

# LYNN COUNTY NEWS

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**YOU WILL SAVE MANY DOLLARS ON WHAT YOU BUY FROM US NOW**

WHEN WE SELL YOU SOMETHING FOR SEVEN DOLLARS FOR WHICH WE FORMERLY ASKED YOU TEN, YOU SAVE THREE DOLLARS OF REAL MONEY BECAUSE IN SEASON WE SELL YOU TEN DOLLARS WORTH FOR TEN DOLLARS.

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WHEN YOU BUY FROM US THE "QUALITY" IS THERE.

## **Knight & Brashear**

### **Death Of M. M. Anthony**

Mr. M. M. Anthony died Sunday morning at 6:30 at his home in the Midway community, after a very short illness.

Mr. Anthony returned Saturday afternoon from a trip to the A. & M. College at College Station, and when he arrived home complained of having felt bad for several days. He was taken deathly sick, soon after and passed away with the dawning of the new day.

Mr. Anthony was born May 19th, 1858, in Alabama, moved to Texas at the age of 20 years, and two years later married Miss Isora Whitsol to which union were born four children, two boys, H. M. of Thohka, and Jno. R. of Texas Christian University, and two daughters, Mrs. Theo Kennedy of Tahoka, and Mrs. Imo Riley of Colorado, all of whom survive him.

The body was shipped to Mansfield, La., Monday morning for burial in the family plot there.

Mr. Anthony came to Lynn county about ten years ago and has devoted his life to the up-building of the agricultural resources of the county. Every movement that had the betterment of farming methods and conditions in view had his hearty support and he gave freely of his time and means to help the work along. Truly the agricultural interests of the county have lost a man whose place it will be hard to fill.

The entire county extends its condolence to the bereaved wife and children in their dark hour.

## **No More Currency Panics**

Do you remember the shut-downs, the business depression and the lack of employment which followed the currency panic of 1907?

To prevent another currency panic the Federal Reserve Banking System keeps on hand an immense supply of currency to furnish the banks which belong to their system of which we are one, so that they may at all times meet the currency requirements of their depositors.

Doesn't it appeal to YOU to get it's protection without cost, by becoming one of our depositors?

MEMBER FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

## **The First National Bank**

Tahoka.

### **COUNTY COURT**

County court convened in regular session Monday July 23rd, with Judge Cain on the bench. After court was organized the following jurors were empanelled for the term: Perry Clayton, E. P. Hicks, A. T. Beard, J. Smith, J. O. King, C. W. Cleveland, H. W. Callaway, W. L. Kuykendall, S. D. Sanders, A. J. Warren, W. A. Izard.

The criminal docket being called, was disposed of as follows:

State vs. Cull Northcross, gaming, fined \$10.

State vs. L. M. Nurdyke, gaming, fined \$10.

State vs. Lonnie Williams, assault and battery, dismissed.

State vs. Jake Gresham, assault and battery, continued on motion of state.

State vs. Hill, assault and battery, continued on motion of state.

State vs. Joe Bailey Reiger, assault and battery, plead guilty and fined \$5.

State vs. J. B. Nailor, assault and battery, continued.

State vs. N. A. Nixon, willfull abandonment of wife and child, dismissed and settled by agreement to pay wife \$100 cash and \$10 per month for 3 years. Defendant gave bond for payment.

State vs. J. W. Adams, abandonment of child, continued by agreement that defendant leave county and never return and take child with him.

The civil docket being called, was disposed of as follows:

A. L. Nettles vs. P. & S. F. Ry., damages, settled by agreement.

C. A. Wasson vs. P. & S. F. Ry., damages, settled by agreement.

A. D. Shoek vs. J. F. Summers, damages, found for plaintiff.

N. N. Bailey & Son vs. Glaizer Mill & Elevator Co., suit on contract, judgement for defendant.

Bowers & Wyatt vs. West Texas Grain Co., damages on breach of contract, dismissed at cost of plaintiff.

Higginbotham-Harris & Co., vs. D. B. Gordan, collection, passed till August 6th.

Guaranty State Bank vs. I. C. Johnson et al, collection, passed till August 1st.

Lamesa Garage vs. N. B. Cathey, collection, continued by agreement.

claims for exemption or discharge that, whatever may be your inclinations of sympathy or affections you will know ought not be granted. It will strengthen you you to remember that form of exemption or discharge, that is made for individual convenience or to escape personal loss of money or property or to favor of action, some other man whose time would not otherwise have come must incur the risk of loosing his life.

"There can be no room for hesitation in such a case.

"Another fundamental thought is this:

"You are not a court for the adjustment of differences between two persons in controversy. You are agents of the Government, engaged in selecting men for the Government and there is no controversy. You, in acting for the Government, are to investigate each case in the interests of the Nation and never in the interests of an individual. There is not one exemption or discharge in the law or regulations that is put there in there for the benefit of any individual. All are there for the benefit of the Nation and to the end that the whole Nation may be a team in which each man shall play the part for which he is best fitted.

"Therefore, no one has a vested right, by himself or by attorney to urge, by argument or pleading, his individual case upon you. You should rigidly exclude this. Ordinarily you should act on the affidavits. If you desire more information you may proceed to get it. If you doubt the affidavits you may interrogate other persons. If you desire more proof you may get it. But no claimant has a right to submit other proof than that called for by registrations or than you may call for.

### **Local Board: County of Lynn, State of Texas**

## **NOTICE OF CALL AND TO APPEAR FOR PHYSICAL EXAMINATION**

The following named persons are hereby notified that, pursuant to the act of Congress approved May 18, 1917, they are called for military service of the United States by this Local Board.

Any claim for exemption or discharge must be made on forms which may be procured, or form of which may be copied at the office of this Local Board, and must be filed at the office of this Local Board on or before the SEVENTH day after the date of posting this notice.

