you enter the cabin to find upon the table a pleasant welcome in the shape of a generous drink for each of us. My father's hearty toast, "Glad to see you on board, sir," makes you feel at home at once.

We promptly lay aside our "store clothes" and don our old shooting things, as the men get the anchor up and hoist the sail, and are soon in the cockpit enjoying the fresh air. Our progress is slow and stately, due to the fog behind us, but we have only about four miles to go. Notice now the third member of our crew, a big, tall, fair-haired man with a smile that never comes off. This is Ansel, a newcomer to the Macy in comparison with the skipper, for Ansel has been with us only 20 years. He is a very important personage, for he is the engineer, chef, mate, general utility man and fun-maker for us all. Hark! There is his voice now, calling us to dinner.

You sit down before a smoking leg of lamb and dishes of vegetables, with an appetite to which you have been a stranger for a long time, and eat and eat of the good things before you until you are astonished at yourself. Topping off with some of the chef's famous pudding, and helping yourself to a good cigar from the box on the centerboard trunk, you are content. I take the wheel to let the men go below to eat their dinner, and by the time they have finished we arrive at the place where we will test out the battery in the morning.

At ten o'clock we turn into our berths ready for an early call to breakfast. At four o'clock we are called, and by the time we are dressed the breakfast is piping hot on the table. We hurry through our meal to let the men eat theirs, and while they are fixing out the battery and stool, we take a bit of a nap.

The skipper calls us when he sees the men have the stool nearly all out, and you and I put on our sweaters and a dark coat, take our guns and shells, and get into the skiff to be towed to

the battery. The battery, or "box," as it is more often termed, is set pretty well to the windward of the bulk of the decoys, with just enough of them around it to hide it from birds coming down on the head; and in getting in we pick our way carefully through the decoys and step from the skiff well over toward the center, so as not to get any water in the boxes. On the deck of the box we have 12 iron decoys that are cut off on the bottom, so as to loom up higher than those on the water, and these we distribute around, heads to the wind, to make the box lay level. We each have a rubber cloth and an old sweater to lie on, and a cloth-covered rubber pillow for our heads. Adjusting these comfortably, we load our guns cock them and place them against the side of our right hand, taking care to keep at least two fingers of the barrels over the end of the box, so that in case of an accidental discharge there will be no hole blown in the box. Long experience in battery shooting has taught me that the longer the barrels of a gun are, the safer it is, and I heartily recommend 32 inch barrels.

Being all ready to lie down, with only our eyes above the level of the water, and await the coming of our quarry. Two men with sharp eyes can keep a pretty thorough watch, except just behind them, and birds coming from that quarter generally swing off to one side or the other of the stool so that they can set their wings and light among the decoys headed up to the wind. You, as the guest of honor, are in the left-hand box, and just as the sun is rising I see a bunch of brant coming in over the beach from the ocean where they have been roosting. If they are headed in our direction, and I think they will pass near enough to see our stool, we lie very close, and occasionally I call them; but the moment they see the stool—and you can always tell this, because they give a sort of dart up in the air and, if they are coming in, settle down again headed toward us—I make no further calls, but say to you: "They are coming in on your side. Lie perfectly still until I say 'Now!' and then give it to them."

It is one of the most inspiring sights in the world to see a bunch of these lordly birds headed for the stool, and a great many people are deceived as to the distance they are off, on account of their great size—often losing a chance by raising too quickly. I watch them with one eye above the edge of the box as they set their wings and come gracefully to the stool, and when they are in good range, I say: "Now! Let's try 'em!" and we sit up with our guns in our hands and fire. As they are on your side and headed up to windward, you will get the best show, because I must shoot at the tail of the bunch and will not have as good a chance to catch a double as you. You can count on my killing right and left however, and as my second bird starts to fall, I see you have three down.

"Well done, my friend. We are not going to be skunked to-day. There are five others, anyway."

We both reload our guns, and I take my cap in my hand and swing it until I see an answering signal from the Macy, and realize that they are

to come down in the skiff and pick up our game.

There are three things of great importance in battery shooting; the first is to be able to kill when the bird is in range, the second to be able to call, and the third to know how to use the "flopper." Naturally the query rises to your lips, "What is a flopper?" It is a bundle of worn-out mittens, tied together with a bit of string, that I keep in my hand as we lie in wait for the game, and it is used to attract the attention of birds that are passing too far away to see the stool. As I am about to explain the use of the queer contrivance, I see

a bunch of brant leading through the bay to the north of us, about a mile away. If they keep their present course they will pass us without seeing our stool. Something must be done to attract their attention. Quickly I flop the flopper up above the level of the box two or three times, carefully watching for any sign that the birds have noticed something. If there is no such sign, I flop again. Ah, this time they have seen it, for they rise in the air and head toward us and come straight for our stool. If I were to flop even once after they have seen the stool, they would be off like a shot—and it is just here that the science of using the flopper means so much. This time they head up on my side, and when I give the word, we fire, you to kill two, while I am lucky enough to double with each barrel. When George arrives with the skiff and we tell him 11 are down, he smiles all over.

I call to George to bring father down when he comes out to pick up again, for your day would not be complete without an hour or two in the box with that peerless sportsman, who is today, at the age of 77, one of the best shots I have ever seen. We kill again, and George comes down with father. As I get into the boat, father steps into the box with agility equal to mine, and I leave you to an enjoyment that has been the dearest privilege of my life. We have scarcely reached the Macy when you swing again, and I take up the glasses to watch with interest your good work.

As noontime comes we get the Macy underway and drop down to the box, to reward you with a cocktail when you come aboard, and have all ready a smoking lunch of Ansel's best. After lunch we take turns in the battery, and when the time comes to take up, we count a row of brant along the washer and find 35. We return to Babylon in ample time for you to catch your train, and we do not let you go until you promise to come again.

TO DRAW AND HOLD TRADE

"Most of us," said Mr. Shovelton, "are looking out for ourselves; I think we'll all admit that. The trouble with most of us is that we don't do this intelligently; we are always thinking of ourselves and our own interest only; and that's where we slip a cog. Let me illustrate:

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"And when this dealer had put the fruit in one of these bags he didn't simply twist the neck of it and hand it over to me so in a form inconvenient to carry. He folded the top of the bag over and rolled it down to form a handle—a grip piece; and then he tied this bundle around securely with twine, thus making it up altogether into a bundle that was secure and handy to carry.

"Of course I liked all that, and I found that he always did up his packages so or putting on sometimes a wood and wire handle; but always he made the package secure and handy for me. He had some thought for me, and I've been buying of him ever since; and if he should move I'd follow him. I would go out of my way to trade with him.

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Farmer's Rather Humorous Explanation for Telling Exceedingly "Tall" Story.

Irving Batcheller once told a story of a farmer on the Connecticut hills. "Pretty steep land for planting, isn't it?" a visitor asked the tiller of the soil.

"Pretty steep," the farmer assented. "I suppose it's quite difficult to plant your corn?"

