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More About Equalization

To the News:

It is with considerable interest, that I have read the article in the last week's News, on the subject of "Equalization" of Our Taxes, and there are some statements made and theories advanced by the writer of said article, to which I cannot resist the impulse of making a reply; especially inasmuch as he seems, by the tone of his letter, to invite a free and full discussion of the subject.

It has been my observation that the gentleman whose name appears to the article in question, is usually very sound in his ideas, and is a very logical thinker upon all questions of public economy or civil government that come up for consideration. But I have also noticed that when a man thoroughly knows the country through which he is traveling, and does by accident get lost in a fog and take the wrong road, he is worse lost and worse turned around

than a tenderfoot who is snow blind. One of the greatest and deepest lawgivers this world ever knew lost his bearings, so to speak, and wandered in the wilderness for a period of forty years. I do not know how long Mr. Anderson has wandered in the equalization wilderness, into which he has strayed, but trust that it will not take him forty years to discover a direct route to a more equitable basis of equalizing taxable values.

In his letter to the News, he quotes a portion of Section 1, Article VIII of the Constitution of Texas, which treats of Taxation and Revenue, and which he makes to read as follows: "Taxation shall be equal and uniform. All property in this state shall be taxed in proportion to its value." In the above, he abruptly ends his quotation before finishing the sentence quoted from, and does not convey the full sense which the framers of the Constitution seem to have intended. To quote the two sentences in full which he makes the excerpt from, they read as follows: "Taxation shall be equal and uniform. All

property in this state, whether owned by natural persons or corporations, other than municipal, shall be taxed in proportion to its value, WHICH SHALL BE ASCERTAINED AS MAY BE PROVIDED BY LAW."

Thus we see that the framers of the Constitution contemplated that the Legislature should, by enactment, prescribe the method of ascertaining the value of property. Now let us see if the method so prescribed is based solely on the revenue earning capacity of the property to be taxed.

Let us turn to Article 5088, Revised Civil Statutes of 1895, and we find it reads in part, as follows: "Each separate parcel of real property shall be valued at its TRUE AND FULL VALUE IN MONEY, excluding the value of crops growing or ungathered thereon."

2. In determining the true and full value of real and personal property the assessor shall not adopt a lower or different standard of value because the same is to serve as a basis of taxation, nor shall he adopt as a criterion of value the price for which said property would sell at auction or a forced sale, or in the aggregate with all the property in his county; but he shall value each tract or lot by itself, and at such sum and price as he believes the same to be fairly worth in money at the time such assessment is made."

Thus we see the statute nor the Constitution does not, directly or indirectly, provide for the equalization of taxes upon the basis of the revenue earning capacity of the property to be taxed, but on the contrary, fixes the standard of value at its money equivalent, or the amount it is worth in money at the time the assessment is made. Also, it does not provide for assessing money, notes and bank stock at 100 cents on the dollar and real estate at 25 cents on the dollar.

Now, I happen to know that Mr. Anderson contended for a strict observance of the law upon the part of the Commissioners Court in the matter of qualifying as a Board of Equalization; for which I heartily commend him and think he was eminently correct in the position taken. But I believe his contention should be carried to its logical conclusion, which is this:

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that the Commissioners Court is not a lawmaking body; that its powers, duties and scope of its authority are definitely prescribed and bounded by statutory law as well as the organic law of the state in which we live; and that the court has no authority to set aside and hold for naught a Constitutional and statutory provision for equalization upon the basis of value and substitute therefor, its own enactment for equalization of values upon the basis of revenue earning capacity; and however firmly the Commissioners Court may be convinced that its plan is better than that prescribed by law, yet, being a creature of the law, it is legally bound to cheerfully obey the mandates of the power by which it was created.

So much for the lack of authority upon the part of the Commissioners Court to repeal or annul a statute. Now let us look at the comparative merits or demerits of the system prescribed by law, and the proposed system of revenue earning basis, from the standpoint of fairness, justice and the time honored democratic principle of "equal rights to all and special privileges to none." To illustrate the injustice of taxing property on the basis of its earning capacity, let us take, for instance, any home in town, occupied by the owner thereof, as a place of residence. So long as it is in active use for the purposes for which it was erected, what earning capacity has it? How much revenue does it, or can it produce? On the basis of earning capacity, what would be the tax collected on a place or mansion occupied by its owner as a home? You may say that it has an earning capacity in that it furnishes the owner shelter and protection from inclement weather, a center of attraction, around which cluster the sacred ties of family and love ones—in short, a spot upon which to concentrate his loving care and call it home. Then I reply, that a lot with a dug out on it, occupied by an American citizen as a home, where love and happiness reign as they should, is entitled on that basis, to pay as much tax as the finest mansion.