Your attention is called to the penalties for violation or evasion of the Selective Service law approved May 18, 1917, and the Rules and Regulations which may be consulted at this office.

(The above penalties are printed below for your convenience—Editor)

The serial number and order number of each of such persons shown below will report at the office of this Local Board for physical examination on the 7th day of August, 1917 at 8 o'clock a. m.	The serial No. and order No. of each of such persons is shown below. They will report at the office of this Local Board for physical examination on the 8th day of August, 1917, at 8 o'clock a. m.	The serial No. and order No. of each of such persons is shown below. They will report at the office of this Local Board for physical examination on the 9th day of August, 1917, at 8 o'clock a. m.
258 Bennett Gordon Cook	327 Aubry Madison Cade	396 Bryant Lindsey Jobe
458 Francisco Carasco	453 Conner Eugene Pve	257 Joe Young Thompson
337 William Swain Lemons	345 Elmer Artemous Coughran	155 Joe Bob Parris
275 Robert Deaton Tomlinson	103 Samuel Donald Tomlinson	284 George Edward Boswell
599 James Allen Hutto	154 William Pylant Lester	183 Joseph Miles Kyle
126 Joe Lawrence Stokes	51 Yewin Samuel Barnett	185 William Holbert Jackson
107 John Hermon	30 Arden Lee Sanders	265 Walter Roy Ledbetter
323 John Luther Hawk	199 David Newton McCoy	285 John Caulley Miliken
488 Newton B. Hood	388 Thomas Roscoe Cowart	303 Ocie Leon Wall
507 Marion M. Boyd	406 Alford Christopher Brooks	211 Collie C. Jones
309 Robert Sam Davidson	25 Andrew Gideon Kemp	146 Jerry Arthur Underwood
437 William Lorraine Johnson	382 Robert Luttrel	228 William Fide Parris
43 Curtis Howard Crouch	383 Alva Fete Seelman	410 Neat Walter Bradshaw
420 Sam Weathers	122 Robert Alvin Ashley	299 John Lowe Smith
514 L. Hubert Stclair	222 Christopher Columbus Walter	38 John Monroe Hobbs
438 Pierce Kluore Flemmings	297 Jim Gus Cash	156 Frank Edward Nevell
10 Melvin Merit Bruster	321 Martin Luther Powers	19 Claude Edward Dial
467 Milton Finch	368 Hansford Tunnell	400 George webb Copley
140 Van Bates	320 Clarence Douthitt Keever	4 Luther Ewing Henderson
432 Charley Askins	121 John Thomas Lewis	115 Lewis Robert Scott Doltor
15 Thomas Glenn Eden	221 Lon Elma McCrary	208 Arthur J. Kahlech
142 Joe Elmon McLendon	292 E. Ketter DePriest	226 Cecil Shaw
513 Samuel Aron Montgomery	504 Emmett Therman wells	186 Irvine L. Burk
46 James Oscar Patterson	470 George Martin Mills	430 Roy Orlan Miles
223 Clifton Crew Farris	312 Hendrick Bekkeund	286 Buford Ater
117 James Wesley Pendleton	90 Charley Edward Logan	96 Weslie C. Morris
390 Raymond King	191 Tull V. Adams	138 Joe William Terry
75 John Westley McLaughlin	477 Leslie Lamar Holman	91 John Randal Fulford
289 Carol Nettles	300 John Hilery Cook	258 Frank Harvey Nevell
352 Ralph Charles Hazen	231 Lon Elma McCrary	378 Franklin Russell Ramsey
379 William Sidney Cathey	168 Phillip Gillespie	237 Clyde Davis Cline
194 Wiley Luke Metcalfe	175 Thomas Duebese Humphries	422 Elza Fern Allen
284 Samuel Paik	278 Ivor D. Ewing	442 James Remus Nevell
15 Dennis Allen Cook	338 Bennie Hanson Bartley	202 Walter Grady St. Clair
453 Clifford Davidson Young	212 Walter Loy Crouch	164 James Lee Thomas
355 Willie Robertson	49 Clark Robinson	285 Hubert Dowell
218 James G. Mathis	8 William H. Aten	272 Audy Mandy Carrington
31 Jose Arzaa	305 Alfred William Gibbs	402 Claude Elmer Phipps
183 James H. Butler	323 Joel Edward Morris	262 Author Lawrence Nettles
36 Lee Leek Babay	438 James Ewin McDaniels	311 Earnest Edward Larkin
5 Guy LeMond	42 Alvin Ross McDaniel	124 B. C. West
350 James Robert Tolbert	357 Thomas Edward McGeehee	481 Robert Marshall Stewart
54 Samuel Onous Burrell	23 Tom Louis Owens	249 Henry Lee Bolton
140 Albert Jefferson Owens	384 Hampton Thompson	499 Robert Alton Maxwell
260 John Edward Brewes	492 William Thomas Pharr	444 Cecil Elmer Wilson
335 David Silas Whitley	349 Paul Henry Gooch	328 Jodie Lee Vankye
493 Robert Jackson Pharr	501 John Clark Brown	447 Arthur Jefferson Collier
341 Jarrell Dollion	102 Esker Newton Childers	76 Chester Allen Hubbard
291 Ernest Guy Preston	86 F. Knight	393 James Andrew Foster
353 James Morris Neff	71 Albert Henry Koeningzer	158 James Homer Barton
360 Festes Freeman Strinzer	506 Claude S. Fell	1 Sam J. Lanier
482 Marion Glenn Bradley	435 Van Anderson Swafford	187 Oliver Elbridge Humphreys
72 Bailey Blankenship	460 Walter Glenn Allen	52 Thomas Benjamin Hilton
356 Robert Cyert Napier	113 Terrell Hort St. Clair	105 Joseph Conway May
112 Marvin G. Huffaker	156 Fritz Lufey	36 John Willard Renfro
128 William A. Ryland	267 Frank Rufus Crews	382 John Walter Allen
111 Henry Arthur Dial	421 Rainey Park	418 Otis Napier
365 Oscar Richards	169 James Bradford Keever Jr.	486 John Emanuel Etter
6 Ben Commie King	486 Drummond Burch cooper	416 Charley E. Morrow

