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Worst Storm Of the Season

One of the worst blizzards that ever hit this section of the country blew up about eight o'clock Monday night and for about twenty-four hours it blew a perfect hurricane. Toward morning it began raining but soon turned to a wet driving snow that forced its way through every crack and cranny. The falling snow storm continued all day Tuesday and by night had drifted into enormous mounds wherever it was the least protected.

All the railroad cuts were filled level full and in consequence trains from both directions were stalled. The big snow plows came through Wednesday morning and cleared the track sufficiently to resume traffic.

It has not as yet been learned what extent the cattle and other livestock suffered but it is likely that the loss will be considerable as it was not only cold the snow was very wet and calculated to stick close to the animals.

While the loss to stockmen will be considerable there is little doubt that this added moisture will assure all spring crops give the summer and fall a start that practically assures them a splendid growth.

Moore Eggs.

Get some green bone meat at City Meat Market and feed chickens. It is the best producer on the market.

Grain Prices Are Soaring

It is learned through local grain dealers this week that prices for kafir, maize and corn has continued to soar until they have reached a stage where they might be termed as "aeroplaning". Maize is quoted as high as sixteen and seventeen dollars per ton on the local market. Kafir is about a dollar cheaper. Corn is going anywhere from seventy cents per bushel on up and the demand is strong.

An important feature of this unusual rise, and one that works to the detriment of the farmer, is the fact that practically the entire crop has been sold or else stored for home consumption. Grain dealers say they cannot supply the demand and in the past few days have turned down many orders for both kafir and maize. It is believed the price will go to twenty dollars before spring.

With the present season in the ground and the many other favorable conditions that prevail at this time it is believed that the largest crop in the history of this section will be harvested this fall and it is understood that there will be an unusually large acreage planted to corn as the indications are that this crop will do especially well.

However, many old timers are advising the farmers to make a reservation for unusual reverses and mix their crop with a goodly acreage of kafir and maize as this crop never fails.

Many of the farmers are map-

Miss Isabel Francis Weds

At the Baptist church on last Thursday evening, the 18th instant, occurred the marriage of Miss Isabel Francis of this city and Mr. Barney Lewis of Clarksville, Texas, Rev. H. A. Goodwin officiating. The ceremony was performed in the presence of a large audience of friends and relatives who had gathered in response to invitations announcing the happy affair.

Miss Francis is the oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Francis of this city and has made her home here with them for the past two years, coming here from Iona, Mo., where she was raised. She is a most accomplished and refined young lady and is very popular in both social and church circles.

Mr. Lewis is a prominent young farmer of Clarksville, Texas, and on former visits to this city has made many friends in this section. He formerly lived in Missouri, where the courtship, which resulted so happily, was commenced several years ago.

The happy young couple will, after spending a short honeymoon at the parental Francis home, go to Clarksville to make their home. The News is joined by their hosts of admirers in wishing for them all that is best in life and predicting a safe and happy voyage on the matrimonial sea.

ing out diversification programs for the coming crop season that will no doubt prove a winner in the end. While corn or cotton may make an excellent yield yet it is the part of wisdom not to put all the eggs in one basket. A few acres of cotton, a few acres to corn, a patch to peanuts, a patch to broom corn, etc., raised in connection with a small bunch of pigs and cow and horse or two will not be apt to fall short of a splendid return.

Diversify and magnify.

New Way of Handling Boys

In Kansas they are trying a new experiment in the way of an industrial and farm school for boys who are incorrigible. The experiment lies in a change of environment for the boys who are sent to the school. Boys from the city are put work on the farm and boys from the country are employed in the shops. It is reported that thus far the results meet all expectations. There are exceptions, of course, but these are not sufficient number to discount the success of the experiment.

In the conduct of this institution it is the policy of the management to investigate the antecedents and previous environment of every boy sent to the school and, in the summary of these investigations, some very interesting facts are disclosed.

For example, poor home surroundings have been the lot of nearly every boy who comes from the city, and harness and

For Sale—A young cow with first calf. Gives promise of being a good milker. Calf is seven eighths Jersey and a heifer. See Roy Richardson or inquire at the News office.

The above ad appeared in last week's paper and sold the cow the next morning. We had ten answers last week. It pays to advertise.

TRY IT?

E. D. Frazier For Justice

In the regular announcement column of this paper will be found the name of E. D. Frazier who aspires to re-election to the office of Justice of the Peace of this precinct. Mr. Frazier is now serving his first term in this office but the duties that are incumbent upon him are by no means new as he served in a similar capacity for many years in his Missouri home.

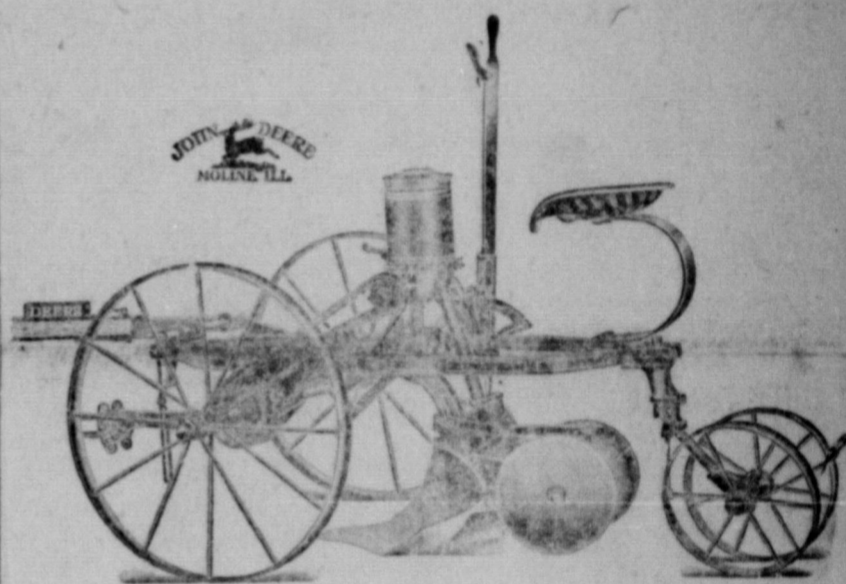
He has made a faithful and conscientious officer and his friends will be glad to see him returned to the office.

The attention of the voters of this precinct is called to his candidacy and many favors you may do for him will be duly appreciated.

drudgery have been the lot of the youngsters who come from the county. From the statistics pertaining to 1,000 of the city boys we learn that only 39 had good homes, 243 fair homes, and of the rest it could not be said that they had homes worthy of the name.

