

The McLean News

McLEAN, GRAY COUNTY, TEXAS, FRIDAY, MAY 17, 1912

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Now is the Time to Swat the Pesky Fly

Ke Town Attractive

At this time of the year, there is a great deal of fact that the town is full of rotting, putrified material that should be cleaned before it becomes obnoxious and unhealthy. We may be able to have as big a city as we would like and many of our red commercial and industrial enterprises might be there but there is no plausible reason why we could not have a clean attractive little town.

There are hundreds of ways in which we can make our town more attractive. We are all, as loyal citizens, our mites towards the attractiveness. And not another one feature that we can add to our town will be more strongly to our advantage than the manner in which our alleys and yards are kept. The prospector who comes for a day and notes the alleys and yards full of filth, the board sidewalks and unsightly, the yards full of tin cans and the majority of the houses bleak and barren of shrubs, his first impression is to put us among the most backward, too dead to live to bury.

Let us brighten up, take an interest in our surroundings and the outside world that good people to live among. Let us find that it pays. Be a neat, and clean up and tree.

Crop Outlook Is Promising

At the present time the crop outlook for the McLean country and the Panhandle in general was never better. The abundant rainfall within the past few days has served to maintain the soil in an excellent condition and all products so far planted are growing with a rush. Reports from the plains country in the neighborhood of Pampa are to the effect that a bumper wheat crop is now assured and extensive preparations are being made for harvesting.

In this immediate neighborhood there is little wheat sown but what there is could not be finer. George Weaver and L. O. Floyd each have a small acreage and it shows a splendid growth. Oats are looking fine and there is a considerable acreage in this vicinity.

Many of the farmers have their corn up and the present season in the ground assures it a rapid and thorough start. There is little doubt that 1912 will be the banner crop year for this section and it is predicted that immigration this fall and winter will break all previous records.

Right now is the most auspicious time to commence a general and far reaching advertising campaign that will bring the desired results.

Photograph Gallery.

(At the Jewelry Store) is open again on Wednesdays and Saturdays, until further notice. John B. Vannoy.

Look for the Big Sign

We have

- Lumber
- Coal
- Bois d'arc Posts
- Oak Posts
- Cedar Posts
- Mulberry Posts
- Eight-foot Corral Posts
- Barbed Wire
- Hog Fence
- Woven wire Fence
- Red picket fence
- House Paint
- Barn Paint
- Floor Paint
- Varnish
- Stains, etc.

See us before you buy

Western Lumber Company

Grow Better Corn for Seed

Extract from bulletin of the Texas Industrial Congress:

Careful experimentation and investigation covering a period of ten or fifteen years has satisfactorily proven that Texas-grown corn produced in the neighborhood where it is to be planted is the safest, best and most productive seed that can be used. As almost every one knows, the silk on the cob before the corn is formed is simply a hollow tube leading to the cob and can not produce a grain of corn unless it is fertilized by the pollen or the fine dust that falls in great profusion from the ripening tassel. If conditions are favorable for crop-growing and the stalk that bears the ear is well bred and vigorous, and the stalk that bears the pollen is its equal or superior in these desirable qualities, then great ears and full, plump grains are the happy result. But if either party to this union lack in these qualifications, then the results are not satisfactory. Every corn grower can greatly increase his next year's yield by a careful system of cultivation and selection from his own crop this season. It is very harmful to allow positive inbreeding with corn; that is, to allow the pollen from the tassel of a given stalk to fertilize the same silk on the ear of the same stalk. To prevent this, choose a few acres of the very best of your corn where all conditions are favorable—good stand, good growth, etc. Mark off, say, thirty rows, about the center of this good patch seventy steps long and pull off the tassel from every

School Board Is Organized

The first regular meeting of the school board occurred last Saturday morning and the old officers were elected with the exception of collector, J. W. Kibler being succeeded by A. B. Gärdenhire. President J. T. Foster and Secretary C. E. Donnell were both re-elected.

The matter of employing teachers was discussed and the board reached the conclusion that with the current number of pupils six teachers could handle the work, and that number will be employed. With only six teachers here and one at Peterson creek there will be sufficient funds to conduct a nine months term and it is the intention of the board to do this.

The principalship for this term has been offered to Pro. O'Neal but it is not known at this time whether he will accept or not.

It is also the intention of the board to hire home teachers as far as possible in preference to outsiders.

The application of Thos. B. Lee for the music department was acted upon favorably. In the matter of janitor the board decided to hire a man the year round at \$40.00 per month to not only take care of the building and fire the furnace but to look after and beautify the grounds. So far this place has not been filled.

Each member of the board has pledged himself to work diligently for the upbuilding of the school and it is hoped that we may not have occasion to discontinue it short of nine months. Already the scholastics enrolled has far exceeded that of last year and it is thought likely that the number will run in the neighborhood of three hundred and fifty, including the transfers.

Weak or inferior stalk in the first row to prevent the pollen from these runty stalks from fertilizing the silk of your strong stalks and thus dwarfing the corn. In fact, it would pay big to go over the entire corn field and pull out the tassel of every feeble stalk. Thin the corn in row No. 2 to one good stalk to the hill, three feet apart, absolutely destroying all weak stalks in this row and distasseling or pulling out the tassel from all the stalks. As the even rows in this patch are to be your seed producers, every stalk must be a good one. Treat row No. 3 and all other rows of odd number as you did No. 1, and treat all other rows of even number as you did No. 2. To be sure that no mistakes are made, watch the corn closely for five or eight days after the first tassel appears, as some of it may tassel earlier than balance. See that these few acres are carefully and frequently cultivated, aiming as near as possible to keep the top soil about one and a half inches deep, well pulverized practically all the time until the grains are hard on the cob.

We have nicely fitted parlors in which to serve our lady customers. Especially popular for luncheon parties. 1000 N. E. 10th, Dallas, Texas.

Endorses Palmer.

We noted an article in your paper recently concerning the candidacy of Will Palmer.

We have known him since his boyhood and can say that a more honorable, honest and upright gentleman we have never met. He has ever been the sober energetic gentleman that he now is, and the people of this district will make no mistake in electing him to represent them in the next legislature. Mr. Palmer has been one of the leading educators of the state, having taught history for several years in the state normal at San Marcus.

He is well informed as to the kind of legislation needed for this section and we feel confident that if the people elect him they will never have reason to regret it.

S. R. LOFTIN.

Press Meet at Temple.

The Thirty-Third annual meeting of the Texas Press Association is now in session, having opened at Temple yesterday. We very much regret that circumstances prevent us from being present as there is a most interesting program and one that will be of inestimable value to every printer fortunate enough to hear it.

The good people of that live Texas city have been making extensive arrangements for the entertainment of the visitors and it is expected that this will be one of the most successful meetings the association has ever held.



Excursions To

Austin, Texas, account Texas Bankers Association, May 21 to 23, limit May 26, fare \$21.00 for round trip.

All Comers Tennis Tournament at Austin, May 27 to June 1, limit June 4, fare \$21.00. Commencement exercises and Summer School University of Texas, date of sale June 8, limit June 14. Fare \$21.00 for round trip.

Waco, Texas, May 21-23, account of Texas Game Protective Association, date of sale May 18th and 19th, limit May 25th. One and one-third fare for the round trip.

Fort Worth, Texas, May 23rd and 24th, account Texas Grain Dealers Association, dates of sale May 20th and 21st. Fare \$11.80 for round trip.

Washington, D. C., June 8th, account unveiling Washington monument, dates of sale June 5, 6 and 7, limit to June 12th for return. Extension of time to July 12th can be made by depositing ticket with special agent and payment of one dollar. Fare for round trip \$50.40.

Round trip summer tourists and special excursion fares to Los Angeles, San Diego, San Francisco and Oakland, California; Portland, Oregon, and Seattle and Tacoma, Washington; effective April 27th. Various dates of sale, limits and fares.