### **Penalties.**

Any person who shall make or be party to the making of any false statement as to the fitness or liability of himself or any other person for service under the provisions of this act, or regulations made by the President thereunder, or otherwise evades or aids another to evade the requirements of this act or said regulations, or who, in any manner, shall fail or neglect fully to perform any duty required of him in the execution of this act, shall, if not subject to military law, be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction in the district court of the United States having jurisdiction thereof, be punished by imprisonment for not more than one year, or, if subject to military law, shall be tried by court-martial and suffer such punishment as a court-martial may direct. (Sec. VI, act approved May 18, 1917.

If two or more persons conspire either to commit any offense against the United States, or to defraud the United States in any manner or for any purpose, and one or more of such parties do any act to effect the object of such conspiracy, each of the parties to the conspiracy shall be fined not more than \$10,000, or imprisoned not more than two years, or both. (Sec. 37, Criminal Code of United States)

Whoever, having taken oath before a competent tribunal, officer, or person, in any case in which a law of the United States authorizes an oath to be administered, that he will testify, declare, depose or certify truly, or that any written testimony, declaration, deposition, or certificate by him subscribed, is true, shall willfully and contrary to such oath state or subscribe any material matter which he does not believe to be true is guilty of perjury, and shall be fined not more than \$2,000 and imprisoned not more than five years. (Sec. 125, Criminal Code of United States.)

Whoever directly commits any act constituting an offence defined in any law of the United States or aids, abets, counsels, commands, induces, or procures its commission, is a principal. (Sec. 332, Criminal Code of United States.)

### **Citation by Publication**

THE STATE OF TEXAS.

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Lynn County, Texas, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summons Augustus W. Corliss, Francis T. Corliss, and the unknown heirs of Francis T. Corliss, and the unknown heirs of Augustus W. Corliss, by making publication of this citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in a newspaper in the nearest county where a newspaper is published, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Lynn County, Texas, to be holden at the court house thereof in the city of Tahoka on the first Monday in September, 1917, the same being the 3rd day of September, 1917, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 31st day of July, 1917, in a suit numbered on the docket of said court No. 314, wherein L. Lumsden and William Green are plaintiffs, and Francis T. Corliss and Augustus W. Corliss, and the unknown heirs of Francis T. Corliss and the unknown heirs of Augustus W. Corliss are defendants.

As cause of action plaintiffs represent that on the 28th day of July, 1917, they were lawfully seized and possessed of that tract or parcel of land in Lynn County, Texas, known as Survey No. One (1), in Block 'Y', Certificate 1312, E. L. & R. R. Co., patented to Charles C. Russell on December 16th, 1879 by Patent 200, Volume 53; that plaintiffs were holding said tract of land by fee simple title; that on the date above mentioned defendants unlawfully entered upon said premises and ejected plaintiffs therefrom, and do continue to unlawfully withhold said premises from plaintiffs. Plaintiffs also plead Three, Five and Ten Years Statutes of Limitations as against all the defendants for said land, and pray for the recovery of the title and possession of said land.

Herein Fail Not but have you before said court on the 1st day of the next term thereof this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness, P. H. Northcross, Clerk District Court Lynn County, Texas.

Given under my hand and seal of said court this, the 31 day of July A. D. 1917.

P. H. Northcross, Clerk District Court, Lynn County, Texas. By R. S. Holman, Deputy.

## **Opening Announcement**

I have opened a First Class Studio in the Building on the south side of the square formerly occupied by the Williams Hdwe. Store, and will be permanently located here.

I am prepared to do High Class Portrait Work, Also Kodak finishing.

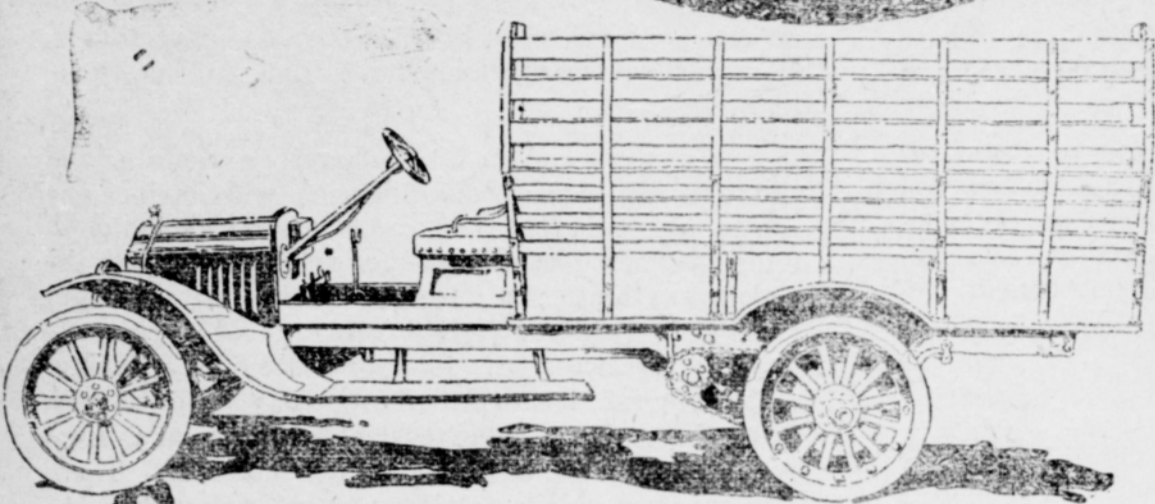
All work Guaranteed Satisfactory, If first sitting is not Satisfactory, I MAKE IT GOOD.