All of those boys were the victims of the evil side of city life and of what we might call the evil class of city instincts. They knew nothing of any aspect of life that was constructive or creative, nothing that really aroused their propensity toward industry. The novelty of the farm work to which they were put appealed to them, and according to report, the process of reform goes on marvelously. Likewise, it is novelty of occupation and new surroundings that interest the delinquent from the country. The rule of benefit in changed environment works both ways.

The wisdom that is behind that sort of movement is of the most serviceable kind in the theory that there is good in every boy if you only know how to reach it. It is the result of painstaking, careful study of the requirements of boy nature and the conditions best calculated to build boy character. It is work that is man-building, and the fruit of such work is amply com-



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No Use to Look for Another

McLean Hardware Co.

pensating though their should be many failures and many exceptions to entire success.

This Kansas school, which is located near Topeka and has displaced the oldtime penal institution known as the reform school, should be the subject of careful study by those who are interested in the reformation of the boy who has not had an even break in this world.

COTTON SEED—Parties intending planting cotton this year should see Scott Johnston for seed. He is the local agent for the Mebane cotton—a five lock, Panhandle raised variety. Matures early and evenly. Prices reasonable.

Why not advertise that butter you have to sell; or those chickens or any thing else you have that you don't need. A "For Sale" ad will bring results.

READ THIS

List what you have to sell or what you want to buy or what you have to trade on, our exchange book. If you have a horse to sell there may be a want registered for that very horse on our exchange book. Cows, hogs, mules, farm implements, feed, grain, etc. You may find just what you want, or sell what you have or trade what you don't need for something you have to have. Try it once. It costs our customers nothing.

Respectfully,
J. E. CLEM,
Prop. Gull Hotel.

Union Trading Co.

T. U. SALMON Mgr.

We handle reale state and livestock, coal, grain and hay. If you have anything for sale let us know about it—that is our business. We buy everything the farmer raises and pay the cash. See us about country produce. We are going to start things to MOVING right away.

We Accommodate All Classes

Many persons keep their money in this bank, that they may have it within ready reach when needed for daily use; some keep it here awaiting opportunities for investment; others, to avoid the risk and annoyance of loaning, keep their money here as an investment. It will be seen that we accommodate all classes.

Citizens State Bank
McLEAN, TEXAS

Happily Married

Many Nice Little Things for Wife to Study

By ANNA T. PERKINS



NO WOMAN should permit herself to become too familiar with her husband. Always make him respect you. If he does you a kindness, thank him; if you meet him on the street, speak to him as politely as you would to a stranger. Never tag around after him and give him the impression that you are watching him; a man dislikes to be hanging on a woman's apron strings. Don't expect him to do your housework for you, and don't scold.

Never be anxious for him to tell you where he has been if he is twenty minutes late to his meals; eat your lunch and let him have what is left.

And, sisters, don't cry for every cross word. Just get the forgetting habit; forget to hear.

I read up funny stories, war news, everything in general I know he likes to hear, and he doesn't go to the saloon for news, for I try to keep right up to date. I am not beautiful, nor finely educated, nor a musician, but I am a good cook and can do sewing very neatly. His clothes are always clean, his meals always ready, and I am sure my husband loves me. I have been married eight years.

What do I most admire about him? It is just this: He never talks unkindly of anyone and he never scolds.

I was always a good talker, but I have learned that to keep your mouth shut up tight when you see he is cross is the great secret of happiness.

My husband is very proud and likes to look nice. I do admire neatness in a man.

Now, I have seen that married life surely has its ups and downs. But a woman causes all her own troubles, generally.

Try to save and remember that that money is yours and his together. Never get the habit of running to him for money. Tell him about how much you want on pay day and make it do. Always be sure you ask for plenty; then if you have any left over put it away.

If you must talk, don't gossip, but talk over business matters or some pleasant thing.

My husband does not like to go out in the evenings, but if I want to go I dress up the children and go. Don't ask if you can; tell him nicely you are going.

Be independent, but don't show off about it; and learn to listen to his ideas. If you disagree with him, do not say so unless he asks for your opinion.

Don't tell him every silly thing, what you buy and what you do, unless he asks you. Learn that the greatest secret of happiness is silence. Flatter him, make him think he is just the thing.

A man is very much like a child. Be firm and kind and always a lady, and he is yours always.



Open Muffler Motor Fiend Is Disliked

By G. B. HAMILTON, President of Federation of American Motorcyclists

The Federation of American Motorcyclists stands for the use of the motorcycle and not for its abuse.

There is a right way and a wrong way to do anything and riding a motorcycle is no exception. We recognize the fact that the man afoot has rights as well as the motorcyclist and it is our desire that each be properly observed.

This federation has no sympathy with or for the speeder who hurls himself through the streets or roads imperiling the life and limb of all who come before him. It stands for law and law observance, for courtesy and gentlemanly conduct, and it is bending every energy in these directions.

The objects of the Federation of American Motorcyclists are to encourage the use of motorcycles and to promote the general interests of motorcycling; to ascertain, protect and defend the rights of motorcyclists; to facilitate touring; to assist in the good roads movement and to govern and administer the sport of motorcycle racing and other competitions in which motorcycles engage.

We know that as an association we can "promote the general interests of motorcycling" only through law observance, courtesy and a realization of the rights of others. These ends we are striving to attain.

The motorcycle as a vehicle has made a place for itself in pleasure as well as business. It has come to stay. But, if we have our way, it will be respected and hold a dignified as well as a useful position in this motor driven age.

I dislike the open muffler "fiend" cordially—and so does the Federation of American Motorcyclists. I believe there is only one place for speeding and that is on a carefully constructed race track.

There the rider alone takes chances. And through the regulation, restriction and supervision of the Federation of American Motorcyclists these are reduced to a minimum.

Present Order of Society Not Blamed

By W. SMYTHE

In my opinion it is a mistake to attribute crimes to "the present order of society." In what way would education remedy the evil? A man who commits murder in cold blood is a murderer at heart and the only possible benefit he might have derived from thorough education would be cognition of the fact that if he must kill it is safer to do it in a clandestine manner and not on the king's highway.

A bulldog is a bulldog and should not be tantalized. The thoroughbred is not one bit more to be trusted than the vagrant. It runs in the family. The human family consists of every conceivable nature. Two boys born in a good atmosphere and bred amid the best surroundings enter college with two widely different characteristics and will so leave it, even if you ram education into them at a pound a minute.

A writer asserts that educated people, brought up in a fortunate environment, do not commit murders which call for capital punishment. If that is true, then we are an uneducated family, for such crimes are executed all around us and by all classes.

The most deplorable fact is that our laws, which apply to all, are not applied to the impetuous collegian as to the dross of the forty.