"Quite difficult," came the echo. The visitor was interested, and would not be put off with short replies.

"Eh—how do you manage to plant on this hill?" he persisted.

The farmer gazed at him pityingly. "We have to shoot it all into the earth with shotguns, stranger," he assured his guest.

The visitor gasped. "Really?" he ejaculated. "Really now? Is that actually true?"

The farmer sighed and turned upon his guest a look of withering scorn. "No, that isn't true," he answered. "I'm trying to make conversation."

One Happy Condition.

"Wireless is a wonderful thing, isn't it? It's going to take the place of everything—telegraph, telephone, thought transference—why, they even transmit newspaper photographs that way."

"Yes, but there's one thing they'll never do with wireless."

"What's that?"

"Wire-pulling."

Rattlesnakes Appear Early.

The unusually warm weather throughout central Wyoming the last few weeks has caused large numbers of rattlesnakes to leave their dens and many have been killed by ranchmen and others. Not in the recollection of the oldest inhabitants have rattlesnakes appeared so early in the year. —Casper correspondence Denver Republican.

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"The Notes, Probably."

The MAN in LOWER TEN

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SYNOPSIS.

Lawrence Blakeley, lawyer, goes to Pittsburgh with the forged notes in the Bronson case to get the deposition of John Gilmore, millionaire. A lady requests Blakeley to buy her a Pullman ticket. He gives her lower 11 and retains lower 20. He finds a drunken man in lower 10 and retires in lower 9. He awakens in lower 7 and finds his clothes and bag missing. The man in lower 10 is found murdered. Circumstantial evidence points to both Blakeley and the man who stole his clothes. The train is wrecked and Blakeley is rescued from a burning car by a girl in blue. His arm is broken. The girl proves to be Allison West, his partner's sweetheart. Blakeley returns home and finds he is under surveillance. Moving pictures of the train taken just before the wreck reveal to Blakeley a man leaping from the train with his stolen grip. Investigation proves that the man's name is Sullivan. Mrs. Conway, the woman for whom Blakeley bought a Pullman ticket, tries to make a bargain with him for the forged notes, not knowing that they are missing. Blakeley and an amateur detective investigate the home of Sullivan's sister. From a servant Blakeley learns that Allison West had been there on a visit and Sullivan had been attentive to her. Sullivan is the husband of a daughter of the murdered man. Blakeley's house is ransacked by the police. He learns that the affair between Allison and his partner is off. Allison tells Blakeley about the attention paid her by Sullivan, whom she was on her way to marry when the wreck came. It is planned to give Mrs. Conway the forged notes in exchange for Sullivan.

CHAPTER XXIX.—Continued.

We crowded out of the elevator at the fourth floor, and found ourselves in a rather theatrical hallway of draperies and armor. It was very quiet; we stood uncertainly after the car had gone, and looked at the two or three doors in sight. They were heavy, covered with metal, and sound proof. From somewhere above came the metallic accuracy of a piano, and through the open window we could hear—or feel—the throb of the Cannonball's engine.

"Well, Sherlock," McKnight said, "what's the next move in the game? It is our jump, or theirs. You brought us here."

None of us knew just what to do next. No sound of conversation penetrated the heavy doors. We waited uneasily for some minutes, and Hotchkiss looked at his watch. Then he put it to his ear.

"Good gracious!" he exclaimed, his head cocked on one side. "I believe it has stopped. I'm afraid we are late."

We were late. My watch and Hotchkiss' agreed at nine o'clock, and, with the discovery that our man might have come and gone, our zest in the adventure began to flag. McKnight motioned us away from the door and rang the bell. There was no response, no sound within. He rang it twice, the last time long and vigorously, without result. Then he turned and looked at us.

"I don't half like this," he said. "That woman is in; you heard me ask the elevator boy. For two cents I'd—"

I had seen it when he did. The door was ajar about an inch, and a narrow wedge of rose-colored light shined beyond. Then, with both men at my heels, I stepped into the private corridor of the apartment and looked around. It was a square reception hall, with hats, and a couple of chairs. A lantern of rose-colored glass and a desk light over a writing-table across made the room bright and cheerful. It was empty.

None of us were comfortable. The

place was full of feminine trifles that made us feel the weakness of our position. Some such instinct made McKnight suggest division.

"We look like an invading army," he said. "If she's here alone, we will startle her into a spasm. One of us could take a look around and—"

"What was that? Didn't you hear something?"

The sound, whatever it had been, was not repeated. We went awkwardly into the hall, very uncomfortable, all of us, and flipped a coin. The choice fell on me, which was right enough, for the affair was mine, primarily.

"Wait just inside the door," I directed, "and if Sullivan comes, or anybody that answers her description, grab him without ceremony and ask him questions afterwards."

The apartment, save in the hallway, was unlighted. By one of those freaks of arrangement possible only in the modern flat, I found the kitchen first, and was struck a smart and unexpected blow by a swinging door. I carried a handful of matches, and by the time I had passed through a butler's pantry and a refrigerator room I was completely lost in the darkness. Until then the situation had been merely uncomfortable; suddenly it became grisly. From somewhere near came a long-sustained groan, followed almost instantly by the crash of something—glass or china—on the floor.

I struck a fresh match, and found myself in a narrow rear hallway. Behind me was the door by which I must have come; with a keen desire to get back to the place I had started from, I opened the door and attempted to cross the room. I thought I had kept my sense of direction, but I crashed without warning into what, from the resulting jangle, was the dining-table, probably laid for dinner. I cursed my stupidity in getting into such a situation, and I cursed my nerves for making my hand shake when I tried to strike a match. The groan had not been repeated.

I braced myself against the table and struck the match sharply against the sole of my shoe. It flickered faintly and went out. And then, without the slightest warning, another dish went off the table. It fell with a thousand splinterings; the very air seemed broken into crashing waves of sound. I stood still, braced against the table, holding the red end of the dying match, and listened. I had not long to wait; the groan came again, and I recognized it, the cry of a dog in straits. I breathed again.

"Come, old fellow," I said. "Come on, old man. Let's have a look at you."

I could hear the thud of his tail on the floor, but he did not move. He only whimpered. There is something companionable in the presence of a dog, and I fancied this dog in trouble. Slowly I began to work my way around the table toward him.

"Good boy," I said, as he whimpered. "We'll find the light, which ought to be somewhere or other around here, and then—"

I stumbled over something, and I drew back my foot almost instantly. "Did I step on you, old man?" I exclaimed, and bent to pat him. I remember straightening suddenly and

hearing the dog pad softly toward me around the table. I recall even that I had put the matches down and could not find them. Then, with a bursting horror of the room and its contents, of the gibbering dark around me, I turned and made for the door by which I had entered.

I could not find it. I felt along the endless wainscoting, past miles of wall. The dog was beside me, I think, but he was "part and parcel now, to my excited mind, with the Thing under the table. And when, after aeons of search, I found a knob and stumbled into the reception hall, I was as nearly in a panic as any man could be.