## **Mrs. H. Helbert,**

South Side Square Tahoka, Texas

# Smith Form-a-Truck

## \$350



**Sell all your Horses except those you need for Work in your Field. Haul Cheaper—Faster with Smith Form-a-Truck**

YOU are losing money—losing time—delaying farm work—when you take your horses out of the field to do your hauling.

Get a Smith Form-a-Truck—let it carry the manure—your hay—your fertilizer. Use it for hauling crops—feed—lumber—coal—and everything on the farm.

If you are a dairy farmer, sell all your horses. Use Smith Form-a-Truck. Save two thirds your time. Treble your profit.

### Twice the Work of 4 Horses

Hundreds of farmers are proving in actual daily performance that one Smith Form-a-Truck will do twice the work of two teams. And at half the cost. Yet Smith Form-a-Truck costs you no more than a good team and harness—\$350.

### Save $\frac{2}{3}$ the Time

The best speed a team can make on the road under full load is three to four miles an hour. Smith Form-a-Truck can carry the same load at the amazing rate of 12 to 15 miles an hour—one-third the time of slow, costly horses.

Think what this tremendous saving means in drivers' wages!

### Goes Anywhere

Use Smith Form-a-Truck any place on your farm—over roughest roads—through worst field—through deepest sand—through mud, sand, snow. No hill is too steep for it.

### Costs Nothing While Idle

Farm horses work only 1,000 hours a year—100 days of 10 hours each. Yet they eat—get veterinary services and extra care for 365 days. Think of the tremendous money you are losing, 265 days of idleness.

Use your Smith Form-a-Truck as many hours a day as necessary—for 365 days every year. When idle, it costs you not one penny. And when it works, it makes big profits for you.

### Amazing Economies

Less than 8c per ton mile, 6,000 to 8,000 miles per set of tires—12 to 18 miles per gallon of gasoline—12 to 15 miles per hour under full load—and repair expenses practically nothing. Smith Form-a-Truck shows record of 20,000 miles' service with average loads of 2,050 pounds—at a total of \$8 for repairs.

### Famous 8-in-1 Convertible Farm Body

Pull the lever! Instantly you get any one of eight combinations of farm bodies without a single tool—stock rack body—hay rack—basket rack—hog rack—grain—flat rack—high flare board—flat rack, scoop board down. Exclusive Smith Form-a-Truck feature.

### Now for 6 Cars

Smith Form-a-Truck attachment combined with a Ford, Maxwell, Dodge Bros., Chevrolet, Buick or Overland chassis makes a fully guaranteed, powerful, strong one-ton truck. Double construction—the strongest known to engineering. 90% of load carried on Smith Form-a-Truck rear axle. Ford rear axle merely acts as a jack-shaft.

Come in NOW. Let us show you how Smith Form-a-Truck on your farm will save you big money.

**Edwards Bros.**  
Distributors, Tahoka, Texas

### Births For Past Month

The following births in Lynn county have been recorded for the month of July: July 2nd, to Mr. and Mrs. Roy Boatwright, a boy; 5th, to Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Montgomery, a boy; 6th, to Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Henderson, twins, a boy and girl; 17th, to Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Bland, a girl; 17th, to Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Neel, a boy; 5th, to Mr. and Mrs. Paul Draper, a boy; 28th to Mr. and Mrs. Chas. F. Shook, a boy; 31st, to Mr. and Mrs. Marlin Jordan, a boy.

Sheriff Redwine and County Attorney Maddox went up to the Lynn-Lubbock county line near Slaton and took in custody Sam Allen Varbel Tuesday afternoon charged with being a slacker. The officers brought Varbel before the local exemption board and registered him and later lodged him in one of the cell rooms of the new court house.

Varbel was born in Oklahoma, admits that he is 23 years of age and that he is a slacker. He is of German decent, is married and has one child. At the time of his arrest he was working on a farm in Lynn county and lived there on registration day, June 5th.

## Health About Gone

Many thousands of women suffering from womanly trouble, have been benefited by the use of Cardui, the woman's tonic, according to letters we receive, similar to this one from Mrs. Z. V. Spell, of Hayne, N. C. "I could not stand on my feet, and just suffered terribly," she says. "As my suffering was so great, and he had tried other remedies, Dr. — had us get Cardui. . . I began improving, and it cured me. I know, and my doctor knows, what Cardui did for me, for my nerves and health were about gone."

### TAKE

# CARDUI

The Woman's Tonic

She writes further: "I am in splendid health . . . can do my work. I feel I owe it to Cardui, for I was in dreadful condition." If you are nervous, run-down and weak, or suffer from headache, backache, etc., every month, try Cardui. Thousands of women praise this medicine for the good it has done them, and many physicians who have used Cardui successfully with their women patients, for years, endorse this medicine. Think what it means to be in splendid health, like Mrs. Spell. Give Cardui a trial.

All Druggists

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### Card of Thanks

I wish to express my gratitude to those loving friends who so faithfully assisted me and my children thru the trying ordeal of the loss of our beloved father and husband. May God's richest blessings rest upon all is my prayer.

Mrs. M. M. ANTHONY.

FOR SALE—\$500 Guaranty State Bank stock, also new Ford car.—See F. O. Allen, O'Donnell. 48-1tp

H. E. Ogden left the first of the week, for Anson, where he will be a couple of weeks with Rev. J. W. Hunt in a revival meeting. Mr. Ogden will have charge of the choir.

