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Two Houses Burn

Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock, the C. C. Kilway cottage on south Seary street and occupied by O. Lusk and family, was destroyed by fire together with the contents.

As there are no fire hydrants in that part of town the firemen were unable to confine the fire to the house where it originated and the flames soon spread to the beautiful new house of Mr. Lusk and it was soon reduced to ashes. This house would have been completed in a short time.

The loss is rather heavy on both Mr. Lusk and the contractors as there was only \$500.00 insurance on the new building. It will be rebuilt as soon as adjustment of the loss can be made. Rushing & Titus will do the work which insures a good building.

Soon after the fire engine returned to the hall another alarm was turned in. It proved to be the barn of L. F. Nail which had caught on fire from sparks from the other fire. It was soon put out and very little damage was done.

The first fire is supposed to have caught from ashes which had been emptied in the yard earlier in the day and had blown back under the house.

Commissioners' Court

Commissioners' court met in called session Tuesday to attend to some special business.

In the matter of road bonds it was ordered that the bonds be dated April 10, 1911, instead of February 16th, be payable in 40 years, bear interest at the rate of 5 per cent per annum. The bonds may be redeemed at the option of the county after 20 years. It was also ordered that a tax of 18 cents on the \$100 valuation be levied and collected each year, or so much thereof as is necessary, to create a sinking fund to pay the bonds at maturity.

It was ordered that the county pay for enough three inch pipe to extend from a connection at the southeast corner of the court yard to the fire cistern at the northeast corner, and to be used in refilling the cistern. The pipe has been laid and the cistern filled.

Hildreth and McQuigg were allowed \$25 each for land and work at a lake on the R— public road.

It was ordered by the court that \$1500 be transferred from the repair fund to the jury fund and \$1000 out of the repair fund be transferred to the road and bridge fund.

Cave-in Kills Four Men

Tuesday afternoon R. I. Rushing received a message from Robert Lee informing him that his brother and three other men had been accidentally killed near that place. The men were employed in moving dirt from the base of the county bridge over the Colorado river when a cave-in occurred and buried them under six feet of earth.

The men who lost their lives by the accident were, James Rushing, B. Morrow, Morris Hall and Frank Casey.

Mr. Rushing left Tuesday evening for Robert Lee to attend the funeral. His friends here deeply sympathize with him in the untimely death of his brother.

At the Methodist Church

The subjects for next Sunday at the Methodist church are as follows: Morning at 11 o'clock, "Is There Only One True Church of God?" Evening services at 7:45, "Heroes." All are cordially invited to attend these services. Chas. W. Hearon, Pastor.

Phillips-Crawford.

At the close of the Sunday night service at the Christian church occurred the marriage of Miss Rose Crawford and Mr. Stanley G. Phillips, Rev. E. S. Bledsoe, officiating. There was a large audience present to witness the uniting of these two worthy young people. Miss Annabel Birdwell sang "O Promise Me", after which the bridal party entered, marched to the altar where they were met by the pastor of the church, who in usual impressive manner, spoke the beautiful words that bound this trusting couple together for life. After the ceremony was over their friends crowded around them to extend congratulations and best wishes for their future happiness.

Mr. and Mrs. Phillips left that night for Alamogordo, New Mexico, where they will make their home, the groom being a well known business man of that town and cashier of the bank there.

District Court

The jury in the case of the State vs. Dr. S. G. True failed to agree upon a verdict and were discharged Saturday afternoon.

State vs. Lamar, fence cutting, acquitted.

The grand jury was in session Friday and returned two indictments.

Court adjourned Saturday for the term.

The most of the Big Springs W. O. W. who attended the encampment at Mineral Wells last week returned Friday night. Several honors were carried off by the Big Springs contingent. B. Reagan was elected a delegate to the sovereign camp, which is the National Convention of the W. O. W., and will be held at Rochester, New York, in June. This is the fourth time Mr. Reagan has been elected sovereign delegate. Mrs. H. W. Leeper was elected chairman of the board of directors of the Woodme Circle of Texas. The Big Springs degree team did some splendid work and were the recipients of many compliments. The next state meeting will be held at Beaumont two years hence.

Rev. D. A. Sanford has planted trees around his residence and the Episcopal church and otherwise improved the grounds and in a few years it will be one of the beauty spots of our town. He is a firm believer in civic attractions. If more of our citizens would imbibe this spirit there would be a vast difference in the appearance of our town in a very few years.

Elder G. T. Walker of Auto, preached to large audiences Saturday night, Sunday and Sunday night. His sermon Saturday on the subject of "love" was excellent and many good things were said concerning Christian duties, Sunday night the subject of prayer was treated in very instructive discourse.—Borden Citizen.