I was myself again in a second, and by the light from the hall I led the way back to the tragedy I had stumbled on. Bronson still sat at the table, his elbows propped on it, his cigarette still lighted, burning a hole in the cloth. Partly under the table lay Mrs. Conway, face down. The dog stood over her and wagged his tail.

McKnight pointed silently to a large copper ash tray, filled with ashes and charred bits of paper.

"The notes, probably," he said ruefully. "He got them after all, and burned them before her. It was more than she could stand. Stabbed him first and then herself."

Hotchkiss got up and took off his hat. "They are dead," he announced solemnly, and took his note-book out of his hatband.

McKnight and I did the only thing we could think of—drove Hotchkiss and the dog out of the room, and closed and locked the door. "It's a matter for the police," McKnight asserted. "I suppose you've got an officer tied to you somewhere, Lawrence? You usually have."

We left Hotchkiss in charge and went downstairs. It was McKnight who first saw Johnson, leaning against a park railing across the street, and called him over. We told him in a few words what we had found, and he grinned at me cheerfully.

"After awhile, in a few weeks or months, Mr. Blakeley," he said, "when you get tired of monkeying around with the blood-stain and finger-print specialist upstairs, you come to me. I've had that fellow you want under surveillance for ten days!"

CHAPTER XXX.

Finer Details.

At ten minutes before two the following day, Monday, I arrived at my office. I had spent the morning putting my affairs in shape, and in a trip to the stable. The afternoon would see me either a free man or a prisoner for an indefinite length of time, and, in spite of Johnson's promise to produce Sullivan, I was more prepared for the latter than the former.

Blobs was watching for me outside the door, and it was clear that he was in a state of excitement bordering on delirium. He did nothing, however, save to tip me, a wink that meant "As man to man, I'm for you." I was too much engrossed either to reprove him or to return the courtesy, but I heard him follow me down the hall to the small room where we kept outgrown law books, typewriter supplies and, incidentally, our wraps. I was wondering vaguely if I would ever hang my hat on its nail again, when the door closed behind me. It shut firmly, without any particular amount of sound, and I was left in the dark. I groped my way to it, irritably, to find it locked on the outside. I shook it frantically, and was rewarded by a sibilant whisper through the keyhole.

"Keep quiet," Blobs was saying huskily. "You're in deadly peril. The police are waiting in your office, three of 'em. I'm goin' to lock the whole bunch in and throw the key out of the window."

"Come back here, you Imp of Satan!" I called furiously, but I could hear him speeding down the corridor, and the slam of the outer office door by which he always announced his presence. And so I stood there in the ridiculous cupboard, hot with the heat of a steaming September day, musty with the smell of old leather bindings, littered with broken overshoes and handleless umbrellas. I was apoplectic with rage one minute, and choked with laughter the next. It seemed an hour before Blobs came back.

He came without haste, strutting with new dignity, and passed outside my prison door.

"Well, I guess that will hold them for a while," he remarked comfortably, and proceeded to turn the key. "I've got 'em fastened up like sardines in a can!" he explained, working with the lock. "Gee whiz! you'd ought to hear 'em!" When he got his breath after the shaking I gave him, he began to sputter. "How'd I know?" he demanded sulkily. "You nearly broke your neck gettin' away the other time. And I haven't got the old key, it's lost."

"Where's it lost?" I demanded, with another gesture toward his coat collar.

"Down the elevator shaft." There was a gleam of indignant satisfaction through his tears of rage and humiliation.

And so, while he hunted the key in the debris at the bottom of the shaft, I quieted his prisoners with the assurance that the lock had slipped, and that they would be free as lords as soon as we could find the janitor with a pass-key. Stuart went down finally and discovered Blobs, with the key in his pocket, telling the engineer how he had tried to save me from arrest and failed. When Stuart came up he was almost cheerful, but Blobs did not appear again that day.

Simultaneous with the finding of the key came Hotchkiss, and we went in together. I shook hands with two men who, with Hotchkiss, made a not

very animated group. The taller one, an oldish man, lean and hard, announced his errand at once.

"A Pittsburg warrant!" I inquired, unlocking my cigar drawer.

"Yes, Allegheny county has assumed jurisdiction, the exact locality where the crime was committed being in doubt." He seemed to be the spokesman. The other, shorter and rotund, kept an amiable silence. "We hope you will see the wisdom of waiving extradition," he went on. "It will save time."

"I'll come, of course," I agreed. "The sooner the better. But I want you to give me an hour here, gentlemen. I think we can interest you. Have a cigar?"

The lean man took a cigar; the rotund man took three, putting two in his pocket.

"How about the catch of that door?" he inquired jovially. "Any danger of it going off again?" Really, considering the circumstances, they were remarkably cheerful. Hotchkiss, however, was not. He paced the floor uneasily, his hands under his coat tails. The arrival of McKnight created a diversion; he carried a long package and a corkscrew, and shook hands with the police and opened the bottle with a single gesture.

"I always want something to cheer on these occasions," he said. "Where's the water, Blakeley? Everybody ready?" Then in French he toasted the two detectives.

"To your eternal discomfiture," he said, bowing ceremoniously. "May you go home and never come back! If you take Monsieur Blakeley with you, I hope you choke."

The lean man nodded gravely.

"Prosit," he said. But the fat one leaned back and laughed consumedly.

Hotchkiss finished a mental synopsis of his position and put down his glass. "Gentlemen," he said pompously, "within five minutes the man you want will be here, a murderer caught in a net of evidence, so fine that a mosquito could not get through."

The detectives glanced at each other solemnly. Had they not in their possession a sealskin bag containing a wallet and a bit of gold chain, which by putting the crime on me, would leave a gap big enough for Sullivan himself to crawl through?

"Why don't you say your little speech before Johnson brings the other man, Lawrence?" McKnight inquired. "They won't believe you, but it will help them to understand what is coming."

"You understand, of course," the lean man put in gravely, "that what you say may be used against you."

"I'll take the risk," I answered impatiently.

It took some time to tell the story of my worse-than-useless trip to Pittsburg and its sequel. They listened gravely, without interruption.

"Mr. Hotchkiss here," I finished, "believes that the man Sullivan, whom we are momentarily expecting, committed the crime. Mr. McKnight is inclined to implicate Mrs. Conway, who stabbed Bronson and then herself last night. As for myself, I am open to conviction."

"I hope not," said the stout detective quizzically. And then Allison was announced. My impulse to go out and meet her was forestalled by the detectives, who rose when I did. McKnight, therefore, brought her in, and I met her at the door.

"I have put you to a great deal of trouble," I said contritely, when I saw her glance around the room. "I wish I had not—"

"It is only right that I should come," she replied, looking up at me. "I am the unconscious cause of most of it, I am afraid. Mrs. Dallas is going to wait in the outer office."

I presented Hotchkiss and the two detectives, who eyed her with interest. In her pose, her beauty, even in her gown, I fancy she represented a new type to them. They remained standing until she sat down.

"I have brought the necklace," she began, holding out a white-wrapped box, "as you asked me to."