Miss Anita Jagglier of Hermitage, here on a visit returned to Tahoka Saturday after a several days stay at Canyon visiting school friends. Miss Jagglier will probably be employed in the Tahoka high school next term.

## THE QUESTION OF NO LOSS

or total loss is one of fire insurance. Delay in obtaining insurance means that every day you run a risk of finding yourself homeless with no money to rebuild. Have us issue you a policy today and the fear of ruin by fire, tornado or hail will haunt you no more.

**Crie & Ramsey**

## TO AVOID A COAL SHORTAGE

We are laying in a large supply of *High Grade Coal*, but we can not stock enough to carry the *Country thru the Winter*.

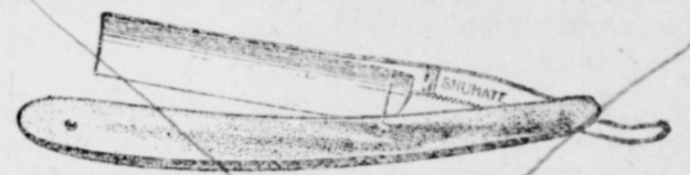
## DO YOUR "BIT"

lay in *your* winters supply *now* when you can *buy for less money*, and help us avoid a coal shortage this winter.

*Taffic will be hindred and the output of the mine's will be LESS.*

Place your order **NO EDWARDS BROS.**

"If it's not right, WE MAKE IT RIGHT."



YOU TAKE NO CHANCES!

*Shumate* Razors are Guaranteed for Life

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**Thomas Brothers Drug Co.**  
Tahoka, Texas



AT OUR STORE & INVESTIGATE OUR PRICES and OUR STOCK OF GOODS before GOING ANY FURTHER.

We have THE BEST Delivery Service in town and you don't have to wait for groceries ordered from-----

**W.C. Withers 158**



## THE KEY

A bank account with a conservatively managed institution is the key that unlocks the door to success. When you pay your bills by check you are building up your business reputation. A bank reference is necessary to the success of any concern or individual.

The advice of the officers of this bank will be of great value to you.

**The Guaranty State Bank.**

The non interest bearing deposits of this bank are protected by the Guaranty Fund of the State of Texas.

**ALL YEAR Round Trip**



Tickets on sale to the following points limit 90 days: Mineral Wells, Corpus Christa, Marlin and Aransas Pass.

Ask for any information.

**J. L. GASSAWAY, AGENT.**

# Mystery of the Double Cross

By ANN LISLE

Novelized from the Pathe Photo Play of the Same Name

(Copyright, 1917, Star Co.)

## SYNOPSIS.

Peter Hale meets and falls in love with Philippa Brewster, the supposed girl of the Double Cross, whom he believes he is to marry. Bentley, his rival, seeks by every means to put Hale out of the way and to prove whether Philippa is the girl of the Double Cross. A masked stranger becomes Hale's ally as does Annessley, a newspaper man. Together they foil Bentley's plots and plans. Philippa puzzles all by her failure to remember the situations which she evidently passes through. Bentley surprised in the act of robbery shifts the accusation to Hale and Annessley, who are arrested but escape nightly and worry Bentley. They force him to confess and he is placed in their cell while they are released.

## TENTH EPISODE

### The Hole in the Wall.

The arrest of Bridget Bentley carried much delight to the hearts of Peter and Dick Annessley, and Philippa was filled with consternation when she learned of it. She could not understand why Peter had interfered with her plans nor why he had secured the incarceration of her fiancé.

Only Mr. Annessley of all those involved in the complex situation shared with the Masked Stranger the real secret which Peter was dying to know. Bentley had felt sure enough of it to risk a marriage with Philippa; but Peter had been unable to fathom the girl who treated him now cordially and again with scorn, yet, somehow, in spite of the warning of the Masked Stranger, he felt that she was the girl of the Double Cross.

Neither Annessley nor Peter, however, deluded himself with any idea that Bentley would rest until he had accomplished his marriage with Philippa, and they were prepared for almost any eventuality.

It was evident that the girl whose father had so mysteriously vanished had been hypnotized by the social pirate, and no doubt his imprisonment would add to her sympathy.

Philippa could not rest when once she ascertained that Bentley was in prison until she had paid him a visit, and her attitude on that occasion, if it had been displayed toward Peter, would have gladdened the heart of that young man exceedingly.

But Mr. Bentley was thinking of one thing only, and that was how he could escape from his cell. The more he pondered the more he determined that the only permanent way was to secure the confession he himself had written and which was now safely reposing in the safe of the district attorney.

It was one thing to covet this paper and another to get it. But Bentley had mapped out a plan and was willing to risk all on its success. With this in his mind, he greeted Philippa more as a messenger than a sweetheart and suggested that she take a note to a friend of his. Philippa, blinded by her affection, promised; and Bentley, assuring her that he would soon be out on bail, urged her to tell no one of her destination, but to be sure that the note was delivered promptly and to the person to whom it was addressed.

Meanwhile Mr. Annessley, alone in his room, received a warning that there would be something doing at "The Hole in the Wall" about eight that same evening, and lost no time in warning Peter and the Masked Stranger.

Both Peter and Annessley were somewhat shaken by an incident of the morning. They had been walking when attracted by a crowd. Before they could reach the spot they saw a dark lady assisting a policeman to carry a girl to an auto, and then watched the machine vanish.

Peter questioned a bystander. "She's gone to the hospital," he said. "Funny thing, too. That girl must have been attacked by a thief. Anyhow, her sleeve was torn and there was a mark of a Double Cross on her arm."

Annessley looked at Peter, and Peter looked at Annessley; but there was no answer to the riddle, for no one knew to what hospital the dark lady had gone nor how badly the mysterious woman had been hurt.