Bill Devenport exhibited a big bull snake on the streets Friday afternoon. It was killed in the west part of town and measured seven feet nine in length, and it is said that some of our citizens had urgent business at the express office after seeing the snake.

It is learned that plans are being made for developing the coal mines, eight miles from Gail. The coal has been tested and is said to be of excellent quality and it is believed that development will prove that the mineral is there in abundance.



Group of Navajo Indian.

We publish herewith the picture of a group of five Navajo Indian. A reputation throughout the country has been gained by the Navajo tribe of Indians on account of the blankets woven by them. One who has lived long among them says:

"Every girl is expected to learn weaving as soon as she is ten or twelve years old, and ever after she is expected to keep at the work, as much as she is able, or the wants of her family may require."

Coahoma News.

Question of the hour: What has become of that commercial club?

L. M. Waters of Lancaster is here looking after his ranch interest near Morris.

D. C. Riley made a trip to Shafter Lake, where he is interested in a real estate deal.

B. T. Burkhead visited the county seat Tuesday and says it looks pretty dull around the court house since district court quit.

Clayton Black was seen in town Monday shaking hands with friends and acquaintances.

Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Guthrie, whose home is three miles north, were trading in Coahoma the first of the week.

Claud Barry attended the fat stock show at the Panther City last week and witnessed the big fire in the stock yards.

T. A. Harroldson, the Vincent merchant, was in Coahoma recently after a load of merchandise.

Noble Read has returned to the ranch after a ten days visit with friends and relatives at the county seat.

W. E. Bass, a popular business man of this place, has returned from a business trip to Ballinger and other points east.

S. L. Millhollon of Knapp was here last week looking after business interests and left for Big Springs and other points west.

J. M. Pyle, a progressive farmer who lives seven miles north of here, was in town in town Saturday purchasing supplies.

Elder J. M. Reynolds of Abilene occupied the pulpit at the Missionary Baptist church in Coahoma Sunday morning and at night.

P. A. Berry, a solid farmer who lives ten miles north of here, purchased a pair of mules recently of J. F. Black of Tahoka for which he paid \$240.

J. W. Watts, who left during the "dry spell" last summer, has returned to his farm nine miles north of here, probably to stay. Mr. Watts reports that in all his meanderings while away, he failed to locate the proverbial honey pond, or the place where all the coons were up one tree.

"The weaving is done on very simple looms, consisting of only four poles crossed over one another in the form of size of which the blanket is to be made, to which cotton warp is fixed perpendicular from the top pole to the bottom one.

"When blankets are finished they are usually sold at the nearest traders. Navajo Indian women do not ordinarily wear their own blankets, but wear something cheaper instead." (Cut is used courtesy of Rev. D. Sanford.—Editor.)

Attorney J. L. Webb of Big Springs spent the week end here with friends and left Sunday night for the eastern part of the state to be absent some time on special business.

Elder J. T. Farris of Loraine handed in his resignation Sunday as pastor of the Salem Baptist church. He has been pastor of the Salem church since it was first organized and is very popular with the people of that community.

A number of young lads, who were beating their way east on the passenger train Sunday night, were intercepted here by deputy Haggard and advised to return to their parental domiciles, much to the disgust of the youngsters.

When the family of W. P. Williams, who lives half mile east of Coahoma, returned home after preaching Sunday night, a burglar was discovered in one of the rooms. The alarm was given by one of the daughters and deputy sheriff Haggard responded to the call for help, but before the officer could reach the premises the intruder had made his escape and no trace of him could be found. Outside of a very bad fright, there was nothing disturbed in the home.

Now that the recent senatorial "brain storm" has subsided, we want to see our commercial club come out of the storm cellar, so to speak, and go squarely up against the collar and make one honest determined effort to get our county commissioner to finish clearing the right-of-way of the little three mile stretch of public road leading north to the Big Springs and Colorado road.

The Panama canal is to be finished in 1913, and it is highly desirable that we get this particular piece of road completed by that date, as we do not desire to incur the extra expense of celebrating two separate notable events.

Good roads are the first requisite of a good town and a prosperous community. A good road cannot be made where the right-of-way is bristling with telephone poles or other obstructions. The burning question is: Are you interested?

Try the sarsaparilla, that is satisfactory. Reagan's.

Another Good Rain

A slow rain began falling here early yesterday afternoon and kept steadily at it until nearly midnight. During the night and today, showers have fallen at intervals and the indications are good for more. This rain will be of great benefit to crops and ranges.

Brought Here for Burial

The remains of Calvin McKee, who died at Denton last week, arrived here Friday afternoon and were buried in Mount Olive Cemetery. Lee & Ellis directed the funeral arrangements here.