I passed it, unopened, to the detectives. "The necklace from which was broken the fragment you found in the sealskin bag," I explained. "Miss West found it on the floor of the car, near lower ten."

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

Knowledge of the World.

Everybody but a fool keeps good friends with waiters, for, whether these have any union or not, they are a big-fisted brotherhood, and more than once I have seen every waiter in a restaurant, even as a swarm of bees, fall aboard some "bad man," and when he came to in the hospital he would look like Quixote after the swine drovers got through with him. With all their tricks and knowledge of the world, waiters are singularly unspooled, good-natured and agreeable, and they are full of interesting, often scientific, information. They see a side of humanity that nobody else ever sees, mostly the comedy and peccadillo side. Considering their housed-up condition, it seems remarkable how much they know about what is going on. When not busy they are always enthusiastically engaged in swapping pointers and information, which, in a way, accounts for some of them getting rich in Wall street.

Difference in Laughter.

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"What are you doing?" asked the child's father.

"I'm playing I'm mamma," she answered. Then she made more unique movements with her little arms and said, "There father, you accept them. That's what they do when mamma makes them."

"What shall I accept?" asked the father, still more mystified, "and what does mamma make?" Tell me what you are doing."

"Why," she said, "I'm playing that I am mamma at her club. Whenever mamma goes to her club she makes motions and the others accept them. I heard her say so over the telephone to Mrs. Smith this morning."—Illustrated Magazine.

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Particularly at this season of the year, do not a hen until it is positive that she is thoroughly broody. If she does not have the full fever, she is apt to desert her charge, often after sitting a week or two.

As the weather is still cold, not more than eleven eggs should be given a hen. When a larger number is allowed, the eggs are not sufficiently covered, and those on the outer edges of the clutch are likely to become chilled.—From March Farm Journal.

Buy Now If You Want Cheap Homes.

Since the tremendous rains that have fallen in west Texas which again assures prosperity to the country, farmers, cotton growers and truck growers all are jubilant, and seem to be eager to get to planting and everything imaginable will be planted. There will be no trouble this fall in showing what west Texas will do. A great many people have an idea that west Texas is not a farming country to any profitable extent.

The average rainfall as furnished by the government is 28.57 inches and this is based on many years record. The government cotton report issued Oct. 3rd, shows that 1,258,359 bales of cotton have been ginned to Sept. 25, in the state of Texas. Here is the crop report of 1910:

Washington, D. C., Oct. 3.—The census bureau cotton report issued today shows 2,302,211 bales, counting round as half bales, were ginned from the growth of 1910 to Sept. 25, as compared with 2,568,150 for 1909, 2,590,639 for 1908 and 1,562,602 for 1907.

The average land of this country will yield three-fourths of a bale per acre worth now \$52.50, this being practically a net profit, the amount derived from the seed covering the expense of picking and ginning.

Cotton requires less care than does corn as it is only cultivated but twice during the season. A good cotton plantation is worth \$100.00 per acre. Compare it with the price of wheat, corn and other standard crop lands producing only half this value.

We have some large bodies of land in Howard and adjoining counties. This land is convenient to railroad stations and will

The Source of Cottolene is the Sunny South The Source of Good Health is Cottolene

Cottolene is made from the choicest of cotton oil. From Cottonfield to Kitchen—human hands never touch the oil from which Cottolene is made.

Pies, doughnuts and cakes cooked with Cottolene can be fearlessly enjoyed by the most determined dyspeptic. For Cottolene makes food digestible as well as palatable.

There is no substitute for Cottolene, because there is no shortening as good as Cottolene. It is pure, clean, neutral in taste and flavor, and absolutely the purest and most healthful frying and shortening medium.

"Nature's Gift from the Sunny South"

Made only by THE N. K. FAIRBANK COMPANY



sell for \$12.00, \$15.00 and \$25.00 per acre, small cash payments and terms on balance to suit, and will never sell after this crop is made at such a low price.

W. P. Soash and R. L. Slaughter, of Soash, were here Monday.

Amos Eaker, druggist at Coahoma, was here Wednesday.

G. L. Walters, of Coahoma, attended court here Wednesday.

Matinee at the Lyric Theater from 3 to 5:30 p. m. tomorrow.

S. W. Altman, of Loraine, was here Monday on his way home from Lamesa.

Don't miss the night class at the college hall.

Mrs. Effie Davis and Miss Joe Davis, of Forney, are here on a visit to L. L. Brown and wife.

D. C. Porch and wife, who live six miles east of town, were shopping here Wednesday.

F. Anderson and Miss Lora Gregory were granted a marriage license Wednesday.

B. T. Burkhead and Dr. Godwin were among the Coahoma delegation attending district court.

H. A. Carnes, C. R. Moore and C. H. Webster, of Company D, state rangers, were here this week from Ysletta.

For Sale or Trade

One section of land 17 miles south of town, will sell or trade. Has 6-room house, good well and windmill, 100 acres in cultivation, all fenced. Will take some Big Springs property or Howard county land. For further particulars inquire at this office.

The South's Greatest Newspaper

The Semi-weekly Record

Fort Worth, Texas

In addition to subscribing for your home paper, which you cannot well afford to be without, you must have a high class general newspaper.

As a trustworthy family paper, The Semi-Weekly Fort Worth Record has no superior. It isn't for any limited set of people; it's for every member of every family. If you don't find something of interest in a particular issue—well, the editor looks on that issue as a failure. In addition to printing all the news of the day in concise form, The Record has special features for each member of the family. The remarkable growth of The Record is the best evidence of its merits.

By subscribing through this office you can get The Fort Worth Semi-Weekly Record together with The Enterprise both papers one year for only Two Dollars, or a six-page wall map will be included for only 15c extra. Accept this remarkable offer today.

Duplex is the name of the best safety razor yet. Try one. Reagan's.

Judge Ed J. Hamner, of Colorado, and Judge J. H. Beall, of Colorado, attended court here this week.

C. L. Alderman returned Saturday from Martin where he spent ten days using the healthful waters of that place for the benefit of a case of rheumatism.

Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets are safe, sure and reliable, and have been praised by thousands of women who have been restored to health through their gentle aid and curative properties. Sold by Biles & Gentry.

Subscribe for the Enterprise and keep posted on the Big Springs country. \$1.00 a year.

Medicines that aid nature are always most successful. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy acts on this plan. It loosens the cough, relieves the lungs, opens the secretions and aids nature in restoring the system to a healthy condition. Sold by Biles & Gentry.

Ribbon Cane Syrup.

We have pure ribbon cane syrup in 3 and 5 gallon jackets, and in 10 gallon kegs and half barrels. Try it if you want a first-class article.

POOL BROTHERS.

Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets invariably bring relief to women suffering from chronic constipation, headache, biliousness, dizziness, sallowness of the skin and dyspepsia. Sold by Biles & Gentry.

P. A. Smith traded 160 acres of land in New Mexico to J. W. Cook for two houses and lots in Big Springs, Smith paying \$500 difference in the deal.