Wings in Millinery



THE use of birds and wings in millinery has, in great measure, given way to the use of fancy feathers, that is, fancy feather pieces put together by the manufacturers in many forms, such as bands, pompons, cockades, etc. Fashion takes more kindly to the plumage of birds mounted in ways which do not suggest the bird at all. But the liking for fancy feathers increases with such vigor that there is no sign in sight pointing toward its waning. The greater number of wings displayed in millinery are "made wings." Plumage is selected and sewed to a foundation to form them. Sometimes feathers are pasted instead of being sewed, but this is unsatisfactory to the wearer. Exposure to rain, and even moisture causes them to loosen and fall off. As wings are especially liked for street hats, this is a fault that cannot be tolerated. Sewed wings are to be chosen. These will last a season out, which is all one expects or wants of them. Wings are short lived as compared to some other feather decorations. The wind catches and strains them because they are more rigid and have a greater surface than other feathers. But much depends upon the way in which they are mounted on the hat. They may be so placed that the crown of the hat will support them. In using them for trimming, therefore, two things are to be kept in view; the becomingness of poise and its stability. For certain effects nothing quite takes the place of wing trimming. The arrival of our July and August tourists demonstrate that wings are staple in the world of millinery trimmings.

JULIA BOTTOMLEY.

BLACK AND WHITE TURBAN SATIN BORDERS ON COTTONS



Material, Thus Trimmed, Makes Up Into Dresses of the Most Handsome Description.

Some of the new cotton fabrics for 1912 are beautiful in the extreme, and lift cotton goods into the realm of fine dress. Rich embroidery is used on them, and one of the new features is satin striping or satin bordering. On some sheer gray voiles, almost silky in texture, there is a broad border of gray satin, heavily embroidered in the same tone. This will make up into handsome dresses, of which not even the most elderly or most wealthy need feel any shame.

More youthful and giddy is a light cotton fabric with a border of satin sheer in which the motif is stamped on in gold, purple and other rich colors—a series of large iris in natural tones.

Solid embroidery in color, combined with openwork, is a feature of some of the new white fabrics.

The new linens are heavy in texture, and come in a large variety of colorings. Gray is especially well liked, and there are good blues, pinks, greens and other shades. In the rough crash finishes the pure white linen is not seen as much as the colored and the natural tone, but it is pre-eminent among the light-weight linens.

VELVET FOR ALL OCCASIONS

Most Popular of All Winter Materials for Tailored or Semi-Tailored Costumes.

"And some in velvet gowns." That line in the old nursery rhyme is quite apropos this season, for if news from Paris can be relied upon, nearly all will be in velvet gowns before the winter is ended.

Plain and striped velvets are being featured prominently among the semi-tailored and tailored costumes. Two-piece suits and the favorite one-piece afternoon frock of velvet will have a place in almost every woman's wardrobe, especially if she be numbered among the well-dressed class.

Suits of plain one-tone velvet, or striped velvet showing two tones, trimmed with fur or elaborately braided, are very much in evidence. Some of the smartest of these have high collars that close about the throat in military effect, and these are often finished with a big rever on one side of the front.

Velveteen Frocks.

Velveteen, dressy at the first, durable and serviceable to the last, will always be popular for tonic and first suits for little lads. Brown, blue or green are the shades commonly chosen, but a suit in rose velveteen has been seen which made the small wearer look quite a picture. The little trousers should come well above the knee, the tunic should be double breasted and hook down the right side, and it should show about one and one-half inches of the trousers. The leg of mutton shape caught into a cuff is affected for the sleeve.

WOMEN AND HEALTH.

Women are beginning to realize more fully that good health is not to be found in the use of cosmetics and face powders. The appearance of health may follow facial treatment, but health itself lies much deeper than the surface.

Most important to the health of every woman is regularity of the bowels and digestive organs. The weary eyes, bad breath, frequent headaches, pimples and general air of lassitude, is in most every case due to constipation or indigestion, or both. There are various remedies prescribed for this condition, but the easiest, most pleasant and certainly effective, is a combination of simple laxative herbs with psyllin known to druggists as Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin. This simple remedy is far preferable to harsh salts and cathartics and violent purgative waters that disturb the whole system without affording more than temporary relief.

Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin is a tonic laxative, mild in its action, pleasant to the taste and positive in its effect, strengthening the muscles of stomach and bowels so that after a short time these organs regain the power to perform their natural functions without assistance.

Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin is sold by druggists everywhere in 50c and \$1.00 bottles. If you have never tried it, write for a sample to Dr. W. H. Caldwell, 201 Washington St., Monticello, Ill.; he will gladly send a trial bottle without any expense to you whatever.

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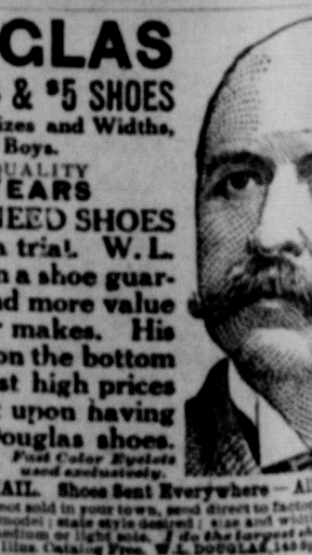
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TILLAGE OF DRY LAND

Operation of Loosening and Stirring of Soil. Shallow Cultivation Checks Rapid Loss of Water From Surface, Kills Weeds and Aids in Admitting Air to Top Layer.

The operation of loosening and stirring the soil is usually spoken of as tillage or cultivation.

For moist soils it is best to practice deep tillage in the preparation of the seed bed and shallow cultivation after the crop is planted.

Plants are like animals in that they must have food and drink or they soon sicken and die.

Place a lump of salt in a glass of water and stir for a few minutes. The salt disappears, and you will find that the water has a salty taste.

If the soil is hard and lumpy the little roots can penetrate far into it, but may feed near the surface.

The depth to which the soil should be prepared depends upon the depth to which the plant roots will penetrate.

Soils that have always been plowed shallow should be deepened gradually by setting the plow to go about one inch deeper each season.

About one-third of the total space occupied by sand and about one-half of that taken up by clay is occupied by the soil particles themselves.

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DRY FARMING NOTHING NEW

Drought-Resistant Crops Must Be Used in Droughty Country—Mexican Beans Realize Profit.

Dry farming movements are not new. There have been previous floods of settlement which have receded, merely leaving a few people more in the arid region than before.

The climate has not changed and is not changing. Only a change in methods will record success with present efforts over those that have gone before.

There is plenty of work to do, and it must be done thoroughly, not by those people who flippantly regard farming and usually slip out as soon as things go wrong.