Again, suppose a man invests \$1000.00 in a piano to adorn his home and to regale himself and friends with sweet music; what revenue earning capacity attaches to his investment? How

much tax would he be entitled to pay on his piano, if the present statute is repealed or annulled and the revenue earning basis is substituted in its stead? You may contend that it earns a rich revenue in the personal pleasure it furnishes and the sweet melodies it produces. Then I must answer that on the basis of equalization, if another man gets the same pleasure and satisfaction out of the vibrant strains of a jew's harp, then he should contribute the same amount of tax on his jew's harp, that his neighbor does on the \$1000.00 piano.

Another illustration: a man owns \$10,000.00 worth of diamonds, how much should he be taxed, on the basis of revenue earning capacity? No matter how long he hoards them, or how much he fondly gloats over their pristine beauty and purity, they can never increase in number or grow in size or weight; they are totally incapable of drawing interest or producing a revenue. They can only lie guarded in a rich jewel case within the dark confines of some safe or vault, or contribute to the satisfaction of his vanity by adorning his person, or that of some one whom he holds dear.

While I have no inclination to condemn the course of the man who wishes to enjoy the possession of the rich jewels which the great Creator has been pleased to place within his reach, yet I see no good reason why he should not contribute his just proportion to taxes upon the same basis as the man who retains his wealth in the coin of the realm, and upon the same percentage of valuation, whether it be 25 or a 100 cents on the dollar.

You may say that the man owning the diamonds can exchange them for money which has earning capacity; then I answer, so can the man who owns a section of land. If his land does not produce a sufficient revenue to be attractive to him, he can exchange the land for money at its actual cash

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Socialist Rally.

The socialists of Gray county are here by called to meet at the tabernacle in McLean on Saturday afternoon, June 6th, 1914, at two o'clock sharp, at which meeting there will be business of importance to transact.
 G. R. SCOTT.

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Work to Keep Working Horses in Good Condition.

(By W. M. JENSEN, New York.) One thing which has greatly impressed me during my past few years, is the poor tillage and cultivation practised on farms where light work teams are compelled to handle modern heavy farm machinery.

I have always been in favor of keeping horses that could be utilized for farm work and yet be suitable for family road horses; but conditions are constantly changing, and the farm team that will best meet the demands of the present-day conditions must have sufficient size and strength to enable them to walk up promptly with heavy farm machinery.

We eastern farmers must get away from the practise of breeding trotting-bred horses, and breed drafters that are capable of handling improved machinery to the best advantage and at the least expense.

The increased cost of competent farm labor makes it imperative that we have adequate horse-power to make the best and most profitable use of every man's time.

One good man with three able-bodied horses of the draft-type, will accomplish more farm work during a season than two men will with four or five light horses and less efficient machinery.

SELECTION OF COTTON SEED

So-Called "Running Out" is Largely Due to Neglect of Grower—Simple Methods Developed.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

The so-called "running out" of varieties of cotton is largely due to the neglect of the grower in selecting his seed. Continued selection is necessary to maintain the uniformity and productivity of any variety of cotton, but the methods of selection used in the past were such as to require so much time and technical skill as to be impracticable for the farmer.

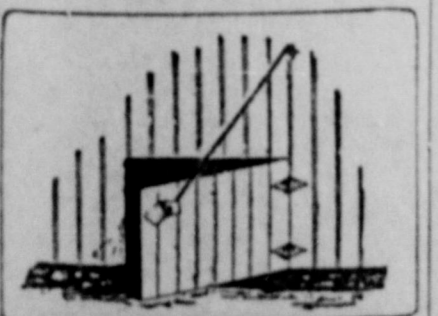
Simpler and more effective methods have been developed and explained in a circular entitled "Cotton Selection on the Farm by the Characters of the Stalks, Leaves and Bolls." This is supplied free of charge by the bureau of plant industry to interested growers.

Farmers who will limit themselves to the growing of one kind of cotton and take the necessary precautions to preserve the stock and avoid admixture with other varieties, can produce better seed than they can buy through any of the existing commercial channels. They can not only increase their own crops but gain additional profits by selling seed to their neighbors. The demand for better seed is now very general and represents an important opportunity for the more intelligent farmers of each community.

TO PREVENT DOORS SAGGING

Convenient Contrivance, as Shown in the Illustration Herewith, is Easy to Make.