Saturday, March 11, is state "clean up" day in Texas, and every town and city should observe it by a thorough cleaning. A clean town is a thing to be very much desired.

March the first was Ash Wednesday the beginning of Lent, the season in which some of the religious denominations abstain from certain articles of diet and give up some of their amusements.

Fully nine out of every ten cases of rheumatism is simply rheumatism of the muscles due to cold or damp, or chronic rheumatism, neither of which require any internal treatment. All that is needed to afford relief is the free application of Chamberlain's Liniment. Give it a trial. You are certain to be pleased with the quick relief which it affords. Sold by Biles & Gentry.

Mrs. J. E. Moon returned Wednesday from market.

For Sale.

Scholarship in Big Springs Business Academy for sale or will trade for good horse. Apply at this office or see J. F. Wolcott.

SEE

the place to get the most articles for your cash is at the store east of the court house.

Witter Springs Water

A MEDICINE FROM THE MOUNTAINS

The most powerful mineral known, and famous for its miraculous cures of diseases of the

STOMACH LIVER KIDNEYS BLADDER INTESTINES SKIN AND BLOOD

Bottled at Witter Springs, Lake county, California, with its life and curative properties unimpaired. Witter Water cures by cleansing the whole system of its impurities, and at the same time healing the diseased parts by its miraculous curative powers.

R. L. McCAMANT, DRUGGIST
EXCLUSIVE AGENTS IN BIG SPRINGS

WARD'S KIDNEY PILLS

Old people, suffer most from kidney troubles—their kidneys have done the most work. That is why many of the best friends of

WARD'S KIDNEY PILLS

are those who are advanced in years. We sell many to old people and always with entire satisfaction. If your kidneys are bothering you, buy a 50 cent box of

WARD'S KIDNEY PILLS

AND PROVE THEIR STERLING VALUE

J. L. Ward Jewelry & Drug Co.

"THE PRICE IS THE THING."

CALUMET


The BAKING POWDER

That Makes the Baking Better

Followers are almost impossible with Calumet. We know that it will give you better results. We know that the baking will be purer. We know that it will be more evenly baked. And we know that Calumet is more economical, both in its use and cost. We know these things because we have put the quality into it—we have used it in millions of homes and its sales are growing daily. It is the standard baking powder.

Have you tried it? Calumet is highest in quality—lowest in price.

Highest Award—World's Pure Food Exposition.



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VALUABLE IN THE HOUSEHOLD

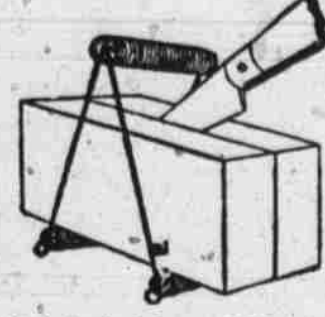
Innumerable Uses to Which Sawdust May Be Put to Good Advantage.

Sawdust may be put to serve a number of purposes for the homemaker. It is good for removing sediment in glass and earthenware. A handful thrown on a dying fire will help to revive it. Well dried and heated and sprinkled over grease spots in carpets, it is useful in removing these objectionable marks. It should be well rubbed in, left for a few hours, then treated again if necessary. Heat some sawdust on a piece of paper in the oven, and it is an excellent remedy for mildew and damp spots on metal or other polished goods. Rub some dry sawdust on articles that have been polished, and the polish will last longer. Slightly moisten sawdust sprinkled on outhouse floors, verandas or larder, etc., and brushed off with a hard broom will cleanse the floor without much trouble.

CLEANS KNIVES WITH EASE

Device of California Man One of the Best Ever Placed on the Market.

There are all varieties of knife-cleaners from the single stone on which the housewife rubs her cutlery to the elaborate device of multiple wheels used in the big hotels and restaurants. But one of the simplest and most effective of all would seem to



be that devised by a California man and shown here. This contrivance consists of a couple of cleaning stones held in juxtaposition in a resilient frame. The frame consists of two inverted V-shaped wires with springs connecting the three corners of each. This has the effect of keeping the stones closer together all the time, but allowing enough leeway for the admission of a knife blade or the tines of a fork, which can be cleaned by being rubbed up and down a few times. The springs will insure a sufficiently strong pressure to give good frictional action at all times.

Useful Hints.

Milk will clean piano keys satisfactorily. It will take out ink spots of long standing. Used in starch it will give a fine gloss. It will remove discoloration from gilt mirrors and picture frames. Used with bluing for lace curtains it will make them look like new.

To cloud quickly the windows in a bath room, etc., apply with a brush a strong solution of epsom salts mixed in vinegar. This gives a beautiful frosted appearance and becomes permanent if varnished over with white varnish.

Mahogany or any other colored wood may be darkened by polishing with cold drawn linseed oil.

Splendid Cookies.

One sifter of flour, one teaspoonful soda, and pinch of salt; sift and then take lard and mix in, as for pie dough. Two cupfuls of brown sugar; flavor with maple and vanilla; roll out and sprinkle granulated sugar thickly on top; cut out with a large cookie cutter and press a raisin or nut in the center of each; just before putting in the oven take the tip of the finger and wet the top, and the cookies will be crinkly and crisp. If sweet milk or water is used two teaspoonfuls of baking powder in place of soda.

Chicken a la Hollandaise.

Take out the breast bone of a large young fowl and fill up the space with a nice force meat. Make a batter as for fritters and when the fowl is half roasted pour the batter over, let dry and then pour on more until it is thickly coated and a rich brown color. Remove from pan, cut up as for a fricassee, place on platter, lay corn fritters around the edge of dish; scatter some sprigs of parsley over, and serve at once with melted butter and lemon quarters. Oyster force meat is nice.

In Cooking Oysters.

In scalloping oysters do not use much of the liquor. Milk may be substituted. Put on plenty of butter, twice as much on the top layer as on the under ones, or it will not be well browned. For creamed oysters use all the liquor from the oysters in place of some of the milk. This quite changes the flavor of the dish.

Scotch Scones.

Sift with one pound of flour a teaspoonful of bicarbonate of soda, a half teaspoonful of cream of tartar and a little salt. Wet with sour buttermilk, roll out round the size of a pie-plate cut in four pieces and lay on a hot griddle, which has been dusted with dry flour only. When slightly browned turn and brown the other side.

Bacon Hint.

A new way to cook bacon. Cut this slice, roll in beaten eggs, then in corn meal, and fry slowly a dainty brown

A BOON TO HUMANITY

If the Curative Virtue of Resinol Was Generally Known It Would Be Used Exclusively for the Cure of All Skin Diseases.