Nevertheless, the warning letter received by Annessley somehow connected itself with the incident of the morning. The Masked Stranger, who heard the news on the phone, was equally astonished and agreed with the reporter that they both should be at "The Hole in the Wall" to see what happened there that evening.

While this conversation was going on Peter was trying to soothe Philippa, who had returned to her friend's home after the visit to the prison. To his surprise, she not only received him but listened with apparent appreciation to his declaration that he had acted as he had solely in her interest.

"I'm glad you're here," said Philippa, "but I have an appointment, and I must go. Come some other time." Forced to leave, Peter walked a little way up the street, resolved to

wait till the girl of his heart came out.

When she finally came down the steps he followed her, and, to his great astonishment, saw her enter the house of the Masked Stranger. He walked boldly after her and, finding the door open, ventured into the hall, but not before the girl had disappeared up the stairs. Peter then looked around and seeing a door tried to open it; it was locked. He knocked; no answer. Then he put his shoulder against it, and it yielded. He found himself suddenly precipitated into the presence of the Masked Stranger, who stood smiling by a desk.

"So you're the man, are you?" demanded the furious Peter. "Where is Philippa Brewster? I demand to know—so, under the guise of a friend, this is your game?"

"My dear Peter," answered the other quietly, "Philippa Brewster is not in this house, and has not been in this house."

"I'll give you till I count ten to produce her!" cried the infuriated Peter, seizing a stiletto that lay at his hand.

And he began to count, while the Masked Stranger faced him with an imperturbable smile. When Peter reached "nine" he felt the floor give way under him, and before he knew it he was standing in the basement.

The owner of the house had pressed a button, and Peter had vanished.

Peter brushed himself off and went on his way, feeling a little ridiculous and more puzzled than ever. This was the third or fourth time that the Masked Stranger had suddenly crossed his path—once to save him, it is true. But now Peter was obsessed with the idea that the stranger's interest in Philippa was not wholly a platonic one—surely not a creditable thought, and one he later dismissed as unworthy of the girl and of himself.

Having reached this conclusion, he looked across the street and was astonished to see Philippa walking calmly along. He rushed over, took off his hat and asked how she happened to be there.

She eyed him coldly and said: "I'd thank you, Mr. Hale, to say nothing to me. You have caused me trouble enough already. You have prevented my marriage to the man I love. I wish to have nothing more to do with you."

Peter, in trying to stop her, laid his hand on her arm. She winced. He started back. Was it possible? "How

are you after the accident this morning?" he asked. But she walked on, leaving him standing alone.

Was she, then, the girl of the Double Cross?

In a disreputable wooden building the saloon known as "The Hole in the Wall" did a thriving business among a certain class of criminals who managed to keep out of the clutches of the police.

It was to this place that Bentley had sent Philippa with a note to a man named Erickson. What was in the note she did not know. As she made her way through the streets leading to this place she began to wonder why Bentley had sent her to such a part of the city; but her faith in him was great enough to put aside doubt, and she thought only of fulfilling her promise.

Before her arrival the habitués of the place were making up to a new member who went by the name of Visco. This individual had made himself popular by spending money freely and asking no questions. He treated the tough-looking customers ad lib, and when a friend of his called shortly before eight he introduced him as one of the profession—a man to be thoroughly trusted. Thus Annessley secured admittance to "The Hole in the Wall" under the most favorable circumstances.

He was there when a young woman attractively dressed took a seat at one of the small tables and ordered something to drink—with the liberty accorded to all who frequented the place she was speedily joined by Erickson—nor did she seem unwilling. He leered at her and she smiled, and after a few moments they were engaged in a voluble conversation.

A knock on the door startled all the occupants, and Annessley and his friend Visco were surprised to hear Philippa Brewster ask for Erickson, as requested by Bentley.

"I have a note for him," said the frightened girl, keeping her eyes on the ground. The individual came forward and opened the note. He read it through and then looked at the young lady with a crafty smile.

"Thanks, miss. Will you come this way?" and Philippa following him found herself in a small room.

"Don't you worry," said Erickson. "Mr. Bentley will be right here and everything will be all right," and thus saying he turned the key in the lock and left her.

The note contained the following information:

"Erickson—There is a confession in the district attorney's office that is going to do me a lot of harm if it stays there. Get it tonight and bring the original to me at 'The Hole in the Wall.' I am to be released on bail. Detain the girl. I have a plan. B."

Having read this over, the companion of the strange girl laughed. "Bentley's a clever boy," he said gayly. "One of the best things he ever did was to hit old Hubert Brewster over the head."

Erickson resumed his seat by the girl he had left. "How'd you like to pick up a bit of cash tonight?" he asked.

The girl nodded. "Anything I can do?"

"Easy," said her friend. "There's a little job—just to get a paper back that's in a safe, and all you got to do is to get a watchman drunk—too easy."

"I'm on," said the girl, and the two left, slipping out almost unnoticed.

Annessley, while pretending to be one of the ruffians that filled the saloon, began to worry about Philippa, and ending the vigilant eyes of the rest made his way to the room where she was imprisoned.

On seeing the disguised reporter enter, the girl covered in terror.

"Come, come, Miss Brewster," said Annessley, "don't you know me? I'm Annessley," and as her face lighted he went on rapidly: "I want to save you if I can from this rascal. I'll pretend to be intoxicated and you follow me."

The plan might have worked well if Annessley had been better known to the followers of the social pirate. As it was they objected to his singling out this messenger of Bentley's and blocked his escape. The result was quick attack and Annessley was overpowered and bound while Philippa, realizing her helplessness, resolved to remain quiet till Bentley arrived.