The ease with which a dust mulch can be secured and yet not be of such light character as to blow away, is important as well as precipitation and water-holding capacity of the soil.

Theoretically, clays hold most moisture; in practice, loams will produce better crops because they do not so easily become parched on top and lose moisture by evaporation.

There is a great deal of run-off, even in arid countries. Indeed, some of them have become arid which were formerly fertile through erosion which gullied the surface.

Moisture Content is Increased and Less Readily Lost—Also Holds Heavy Rains in Summer.

Root area is increased in deeply plowed land. Plowing must be more than eight inches in depth before it can be considered as deep.

Both chemical action and bacterial life are increased. Plants are dependent on both these actions for available fertility which they can use.

Deep plowing holds heavy summer rains and prevents washing. Soil is a living thing and needs both air and moisture, and can be killed by saturation of stagnant waters.

Double your capital then, farmers, by deepening your soil.

DAIRY NOTES

High-priced feed is making high-priced butter fat this winter. Liberal feeding means to feed all the cows can eat and use to advantage.

He is in no wise a public benefactor who keeps two cows to do the work of one.

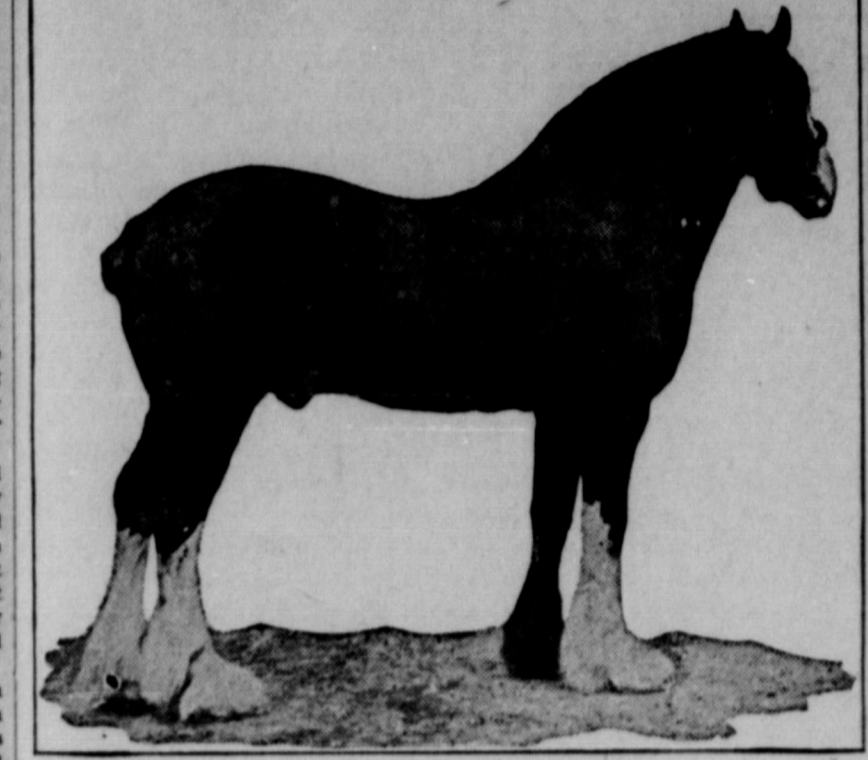
For warts on teats, rub in some castor oil once a day. It is a pretty sure cure.

Although beef is away up in price, a good milk cow still sells for more than a corn fed steer.

Dairy cattle present a flattering field for the man who is prepared to give his full attention to that industry.

INCREASE FOAL CROP AND IMPROVE BREEDING CONDITION

Horse Raising Industry Can Be Made One of Most Lucrative of Any Carried on in Connection With Agricultural Work—Record Kept of Many Imported Stallions Gives Facts.



Prize-Winning English Clydesdale.

The greatest leak in American agriculture is that of barren mares. That the horse breeding industry can stand such a waste of energy, money and time is positive proof that the industry can be made one of the most lucrative of any carried on in connection with the work of the farm.

Data along these lines secured from a different angle, show quite as conclusively that corn is not good for breeding stallions. The foal crop in Missouri from the best stallions is but 41 per cent. of the mares bred, and corn is the chief ration. In Kansas it is 44; Illinois, 46; Iowa, 47; Nebraska, 49; Minnesota, 61; Ontario, 71; Montana, 72; Wyoming, 72, and Idaho, 73.

Over-feeding is bad, too, regardless of what the grain is. It is muscle, rather than talow, that is wanted in reproduction. Talow is degenerating, impairing the vitality of all cells, glands and nerves around which it is deposited.

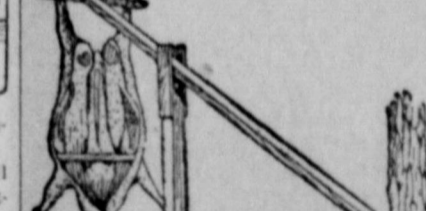
The manner of feeding our mares has much to do with foal production. The following includes a large list of mares kept on different feeds, and the per cent. of foals produced by them.

Wheat bran added to the oats ration resulted in 7 per cent. more foals, while grass or alfalfa, with no grain, gave 82 per cent. of foals. Here we learn that the nearer we get to a corn ration the smaller number of foals produced, while the nearer we get to a grass ration with no grain the larger the number of foals.

HANDY DEVICE FOR BUTCHERS

With Assistance of Derrick Shown in Illustration One Man Can Lift Carcass from Ground.

For a farmer who butchers only once or twice a year it is hardly worth while to build an expensive butchering outfit. One of the best devices I have ever discovered for lifting the dressed carcass from the ground is shown in the accompanying illustration.



An Efficient Derrick. A tree. On the short end of this pole is attached a gable to which the carcass is attached as shown. One man can easily lift a heavy carcass with this device. A good way to hold the pole in place is to have a forked stick in the ground, or one may tie the end down if more convenient.

Precautions Against Frost. Take precaution against apples frosting in storage. Where there is danger from freezing set a large tub of warm water in the cellar to raise the temperature. If freezing occurs allow the fruit to thaw slowly.

Seed Laws in Germany. Germany has good laws in reference to the purity and viability of seeds that are for sale, and these laws appear to be well enforced.

FEW COMFORTS FOR A PIGGERY

Animal Will Not Do Its Best Unless Kept Comfortable—Food for Pushing Spring Pigs.

(By SYLVANUS VAN AKEN.) If the hog is not comfortable he will not do his best. The one object of hog farming is profit. The hog responding most readily to good care and that is capable of best development and a variety of foods is the most desirable.