A grateful user writes from England as follows: "Please accept my heartfelt thanks for bringing out Resinol Ointment. Having been a sufferer for the past four years from that dreadful disease, weeping Eczema, I can now heartily recommend this great remedy for it has cured me as nothing else could. My condition was most distressing; nearly everything I ate made me worse. Since I was advised to use Resinol I have gained a new life, so to say. Surely there are thousands of suffering people who ought to know of Resinol Ointment and Soap. I certainly recommend everybody to keep a jar of this salve at hand. Gratefully yours, Lee Carter, Rutland Hall." Resinol is a skillfully made ointment with almost magical healing and soothing qualities. It is universally recommended for the relief and cure of Eczema, Herpes, Tinea, Barber's Itch, Acne, Eruption from Poison Ivy, Burns, Sores and abrasions of the skin of any kind, itching Piles and other distressing irritations are relieved instantly by applying this salve. Resinol Ointment is sold by druggists everywhere. Resinol Chemical Co., Baltimore, Md.

Advantages.

"You must have found the arctic circle very unpleasant."

"Yes," replied the arctic explorer; "but it has its advantages. The climate is disagreeable, but the people aren't always worrying you about profa."

Not Boasting of It.

Theatrical Manager—I understand that you played with Booth, Miss Serelant?

The Actress (with much spirit)—Well, I don't think it's anybody's business how old I am!

PRAIRIE DOGS.

We usually write our own ads., but will let a user of "Rough on Rats" for extermination of Prairie Dogs write this one. Mr. H. B. Mosely, a ranchman, under date of Feb. 4th, 1911, writes as follows from Hill Top, Douglas Co., Colorado: He says: "I have read your advertisement of 'Rough on Rats'; it not only reads good but it is good. I have been troubled twenty years with Prairie Dogs; have used many so-called exterminators to no purpose. Not long since I used a poisoned wheat, prepared by an expert who had made it a study for years, but it did no good for me; they ate it, but chirped for more. The 'Dogs' were eating up a field of corn for me; I was at my wit's end what to do; I could only get the small 15c. size here of 'Rough on Rats.' I mixed it with corn and applied; many of them chirped no more; I then mixed it with corn meal and placed it on days not windy, near their holes. 'Rough on Rats' is by far the best thing I have tried, but I fancy I am using it unnecessarily strong, or you may suggest a better way than I know to mix or use it. I wish our druggists would keep the largest (75c.) size; could you send me the 75c. size? It clears them out in great shape; you should make it better known to Ranchmen."

The above are facts as stated by Mr. Mosely. "Rough on Rats" is equally Rough on Prairie Dogs, Squirrels, Chipmunks, Gophers, Rabbits, Mice, Rats—varieties of every and all kinds, Mosches, Flies, Ants, and Bed Bugs. Read the directions how to use it safely in outbuildings and for the different kinds of pests. For Prairie Dogs I would advise soaking coarse cracked corn in a mixture of, say one 25c. box of "Rough on Rats" to five gallons of water; let it stand a week, shaking frequently; you can use the same mixture over and over again for cracked corn; or mix "Rough on Rats," thoroughly and instantly, say, one part to twenty of hot corn meal, when it cools, divide in pieces and place about their holes. 15c., 25c. and 75c.; wooden boxes only. E. S. Wells, Chemist, Jersey City, N. J.

Neatly Put.

The Duchess Decazes, as all the world knows, was an American—a daughter of the enormously rich Singer family.

The duchess was once taking part in some amateur theatricals at Ragaz when a New York girl said to her mother:

"Is she a real duchess?"

"Yes, my dear," the mother, a Knickerbocker, answered. "Yes, real, but machine made."

True Humility.

"I suppose you are tempted to stop at Mrs. since you own a motor car."

"I should say not," replied Mr. Chuggins. "A man with a motor car puts in most of his life apologizing."

ONLY ONE "BROMO QUININE."

That is LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE. Look for the signature of E. W. GROVE. Led the World over to Cure a Cold in One Day. 25c.

Latest Quotations.

"How would you like a game picture for your dining room? A brace of can-bucks, say?"

"No cheap stuff for me. Paint me a picture of a dozen eggs."

Druggists everywhere sell Garfield Tea, the Herb Laxative. It acts as a gentle aid to Nature.

Sympathy sometimes means sitting in a car and passing out soft words to a me folk.

Settle drink pure water at least cost to you, if you have a bottomless tank. Booklet "A" free. E. W. GROVE, Led the World over to Cure a Cold in One Day. 25c.

Peace with God without peace with men is an iniquitous thing.

Lewis' Single Binder gives the smoker a rich, mellow-tasting 6c. cigar.

Dwellers in glass houses should keep out of politics.

OUT OF A JOB.



Friend (consoling)—So you've lost your job, eh? Well, don't worry about it. I reckon you was only wastin' yer time in a place like that.

Young Bill (sadly)—Yes, that's what the boss told me when 'e fired me.

Critics.

"Only competent critics can give competent criticisms," said Admiral Mahan, at the Immortals' recent reception in New York. "The ignobler the critic the ignobler the criticism—even of the very finest things—that he will pronounce."

"A man in a bar was praising a famous American journalist, a justly famous journalist, a journalist who gets out a really fine paper."

"Yes," the bartender agreed, "his paper is a good one. It picked two winners last week."

A WOMAN'S KIDNEYS.

Are Often Responsible for Untold Suffering.

Mrs. W. H. Kaiser, Whitney, Neb., says: "Many times during the night I was obliged to arise because of too frequent passages of kidney secretions. Again they became scanty, were very thick and attended by burning and scalding. Soon a dropsical condition became manifest and I began to worry. My feet and ankles were bloated and I was in a bad way when I began with Doan's Kidney Pills. I used four boxes and was entirely cured."

Remember the name—Doan's. For sale by all dealers. 50 cents a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

Climatic Conversation.

"The weather is always a convenient topic of conversation."

"I don't think so. You are so often compelled to think twice in order to select polite phraseology."

USE ALLEN'S FOOT-PAISE

the antiseptic powder to be shaken into the shoe. It makes your feet feel easy and comfortable and makes walking a delight. Sold everywhere. See *Review* magazine. For free trial package, address Allen S. Oimsted, LeRoy, N. Y.

Consulted Him Often.

Mrs. Benham—Health is wealth.

Benham—At the rate you have the doctor you ought to "get rich quick."

The Chicago Fire could have been prevented with one pail of water, but the water was not handy. Keep a bottle of Hamlin's Wizard Oil handy and prevent the fiery pains of inflammation.

Between Octogenarians.

"I understand they sentenced him to life imprisonment?"

"Well, no; it wasn't as bad as that. He got only 99 years!"—Puck.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for Children

teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic, 25c. a bottle.

It is possible to have too much of a good thing. The dog with the shortest tail runs the least danger of having tin cans tied to it.

Housework Drudgery

Housework is drudgery for the weak woman. She brushes, dusts and scrubs, or is on her feet all day attending to the many details of the household, her back aching, her temples throbbing, nerves quivering under the stress of pain, possibly dizzy feelings. Sometimes rest in bed is not refreshing, because the poor tired nerves do not permit of refreshing sleep. The real need of weak, nervous women is satisfied by Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription.

It Makes Weak Women Strong and Sick Women Well.

This "Prescription" removes the cause of women's weaknesses, heals inflammation and ulceration, and cures those weaknesses so peculiar to women. It tranquilizes the nerves, encourages the appetite and induces restful sleep.