D. A. DAVIS
AGENT

THE AMERICAN STATE BANK OF McLEAN

Offers to its customers unsurpassed facilities, and the experience of an old and well established bank.

YOU WANT A BETTER JOB?

That question will be asked you almost daily by business men seeking your services, if you qualify—take the Draughon Training—and show ambition to rise. More BANKERS endorse DRAUGHON'S Colleges than endorse all other business colleges COMBINED. 48 Colleges in 18 States. International reputation. Banking, Typewriting, Penmanship, English, Spelling, Arithmetic, Letter Writing, Business Law—FREE auxiliary branches. Good POSITIONS GUARANTEED under reasonable conditions. Home Study. Thousands of bank cashiers, bookkeepers, and stenographers are holding good positions as the result of taking Draughon's Home Study. CATALOGUE. For prices of books, write Jno. F. Draughon, President, Nashville, Tenn., with catalogue on course AT C. Draughon's Practical Business Training. Dallas, Houston, Austin, Galvesto, Amarillo, T.

Be Careful With Your Money

Not so very long ago the police reports showed that 7 persons in the United States lost their money by putting it in their houses, carrying it around in their pockets. Such a report is positively startling and incomprehensible to thinking, intelligent men and women, that they could be so careless with their earnings as not to deposit them in a bank for the safeguarding of their money.

A Guaranty State Bank

State supervision is an absolutely safe place to deposit your money. At this bank your money is payable on demand, or we would be glad to have you place it with us on deposit. Call in to see when convenient, it may be to your mutual interest.

Citizens State Bank McLEAN, TEXAS

Massay, Prest. Earl S. Hurst, Cashier,
Roy Rice, Asst. Cashier

Union Trading Co. T. U. SALMON Mgr.

We have real estate and livestock, coal, grain and hay. Everything for sale let us know about it—that is why we buy everything the farmer raises and we want a list of your lands and city property, at once. We have inquiries

5 SERMON IN A NUTSHELL

Comprehensive and Succinct Report of What Was Said in the Funeral Oration.

A popular Irishman, beloved for a mile around his home town, died suddenly. He belonged to several organizations, and the A. O. H. of Bloomville decided to send a representative to his funeral.

The church was packed and the sermon most sympathetic. In assessing his certainty of immortality, the vicar went in for simile.

"We will say," he observed for illustration, "that here is a beautiful watch. The case is good and it is studded with diamonds. It looks like the valuable part of the watch, but you can move the works and they will keep ticking."

He then was sounded on the topic of his funeral sermon.

"Well," he reported, "the father said that Pat was no Waterbury."

Getting Americanized. It does not take long for America's future citizens to adopt American customs.

Willie was looking at the pictures in a magazine when suddenly he turned to his father and asked: "Pa, do coconuts really grow on trees?"

"Of course! Where did you think they grew?"

"Why, pa, I always thought the monkeys laid 'em."—Boston Transcript.

The Usual Way. "The doctors have finally decided that caused Smith's illness."

"Had a consultation, eh?"

"No; autopsy."—Judge

The system takes kindly to nature's laxative, Gardfield Tea, which is mild in action and always effective.

The meanest trick a leap year girl can play on a man who rejects her proposal is to take him at his word.

FREE ADVICE TO SICK WOMEN

Thousands Have Been Cured By Common Sense Suggestions

Women suffering from various ailments are invited to write for free advice from the Pinkham Medicine Co. Your letter will be answered by a woman of experience.

Out of the vast volume of letters which have to be read by our staff, we have selected some that show the knowledge needed in your case.

Every woman needs a Text Book. It is not a general distribution of expensive medicine.

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For Infants and Children

The Kind You Always Bought

Bears the Signature of

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\$2.50 \$3.00 \$3.50 & \$4.00

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Reduce the Feed Bill—Improve the Health of Horses and Mules

Cottonseed Meal and Cottonseed Hulls

Practical Fashions

GIRL'S DRESS.



This charming little dress for a small girl is observed in this design. It is a front-closing dress with a sailor collar.

NO 5734. SIZE.....

LADY'S SHIRT WAIST.



Here is a smart shirt waist that can be made up at small cost.

NO 5721. SIZE.....

Sluggard and the Ant.

Sluggard was watching the ant.

Sluggard exclaimed the Sluggard, "You little beggar is a hustler!"

Sluggard went back to his work.

Sluggard was not idling because he found that by not idling he did twice as much as he usually did.

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LADY'S DRESS.

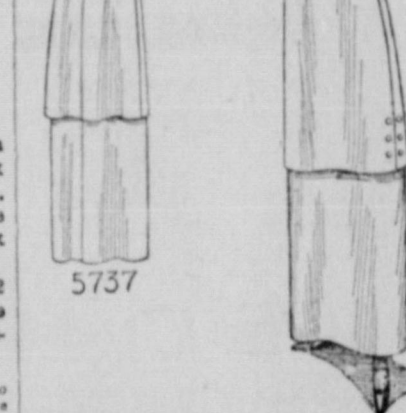


This beautiful frock is a front-closing model with the new set-in kimono sleeves and fashionable six-gored skirt.

NO 5784. SIZE.....

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LADY'S TUNIC SKIRT.



A graceful skirt is presented in design 5737, which displays the newest outline in tunic styles.

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Parisienne Learn to Box.

The fair Parisian has taken up a new pursuit.

Windfall in Old Hat.

There is something more than a joke in inheriting an old hat from an uncle.

SO BLUE ALMOST CRAZY

Mineral Point Lady Tells About An Experience That Almost Drove Her Insane.

Mineral Point, Mo.—Mrs. Clara Cluff, of this place, says: "I had a pain in my left side and back, and suffered a great deal with womanly troubles."

I would take spells that lasted two or three days, when it seemed like I was uneasy all the time, and didn't feel like doing anything.

I couldn't sleep good at night. I felt as though I had just done a hard day's work.

I had suffered for six years, and I can't tell you just how I did feel, I felt so bad. The doctors' treatment didn't seem to help, and I was so blue I was almost crazy!

I tried Cardui, and before I had taken two bottles I felt much better. I took 12 bottles in all.

Now, though I haven't taken any for a good while, I still feel all right—better than I have for years.

I would have been crazy if Cardui hadn't helped me."

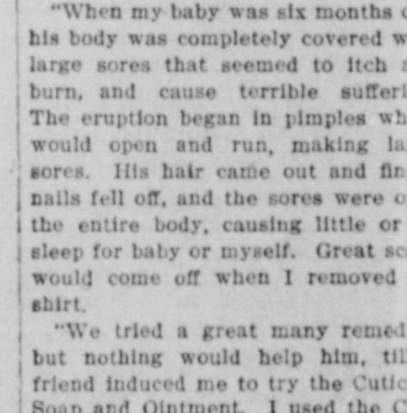
Cardui will help you, just as it helped Mrs. Cluff.

Why not try it?

It may be just the very thing your system has long been craving. See if it isn't so.

N. B.—Write to Ladies' Advisory Dept., Chattanooga Medicine Co., Chattanooga, Tenn., for Special Instructions, and 64-page book, "Home Treatment for Women," sent in plain wrapper, on request.

HEARD IN A FLAT.



Benham—I'm going out of doors for a minute.

Mrs. Benham—What for?

Benham—I want room to sneeze.

BABY'S TERRIBLE SUFFERING

"When my baby was six months old, his body was completely covered with large sores that seemed to itch and burn, and cause terrible suffering."

The eruption began in pimples which would open and run, making large sores. His hair came out and finger nails fell off, and the sores were over the entire body, causing little or no sleep for baby or myself.

"We tried a great many remedies, but nothing would help him, till a friend induced me to try the Cuticura Soap and Ointment. I used the Cuticura Soap and Ointment but a short time before I could see that he was improving, and in six weeks' time he was entirely cured. He had suffered about six weeks before we tried the Cuticura Soap and Ointment, although we had tried several other things, and doctors, too. I think the Cuticura Remedies will do all that is claimed for them, and a great deal more."