To prevent heavy doors from sagging on their hinges an iron rod is used as a brace. Take a piece of



Iron Rod Holds Door.

strap iron bent at right angles, with holes punched through for bolts and brace rod. Then a three-eighths or one-half inch iron rod, which books in eye on one side of building. The screw eye must be secured in post or rafter tightly in a direct line with hinges, then hook in rod, tighten top and the door cannot sag.

Treatment for Sorghums. Grain sorghums respond to good treatment the same as corn. Don't expect to make big yields of these crops by letting them grow wild.

Rhubarb Sauce. The roots of rhubarb put into the cellar last fall ought to be giving a good supply of stalks now which will be relished as fresh sauce.

Working Wet Soils. Don't bother your fields until they are dry enough to work well. You will injure your soil and crop too by working too wet.

COULDN'T GET AWAY WITH IT

Irishman Made Poor Selection of Name Under Which He Proposed to Cast Fraudulent Vote.

It was election day, and after Murphy had cast his vote he went on his way. About a block from the polling place he was approached by an old friend, who said:

"Murphy, you can make \$50 by going back to the booth and voting again. Go back and vote in Ike Rosenbaum's name and you get the fifty."

"Sure, they might get me at it, and I'd land in jail."

"Not a chance. They don't know you and they don't know Rosenbaum. So go to it."

Murphy thought a moment and then went to the polls.

"I wish to vote," said Murphy, with a delicious Dublin roll.

"What's your name?"

"Ike Rosenbaum."

"That's not your name," said the clerk, suspiciously.

"It's me name," said Murphy.

"It's not," argued the clerk.

"Ike Rosenbaum's me name and I intend to cast me vote as sich," said Murphy hotly.

A friend of Murphy in the rear jumped up and yelled:

"That's right, go on and vote, Murphy; don't let 'em bluff you."

AFTER HALF-CENTURY MARK

No Real Reason Why Man of That Age Should Not Be Capable of Good Work.

Speaking of the age of efficiency, a Toledo gentleman locates it beyond the half-century mark. He calls our attention to the fact that Columbus was fifty-six when he discovered America, that Darwin, Kant, Spencer, Wagner, Haydn and others did their greatest and best work when far past the fifty mark, and that some have persisted in great accomplishment until seventy or more years of age. This argument won't help the man who is aged and broken and tottering at fifty, will it? But it will hearten the man of forty or more who has been careful of his resources, to think that to him achievement still is a possibility—and it may find him the opportunity to achieve by convincing some master of opportunity that years do not always spell senility or loss of virility. The young man may reflect that he has the opportunity to run a long race—and he may catch sight of the fact that the man of fifty is not necessarily a "back number" merely because of his half-century.

NATIVE OF THE SOUTHLAND

And Nothing Pleases This Lady More, Than to Praise Cardui, The Woman's Tonic.

Chillicothe, Ohio.—"I am a native of the Southland," says Mrs. Ed. Davis, of this town, "and nothing pleases me more than to speak a word of praise for Cardui, the woman's tonic, for I firmly believe that it snatched me from the grave. Although I do not need it now, I always keep a supply on hand.

I have been married 14 years, and had two children. After the youngest was born, I was not able to walk, and for four years, I was not strong enough to stand on my feet five minutes at the time, without something to support me.

After everything else had failed, I wrote to the Ladies' Advisory Department, of the Chattanooga Medicine Co., for advice, and they kindly told me what I needed. I commenced taking the Cardui Home Treatment. I used only about four bottles of the Cardui, but, today, I am well, can do my own work, and walk as far as I want to.

I can never praise Cardui enough, and my neighbors cannot get done wondering at the change in me." Cardui will surely do as much for you, as it did for the writer of the above letter, if you will only give it a trial.

Don't delay. Begin taking Cardui today. Your druggist sells it.—Adv.

SOIL FOR GROWING LEGUMES

Starting Point in Improvement of Sandy Land and Important in Maintenance of Fertility.

When legumes, such as clovers, alfalfa, peas, beans, etc., are well supplied with the necessary moisture, phosphorus, potassium, calcium and other necessary elements, they are able to grow on soils extremely low in organic matter and by their growth, and when turned under, are able to add to the vegetable matter of the soil and by leaving a supply of nitrogen, they fit the soil for the growth of other crops not supplied by nature with this special method of securing their nitrogen. The growing of legumes, therefore, is the starting point in the improvement of sandy soils and is the most important practise in the maintenance of their fertility.

Not Good for Pastures.

With feed scarce and high priced, there is a great temptation to turn the live stock on pasture at the earliest possible time, but this is not good for the pastures. Pasture plants grow through their roots, as well as leaves or green parts, and if the leaves or green parts are kept eaten off close to the ground all the time, less growth—less feed—is made.