Dr. Pierce is perfectly willing to let every one know what his "Favorite Prescription" contains, a complete list of ingredients on the bottle-wrapper. Do not let any unscrupulous druggist persuade you that his substitute of unknown composition is "just as good" in order that he may make a bigger profit. Just smile and shake your head!

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets cures liver ills.

Spring Medicine

is Needed Now, and the Best is Hood's Sarsaparilla

Which purifies, enriches and revitalizes the blood as no other does. 40,366 testimonials of cures, in two years. Get it in usual liquid form or tablets called Sarsatabs.

Impure Blood is common in the spring, because of the unhealthful modes of living during the winter, and it is the cause of the loss of appetite and that tired feeling as well as the sores and eruptions that occur at this time.

Be sure to take Hood's this spring.

Roots, Barks and Herbs—Hood's Sarsaparilla so combines the great curative principles of roots, barks and herbs as to raise them to their highest efficiency for the cure of all spring humors, all blood diseases, and run-down conditions.

There is no substitute for Hood's.

Miss Bangs and Miss Whiton's School for Girls

WITHIN EASY ACCESS of all parts of the city, and of the great libraries and museums. Opportunity given for attendance at public entertainments of educational and artistic value.

THOROUGH AND CONSERVATIVE TRAINING, moral, intellectual and physical, with expert supervision in every department, thus insuring definite and certain results.

FACULTY LARGE, each teacher a specialist; and pupils assured the individual attention adapted to their respective needs.

PRIMARY, PREPARATORY AND ACADEMIC DEPARTMENTS; also a unique department known as the UPPER HOUSE, for graduate and special students desiring to spend the winter in New York in a congenial social atmosphere, under the most favorable conditions for culture of social graces and for intelligent advancement. The UPPER HOUSE is in a large degree free from the ordinary restrictions of a school.

BEST ADVANTAGES of New York available for the study of Music, Art, Elocution, Languages and Dancing.

PHYSICAL EXERCISES. Special attention given with the object of promoting health, grace and ease of motion and repose of manner. The gymnastic exercises are in charge of a graduate of Dr. Sargent, of Cambridge, Mass. SUMMER CAMP in New Hampshire.

THE SUCCESS OF THE SCHOOL has been so pronounced that it has received the highest commendation of the leading educators of the country as well as of the highest officials of the U. S. Government; Miss Bangs and Miss Whiton refer by permission to the presidents of ten colleges and universities and to President and Mrs. Taft, Ex-Vice-President and Mrs. Fairbanks, Ex-President and Mrs. Roosevelt, and the Chief Justice.

The Subtlety of Him.

"John dear," said Mabel, as her lord and master entered the house, "I've just had a letter from mother, and she is coming to visit us. It is a pretty expensive trip for little Muddy, and I wondered if we couldn't help her out a little."

"Of course we can," said John, giving his wife a generous kiss. "Just you write and tell her that I'll be only too glad to pay for her railroad ticket back home again as soon as she decides to go."—Harper's Weekly.

Is Mennonite Minister.

Miss Anna J. Allebach is the first woman to be elected a minister of the Mennonite church in this country, although there are two women in Holland acting in that capacity. She is president of the New York University Philosophical society. Her ordination took place on January 15 in Philadelphia.

Important to Mothers

Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA, a safe and sure remedy for infants and children, and see that it bears the Signature of *Dr. J. C. Williams* in Use For Over 30 Years. The Kind You Have Always Bought.

Not a Lucrative Job.

Friend—So your friend has left college. What is he in?

Pater—Debt.

Bottomless tanks enable you to water your cattle in Nature's way at small cost. Booklet free. Alamo Iron Works, San Antonio, Texas.

Inconsistency often means those deeds in another which I only half understand.



MUSTANG LINIMENT

CHEAPER THAN INSURANCE.

Mexican Mustang Liniment is made of the best oils and penetrates quickly, soothing and healing the affected parts. IT makes good all losses occasioned by accidents and is cheaper than any insurance policy.

IT will take a curb off your horse or cure him of the heaves.

IT will cure him of cracked heels or grease heels.

No matter how long-standing or deep-seated the pain, this old reliable remedy will kill it.

25c. 50c. \$1 a bottle at Drug & Gen'l Stores.

To Cure Your Pimples.

Take a cup of GRAND MA'S TEA every night before retiring. Pleasant to take and marvelous results in two weeks.

Package 25 cents.

You can't sow thistles and reap figs. If you plant Perry's Seeds you grow exactly what you expect and in a profession and perfection never excelled.

Fifty years of study and experience make them reliable. For sale everywhere. Ferry's 1911 Seed Annual free on request.

D. M. FERRY & CO., Detroit, Mich.



Thompson's Eye Water

Give quick relief to eye irritations caused by dust, sun or wind.

PATENTS Watson E. Coleman, Washington, D.C. Books free. High-class references. Best results.

W. N. U., DALLAS, NO. 9-1911.

Make the Liver Do its Duty

Five times in ten when the liver is right the stomach and bowels are right.

CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS

gently but surely compel a lazy liver to do its duty.

Cure Constipation, Indigestion, Sick Headache, and Distress after Eating.

Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price.

Genuine must bear Signature *Wm. Wood*

ASTONISHED THE "OLD MAN"

His 'Rah 'Rah Son by No Means the "Dude" He Had Hitherto Seemed to Be.

The new governor of a western state has two sons. One is big and lanky like his father, but the other is more slight; and at times he rather vexes his father by his affectionate "rah-rah-boy" clothes and a general air of lassitude and dandyism.

The two sons and the father were in the library one night and the name of a prizefight referee came into the conversation. The "rah-rah" boy had been sitting by, twiddling his thumbs, but his ears pricked up at the man's name and he drawled: "I rather like that chap. He's all right."

"What do you know about him?" the other brother asked, rather contemptuously.

"Oh, he gave me a shade the best of it one night."

"Gave you the best of it?" both father and brother shouted.

"Yes; you see, I fight under the name of Young Ryan and he counted pretty slow one time when I was down."—Saturday Evening Post.

That Awful Mrs. Jones.

Mrs. Smith—She is so unobnoxious! Mrs. Brown—And always complaining. The other day, while ballooning near a storm center, she collided with a rain cloud and reported to the authorities that the driver of an aeroplane sprinkler had splashed water all over her best gown!—Widow.

COLDS

GRIP

Wagon's Cold Remedy Relieves the head, throat and lungs almost immediately. Checks Fevers, stops Discharges of the nose, takes away all aches and pains caused by colds. It cures Grip and obnoxious Coughs and prevents Pneumonia, Whooping Cough, Measles and Jitters.

Write for Free Medical Advice and Remedy Free.

PISO'S

IN THE NAME OF THE GREAT MEDICINE FOR COUGHS & COLDS

You Look Prematurely Old

Because of those ugly, grizzly, gray hairs. Use "LA OREOLE" HAIR DRESSING. PRICE, \$1.00, retail.