(Signed Mrs. Noble Tubman, Dodge, Mont., Jan. 28, 1911. Although Cuticura Soap and Ointment are sold by druggists and dealers everywhere, a sample of each, with 32-page book, will be mailed free on application to "Cuticura," Dept. L, Boston.

A Correction.

"We are drifting toward a paternal form of government," said the economist.

STATE TAKES HAND IN FIGHT

New Jersey Leads in Advanced Legislation Designed to Check Spread of Tuberculosis.

What is designated by the National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis as the most advanced legislation in the campaign against tuberculosis that has been enacted by any state in the United States, is not by any country in the world, is found in a bill recently passed by the New Jersey legislature and signed by Governor Wilson.

The new law provides that tuberculosis patients who refuse to obey the regulations laid down by the state board of health concerning the prevention of their disease, and thus become a menace to the health of those with whom they associate shall be compulsorily segregated by order of the courts, in institutions provided for this purpose.

If such a patient refuses to obey the rules and regulations of the institution in which he is placed, he may be isolated or separated from other persons and restrained from leaving the institution."

The law further provides that all counties in the state of New Jersey shall within six months from April 1st make provision in special institutions for the care of all persons having tuberculosis in these counties.

The state treasurer will subsidize each county to the extent of \$3.00 a week for each person maintained in these institutions, except those who are able to pay for the cost of maintenance.

Time Files.

When the blind woman who plays the accordion saw the genial looking man stop to read her placard, she quickened her tune in the expectation that he was going to give her some money, but he gave advice instead.

Said he: "Have you read that sign of yours lately?"

She said she had not.

"Well," said he, "you'd better, and then have it edited. It is dated six years ago and says you have six small children dependent upon your efforts with this instrument for support. Six years works wonders in children, and they must be pretty lusty youngsters by this time. Change that date to 1912."

How Old Was He?

In a country school the boys of a certain grade were devoted to their teacher, a young lady of many charms. One little fellow of rather uncertain age was constantly proving his devotion by little acts of kindness, which did not escape the notice of the teacher.

Coming up to him one day she put an arm about his shoulders and said: "I believe I will kiss you for being so good to me, but how old are you?"

"Oh, that's all right," he said, "I am old enough to enjoy it."—Mack's National Monthly.

Was Sure He Knew It.

The physiology class in a country school was studying about the backbone.

Teacher—What are the pieces of cartilage for between the vertebrae? A little boy raised his hand.

CALUMET BAKING POWDER. The wonder of baking powders—Calumet. Wonderful in its raising powers—its uniformity, its never failing results, its purity.

Hires' Root Beer. It's the goodness of this root-beer as well as its tonic properties that make it so great a favorite.

FOR BEST RESULTS PLANT BARTELDES. Garden Flower Grass Seeds That Field Grow.

THE HOMESEKING FARMER looking for wonderfully productive TEXAS FARMS.

Lacombe, Alberta. Unexcelled mixed farming. No droughts. Canadian Gov. Experimental farm located here.

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PUTNAM FADELESS DYES. Color more goods brighter and faster colors than any other dye.

For Every Little Family Ailment Vaseline. "Vaseline" is the purest, simplest, safest home remedy known.

Tutt's Pills. "Tutt's Pills" for all ailments of the skin, scratches, sores, etc.

THE BEST STOCK SADDLES on earth. Available in all parts of the country.

CASTOR OIL 900 DROPS. The Kind You Always Bought. Bears the Signature of Wm. L. DOUGLAS SHOES.

W. L. DOUGLAS SHOES. \$2.50 \$3.00 \$3.50 & \$4.00. W. L. DOUGLAS \$4.50 & \$5.00.

Reduce the Feed Bill—Improve the Health of Horses and Mules.

You Look Premature. Because of those ugly, gray, wiry hairs, use "LA CREOLE" Hair Dressing.

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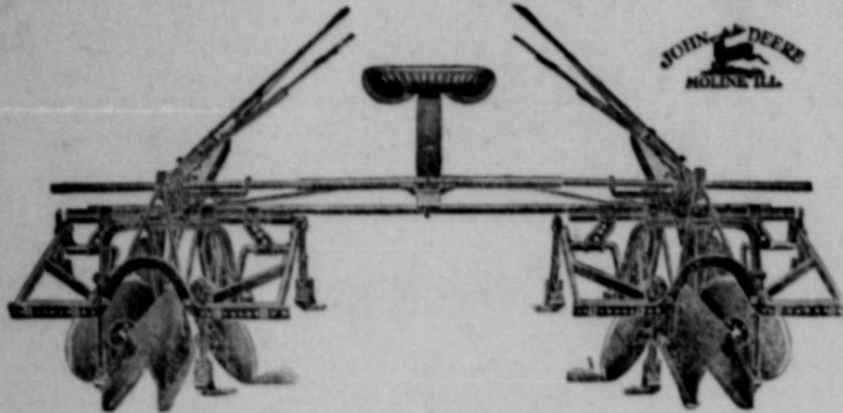
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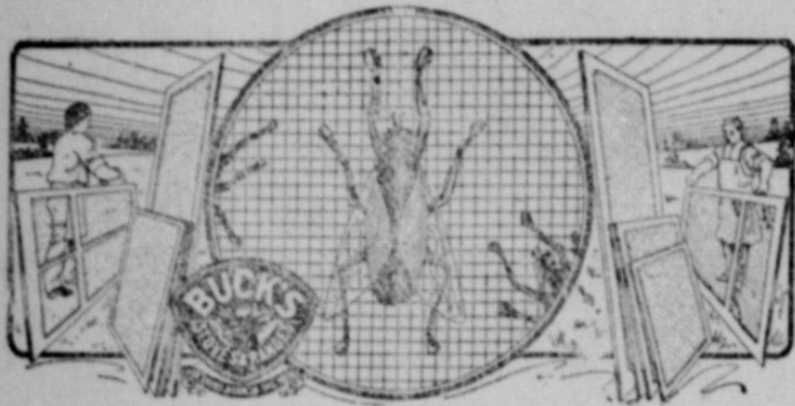
One Year\$1.00

Entered as second-class mail matter May 8, 1905, at the postoffice at McLean, Texas, under the Act of Congress.



The John Deere Lister Corn Cultivator

On account of an ingenious oscillating and automatic centering device, will follow the most crooked rows perfectly. The seat is large and comfortable, adjusted to weight of driver, insuring balance while cultivator is in operation; in fact, it is a perfect machine, has always given perfect satisfaction wherever placed. We are anxious to supply you.



Protect your family and home from the dreaded enemy of health by screening your house. We have screen doors and wire.

McLean Hardware Co.

HAPPINESS.

Happiness comes of good, and good of loving service. The active life is the useful life if its activity be impelled by love for humanity. Confucius says that he who wishes to secure the good of others has already secured his own, which is his confirmative of the epigram that the surest road to happiness is to determine to make others so. Cicero says men resemble gods in nothing so much as in doing good to their fellow-creatures. The Ram's Horn adds this: "He is blessed already who plans to bless another, and he who would a curse bestow has already bestowed one upon himself." This thought is given further and beautiful emphasis by another: "The luxury of doing good surpasses every other personal enjoyment," and it receives the

stamp of inspiration in this eloquent but blunt statement from James, "Faith without works is dead."

What more beautiful life could one live than is the life of him whose course is directed in accordance with the compelling influence of love? He sees beauty and goodness in the world. "A good man will see goodness in the world, and the man of principle will see principle and integrity in the minds of others." He gets out of the world just what he puts into it. He is grateful for the ability and opportunity to perform deeds of loving kindness. The happiness of such a man is the joy that comes of service, of obedience to righteousness, of the manifestation of mercy and love. The Congregationalist says:

The highest ideals of right living are wrought out only through service.