A hog will not make a profit when shut up in a small pen fed on dry corn and filthy water. Be sure to have a good place for the sows to farrow in. Spring pigs will care for will bring the farmer good money next fall and he will hardly know how he came by it.

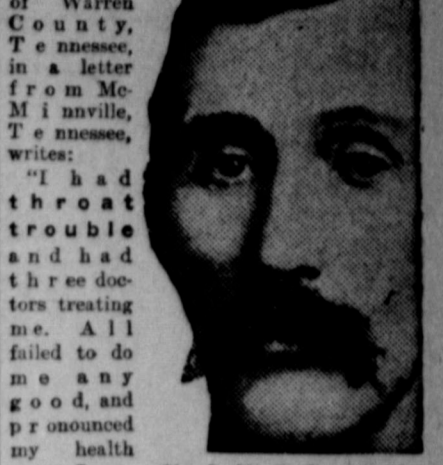
One will find the best food for pushing pigs to be shorts mixed with skim milk placed in a separate pen just out of reach of the mother; the little fellows soon learn that it is for them.

As soon as they begin to eat it up clean, add a little corn meal to the feed. When three months old one may add to this an equal amount of ground oats. After that soak shelled corn and feed it for slops.

Excellent Sheep Practice. It is the custom in Wyoming for owners of land, who rent their fields in the winter to sheepmen, to stipulate in the agreement that the sheep are not to be bedded in one place more than two or three nights, so as to spread the manure. This is an excellent practice.

Doctors Said Health Gone

Suffered with Throat Trouble



Mr. B. W. D. Barnes, ex-Sheriff of Warren County, Tennessee, in a letter from McMinnville, Tennessee, writes: "I had throat trouble and had three doctors treating me. All failed to do me any good, and pronounced my health gone. I concluded to try Peruna, and after using four bottles can say I was entirely cured."

Unable to Work. Mr. Gustav Himmelreich, Hochheim, Texas, writes: "For a number of years I suffered whenever I took cold, with severe attacks of asthma, which usually yielded to the common home remedies."

"Last year, however, I suffered for eight months without interruption so that I could not do any work at all. The various medicines that were prescribed brought me no relief."

"After taking six bottles of Peruna, two of Laecupia and two of Manalin, I am free of my trouble so that I can do all my farm work again. I can heartily recommend this medicine to any one who suffers with this annoying complaint and believe that they will obtain good results."



"Yes, she had to give up her part. 'Was it a case of overstudy?' 'No; understudy.'"

Useless. "Why don't you make up your mind to cease permitting your wife to hen-peck you?" "I have made it up half a dozen times, but it doesn't seem to do any good at all. She refuses to concede that I have a mind."

Most men would rather give their wives credit for what they do than to give them money. And many a man regards his wife as a poor relation.

THE CARELESS GROCER Blundered, and Great Good Came of It. A careless grocer left the wrong package at a Michigan home one day and thereby brought a great blessing to the household.

"Two years ago I was a sufferer from stomach troubles, so acute that the effort to digest ordinary food gave me great pain, and brought on a condition of such extreme nervousness that I could not be left alone. I thought I should certainly become insane. I was so reduced in flesh that I was little better than a living skeleton. The doctors failed to give me relief and I despaired of recovery."

"One day our groceryman left a package of Grape-Nuts food by mistake, so I tried some for dinner. I was surprised to find that it satisfied my appetite and gave me no distress whatever. The next meal I ate of it again, and to be brief, I have lived for the past year almost exclusively on Grape-Nuts. It has proved to be a most healthful and appetizing food, perfectly adapted to the requirements of my system."

"Grape-Nuts is not only easily digested and assimilated, but I find that since I have been using it I am able to eat anything else my appetite fancy, without trouble from indigestion. The stomach trouble and nervousness have left me, I have regained my plumpness and my views of life are no longer despondent and gloomy."

"Other members of my family, especially my husband, (whose old enemy, the 'heart-burn,' has been vanquished) have also derived great benefit from the use of Grape-Nuts food and we think no morning meal complete without it." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

"There's a reason," and it is explained in the little book, "The Road to Wellville," in pkgs. Ever read the above letter? A new eye appears from time to time. They are genuine, true, and full of human interest.

CASTORIA 900 DROPS. The Kind You Always Buy. Bears the Signature of Dr. J. C. Foster. Perfect Remedy for Constipation, Sour Stomach, Diarrhoea, Worms, Convulsions, Feverishness and LOSS OF SLEEP.

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Now's the Time to Buy a Farm. The Farmer's Son's Great Opportunity. Why wait for the old farm to become your inheritance? Begin now to prepare for your future property and independence.

W. L. DOUGLAS \$2.25, \$2.50, \$3, \$3.50, \$4 & \$5 SHOES. All Styles, All Leathers, All Sizes and Widths, for Men, Women and Boys. THE STANDARD OF QUALITY FOR OVER 30 YEARS.

Onions. The best quality onions available. Large, firm, and sweet. Perfect for cooking and eating.

Lewis' Single Binder 5c Cigar. Guaranteed. The best quality cigars available. Perfect for smoking and gifting.

Big Money. Save by using the Yarnie Cotton Chopper. The best quality cotton available. Perfect for spinning and weaving.

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WHEN YOU THINK OF DRUGS THINK OF ERWIN

PUBLIC LECTURE

Christian-Cousins Hall
Saturday Night, February 24th

Rev. Edwin Weary of the Episcopal church will deliver a lecture on Labrador and the public is invited to attend. Rev. Weary spent seven years as missionary to that country and tells in a very graphic and humorous way the things he saw and learned as well as the conditions that prevail. He has given the lecture in many Panhandle towns and has never failed to please his audience. A small admission of ten and twenty-five cents will be charged.

HEAR HIM

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TEXAS

By A. G. RICHARDSON

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UNCLE SAM GUESSING

Texas has been a puzzle to Uncle Sam ever since she was admitted into the Union and has caused his statisticians more trouble than all other states combined. We develop so rapidly that we outgrow our statistics while Uncle Sam is at work on the adding machine.

The Census Reports which are being made public from time to time read like ancient history. While Uncle Sam was calculating the number of acres of land under cultivation, we turned over a million and a half acres of virgin soil; since the census was taken there have been a million people born in Texas and 150,000 immigrants have settled in the State. By the time the census reports are printed and ready for distribution we will have to add a few ciphers to the right-hand side of the figures in order to bring them up to date. Uncle Sam is too slow for Texas.

TEXAS DINNER PAIL

The rattle of the Texas dinner pail is being heard around the world. Our oil refineries and packing house products are well known on both hemispheres, but the latest transaction of national significance was made by the Wichita Falls Motor Car Company with a concern in Colorado involving a sale of \$275,000 worth of automobiles and it is said to be the largest sale of the kind ever made west of the Mississippi river. The transaction places Wichita Falls in the first ranks as a manufacturing center and firmly establishes this youthful and vigorous industry on Texas soil.