While the fracas was taking place above stairs Peter had entered "The Hole in the Wall" downstairs and seating himself at a table had been joined by Visco, who insisted on treating.

At the adjoining table was a watchman and an attractive girl who was engaged in plying him with liquor. As he drank more and more Peter gathered from scraps of conversation that he was supposed to be on guard at the office of the district attorney.

While he sat pondering this information it gradually dawned on him that this was no doubt one of the reasons of the warning received by Annessley. The girl with the watchman suddenly left and Peter went over to him and questioned him, but he was too far gone to give any definite information. Peter hustled him outside and tried to secure further facts. The fresh air waked the delinquent sufficiently to bring him to a realization of his position, and Peter, calling a couple of policemen, told them his fears. They jumped into a taxi and started full speed for the district attorney's office.

They were not a moment too soon. Already Erickson had opened the safe and abstracted the paper. He was assuring himself it was the right one when he saw the girl he had left standing in the doorway.

"Are you crazy?" he whispered. "What are you here for?"

"I wanted to be sure you got the paper, that's all. Is that it? Good. Give it to me," and Erickson passed it over.

"Yes, that's it. I guess I'll hold it. Hurry up."

But Erickson had no time to hurry. Peter and the policeman burst in and the girl crouching against the door, managed to slip out just before the lights were turned up.

"There he is," cried Peter, "search him." But though the policeman did this thoroughly all they found was the note written by Bentley which had been delivered by Philippa earlier in the evening.

"Better take him to 'The Hole in the Wall,'" suggested Peter, and the party started back ignorant of the part the girl confederate of Erickson had played in the theft.

Thus it came about that when Bentley, freed at last on bail, made his way to the rendezvous, he found his lieutenants waiting for him and also found Philippa, who threw herself into his arms.

Into this scene came Peter, the policeman and the now repentant watchman. He searched the room quickly and in the corner, apparently unconcerned, he beheld the girl who had lured him to forget his trust.

"There's the one," he cried, pointing. But the girl only smiled. Drawing from her dress a black mask she slipped it over her eyes and, rising, leveled a pistol at the astonished Bentley, who had now faced her.

At the same time Visco, drawing off a false wig and a pair of bushy mustaches, revealed the face of Hubert Brewster.

"There's your man," he said, pointing an accusing finger at the social pirate. The individual came forward and opened the note. He read it through and then looked at the young lady with a crafty smile.

"The police made for Bentley. With a swift move he fled to the door leading upstairs, slipped into a room, locked the door behind him and leaping to an adjoining porch roof jumped down and got away.

Philippa, with tears of joy at thus recovering her father, led the way to Annessley, who was freed.

But when the happy party looked for the Masked Stranger he had strangely disappeared.

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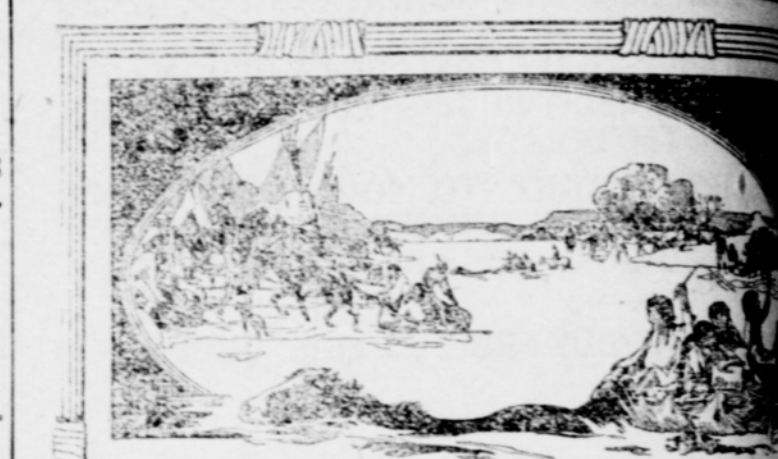
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Mr. E. B. Barnes has placed J. W. Classon and Will Foster in charge and the doors were opened to the public Tuesday morning. Mr. Foster comes from Snyder and has been in the drug business for the past 25 years. Mr. Classon comes from Fluvanna and is also an experienced drug man. These gentlemen will make an announcement in these columns next week. Watch for it.

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# TO THE PEOPLE OF TEXAS

The railroads of Texas were built and are maintained and operated for your benefit. They are necessary for your welfare and happiness, else they would not have been authorized or constructed.

Legally, it is the duty of the railroads to furnish you with reasonably adequate and expeditious transportation service.

You are required to pay in the way of freight and passenger rates and fares, enough to pay all of the necessary expenses of operating and maintaining the railroads and in addition thereto, enough to yield to the owners a reasonably fair return upon the value of the property devoted to your use and benefit.

The amount that you are required to pay is controlled by your public official, acting under oath, and appointed by your President or elected by you. The amount that these public officials require you to pay is determined mainly by what it costs to operate the railroads. As you will see further on, neither the Interstate Commerce Commission or the Texas Railroad Commission have authorized the charging of more than is necessary.

The records of the railroads are kept in accordance with rules and regulations prescribed by the Interstate Commerce Commission. Those rules require the operating expenses of the railroads to be kept separate from all other expenses.

Each month there is given out from Austin for publication a statement of the gross revenues of the railroads and their operating expenses.

These statements are correct as far as they go, but they do not tell all the truth, for the reason that they do not show the other expenses of the railroads, such as taxes, etc. These other expenses, taxes, hire and rent of equipment, rents of joint facilities, rents accrued for lease of roads and miscellaneous rents will, for the year ending June 30, 1917, amount to about seventeen million five hundred thousand dollars. Taxes alone will amount to over five million dollars. These expenses are just as legitimate and necessary as the expense of running the trains.