We've Moved Our Stock

We have just completed the work of transferring our large stock of general merchandise from the former stand to the building on the corner next door, known as the E. H. Small building, where we are better situated as to room and light. We will be glad to meet all of our friends and customers and the general public in our new home. We believe that we are steadily building a reputation for good goods at low prices and our patronage has been very gratifying. At the present we are adding almost daily to our already big stock and intend to keep at all times just what our trade will need. Let us add you to our long list of customers.

W. & WISE

losses of prisons, care of the palace, but El Tigre were not among the chinks of history and been lost. The pie were very quiet.

No other success is to be compared with the success of a useful life. A life consecrated to the cause of helping those who need help, of making practical application to the teachings of Jesus, of helping to upbuild the Kingdom of Righteousness in the places where one lives is the only life that is a complete success.

A life of usefulness is the only life worth while, and it is useful in proportion to its service to humanity. Activity in self-aggrandizement, in the pampering of and pandering to the flesh to the exclusion of acts of moral and spiritual helpfulness is worse than idleness. Back of all right activity are ideals, the ideals which are the impelling stimulus of the individual, and his success and happiness depend upon the loftiness of his purpose and his activity and continuity of effort.—Dallas News.

Farmer's Need It.

The progressive farmer is regarded as the TYPE of independence. He lives well, has practically everything he wants and has money in the bank. Do you know what made the successful farmer? Why, it was simply the application of business principals and methods to agriculture. If you are a farmer and haven't a business education, you are simply making old Mother Earth give you a bare living, when she ought to yield you a surplus. Apply business principles—bookkeeping etc.—to your farming operations, and you will be astonished to see how much more can be done by a little FIGURING than by a lot of SWEATING. For catalogue, address Draughts Practical Business College, Houston, Galveston, Austin or San Antonio.

Panhandle Bible Conference.

The Panhandle Bible Conference will be held this year with the First Baptist church at Amarillo June 12th to 20th, inclusive. Dr. John E. White of Atlanta, Ga., has been secured for two sermons or addresses each day during the entire conference. He is one of our greatest southern preachers and lecturers.

Dr. C. B. Williams of Fort Worth will give one expository address each day on the epistle to the Hebrews. This will be a rare treat to all who are fortunate enough to hear him.

Dr. Beauchamp, who has no superior as a specialist, will lecture on Sunday school each day.

Dr. E. E. Lee will lecture on the B. Y. P. U. each day.

In addition to the above specialists, most of the Baptist pastors will speak on various phases, condition and work of our churches in the Panhandle country.

We cordially invite all who are interested in bible and church work, and who want the best, to meet with us.

A. L. DUNCAN.

\$50.00 Reward.

I will give a cash reward for the arrest and conviction of the party or parties who broke into my house recently and carried away certain household goods.

CHAS. H. ROWE.

Senior League Program.

Subject—The tragedy of the roll; the resourcefulness of the Spirit of God.

Song.
Prayer.
Song.
Burning bibles in Brazil—Cora Cash.

Tell of the bible burning in Judea—Herman Glass.

The personal factor in the survival of the truth—Mildred Holland.

The Spiritual meaning of Pentecost—Luther Petty.

Song.

The reading habit of our young people—Mrs. Carpenter.

Reading, "Wise Council," Dickens—Led by leader.

Call for quotations from Dickens.

Leader—Edith Stockton.

Do you read the News?

Stenographer

All kinds of Stenographic work and Typewriting done. Prices reasonable. See

Myrtle Meadow

Citizens State Bank Building

Junior League Program.

Subject—Zeal a secret of success.
Leader—John Stockton.
Scripture lesson—Acts 22:3-4; 41:1-19.
Song.
Prayer.
Song.
Roll call.

B. Y. P. U. Program.

Subject—Bible study meeting.
Fourth chapter of Revelation.
Song.
Prayer.
The vision of God on his throne—Reep Landers.
The vision of twenty-four elders—Mary Erwin.
The vision of the sea and the four living creatures—Alvah Christian.
Special music—Gorda and Hulon Collier.
The worship which these four living creatures and twenty-four elders render unto God—Mrs. Susie Guill.
Leader—A. J. Mayfield.

EMPIRE BUILDING

The Currents of Civilization
Flowing Texasward—69,000
Homeseekers and \$123,000,000
of Property Moving
Into Texas Annually.

There is no more inspiring scene than to watch the growth of an empire, and no viewpoint is more instructive than to sit by the highway of civilization and watch the currents of progress sweep life and property Texasward.

Along the roadstead of nations there passes annually 69,000 homeseekers and \$123,000,000 of property. In this moving van of civilization can be heard the accents of every nation and the jostle of property from every clime. In this line of march can be seen the fiery haste of the East, the hurry and bustle of the North, the enterprise and enthusiasm of the West, the strange and powerful energy of Europe and the queer frugality of the Orient—all united in one thought and one purpose—to build in Texas the grandest civilization the world has ever known.

This mighty movement of world forces is the most tremendous event in human affairs today. This uprising in civilization is gathering its forces from the hills and valleys of two continents and its powerful sweep is startling the nations of the earth. No country on the globe ever possessed such a powerful asset, and economic students look with amazement upon this accumulation of human power in Texas, which must inevitably result in recasting the civilization of the whole world.

In a decade our immigration has given us a population exceeding that of the States of New Hampshire, Vermont or Delaware, and the money moved into the state during this period has exceeded the assessed value of all property in all the above states combined. Our population and wealth increased so rapidly that the figures are too large to grasp and we must measure our growth by States and Nations.

This Space is for Sale

at very reasonable rates
Why not use this advertising space?

Now is the time to commence the education of the house-fly. Swat him in his infancy—or any other place he comes handy.

Saddle and Harness Making

C. C. HARLAN

I do all kinds of repair work on saddles, harnesses. Can build you a new saddle to suit you. Let me make figures. Office in Bogan building.

Frank

My bay Belgian Draft Stallion, 16½ hands high, 1800 pounds, 5 years old.
Will make the season of 1912 at the

A. T. Russell Wagon Yard

in McLean, Texas. Terms \$12.50 to insure colt to season.

W. H. CRAIG, Owner

Bob Lee

My thoroughbred Saddle and Harness Stallion, season of 1912 at my place 6 miles northeast of town, price and terms.

In connection with the above I will offer a cash \$10.00 for the best 1912 colt from this horse, colt to be the Gray County Fair this fall.

R. L. Harlan, Owner

BEN

My 7-8 Percheron Stallion, will stand the season of 1912 at my barn six miles north of Ramsdell and 11 miles from McLean.

Description—He is coming 6 years old in May, is one white hind foot, weighs 1600 pounds.

Terms—\$10.00 straight to insure colt to stand and

Parting with mare or moving from the county fair. Care will be taken to avoid accidents but will be possible should any occur.

CALEB SMITH

STAR STATE

No. 2357—Black Spanish Jack, 15½ hands high, 1400 pounds; winner of sweepstakes Dallas and San Antonio best in the Panhandle. Terms: \$12.50 to insure.

BEN HUR

German Coach Stallion, dark bay, 16 hands and high, weight 1400 pounds. Has size, substance, quality and is A1 in every respect. Terms: \$10.00 to insure.

BLUE DOG

Standard bred Black Stallion, coming three years hands high, weight 1150 pounds, will make a 1300 pound Clean boned, heavily muscled and a fearless and powerful horse at maturity. Will make a great all-purpose horse at maturity. Will horse at \$10.00 to insure to a limited number on account.

All of the above stock will make the season of 1912 south and half mile east of McLean on the A. P. Clark

JOE CLARK, Owner

STREET

My Mammoth and Black Spanish Jack, is six years fine condition and shows fine colts. Will make the season at my place one-fourth mile south of McLean. Terms: colt to stand and suck. Not responsible for accidents should occur.