Lose Habits of Industry.

Women in France and other countries of Europe are much more industrious than when they come to this country.

Extremes Meeting.

He (savagely)—What diabolical mess is this? She (sweetly)—It is angel food.

Advertisement for Wrigley's Spearmint Gum featuring a man and a woman. Text: "I Spend My Hard-earned Nickels for WRIGLEY'S SPEARMINT. I get the most pleasure for the longest while."

You can't get a bigger buy for a nickel. It is as delicious as economical—as beneficial as delicious—as popular with your family as with you.

It's as clean as it's fresh. It's always clean and always fresh because the new air-tight, dust-proof seal keeps it so. Every sealed package is personal to you.



Look for the Spear

Purify your breath, preserve your teeth, harden your gums and keep your digestion good with this mouth-cleansing pastime.

Chew it after every meal

Be SURE it's WRIGLEY'S

Advertisement for Carter's Little Liver Pills and Pettit's Eye Salve. Text: "The Wretchedness of Constipation... Can quickly be overcome by CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS... Pettit's Eye Salve FOR EYE ACHE"

Is Your Stomach Wrong?

Sooner or later you will be wrong in every organ of your body. It is a well known fact that over 95% of all sicknesses are caused by ailments of the digestive organs.

DR. PIERCE'S Golden Medical Discovery

soon rights the wrong. It helps the stomach digest the food and manufacture nourishing blood. It has a tonic effect and soon enables the stomach and heart to perform their functions in a natural, healthy manner, without any outside aid.

As Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery contains neither alcohol nor narcotics there is no reaction. For over forty years it has stood the test of both use and abuse and is today the greatest remedy of its kind in the world. Begin now. Take it home today. Sold by Medicine Dealers in liquid or tablet form, or send 50c to Dr. Pierce's Invalids Hotel, Buffalo, N. Y., for a trial box.

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Insure your property with me in the best companies doing business in this state. I represent the old reliable Phoenix of Hartford, Conn. and the Mercantile Fire & Marine, both strong companies. I also write hail insurance on growing crops in a strong company which pays every dollar insured for, not a per cent as do some of the mutual companies. Come in and let me figure your rates and give you any information you desire about insurance.

A. J. Mayfield

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More About Equalization

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value, and he can then loan his money at its full revenue earning capacity. And I contend that if you fail to tax land upon the same basis of value that you tax money, whatever basis that may be, then you are, in reality, basing values on the capabilities of the manager rather than the capabilities of the property, to which system, Mr. Anderson says he is opposed. The owner of the property has the privilege of exchanging his holdings for cash, and if he exercises bad judgment in not doing so, then, to make his burden of taxation lighter than it would have been had he used good judgment, is basing values upon his capabilities.

Let us take another example. I believe we are all ready to admit that the managers of railway operations are fairly shrewd financiers and are usually com-

petent to manage their investments in a capable manner. Yet, upon the basis of earning capacity, how much tax should be collected from the Rock Island Railway, whose four per cent bonds were quoted on the New York Stock Exchange on May 20th, at 33 1/3 cents on the dollar, and whose preferred stock was bid only 4 3/4 cents and common stock 3 1/4 cents on the dollar? Will any one contend that the railway company should, on that account, be exempt from taxation, or pay tax upon but a pittance of the value of their investment?

Any of us must admit that farm land as a rule, does not pay as great a revenue on the investment as money at interest. However, there are two main factors that enter into the determining of values, from the standpoint of the investor; they are earning capacity and safety or stability. While the man who loans his money at interest, receives a greater revenue, he is also assuming the risk of bad judgment in the making of his loans, and if he loans much mon-

ey, no matter how careful he may be, he can safely figure on not only losing some of his interest, but some of the principle as well. On the other hand, the man who invests the same amount in farm land, must content himself with a smaller income from it, to balance the item of greater safety. If he purchases land with a good and indefeasible title (which he has the opportunity of investigating before parting with his money), he knows that it cannot be taken from him, it cannot burn, it cannot be stolen while he is asleep, but will remain his property in its entirety until he voluntarily parts with title to it.

These same two factors of earning capacity and safety of investment go hand in hand, throughout the commercial world, in fixing the market value of property, both real and personal, tangible and intangible. For that very reason, United States bonds, drawing only three per cent interest are quoted at a premium of nine to nine and one-half per cent above their par value; and for the same reason M. K. & T. bonds' drawing four per cent interest are quoted at 86 3/4, while C. R. I. & P. 4's are quoted at only 33 1/3. For that same reason, Rock Island preferred stock, which must draw a dividend before common stock can participate in the earnings, was bid 4 3/4, while common stock in the same company was bid only 3 1/4.