The incident presents a lesson

in progress which every city can profit by studying. It is our big manufacturing plants that reach out and draw money from other states and countries that we must depend upon to make Texas a great industrial center. The man with the dinner pail is as important to our civilization as the man with the hoe.

WORTHY PRIZES.

Every man, woman and child in the state of Texas who lives on a farm and can supervise or cultivate a crop should compete for one or more of the prizes offered this year by the Texas Industrial Congress. There are 142 of these prizes, amounting to \$10,000, and the crops are so varied as to offer an equally fair opportunity to everyone in the State, it matters not in what section he may live. If you do not win out in one class, you may in another.

There are absolutely no charges or fees connected with this contest, the only requirement of a contestant being that he give a little additional time and attention to the cultivation of his crop according to directions, and at the end of the season he may not only receive a goodly sum as a prize, but he will also have his crop—perhaps the finest his land has ever produced. The sole motive of the Congress in offering these prizes is to aid in developing the agricultural possibilities of the State and making Texas what it ought to be, "the garden spot of the world."

Write today for full particulars regarding the contest and ask for your entry blank, addressing the Texas Industrial Congress at Dallas.

Williams For County Judge

In this issue of the News we present to the consideration of the voters of Gray county the name of Judge R. E. Williams who aspires to succeed himself in the office of county judge. While this is judge Williams' first term in the office named yet he has had considerable experience as a jurist and is also a close student of the law, putting forth at all times his best endeavors to keep in touch with matters pertaining to his duties.

It is said of him that he gives his rulings straight from the shoulder without fear or favor as he sees them and that "he is judge."

He respectfully asks that the voters inspect his record as county judge of this county and should they feel that he has made them a conscientious and faithful officer he solicits their support in returning him for the customary second term.

Notice to the Public.

At the last regular meeting of the Mothers' Club a motion was made and carried that every child over three years old will be charged the regular admission price of ten cents to their entertainments.

The admission was made so small in order that parents would not feel burdened in attending these entertainments. Every child over the age specified is requested to have a ticket.

MRS. A. G. RICHARDSON, Pres.

TEXAS LIGNITE

Cheap and Abundant Fuel—
30,000,000,000 tons on
Deposit.

In a report issued by Prof. W. B. Phillips, Director of the Bureau of Economic Geology and Technology, some interesting data is given on the fuels of Texas. The lignite fields of the State probably extend over 60,000 square miles, so the pamphlet states, and the original supply of this fuel lying beneath our surface is estimated at 30,000,000,000 tons. As the amount taken from the earth so far amounts to only a small per cent, the supply of this fuel need occasion no anxiety for the next thousand years or so. Every known variety of lignite has been found in Texas, from a material carrying but a few per cent of fixed carbon to nearly 45 per cent and with from 30 per cent of volatile and combustible matter to more than 76 per cent. The beds of this fuel run from 15 feet and more in thickness to depths of 400 to 600 feet. The counties in which workable beds of lignite occur are Anderson, Angelina, Atascosa, Bastrop, Bowie, Brewster, Caldwell, Camp, Case, Cherokee, Dimmitt, Fayette, Freestone, Grimes, Harrison, Henderson, Hopkins, Houston, Jasper, Lee, Leon, Limestone, McMullen, Marion, Medina, Milam, Morris, Nacogdoches, Newton, Panola, Rains, Robertson, Rusk, Sabine, San Augustine, Shelby, Smith, Titus, Upshur, Van Zandt, Webb, Wood and Zavalla. In a general way, workable lignite is found in all that part of Texas lying east of the 97th meridian of west longitude and north of the 31st degree of north latitude, but there are a few important areas outside of these boundaries.

The average value of the lignite mined in Texas in 1910 at the mines was 96 cents, the production having been 979,232 tons, the largest in the history of the State.

It may be accepted as a fact that there is enough lignite beneath the surface of Texas to run our engines, supply our factories and provide fuel for heating purposes for several centuries to come.

The University of Texas is using lignite for running the power house of that institution, a Texas railroad is using it for fuel, and Texas lignite bids fair to become universally used as a fuel during the next decade.

Lecture On Labrador

We wish to call the attention of the public to the fact that there will be a lecture at the Christian-Cousins Hall tomorrow night by the Very Reverend Edwin Weary, Arch Deacon of the Episcopal church for the Panhandle diocese.

Mr. Weary will take for his subject "Labrador", to which country he was sent as missionary. He spent several years among these people and has many interesting and instructive things to tell of their habits and customs as well as the existing conditions in their home land.

The lecture will be given under the auspices of the local ladies guild and a small admission charge of ten and twenty-five cents will be made. The gentleman has given the lecture in practically every town in the Panhandle and in many instances has been recalled the second and third time to lecture on the interesting subject. We sincerely hope he will have a good hearing.

Help! Help!

You help me and I'll help you. If I help you it will help me, too.

Give me a list of your land, your farm.

If I can't sell it there will be no harm.

But if I can a deal pull through. It will help me and will help you, too.

I'll list your property just at your price.

With terms and payments at your advise.

Your city property and livestock, too.

And do my best to pull a deal through.

I sell land straight at five per cent.

If I can't sell it it wont cost you a cent.

So come around and list your land.

And I will sell it if I can.

Good prospects don't always win.

But if one fails I will try again.

To find another and make it stick.

And this I'll do if I can right quick.

—Jas. F. Heasley,

The Land Man.

When you want news subscribe for the McLean News. \$1.00 per year.



Excursions To

St Louis, Mo., account Merchants Association, spring meeting, 1912. Next dates of sale March 2nd to 9th, return limit March 4th to 16th. One first class fare will be charged on going trip and \$10.88 for return.

Dallas, Texas, Merchants Association Meetings. Next dates of sale March 4th to 13th, final return limit March 23rd. One first class rate going and one-third of first class rate returning as per certificate plan.

San Antonio, Texas meeting of Knights of Columbus February 25th. Dates of sale February 23rd, limit February 27th.

Fare one and one-third for round trip.

D. A. DAVIS
 AGENT

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A superior feature is the digging the depth for planting, as it is always at the same angle to the ground, whether an operator is in crossing a ridge.

Only one row is planted, and a second row is planted in the same row. The planter is so constructed that it will do just what is required for a "hand" planter.

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We are selling that famous Albatross Flour and stand behind it with a positive guarantee. It may be the cheapest but is the best. Everything in the way of fresh groceries

BASSEL & WISE
 The Pace-Makers

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Only one man is needed to operate it. It is second to none in its class. It is made of the best material and is built to last.