Geo. Weaver, Owner

HUGH

Is a dark bay Percheron Stallion 9 years old. He is high, weight 1400 lbs., and for style and action unsurpassed. His sire was imported Percheron Stallion, Lynx, registered. Hugh's dam was sired by Oscar Wilde, the best French horse ever imported from France by W. D. Dunham.

TOM AND DAN

Are Black Jacks with white points, aged 5 and 6 respectively. They are very large jacks with heavy bones.

TERMS: \$10.00 to insure colts to stand up for service. Money is due when mare is traded or removed to county without the written consent of the undersigned to prevent accidents, but will not be responsible should occur. Mare and colt stand for the service.

The above horse and jacks will stand for the season at our barn 6 miles west of McLean and 11 miles east

J. W. Sherrod & S

WASHINGTON GOSSIP

Cat Warns Man of Burglar's Presence



WASHINGTON.—A remarkable tom-cat belonging to Joseph Brown, proprietor of a small merchandise store, routed a burglar from the place early one morning recently after a novel performance which groves the cat to be possessed of more than ordinary feline intelligence. The robber carried away about \$15 worth of goods, but the proprietor considers himself fortunate, at that, and gives all the credit to "Tom."

Mr. Brown, his wife and several children live in the adjoining dwelling. They retired before midnight, and about half-past three the next morning, when all the occupants were asleep, somebody cut several slats out of a shutter at the rear of the house and climbed through the window. The cat was downstairs and heard the noise. It made several trips upstairs, mewing and scratching at its master's bedspread until it awakened him. Mr. Brown hesitated for a while, but finally descended the stairs with a loaded revolver, but the robber had fled through a side door opening on V street.

"The cat jumped up on my bed and awoke me," said Mr. Brown. "It mewed and scratched, but at first I paid little attention to it and dozed off again. The cat had gone downstairs, but soon came back and sprang on the bed again and went on terribly. Still I did not realize what had occurred. Tom made another trip downstairs, and came running right back, making more 'fuss' than before, and I then tumbled."

"I told my wife there must be somebody in the house. I sat up and listened. I thought I heard a footstep downstairs, and got out of bed. The house was dark throughout, and I hesitated to go downstairs under the circumstances. In a few minutes, however, I got out my pistol and made a light in my room. Then I went downstairs and struck a light in the store. There was nobody there. From there I went back to the dining room, and found a window and door open. But nobody was in sight. 'Tom' accompanied me through the place."

A lot of aprons, handkerchiefs and stockings were missed by Mrs. Brown. While he was searching downstairs, Mrs. Clara Brown, his wife, blew a shrill whistle at an upper window to attract a policeman, and aroused the neighborhood. An officer came along about 3:45 o'clock, according to Mr. Brown. The police have no clue to the identity of the robber.

How Governor Hogg was Once Tricked

"It was very seldom that any political opponent of the late Gov. Jim Hogg, the far-famed Texas statesman, ever took a trick from that wily gentleman, and yet I remember an occasion where a slick Republican bested him," said Capt. George D. Canby of Galveston the other day.



"They were having a joint debate, and Hogg was denouncing the Republicans for their policy of absorbing the Philippines. He poured in the hot shot, and the long-haired Texans gave vent to their approval by shrieks and vociferous yells. He said he knew his honorable opponent would attempt to defend his party when it came his turn to speak. The audience was then and there warned that his opponent was entirely ignorant of the subject—so ignorant that he could not name ten out of the thousand or more islands constituting the Philippine archipelago. Hogg repeated the assertion and challenged his opponent to give the names of any ten of the whole group."

"All this time the Republican had been doing some quick thinking. He did not, as a matter of fact, know the name of a single island in the Philippines, except, perhaps, Luzon, but he was also satisfied that Jim Hogg was no whit better informed. At that time the conquest of the Philippines was new and hardly anybody was enlight-

ened regarding them. Thinking this over, our Republican orator had an inspiration. He didn't know the names, but neither did his challenger, and therefore, a bluff might go. The names of the islands were unquestionably Spanish. What was to hinder him from enumerating the names of certain brands of imported cigars that came ready to memory?"

Thus it was that when his turn came to speak he met the deaf of his foe with absolute serenity. Governor Hogg was the most astonished man in the big audience, while he listened to the other man rattle off, not ten, but twenty, fine-sounding Spanish words which were given as names of islands, but were in reality only brands of cigars. Being a fair and honest citizen, when the speaker finished, the governor arose, and, making a courtly bow, apologized for his mistake. "I am sorry to have misrepresented my friend," said Hogg. "He has far more knowledge of the Philippines than I supposed, and I ask his pardon."

Starving Natives of Kiangsu Eat Bark



FOUR men dead of starvation in 55 homes visited, only one family in eight with any rice or grain, the rest living on sweet potato leaves, carrot tops and elm bark, and four months yet to harvest—such is the report of Earl H. Cressy, who was sent by the Central China relief committee to ascertain present conditions in a portion of the famine area. His report in part is as follows:

2,700 families, aggregating 14,000 individuals, so that the population is over 500 to the square mile. This sample famine district contains about one-half of one per cent. of the total area and population now famine stricken in China.

"The method followed was to assemble the family and count and question them, and then thoroughly to examine every part of the house, looking into the cooking vessels on the stove to see what was in preparation, and then using an electric flashlight to go through all baskets, jars and boxes where food was likely to be kept. These were all country people, who seldom have money on hand, so the supply of food actually on the premises is a good indication of their condition."

"A straw stack indicates that there has been a crop. I found straw in four yards—one in thirteen. Grain was found in only seven houses out of fifty-five, and in no place over a peck of it.

Society Girls in "First Aid" Work

AFTER a rest during Lent, and participation in the Easter season following, many of Washington's society young women have taken up "first aid" work.

About one out of every three were eating elm bark, which they prepare by reducing it to a fine sawdust and then making it into cakes.

Miss Helen Taft, who is practical above all things else, has joined a class of "first aid" recently organized as a sort of branch of the National Red Cross, the purpose of which is to teach these young persons emergency tactics. In fact, there are two classes, one of which meets on Tuesdays in the Armory dispensary and another on Wednesdays in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas T. Gaff. Maj. Matthew A. Delaney, U. S. A. medical corps, Mrs. ... is instructing the ... and Dr. Jung has the ... meetings in hand.



needed. Miss Laura Merriam has told her friends that if a war in which the United States is involved breaks out anywhere she will give up all the pleasures of social life and go to the front. Miss Merriam is among the most enthusiastic members of the "first aid" classes. Others who are learning how to make bandages and adjust them according to rules of medical science include Miss Dorothy Williams, Miss Jeanette Allen, Miss Julia Heyl, Miss Marian Oliver, Miss Sallie Garlington, Miss Mary McCaulley and a number of others who do not confine their entire activities to the ballroom and afternoon tea.

The ONLOOKER

WILBUR D. NESBIT



Song in Sap Rising Days

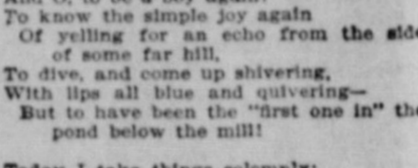
"I used to know the names of things, I knew the birds and flowers, I knew the mystic charm that brings the sunshine or the showers; I knew how whistles should be made, How elm bark should be peeled, I knew a hundred games we played In forest and in field—

And O, to be a boy again!
To know the simple joy again
Of yelling for an echo from the side
Of some far hill.
To dive, and come up shivering,
With lips all blue and quivering—
But to have been the "first one in" the
pond below the mill!

Today I take things solemnly;
The wonder is all gone—
No eerie whistle could call me
To go afield at dawn.
Two fingers V-wise have no lure,
I cannot trade a knife
With "cross-my-heart" and "certain-
sure."
Nor say "You betcher life!"