It is a general rule in business, that as safety increases, earnings must, of necessity decrease; and the reverse is also true, that as earnings increase, safety decreases. It is these two factors that balance each other and keep the great commercial machine in equilibrium. It certainly was the item of safety of the investment that enabled the Board of Trustees of the McLean Independent School District to float their school house bonds at five per cent, and on for forty years time, when no individual in the district could hope to borrow money at any such rate of interest, on forty years or any period of time.

Not being burdened with taxes on any of the different kinds of property mentioned, I believe that I am able to view the matter from unprejudiced and disinterested standpoint, and my sole object in writing this article is to try to bring out a full and

fair discussion of the subject, believing that it will be of some benefit to all of us. While I always reserve the right to change my opinion on any subject, if sufficient evidence is presented to convince me that I am wrong, yet I am, at present, firm in the belief that all property should be taxed upon the same basis of value (not earning capacity) whether it be real estate, money, notes, diamonds, pianos or jew's harps.

Hoping this will be the means of drawing out some one who is more capable than I of handling the subject, I remain,

Yours very truly,
W. R. Patterson.

A Deserving Young Man's Promotion.

"I hired a young man, Johnson, from your school about two years ago, put him in as a stenographer, and he has more than filled the bill. I have recently advanced him to a position as Office manager.

"We employ from eight to ten clerks in the Office, and I want a young man or young lady to come in to help take the details of work off Johnson's shoulders, and I know of no one better to call upon for him than yourself. If you have some promising material send him or her over next Monday."

The above is an almost exact reproduction of a conversation which occurred recently over the telephone. It is typical of scores of others which occur yearly in the experience of our Employment Department.

Our boys and girls make places for themselves—force their way higher up!

Good board and room at from \$11 to \$12.50 per calendar month; No negroes or saloons in Bowie. Brick-paved streets, cement sidewalks, and all conveniences

of the city. Electric fans in every department of the college for the comfort of our students.

We teach you now to operate the Mimeograph, Adding Machine, Dictaphone, etc., by practical experience, and without costing you one cent extra. NOW is the time to enter.

BOWIE COMMERCIAL COLLEGE, Bowie, Texas.

Revival.

We are requested to announce that there will be a revival meeting commence at the tabernacle on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in June by the congregation of the Church of Christ. Elder W. P. Skazgs of Vernon will do the preaching. The public requested to bear in mind the opening date.

Swat the fly, we have swatters. Also have screen doors and screen wire. McLean Hardware Co.

Holiness Meeting.

We are requested to announce that the Holiness revival will commence at the tabernacle in this city on the second Sunday in June, same being the 14th. Rev. B. M. Kilgore, who is district superintendent of the Nazarine church, will do the preaching and the song services will be in charge of Messrs. Bundy and Jones. The public is cordially invited to attend all the services and a special invitation is extended to the various pastors of the city and their congregations. There is no announcement as to how long the meeting will be continued.

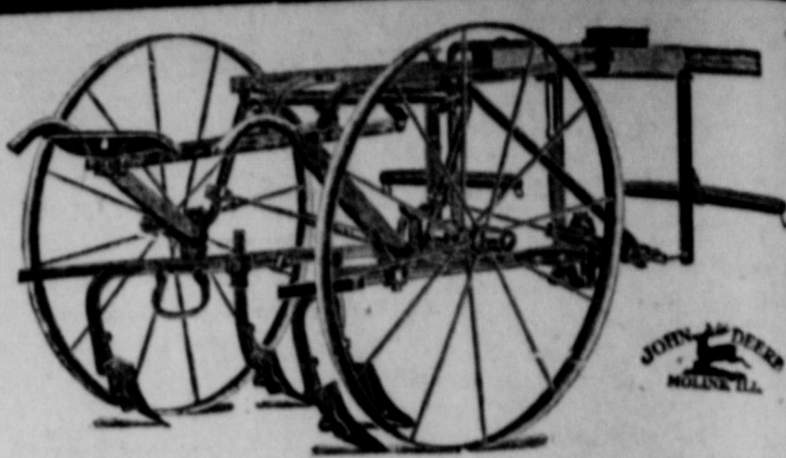
Notice of Election.

The State of Texas, County of Gray. In the Commissioners Court of Gray County, Texas, May term A. D. 1914.