Big Springs, Howard County, Texas

Big Springs, the County Seat of Howard county, being a division point on the T. & P. railroad, 270 west of Ft. Worth and 330 east of El Paso. Having an altitude of 2300 feet. A happy medium, neither too cold or hot. The T. & P. railroad company have located their shops here at a cost of half million dollars, with pay roll of over \$40,000 per month; a \$50,000 ice factory and bottling works, two gins, \$20,000 electric light and power plant, the best telephone system in the country and equal to any city in the state; an abundant supply of the finest water in Texas, furnished by the Big Springs Water Co.; one of the best equipped Steam Laundry in the west; \$24,000 High School and two \$10,000 Ward school buildings; \$12,000 City Hall, \$40,000 Court House, \$20,000 fire-proof jail and \$20,000 Y. M. C. A. and the T. & P. has just completed a \$50,000 depot, and all the religious denominations have nice, comfortable houses of worship, the Baptists have just completed a \$20,000 brick church and the Catholics have now under construction a brick church to cost about \$16,000. The Masons have one of the finest halls in the state and other orders have flourishing lodges, besides her mercantile and banking institutes which are unexcelled. In our three banks there is on deposit about one million dollars. Besides all of these good things, we are surrounded by one of the best all-purpose countries on earth, farming, stock farming, horses, cattle, mules, hogs, sheep and poultry. There has never been known such a thing as an epidemic of disease among stock in this part of Texas.

640 Acres
18 miles northeast from Big Springs and 10 miles north from Coahoma, 150 acres in cultivation, 3 room house, barn, lots and well, mill and also 2 room house, sheds, lots, all fenced in convent pastures, more than 75 per cent as fine sandy catchlaw and mesquite valley land, balance good grass, lots of big mesquite for wood and pasture. Price \$5500.

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Some Exchange Propositions No. 2.

No. 1, 907 acres 9 m st from Graham, Young county, Texas, on public road, close to school and church, and a mile from gin and post-office store. One-half good tillable land, the other half good grass land; abundance of good water, has about 1500 pecan trees. One 5 room house and one 3 room house, on this tract of land. One field of 75 acres and one of 50 acres, both in good state of cultivation; this land is mixed mesquite and post oak land. This land can be traded clear of debt, but there is \$1700 that can be assumed. Will trade for good land here. Price \$20 per acre.

No. 2, 160 acres 10 miles northeast of Floydada, Floyd county, good 5-room house, well and windmill, barn, etc., 60 acres in cultivation, balance fenced in pasture, all tillable, smooth level plains land, 2 miles from school and church, 95 cents due state on long time at 3 per cent interest. Price \$22.50 per acre. \$15.00 cash or trade balance assume in 8 equal annual payments, dated Feb. 2, due Feb. 2, 1912, 1913, 1914, 1915, 1916, 1917, 1918, 1919, 9 per cent inter. Will trade for land or town property. What have you?

No. 3, 75 lots in the College Addition to Floydada all nice smooth lots, and close in to trade for land or Big Springs property. This is good property and adjoins one of the best schools in the state and the terminus of the railroad and county seat.

No. 6, N. E. 1-4 sec. 11, blk. 34, tsp. 1, N. Howard county 12 miles northwest Big Springs, Texas, 60 acres in cultivation, 2 room house, fenced, big stock cistern, 150 bbl. cistern at house, all smooth red sandy land \$900 against land 3 years at 8 per interest. Price \$15 per acre. Also one house, two big rooms and two side rooms, corner lot in Earl's Addition to Big Springs, handy for shop men, price \$900, clear. Also one 3 room house and two lots in Jones Valley Addition on Stanton road, high ground, across street from the Shumway property. Price \$800, clear. Want to trade part or all of this property for small farm near Coahoma.

No. 9, 1330 acres Kaufman county, well improved, 8 sets houses, 700 acres in cultivation, balance open prairie, to trade for western land. Price \$50 per

acre; clear. Also 796 acres Ellis county, all agricultural land, part heavy timber, 325 acres in cultivation, houses, etc. Price \$50 per acre; clear. What have you to offer?

No. 13, One-half section of all good lever red mesquite sandy loam land, 18 miles northeast from Big Springs, 120 acres in cultivation, house well, etc. \$2800 against it; price \$20 per acre. Would trade his equity as first payment on small Dallas county farm and give back notes against the land bought.

No. 14, fine section of land in Terry county, to trade or sell. Want a good auto, prefer 2-cylinder Buick, but will consider any standard make. Price of land \$7 per acre; clear.

No. 15, good section of land in El Paso county to trade for auto. This is school land bought \$1 per acre, proved up. Would make an even trade.

No. 16, 114 acres Ellis county, 100 acres in cultivation, 5 room house, etc. \$4500, mortgage; price \$75 per acre.

No. 19, 6 sections in solid body school land in El Paso county, 35 miles east from El Paso, and 15 miles from the railroad, all smooth but about 200 acres

proved up. \$1.25 to state 3 per cent interest. 2-room house and two tanks, and in the watered district where water can be had by drilling. \$250 bonus; will trade for farm, no incumbrance except state debt.

No. 17, who wants to trade for fine Fort Worth property, modern 8 room residence, close in, all modern conveniences, \$6500. Also 6-room house, nearly half acre, \$1800. 4 room house and 4 lots in Glenwood Addition, \$2250. 51 feet north Main street. \$1500. New 4-room house, \$750. 84 acres heavy timber land, Tarrant county, \$20 per acre. 154 acres Cherokee county, 60 acres in cultivation, no house, \$15. Will trade all or part.

No. 20, 640 acres 6 miles west from Big Springs, Texas, on railroad, three-fourths agricultural land, balance good grass land, shallow water, mesquite timber, no improvements. \$4500 against the land on long time at 6 per cent, and 8 per cent on part. Price \$12.50 per acre trade for anything worth the money. One year ago this land sold for \$15 per acre.

No. 25, 17850 acres fine agricultural land in Bailey county, good improvements, well and mills, two artesian wells only 80 feet deep, price \$16.50 per acre, one half in trade or cash balance on or before 40 years, 5 per cent interest. Each 174 acres will carry its own in-

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No. 26, Who wants trade for a nice home in Clifton, Texas? Nice 5 room house nicely located; \$1000; trade for land.

No. 27, 11 sections of land in solid body two houses, plenty of water, good farm, fenced and cross fenced, 75 per cent tillable, balance fine grass land, in Borden county, 6 miles from the county seat. Price \$12.50 per acre; clear. Will trade for improved black land worth the money.

No. 28, 1280 acres adjoining the station of Iatan on T. & P. railroad, 100 acres in cultivation, 5-room house, two porches, arranged for 4 rooms up stairs and stairs put in, new house, fenced and cross fenced, tanks for water and cistern at house, \$6000 against this land in loan company, runs 10 years from Jan. 1, 1912, at 8 per cent interest. Price \$12.50 per acre. Will trade for eastern farm or city property and assume some difference.

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