And, O, to be a lad again,
To have the fun I had again!
To feel the spring sap rising in the
current of my blood,
To start the day all cheerily
And meet the night all wearily,
Half-brute, half-boy, to revel in the
friendliness of mud!

NOT THE COFFEE.



Mrs. Feedem (to new boarder)—
You cannot find any grounds to complain against this coffee.
New Boarder—No, ma'am. I was complaining about the grounds.

Some Statistics.
"Is it true that your business is very dull during Lent?" asked Dante, who was gathering the material for his justly celebrated write-up of Mephisto's domain.
"Well," replied Mephisto, "it drops off in some lines, but we more than make up the loss with husbands who are confronting the spring bonnet proposition."

As He Read It.
"I call that downright impertinent of old Doc Smudgers," growled Mr. Meddergrass. "Of course, I know I owe him his bill, but he ain't got no right to send all his prescriptions around here signed 'Smudgers, M. D.'"

"Why, paw, what's the matter with that?" asked Mrs. Meddergrass.
"Matter? Don't M. D. stand for 'Money Due!'"

In the Spring.
In the spring a young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of love,
For he sees the costly bonnets and knows what they're fashioned of,
And he knows about their prices, so he murmurs in despair
That he must wait to get married till the women's heads go bare.

Couldn't Tame Her.
Attendant—The lion tamer has been injured, and cannot perform tonight.
Museum Manager—What happened to him?
Attendant—He tried to discharge his cook this morning.

One Good Thing.
"There is one good thing about this classical music," remarked Meddergrass. "You can stop anywhere you want to without spoiling the sense of the piece."

To Restore the ...
Mrs.iggins—Wot
Restorer they advertise
Mrs. Tolson—Why
something to revive ... people.

IDEAS FOR HOME BUILDERS

BY WM. A. RADFORD

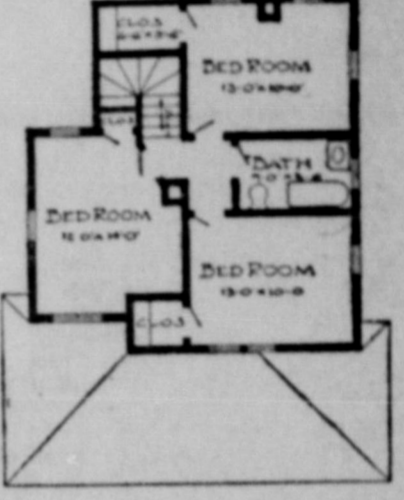
Mr. William A. Radford will answer questions and give advice FREE OF COST on all subjects pertaining to the subject of building, for the readers of this paper. On account of his wide experience as Editor, Author and Manufacturer, he is, without doubt, the highest authority on all these subjects. Address all inquiries to William A. Radford, No. 178 West Jackson boulevard, Chicago, Ill., and only enclose two-cent stamp for reply.

There are perhaps more square houses built in the Middle West than houses of any other style or design. By "square houses" is meant houses with plain, straight sides and square corners, in which the width nearly or quite equals the length. "Rectilinear," perhaps, would be a more accurate term, but that does not convey an impression of the square appearance that such houses have.

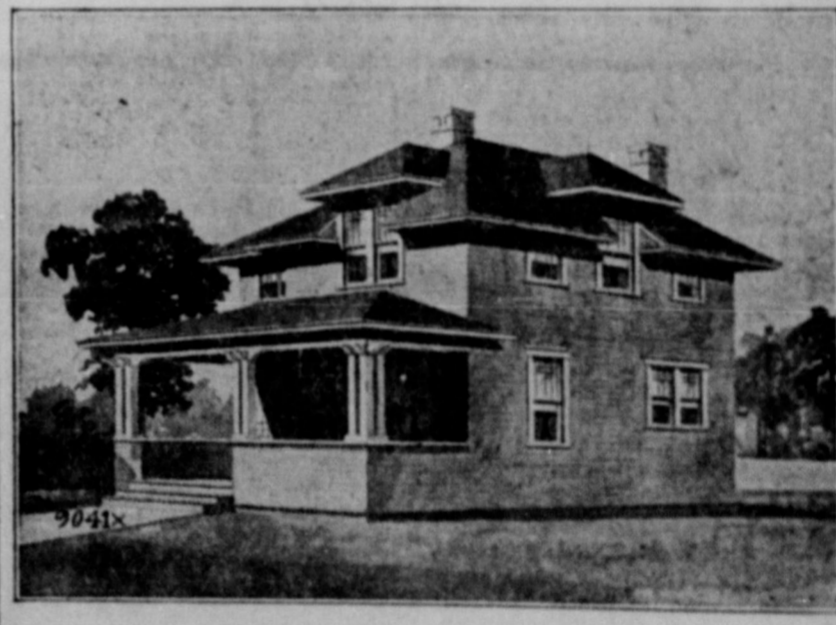
Economy in building and economy in heating, both have their influence. Houses of the "square" type range from 22 by 28 feet to 30 by 36 feet in size, and they contain from six to eight rooms—seldom less than six and seldom more than eight. They are built either full two stories, with an attic; or like this one, with some of the windows elevated above the eaves to admit light to the upper rooms.

This particular house is one of six rooms, 26 feet wide and about 27 feet 6 inches from front to rear. It is a very economical house to build. It is all plain, straight work, except the dormer windows; and these are as plain as they can be and still look well.

Such houses are so easily built that a great many of them are put up in country places without architectural plans; but that is, generally speaking, a mistake. Good working drawings are so cheap nowadays that no one can afford to take chances on haphazard work. You can always recognize houses that have been built after the ideas of a local carpenter, just the same as you can spot a suit of homemade clothes by the amateur expression that smiles at you when you see them. They may contain the best of material put together in a good, solid way; but when the job is done, it lacks the stamp of finished excellence



Second Floor Plan.



that only years of experience in cutting and fitting can give. It is a mistake to take chances on amateur talent when you can secure expert advice and experience for a few dollars.

In this house, what would otherwise be a very plain living room, is made attractive by a fashionable window-seat and a triple casement window in the front part of the room. There are a variety of these windows to choose from. Some are hinged at the side so that the sash may be opened inward like a door; in others, the sash is pivoted in the center, at top and bottom; some are hinged at the top; and still other designs are hinged at the side

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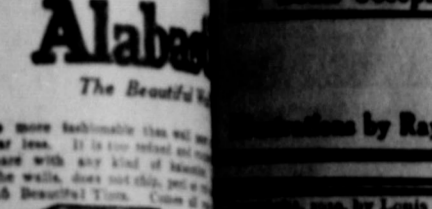
"Not long since I had occasion to remark to a waiter in a cafe where I sometimes dine:
"Waiter, this beef is extremely tough."
"Whereupon the server looked at me with a sad expression and sighed deeply.
"May I inquire," said I, "why you sigh in that fashion?"
"Ah, sir," said the waiter, "I took you for a man who always said original things, and here you come and say just the same thing that all the rest of them do."

Egypt's Green Sun Rays.
In Egypt, where the atmosphere is very clear, the green tints of the sunset light are peculiarly distinct. As the sun descends nearer to the horizon, and is immensely enlarged, its rays suddenly become for an instant of a brilliant green. Then a succession of green rays suffuses the sky well high to the zenith, says the Youth's Companion.

The same phenomenon occurs at sunrise, but less conspicuously. Sometimes at sunset, just as the last portion of the sun's disk vanishes, its color changes from green to blue, and so also after it has disappeared, the sky near the horizon is green, while toward the zenith it is blue. The fact was of course observed by the ancient Egyptians, and references thereto are found in their writings.