"Whereas, the County Commissioners Court of Gray County, Texas, deems it advisable that an election be held in the subdivision of said County hereinafter described, for the purpose hereinafter stated, petition having been made therefor by A. G. Richardson and sixty-nine other property-taxpaying voters in said subdivision of said County:

Therefore, it is hereby ordered by the Commissioners Court of said County, that an election be held in the following subdivision of Gray County, Texas, to wit:

Beginning at the Northwest corner of section number fifteen (15), in Block



A man needs good tools in order to do good work

GET THE BEST

We have John Deere one and two row Go-devils, four and six shovel Cultivators. They can't be beat.

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Number one (1). A. C. H. & B. Surveys:

Thence East to the east line of said block, and being the Northeast corner of Section Number eleven (11) in said Block No. 1:

Thence Southeast to the Northwest corner of Section Number seventy (70) in Block No. twenty-five (25), C. & C. O. R. Co. surveys:

Thence East to the County line between Gray and Wheeler Counties;

Thence South along said County line to the Southeast corner of said Gray County;

Thence West along the South boundary line of said County to a point one (1) mile West of the East boundary line of the Rockwall County School land;

Thence North to the place of beginning; and being all of Commissioner's Precinct Number four (4) in said Gray County, and that said election be held on the 6th day of June, A. D. 1914, at which election, the following proposition shall be submitted:

Shall there be levied upon the property within said subdivision of said County, by said Commissioner's Court, a road tax of fifteen cents on the one hundred dollars (\$100.00) worth of property, under the provisions of the amendment of 1889 to the Constitution of the State of Texas, adopted in 1890, and under the provisions of Chapter 17, General Laws of the Thirty-third Legislature, passed at its Regular Session.

Said election shall be held at J. L. Crabtree's office in McLean, Texas, and the following persons are hereby appointed managers of said election: C. S. Rice, Presiding Judge and J. R. Hindman, Assistant Judge, and they shall appoint their own Clerks; and at the Public School Building in Al-

conreed, Texas, and the following persons are hereby appointed managers of said election. F. R. McCracken, Presiding Judge and E. B. Reers, Assistant Judge, and they shall appoint their own clerks.

Said election shall be held under the provisions of Chapter seventeen, General Laws of the Thirty-third Legislature, and shall be conducted in accordance with the laws regulating general elections, in so far as the same are applicable thereto; only qualified voters who pay a property tax in said subdivision of said County shall be permitted to vote at said election, and voters desiring that said tax be levied shall have written or printed on their ballots, the words, "For the Tax", and those desiring that said tax be not levied, shall have written or printed on their ballots, the words, "Against the Tax".

It is further ordered that a copy of this order, signed by the County Judge of said County, shall serve as proper proclamation and notice of said election, which notices shall be given by publication of this order in each newspaper published in said subdivision of Gray County, at least four consecutive weeks prior to the date of said election.

I, Siler Faulkner, County Judge of Gray County, Texas, do hereby certify that the foregoing is true and correct copy of a certain election order passed by the Commissioners Court of said County, at its May Term, A. D. 1914, as appears in Volume 1, page 484, Minutes of Commissioners Court, Gray County, Texas.

Witness my hand and the seal of said Court, at Le Fors, Texas, this 14th day of May, A. D. 1914.
SILER FAULKNER,
County Judge, Gray County, Texas.

Shoes

For all the family. A bunch of them just in.

Bundy-Hodges

HUGH

Is a dark bay Percheron Stallion 9 years old. He is 16 hands high, weight 1400 lbs. and for style and action unsurpassed. His sire was imported Percheron Stallion, Lynx, No. 39721 Hugh's dam sired by Oscar Wild, the best French Percheron horse ever imported from France by W. D. Dunham, Wayne, Ill.

TOM AND YOUNG DAN

Are black Jacks with white points, ages 5 and 6 years, respectively. They are very large Jacks with heavy bone.

TERMS: \$10.00 to insure colts to stand up and suck. One-fourth off the above price if party pays by January 1st after service. Money is due when mare is traded or removed from the country without the written consent of the undersigned. Care taken to prevent accidents but will not be responsible should any occur. Mare and colt stand for the service.

The above horse and Jacks will stand for the season of 1914 at my barn 6 miles west of McLean and 1 1/2 miles east of Alanreed