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Local Happenings

Items of Interest About Town and County

Best pocket knives on earth can be found at the McLean Hardware Co. and Mrs. J. W. Kibler visited at Groom last Sunday.
Clay Gardenhire and wife visited with relatives and friends at Jericho this week.
You will need a new collar pad for spring work. Get it from S. O. Cook.
The young people of this city enjoyed a social dance at the Jones home on Friday night of last week.
For Sale—One jack and several work horses, work mares and work mules. See Homer West.
E. E. Barker has renewed his subscription for another year, for which he has our thanks.
For Sale—Hended kaffir corn bundles, cheap if taken soon. Chas. Goebel, five miles northeast of town.
Mr. and Mrs. Charlie McMurtry were here Sunday enroute to Cordell, Okla., for a visit with relatives.
Have you seen Langley? If not call and settle that account for he needs the money.
A. T. Wilson has the thanks of the News for a subscription renewal this week.
If you are behind on your subscription to the News, please pay it now. We need the money.
Elmer Reeves of Jericho was among the business visitors in the city the latter part of last week.
See our new combination Go-Devil—knife and disc combined. They are coming. S. O. Cook.
Bob Grigsby of Amarillo was in the city the first of the week shaking hands with his many friends.
All kinds of farming implements of the famous John Deere make can be found at the McLean Hardware Co.
County Court was in session at LeFors this week but cut their term short on account of the very disagreeable weather.
Easter Sunday is coming soon. Order that New suit. Cooke & Cooke.
A. W. Haynes, Mrs. J. A. Haynes and Mrs. Tom McKinzy visited with relatives and friends at Granite, Okla., last week.
Bring your clothes in and have them cleaned and pressed we make new one's out of old ones. Cooke & Cooke.
Mrs. C. C. Cook and son, Robert, have been spending several days at Shamrock the guest of their daughter and sister, Mrs. Alders.
We can fit you with a two or four wheel Canton or Standard lister at S. O. Cook's.

LOOK OUT FOR THE CAR

Do you know of anyone who is old enough to drive a car, who has not seen that at a railroad crossing?

Everyone has seen it at some time and everyone who doesn't see it should let the sign rot away? Why does the railroad company continue to keep these signs at every crossing? Do you think, Mr. Merchant, that everybody knows my car, when I have to advertise it? I am sure and your goods need no advertising than the railroad need to warn people "Look Out for the Car." Being in ever-completed in the surrounding world.
Department Stores are a very good example—they are continually advertising—and they are continually doing a good business.
Do you want to run a few ads around town at Christmas time, it certainly will pay you to run advertisements about all the time.

ADVERTISE IN THIS PAPER

STILL MORE A-COMING

We are still receiving mammoth shipments of dry goods, clothing and shoes and hats to take the place of old stock that we recently disposed of. We propose to have nothing but new and up-to-date stuff and to keep our stock right up to now in every respect. Our grocery department is up to the standard of the best and we believe we can give you better service. Let us have a share in your business.

DOLLAR BACK

Remember that with every \$10 cash purchase we will hand you back a dollar. Our goods are as cheap as the cheapest but we are giving this additional ten per cent cut to show we are in earnest about soliciting your CASH TRADE.

C. A. Cash & Son

GENERAL MERCHANDISE

We have just received our new sample books for spring and Summer come in and order your clothes made to measure. Cooke & Cooke.

J. M. Huntsman returned yesterday morning from Oklahoma City, where he had been spending several days on business.

For Sale—One of the nicest and best homes in McLean. Will sell it right. E. A. Erwin.

H. M. Biggers of Wynona, Miss., has moved with his family to this city and will make his home here in the future.

Get your harness, collars etc. for your spring work at Cook's Hardware, \$3.50 collar at \$3.25.

Mrs. C. P. Gibson left last week for El Reno, Okla., after having enjoyed an extended visit here the guest of her brother, J. W. Sugd and family.

Strayed—A black gilt hog, weighs about 150 pounds, long bodied and smooth haired. Finder please notify N. A. Biggers.

Mrs. R. W. Crisp has returned from Sulphur Springs, Texas, where she was called on account of the illness of her mother, who died last Friday.

Don't run the risk of sending away for watermelon seed when you can get guaranteed seed from S. B. Fast at 50 cents per pound.

D. S. Brown left the latter part of last week for his home in Birmingham, Ala., after having spent several weeks here the guest of his sister, Mrs. George Bourland.

Buy a razor and do your skinning, McLean Hardware Co. has the kind that get the most hide. Try one—they are guaranteed to get the hair.

E. A. and Hugh Erwin have traded for property in Leon county and will make their home there. Hugh and Dick left last week and E. A. Erwin will go later.

Bridles, collars, hames, tracechains, back bands; in fact, anything you need in plow gear. McLean Hardware Co. has it.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Penington started Saturday night for a visit to relatives in Oklahoma but the latter was taken suddenly ill and had to leave the train at Shamrock. She returned Monday and is at present reported much better.

I have on hand a supply of pure hog lard of my own rendering. If you have to buy lard I would like to show you what I have. City Meat Market.

Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Lewis left yesterday afternoon for their future home in Clarksville, Texas. They ordered the News as a necessary adjunct to their housekeeping and it will visit them regularly for the next twelve months.

If you intend putting down a well on your place, remember that we always have a good supply of well casing, pipe, succorrod and windmills and will be glad to fit you up at the lowest market price. Cleora Smith Lumber Co.

Rev. H. A. Goodwin requests us to announce that he will preach at the Baptist church on next Sunday morning. This is the gentleman's day at Mobeetie but he was unavoidably detained here and hence will fill the local pulpit.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our rates for announcements are as follows, cash in advance:
District, county and state officers, \$10.00.
City and Precinct officers, \$5.00.

FOR TAX ASSESSOR:
J. B. PASCHALL.
FOR COUNTY JUDGE:
SILER FAULKNER
R. E. WILLIAMS.
FOR TREASURER:
HENRY THUT.
FOR COUNTY CLERK:
C. L. UPHAM.
FOR SHERIFF:
J. S. DENSON.

GRIST MILL

We will run the Majors grist mill on Wednesday and Saturdays of each week. If you have feed to crush come early on the days mentioned. Let us be of service to you. If not at the mill I can be found at the old Reed place. Ask for

A. H. CARVER The Mill Man

For Sale—One good disc cultivator, \$8.00; one good 16 inch walking plow with eveners; second hand cook stove, \$6.00; one good plug horse. R. N. Ashby.