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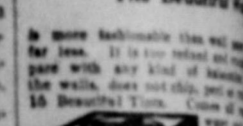
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In building a house it pays to investigate the new things, both by reading and by observation. You can always find a new house that contains some of the fashionable ideas, ideas that are popular, the ideas that up-to-date architects like to work into their designs. Some of these are very attractive and add very much to the appearance of a house, while others are similar to go with certain conditions. The owner is the one most usually interested; but a little advice from a successful architect goes a long way, and lasts a long time afterwards. You don't build a house every year. It pays to be careful. Long years of experience in building medium-priced houses has demonstrated a few facts that everyone should know? For the health of the family, you must have good drainage, sufficient ventilation, and an abundance of sunshine. In the face of modern invention, every new house should be piped for gas and for hot and cold water, and wired for electricity. Every house should contain provision for comfortable, easy heating; and every house should have a good bathroom. These things are essential, both for health and for comfort; to neglect them means to regret it as long as you live in the house. Other things



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Man's and Romance

Man's and Romance by Ray Walters

SYNOPSIS.

Coast, a young man of New Orleans, Douglas Blackstock, who is a card party. He accepts the hand of Douglas Blackstock, the real both are in love with Katherine. Coast fails to convince her, she is unworthy of her.

CHAPTER X.

Had not taken two-score paces along the path to the shore before the sun was again darkened by a sudden heavy thickening of the mists. A brightening glow, which a little earlier had been haled with hope as a sign of early clearing, was in an instant wiped away. So deep became the gloom (to his fancy, as if the fog were a curtain sprayed to saturation with infinitesimal atoms of ink) that so, though it was now high morning, "That so!" he thought to himself. "I had almost broken up with her."

Then the Smart Lid... into the conversation... some distance the path led him into the conversation... he was wondering why; but this he did not get the pain... he really re- you kicking about... his soaking, which seemed to be a considerable annoyance to a mind he "Didn't know" supplied. His being was altogether... and the process of his... The coffee driks sits clouded by intense solitude that coffee contains... as to the wisdom of his course. nerves, causing... as he begged and commanded... "I was a lover of... He felt his understanding hard- for many years, adding the pro and con of the ques- bad effects... as a ball in volley between two and. (Tea is just a... How could he leave her so? fee because it... could he do? She rejected, the same drug... dismissed him definitely. "At first I was... to whom she might turn for tion. I did not... and protection. Blackstock's to the use of coffee, and he trusted; yet she loved arose from other... as she protested, she was attacks I had... in some strange fashion pass- and vomiting. ... had he was in such a... comprehension, had he why I retain any... that to step between her and her... "I consulted a... whatever the circum- all my troubles... If, as was the case, Black- all my troubles... a man in a motion, but was not... uncontrolled rage, had caused the... of uncontrollable... and kept me... to leave the woman at the blind, too, and... of a temper which might grow worse from... moment resume the complex- grow worse from... homicidal mania? Yet would developed into... her more harm than good, became a mere... as he discovered? From a position near the window, Coast could see with... distinction the prone body and round it a gathering of four figures. Blackstock stood some feet from the body, his feet well apart, his heavy shoulders inclined slightly forward, his hands clasped behind him. He was clothed in shining, shapeless black olivians; the drooping brim of a sou'wester hid all his face save a red patch of cheek. Near the dead man, two Chinamen toiled with spades, waist-deep in a trench. Their bodies, clothed in thin, saturated blue jackets, bent and re- covered with nearly automatic pre- cision as they delved and cast up in- cision as they delved and cast up in- Behind them a little mound of loam. fresh-turned earth grew rapidly. To one side a third Chinaman stood in attitude of imperturbable attention, his hand to the Chinaman's. A second later a little tongue of reddish flame licked out from the mouth of a revolver held by the latter, and Coast heard his vicious bark coincident with a smart thud as the bullet lodged in a beam immediately behind him. It might have been poor marksmanship or fair; the Chinaman might have aimed at the dog. (TO BE CONTINUED)

palm. He bent over and petted the dripping head, soothing the dog with muttered words for a moment or two. It snuggled close to him, whining, shivering.

"Poor boy!" he said gently. "So now, so old fellow. . . . Then, surprised: "Hello!" he exclaimed. "What's this?"

Then a voice said roughly: "Shut up and get on, will you? I'd want to keep me standing here all day!"

Coast gulped; his temples throbed.



Then Came the Deluge.

and there was a feeling of constriction in his throat. The voice had been Blackstock's. Coast now understood what was towards; they were digging a grave for the dead man.

Quite mechanically he turned aside and moved toward the row of houses on his right; they stood upon the edge of a shelving bank, the foot of which lay at the foot of the road. He descended ten feet or so, and the dog at heel, skulked along in the rear of the buildings until he came to one which he judged to be about opposite the group of shadows. Then climbing again he entered—which opened by its rear doorway—which

Opening on the roadway were two windows, with broken and empty sashes, and a doorway with vacant hinges. Coast approached one of the windows. The dog, blundering helplessly about for a time, at length found the door and stopped astride the sill, sniffing the air, ears pricked forward, body vibrant with the benediction of his growls.

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SAVE SOIL MOISTURE

Land Should Be Disked as Early in Spring as Possible.

Some Farmers Do Not Appreciate Disk Harrow's Many Uses—More Valuable Than Any Other Piece of Farm Machinery.

Although the disk harrow is used on a large number of the farms of Kansas, many farmers do not use it when it will do the most good.

The best way to preserve soil moisture is to disk the land as early in the spring as the condition of the soil will permit.

When labor is scarce and the farmer must save time, the double acting disk should be used. This is a new implement recently placed on the market, and is considered by the authorities of the Kansas Agricultural College to be built on a good principle.

Where small grains are to follow corn or potatoes the use of the disk harrow will often make the plow unnecessary, but either the disk must be run deep or a cutaway disk must be used.

PLANT MUST HAVE MOISTURE

Underground Stems Rest During Dry Period and Awake and Send Up Leaves When Soil is Moist.

A part of the food which a plant needs for life and growth is in the soil. It is the office, or function, of the plant's roots to get this food.

Some complaints have been made that the so-called dry farming methods do not succeed in very dry years and that hence these methods are wrong. Plants will not grow without some moisture and the season of 1911 was unusually severe in its heat and drought because it followed two other similar seasons immediately.

GROW GRAIN-SORGHUM CROPS

Great Plains Admirably Adapted to Growing Both Stock and Necessary Feeding Material.

In a farmers' bulletin—No. 448—the title "Better Grain-Sorghum Crops," issued by the Department of Agriculture, Carleton R. Ball expresses the opinion that the Great Plains region, where the sorghums are grown extensively, gives promise of becoming a second great feeding belt, similar to the corn belt.

The grain sorghums, says the writer of the new bulletin, may be greatly improved through the selection of better varieties and the use of better methods. The improvements will be chiefly in the direction of drought resistance; earliness; dwarf stature; productiveness, including heads and freedom from suckers and branches, and increased machine harvesting.

It is not necessary to await the formation of a neighborhood "corn club" in order to interest the boy in selecting better seed. Help him to make selections from the year's crop.

The potash was discovered in Searles' lake, in the Mohave desert, in San Bernardino county, Cal. Field men of the geological survey and the bureau of soils estimate that the deposit may amount to 4,000,000 tons, but the authorities in Washington, from data in their possession, believe more than 10,000,000 tons of potash is available there.

The great value of the find is that the product is in readily available commercial form. Most of the potash known to exist in many places in the United States is not so.

Similar dried up lakes containing valuable deposits, it is believed by government officials, exist in the arid regions and will be discovered.

The government bureaus for some time had sought throughout the country for potash, felling certain a supply would be found. At present the United States and other nations are almost entirely dependent upon Germany for potash.

If this report is true, it is of great importance to the whole industrial and agricultural world. It will cut the price of fertilizer in half and a big increase in crops will follow its greater use by the farmers of America.

LIVE STOCK NOTES

It is just as necessary to fit a collar to a horse as it is to fit a shoe to the foot.

Don't work the medium-sized team all day in the field and then drive to town that evening.

Watch your horse's feet; if they are tender don't make him do more work than he can stand.

Young horses should be worked not over a half day at a time at heavy work until hardened to it.