J. W. Sherrod, Owner

Midsummer Dreams in Flower Hats



If you are fretting your mind in trying to make a decision as to what sort of hat you will have for midsummer, let it rest upon one similar in general style to the two pictured here. Have the prettiest, most becoming and most fascinatingly feminine of all millinery, with laces and flowers and ribbons making up a confection to be worn upon the head. For the midsummer hat will sit at the top notch of style when it is a means of wearing a good-sized bouquet fastened to a fair head at some slightly dashing angle. Rose and small flowers in the natural sizes, the lilac and the violet, forget-me-not, heliotrope, and heather, and small daisies betoken the love for garden flowers which lies in the mind of many wearers of flower hats. But the flower hat bedecks itself with flowers common and uncommon. From the yellow field daisy to the most unusual orchid, like and unlike their prototypes, everything in flowers is fashionable. One of the hats shown here is a round crown covered with maline, in brown, of the shade of its wearer's hair. Over the crown a brim is slipped, covered in the same way as the crown. It is narrow at the right side, widens and flares up at the left. A fine machine-made lace is laid smoothly over crown and brim. There are plateaus of lace for this purpose, but milliners fashion for themselves plateaus of laces which they buy by the yard. The lower part of the brim is covered with lace also in this particular hat, although in others part of the millinery braid is used or part of a body hat, as shown in the second figure. The crown here is of leghorn with the brim, covered with horsehair braid, set in. The lower crown (or bandeau) of the first hat is trimmed with velvet ribbon in brown and a shaded fancy ostrich feather is in the same coloring, shading off to a very light tint. Deep cream roses, with pink hearts, and natural colored silk wheat, are placed in groups about the brim, with one cluster at the base of the plume on the bandeau. The second hat is trimmed with silk roses in yellowish pink. They are marvels of delicate coloring, with the shadings and even the veins of the natural petals simulated in the half-open buds. The foliage also in dark, glossy green is made with loving fidelity to nature. As types of midsummer millinery these hats may be regarded as criterions. They are not merely modish, but the mode.

Colonial Ties and Pumps



THE shoes of today distinguish their American makers, for they are brilliant achievements in the realm of footwear. When one considers that the fashionable shoe is wide of the mark in shape when it comes to following the natural lines of the foot, and yet is comfortable, it is possible to realize something of the ingenuity which is demonstrated in its making. The most popular shoe for ordinary wear, the neatest and most shapely, is the Colonial Pump, like that shown in the picture. It is developed in many different styles and combinations of leathers or of leather and fabrics. These embody the patent leather vamp and the quarter of other leather or of plain or brocaded fabrics. Contrasting color is used in the quarters sometimes; light gray or white, and light tan are among the more pleasing effects. The pumps are fastened (apparently) under buckles of cut steel or silver filigree or enamel. Pumps for evening wear are often made with vamp of satin and quarter of patent calfskin, with finish of rhinestone buckles or ornaments. The pump shown here is ideal in style and may be considered a criterion by which to measure others. There is almost as great a variety to use as in pumps. They are shaped on much the same lines and made of the same materials. For semi-dress and for dancing shoes they insure clever effects. The style of the tie indicates small rhinestone ornaments and buckles, and these one finds upon them. The tango tie, with ribbon lace, shown in the picture, is a conception in ties that could hardly be excelled for beauty. In many of the pumps and ties the buckles or ornaments are placed at the sides. The effect is elegant. A simpler tie is shown in the third figure, very quiet in design and graceful in shape. It is furnished with patent coil vamp and black brocaded quarters. It has a lightweight sole, easy for dancing and a new Spanish heel flatter to the foot. American women grow more exacting with each season in the matter of footwear. And American manufacturers keep up with all these demands and foster others, in fact, create them, by showing marvels of fine finish and elegant taste in shoes. In this particular article we excel all other people in clothing the feet of the moderns and the civilized, appropriately. Now we are beginning to depart from black and to insist upon clean streets, that lighter colors may walk without becoming too soon begrimed.

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The ONLOOKER BY HENRY HOWLAND

The CALL of the FIELDS



Come, little comrade, let us go Out yonder where the wide fields are. Where lazy breezes softly blow O'er wooded hills that stretch afar. The paths are fair and free out there. The turf will soon be growing green. Come, little friend, let's turn from care, And gladly stray o'er yonder scene. In every little hollow place A sky-blue lake lies, smooth as glass. Where you may see your smiling face Reflected as you pause or pass. And here and there a cawing crow Will slowly flap from tree to tree As if he did not care to go. But went, just so that you might see.

I long to play a while with you Out there where thy rivers wind— Out yonder where the sky is blue And there is peace of heart and mind; I will forget a little while That childhood's faith is mine no more, And will bridge some stream and pile Up fortresses beside its shore.

Come, little comrade, let us claim The joy awaiting us out there, Where no one suffers wrongful blame Or adds to any other's care; With hopes that shall be sure and strong We'll cross the pastures, hand in hand, And you shall lead me back along The ways that wind to Boyhood Land.

Distinction. "Did any of your ancestors come over with William the Conqueror?" she asked.

"Not that I know of," he replied. "Are you a descendant of anybody who was on the Mayflower?"