It is understood that J. M. Huntsman has sold his ranch interests to Mr. Johnson, his partner, and will give possession the first of March. The gentleman will move to town, but as yet has not decided as to what business he will engage in.

Another large shipment of the beautiful Thistleware just received at the McLean Hardware Co., consisting of water pails, Berlin kettles, tea kettles, double boilers, insets, dish pans, pudding pans, mixing bowls, dippers, plate plates, milk pitchers and cups and saucers.

THE WANDERING DOLLAR

Wanderlust Spirit Seizes Texas Dollar.—\$200,000 Per Day Leaves State.

Money, by its close companionship with man, has acquired many of the characteristics of the human race, and one of its most pronounced is its disposition to wander. They probably "get the habit" by being chased by the tax assessor, in running from book-agents and dodging subscription lists. It is incomprehensible how a dollar seeking legitimate investment could voluntarily leave Texas where it is surrounded by such a magnificent array of splendid opportunities and search the wilderness and waste places for a livelihood where bulls and bears lie in wait for it and finally sleep in dens and hovels and tramp the financial highways when it might have remained at home and become a merchant, a banker or a captain of industry and have made frequent contributions towards churches, charitable institutions and the general welfare of the community.
Many a Texas dollar has contributed towards the comic literature of the day by choosing outside investments in preference to Texas properties, and the pride and business reputation of the family has suffered.

No data which could be considered as a reliable basis for an estimate is available, but those familiar with the general run of investment suggest that possibly a hundred thousand dollars per day leave the State seeking outside investment, a portion of which is permanent, the owner leaving with it. Our Federal Census Bureau discloses the fact that 80 people per day leave Texas and estimating that each person takes with him \$250 in property, we will have \$20,000 leaving permanently per day, giving us a balance of \$80,000 per day, subject to recall, as the owner still lives in Texas.
Many of our dollars, lured by the siren voice of speculators, have left Texas and formed unholy alliances with outside capital and must now, for a season, undergo the mental anguish of daily witnessing magnificent opportunities for investment go by in their native land. There is no more pitiful sound known in currency than that of a Texas dollar chained to an outside investment sadly slipping "Home Sweet Home."

FLOUR

Good Luck - - - 2.90
High Patent Soft Wheat, per cwt.
Yokons Best - - - 2.80
Best Hard Wheat, per cwt.
Pride of Alva - - 2.70
Per Hundred Pounds

C. C. COOK



Notice.
After this the News will make a charge for all items that do not come under the head of general news.
We are glad to get news items and will appreciate your ringing 47 if you know anything of interest.

The Pure Drug Act

Would not have been a necessity if every drug store carried the kind and quality of drugs that we carry. Purity means health, and we are the people who want to keep you healthy. We have just received a large shipment of Nyal remedies and want you to try a bottle. Phone 6.

Will H. Langley

DRUGGIST
Socialist Call.
Alanreed, Texas, 2-10-12.
The Socialists of the Alanreed Precinct, Gray County, met in mass meeting and after organizing appointed W. K. Stokes a committee of one to get in communication with Socialists in all other precincts of the County for the purpose of appointing a time and delegates to a meeting at LeFors for the purpose of organizing the County of Gray for the coming political campaign.
All Socialists interested will please write him at Alanreed.

THE HIGH COST OF LIVING

has not affected our job printing prices. We're still doing commercial work of all kinds at prices satisfactory to you.



Anchor Your Savings

No man can feel absolutely secure unless his savings are anchored in a good bank. We extend every courtesy and accommodation to our depositors that is in the bounds of reason and good business. We operate on a business basis and can offer the very best safeguard for your deposits. Come in today and make the start.

American State Bank

Texas Needs Great Men

XXVIII. CONDEMNATION

AN ATHENIAN peasant voting to condemn Aristides the Just was asked what wrong this good man had ever done him. "None," he replied, "I don't even know him, but I am tired of hearing him called 'The Just.'" Envy always snarls at the heels of distinction. It is one of the penalties of success to be condemned by your fellow men, and this condition not only applies to philosophy, art and science, but to business as well, and sometimes success weighs heavily in the scales of justice.

The soul of state is in its people and a narrow, jealous and envious citizenship results in bigoted, revengeful and dangerous leaders and a weak tottering government.



CONDEMNING ARISTIDES THE JUST.

Let those who would see their country rise to the towering heights of power remember that in the race of nations an ounce of malice is a dangerous handicap; that a country torn by the demon jealousy cannot long survive the corroding influences of civilization, and that a people whose prejudices will respond to the call of agitators like unclean spirits at the summons of a wizard, must soon drink the bitter dregs of factional strife and writhe in the agony of national decay. Texas Needs Great Men.

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"Poor Old Dad."

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'Cept you'll see a pretty poem
'Bout the mother, saintly sweet;
But you'll have a time a-serchin',
Eyes will be er-achung bad,
Ere you'll overtake a poem
At this time for pore ole dad.

No, it isn't wilful in 'em
Them that write of mother dear,
That there's never notice taken
Of her old man sittin' near;
No, it's never meant to slight him,
But it looks a little sad—
All the bouquets made for mother,
Not a bloom for pore ole dad!

True, our mother watched above us
Till her dear old eyes would ache,
But old dad he humped to feed us,
Till his back would nearly break;
Mother crooned above the cradle,
Gave devotion, all she had—
Still that wasn't any circus
At this time for pore ole dad!

Do not take one line from mother
When you write the soul-sweet song,
But if there's a word for father
Now and then a word wont be wrong.
Pore ole soul! He's bent and wrinkled,
An' I know 'twould make him glad
If, while you you are praisin' mother
Something's said for pore old dad.

—BY EDITH SWANSON.

Life a Funny Proposition

Man comes into the world without his consent and leaves against his will. During his stay on earth his time is spent in one continuous round of contraries and misunderstandings. In his infancy he is an angel. In his boyhood he is a devil. In his manhood he is everything from a lizzard up. In his duties he is a dumphule. If he raises a family he is a chump. If he raises a check he is a thief and the law raises —— with him.

If he is a poor man he is a poor manager. If he is rich he is dishonest and considered smart. If he is in politics he is a grafter and a crook. If he is out of politics you can't place him and he is an "undesirable citizen". If he goes to church he is a hypocrite and if he stays away from church he is a sinner. If he donates to foreign missions he does it for show and if he doesn't he is stingy and a "tight wad".

When he first comes into the world everybody wants to kiss him and before he goes out everybody wants to kick him. If he dies young there was a bright future for him and if he live to a ripe old age he makes a good advertisement for Duffy's Pure Malt whiskey. He is only in the way and hangs on to life to save funeral expenses.

What's the use? Life is a funny proposition after all.

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