Bathe the strained back tendons with cold water and give thorough rubbing with the hands every day.

Success in pork production is largely affected by the attention given to the health and comfort of the brood sow.

If you have never tried rape raise a small field this spring. It is very popular with hogs and does them a world of good.

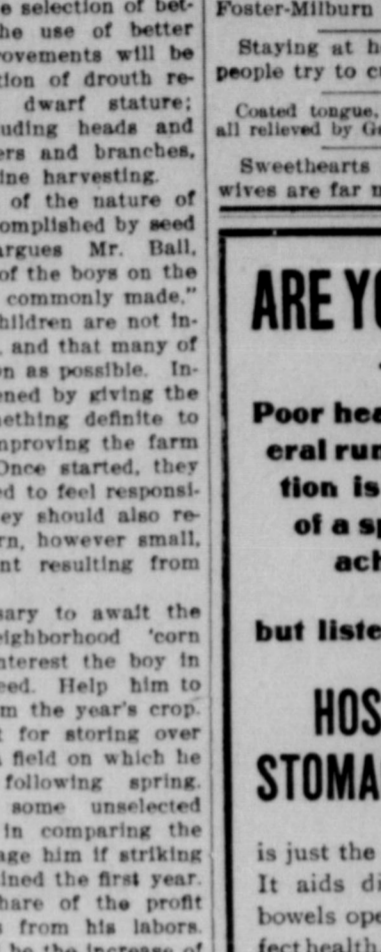
Old ewes should be fattened and disposed of before they lose any teeth. They are all right, as a rule, up to six years or a little older.

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Poor health and a general run-down condition is the outcome of a spell of stomach trouble;

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Show Coming - Saturday, May 18



Prof. Marion M. Terry, manager and owner of the TEXAS STAR SHOW will be in McLean on the 18th of May. Prof Terry promises one of the best shows in the way of Hypnotism, mind reading, tricks, and wrestling stunts ever given in this town. The admission is only 15c and 25c. Christian Cousins Hall.

Texas Industrial Notes.

Alpine—The gold discovered near this city is reported to be of the highest quality, and will bring as high as seven hundred and forty dollars per ton.

Bronson—The Knox Lumber Company has started a construction work on its steam line to extend from Broadus to Hemphill via Bronson a distance of twenty-five miles. It is reported a new mill will be erected at Hemphill, which is the heart of a great lumber district.

Beville—The next Auto trades excursion will be held May 22nd, and will cover the territory north of this city, including Tuleta, Kennedy and Mineral city.

Baltimore—The Toyah Valley Hay Company has completed its 15,000 ton ware house in this city which will handle alfalfa exclusively.

Byran—A piece of property on Main and Anderson Streets sold for \$28,000 last week, which is equivalent to \$1,120 per square foot front. This transaction set a record price for property

company. Plainview—Several carloads of Colorado mules have been received by the local dealers this season who report immense profits derived from this line of industry.

Portland—A Commercial Wharf constructed by the Taft interest at a cost of \$65,000 has been completed; this dock is one of the largest on the Texas Gulf Coast, being 1200 feet in length.

San Antonio—Half a million fish of different varieties have been placed in the Medina Lake by the United States Bureau of Fisheries.

San Antonio—A modern ten-story skyscraper is to be erected on Main Avenue, and will be occupied by the Majestic circuit. The building will cost \$400,000.

Temple—The Chamber of Commerce has started a movement in favor of a public Auditorium, to cost \$75,000.

Temple—The Texas Press Association will meet at Temple May 16th, 17th, and 18th.

Cattle For Sale.

One hundred head of cows with calves and one hundred dry cows. Would sell either cows with calves or dry cows separately. Write or see W. D. Bailey, Wellington, Texas.

Are You in the Big Pay Class?

Some men earn \$600 a year while others earn \$6,000. The man who works for \$600 depends solely upon his muscle, working long hours and receiving very little consideration from his employer. There is little or no advancement for him because thousands of other men can do the work he is doing just as well as he can. He labors on until he becomes an old man and then finds himself broken down physically—no one wants him because he is not strong enough to do the only kind of work he knows how to do. Not having been able to save anything from his small wages when a young man, he now has nothing but vain regret of lost opportunities to harass him in his declining years—a pitiable object to behold.

Why does the other man get a \$6,000 salary? At the age of sixteen he was helping his father on the farm in the spring and summer, and attending the country school in the fall and winter. He soon came to realize that the farmer must be a business man in order to make the best success, even in tilling the soil, and suiting his action to his thoughts, he got his father to help him borrow the money to attend a business college. He didn't wait for "a more convenient season" just because times were dull, but got busy training his mind to overcome the petty hardships—laying up a treasure that during life "could not be lost through the floods or famine, neither could moths corrupt nor thieves break through and steal"—a business education. He learned to combine his brain with his muscle, just as hundreds of others are doing every year in the Bowie Commercial College, at Bowie, Texas.

"THERE IS NO CALAMITY LIKE IGNORANCE."

To Dog Owners.

Owners of dogs within the city limit are notified that there is a tax of \$1.00 on males and \$2.00 on female dogs. The city marshal has just received the tags for this year and can be found at W. R. Patterson's office. Everyone owning dogs is requested to call at once and attend to this.

A. W. HAYNES, Marshal.

Visiting Cards.

We have just received a new lot of type and cards—both Ladies' and Misses'—size—and are prepared to print your visiting cards. Prices reasonable.

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:

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FOR SHERIFF:

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We have on hand a few farm implements that we will close out at the following low prices for cash:

Moline A1 two-row cotton and corn planters, \$22.50

Moline rotary Dutchman double disc plows, \$40.00.

Moline King cotton planters, \$5.00.

A few Blue Bird walking plows at the same reduction. These prices are 25 per cent less than wholesale cost.

Cicero Smith Lumber Co.

Notice.

We, the undersigned merchants of McLean, do agree to close our stores at seven p. m. sharp, and will kindly ask the trade to help us enforce this agreement, which takes effect May 6th.

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\$25.00 REWARD

I will pay a twenty-five dollar reward for the arrest and conviction of any party guilty of tying down any telephone wire in any other manner tampering with the lines. The state law on this subject is as follows:

Penal Code, Art. 784: If any person shall intentionally cut, pull or tear down, misplace, or in any other manner obstruct or interfere with the transmission of any message on any telegraph or telephone line, he shall be punished by imprisonment in the penitentiary not less than two nor more than five years, and a fine not less than one hundred nor more than two thousand dollars.

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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 the bell if you know anything of interest.

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Time Tables

Westbound—No. 41—1:04 p.m. No. 43—4:00 p.m. Eastbound—No. 42—1:04 p.m. No. 44—4:00 p.m.

Now Peanuts Are Profitable

H. M. Cottrell, Demonstrator of the Rock Island Lines. Spanish peanut is one of the most drought-resisting plants for rain. In 1911, and in Oklahoma, it stood up and fresh for 45 days without rain and under intense weather. After rains first came, it grew rapidly and made a good yield—40 bush per acre in Oklahoma. It stands 60 days, waiting for rain in New Mexico, and then grew a fair yield. It yields well under rain, but better the rainfall, the larger the crop, if the land is well tilled. In Louisiana, 100 bush an acre have been raised under favorable rainfall, and a harvest from 95 to 172 bush have been produced. It will give a profitable yield on almost any land except that which is wet or sour. It produces a soil strong in lime, and a fair yield on land that is too rich to raise corn and a heavy yield on fertile soils. Like alfalfa, clover and cowpeas, it enriches the soil on which it grows. The whole plant, vines and pods, cured together, is one of the richest feeds, containing 18 per cent of protein, 10 per cent of fat and 6 per cent of mineral matter. It is appetizing to all kinds of farm animals, a laxative like alfalfa and makes good pasture. It is easy to raise. Farmers should handle it and usually increase their acreage after a first trial.

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