"I'm afraid not. I have never investigated the matter."

"Surely you had an ancestor who was an officer in the Revolutionary war?"

"No. My great-great-grandfather was a common soldier in the Revolutionary war, but—"

"Harold!" she cried, flinging her arms around his neck, "can it be possible? I have often wondered whether there really was a Revolutionary army, and now I learn that I am loved by a descendant of him. I am so proud and happy, dear."

Still Thoroughly Feminine. "I had an idea, when I heard that she was going to study medicine, that she would cease to be womanly."

"Hasn't it had that effect upon her?" "No, I happened along the other day when her runabout had broken down and she was busy trying to fix it with a hairpin."

Faith. Oh, for your faith, dear little one! You kneel beside your mother's knee, And pray that wrongs which you have done May be forgiven graciously. You feel that Some One hears somewhere, That Some One, gazing from above, Will not ignore your simple prayer, Nor scorn the proffer of your love.

You have not learned to sit in doubt; You think that He who lights the sun Will hear and blot your sinning out— Oh, for your faith, dear little one!

LUCKY. "I have consented to dance in my bare feet for charity."

"How lucky it is that there is such a thing as charity."

"Lucky?" "Yes. If it were not for charity you might not be able to find any excuse for showing your pretty feet in public."

Taking No Foolish Chance. "No," she said, "I can't be your wife. Why will you not be satisfied to let ours be a case of platonic love?"

"Because I don't believe in getting into trouble if there's a chance to keep out."

if. "It seems to me it is so lovely for a man and a woman to grow old together."

"Yes, it's beautiful, but how much more so it would be if the man only grew old."

Expedient. Artist—Sorry, sir, but I cannot paint your full length portrait. You are very tall and I have no canvas long enough. I could get all in the picture but your feet.

Patron—Well, just paint me with my feet hanging over the edge of the canvas.

Their Method. "Why is it that around this time of year so many men wear about a week's growth of beard on their chins, and go with heads bent forward as if in deep thought?"

"They are wearing out the ties their wives gave them for Christmas."

"Dead" Soldier Sits Up. One of the men of the First Royal Scots Fusiliers, who reached Southampton recently from South Africa, was Private McDevet, who, though in the prime of life, has snow-white hair. He had a narrow escape from being buried alive in India. After an attack of fever he was pronounced to be dead, and was placed on a slab in the mortuary to await burial. Two hours later the sentry outside heard knocking from within. He opened the door and was startled to see McDevet sitting up. The experience turned McDevet's hair white. The sentry was driven mad by the shock and died.—London Tit-Bits.

Wingless Victory. Aunt Dinah was a colored saint in Charleston, who could shout above the entire congregation. It was the custom during the collection to sing "Fly abroad, thou mighty Gospel," and Aunt Dinah always threw back her head, shut her eyes, and sang away lustily till the plate was returned to the altar. Deacon Alphonius Green, noting this, stopped when he reached her pew one Sunday and said: "Look-a-beah, Dinah! What use you a-singing 'Fly abroad, thou mighty Gospel' if you ain't give nothin' to make her fly?"

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Odd and Even. Andrew Carnegie, at one of his peace dinners in his superb red brick mansion in Fifth Avenue, said of the Mexican policy of the government: "It is a wise and Christian policy. It will establish a precedent that the world will hereafter observe. "To have peace," Mr. Carnegie added, "we must bear and forbear. Hatreds and vengeance destroy all hope of peace. "If you try to get even, in a word, you remain at odds."

Sounded Like It. Mr. Murray, irritable from long confinement to a sick bed, cocked up his ears and listened. "That's all that piano-bangin' in th' parlor?" he then demanded, glaring at his wife. "This our daughter Mary takin' her first steps in piano-playin'," rejoined his wife. "Her first steps! That's she doin', walking on the keyboard?"

Why? Edith—Why didn't you tell me you had that seat painted yesterday, papa? Father—Why, what happened? Edith—Why Freddy and I sat down on it last night, and Freddy got paint all over the back of his coat and trousers!

Too Much for Him. A colored porter for a local druggist was told to go to another pharmacy to get some cinclifugo rasemoses. He stood, open-mouthed, and gazed at his "boss," then asked: "Ain't thar any other name for dat?"

Hatched by the Sun. In breeding goldfish, an industry which has flourished in China from time immemorial, the eggs are removed from the reach of the adult male fish and hatched by the sun in shallow dishes. A healthy horse eats nine times its weight in food in a year; a healthy sheep six times. Rather than call you a liar to your face some polite and cautious people use the telephone. Nothing jolts an egotist so successfully as being ignored.

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