When these other necessary expenses are deducted, it will be seen that the railroads of Texas have earned during the year ending June 30 not over 6 per cent upon the value of their properties that are used exclusively for transportation purposes for your benefit.

For the eight preceding years the railroads of Texas had been operated at a net loss of over twenty million dollars.

While other legitimate business is paying dividends of from ten to fifty per cent per annum, surely no just man will object to the railroads occasionally earning such a small return on the value of their property. Surely they ought to be permitted to earn 6 per cent once in nine years without being complained at, or abused.

Out of the aforesaid return, the railroads must pay the interest on their bonds and other indebtedness and make betterments, etc.

Unfortunately, the inability of the railroads to earn anything like adequate returns makes railroad invest-

ments very unattractive and accounts for the almost complete cessation of railroad construction.

More and better railroads are needed, but until the business and earnings of the railroads improve so as to favorably compare with other business, men with money will not invest in railroads, there being so many other avenues of investment where the returns are much larger and much more certain. Whenever the operation of railroads becomes reasonably profitable, money will be readily obtainable for building additional lines.

An analysis and understanding of the conditions of the railroads, physical and financial, will convince any fair-minded man that they cannot stand a reduction in either their freight or passenger rates, and give to the people anything like adequate service. If passenger rates were reduced, freight rates would necessarily have to be increased. Everyone who buys anything shipped by rail, has to contribute to pay freight rates. Only those who travel extensively would want passenger rates reduced and freight rates increased. There are few more able to pay the present reasonable passenger fares, than the masses of the people to pay greater freight rates.

To you who pay the expenses and are entitled to know the facts, this simple statement of the conditions of these public service utilities is submitted and most respectfully and earnestly ask your fair and intelligent consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

## General Managers, Texas Railroad

Austin, Texas

### In The Web Of German Intrigue

Ambassador James Watson Gerard was the spider in the web of German court intrigue for a long time before the United States broke with Kaiser Wilhelm's government. Germany plotted against the United States then. Germany paid little attention to the United States' protests against her war of ruthlessness. She didn't think the United States would fight. She laid her plans and made her plots if by chance the United States should come into the war. The American public has heard something of these plots. She has heard of Zimmerman's famous plot to align Mexico and

Japan against the United States. But the American people haven't heard half the story. What Ambassador Gerard went through in those trying months in Berlin has never been told. What the German officials said of the United States, what they thought of the United States and what they planned to do to the United States have remained a secret. But now the people are to know.

Ambassador Gerard is to reveal the whole diabolical plot. Since his return from Germany he has been at work on a story covering his experiences at the German court. Every big publisher in the United States has been bidding for this story. The rights have been obtained

by the Philadelphia Ledger and The Star-Telegram has obtained the rights for this territory.

Ambassador Gerard's thrilling story will be told in daily installments in the Star-Telegram beginning August 6th.

(On account of the print paper shortage the Star-Telegram regrets to announce that it will be impossible to accept subscriptions from all who wish to take the paper in order to read this most remarkable of all war documents. Regular subscribers are therefore urged to carefully save the copies containing these articles and pass them to their neighbors).

### GLAD TO GET BACK

On July the 9th I left here for East Texas (Johnson county) to help my brother ship his cattle (73 head) to his home at Mansfield. We made the trip in three days, had good luck on the road, did not lose any of the cattle, tho they were in bad shape. Arrived at Mansfield on the 13th, found crops looking fine, corn did not make very well on account of the drouth there, but grain was fine, some oats made 75 to 80 bushels to the acre and wheat 15 to 22 bushels to the acre. Cotton looks good, and prospects look favorable for

half a bale now.

Johnson county is my old home and this trip is the first one in eight years. Every thing looked natural and saw many of my old friends and there has been lots of them moved away and lots have died. While there we planned a trip to Lake Worth, and on the 19th we decided to go. Altho it was cloudy that morning we started anyway, as we had been fooled so much, did not think it would rain, but it began raining on us at Mansfield at eight o'clock and rained on us all the way to the lake and until 1:00 o'clock. The lake is a very popular place, as it was only started this year. Its thirty-five miles around it, they have motor boats and row boats, the largest boat being the Mayflower, 25 people can ride on it. People come there from a great distance to fish as the lake is famous for its fish, altho we went out in a boat we had no luck. We had plenty to eat and drink as we had to go thru Fort Worth and get "gasoline" and when we had gone nine miles further to the lake, we were ready for something to wet our throats, besides water.

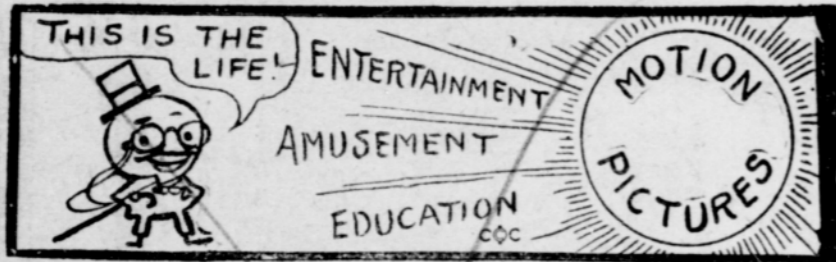
After a pleasant visit of two weeks with relatives and friends I boarded the train for the South Plains, arriving in O'Donnell

the 25th and found it still dry with no prospects of rain. The eastern country looks good, but I would prefer the breezy Plains to live on. If there is nothing raised this year, will try again, for us people know what the Plains will raise. While on my visit, two of my nephews, Earl and George Brewer, presented me with two pea fowls, which I am proud of. I hope to have good luck with them and get them scattered over the Plains. People are still shipping cattle to Mexico.

Hoping some time in the future to make another trip to the East, I don't want to have to re-

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