He was the father of H. P. McKee of this city and to whom we extend sympathy.

Bill to Prevent Race Suicide.

Prevention of race suicide, encouragement of increase in population and the taxation of bachelors are the features of two bills which will be introduced in the Illinois senate by Senator Beall, otherwise known as the "stark mayor of Alton." The first, or antirace suicide bill, provides for the payment of \$100 to the mother of each child born within two years after her marriage, and for each additional child born every two years. The premium on twins is fixed at \$200 and triplets \$300. The other bill places a tax of \$10 a bachelors more than 35 years of age, the amount to be set aside for the payment of premiums to mothers.

Farm Notes.

Bumper cotton crops are not so profitable to farmers a moderate crop. The way to limit the cotton crop is to grow plenty of feed for the stock and raise a few hogs, calves, a colt or two with poultry and vegetables.

The spot cotton buyers are now combing the markets of the country for cotton. Just freeze to your spots until about the middle of May or the first of June and you will be asked, "Well what will you take for your cotton?"

Every limitation of the natural powers of the cotton exchanges in Bullish America is to the advantage to the cotton buyers in bearish Europe and the cotton planter pays the freight.

"Hog and hominy" is a home phrase that means volumes in its application to farming. It means peace, plenty and prosperity in the countless hames of an agricultural people.

The farmer who rattles to town in an empty wagon and goes back with it loaded with bacon, flour, corn and canned goods, is a scientific farm mortgagee.

Diversification in the hands of intelligent farmers is the magician's wand that will evoke the riches stored by idigent nature in the soil of the south.

The only farmer who is justly entitled to be called a farmer is the one who makes his farm supply his needs by growing a diversity of crops.

Money is made by selling rather than by buying. Let our farmers have something to sell the year round and the are independent.

The true measure of the South prosperity is the size of its corn crop. Cotton is a money crop, but bred is the staff of life.

A big cotton crop cannot compensate for a short crop of corn. Plant plenty of corn.

Diversification is the key to successful farming.

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

Notes by Commercial Secretaries.

No state in the Union grows so many varieties of successfully as does Texas. In Dimmit County, which is one of the banner plum counties of Texas, one man reports that on an acre of ground planted in plum trees, he realized \$400 last year and urges the farmers in that county to increase their acreage of this valuable fruit in planting their orchards this spring.

The plum is grown in practically all sections of Texas, is credited with having fewer off years than any other fruit and requires very little cultivation and expense.

About 700,000 acres of oats were harvested in Texas during 1910, this yield varying from 20 to 75 bushels per acre and the total amounting to about 24, 325, 000 bushels. More attention than ever is being paid the oat crop by Texas Farmers, and Texas ranks with best oat producing states in the Union.

The Pecos Commercial Club has recently closed a deal with a Northern company for the erection of a packing house at Pecos, and construction of the plant will begin at once. The leading commercial clubs of the state and especially those in the cattle raising sections are urging the necessity for more packing houses, and plants have been established in Amarillo, Sweetwater, and other West Texas towns. It costs about five dollars to ship Texas cattle to the Chicago packing houses and the shipper pays the freight. If more packing houses were built in Texas to utilize our surplus of live stock five dollars would be added to the price of Texas cattle which would go into the pockets of the producer. This would mean \$43,970, 000 added to the value of Texas cattle which is more than the packing houses would cost.

The man with the cow is becoming almost as popular in Texas as the man with the hoe and the demand for pure milk and dairy products of all kinds is growing larger every day. The United States Department of Agriculture estimates that 2,000 pounds of butter, which is worth \$500, takes less than fifty cents worth of plant food from the ground, and that the industry is one of the most profitable in which the Southern farmer can engage. The opportunities for dairying in Texas are almost unlimited, and with the excellent ranges and plenty of domestic grasses there is no reason why the Texas dairyman should not prosper without being subject to the proverbial charge of "watering his stock."

The Dog In The Manger.

Abilene played "the dog in the manger" act when the bill could have been called up, provided an amendment was attached to it leaving the normal to a locating committee. Senator Bryan said no sir, if it has to have the amendment to get up, let it die on the calendar, which it did and which meant that if Abilene could not get it nobody should have it so Mr. Bryan said and in his next campaign we are curious to know just how he will explain this.—Colorado Record.

THE TALE OF A PAIL.

The big problem of manufacturers of food products has been to devise a package for their products which will insure the housewife getting them sweet, fresh, without deterioration. In this connection a very ingenious package has been invented for the protection of Cottoleone. The pails in which this cooking fat is packed (it is never sold in bulk) have a special cover forced on by machinery and then sealed. This makes the pail absolutely air-tight, and Cottoleone will keep indefinitely as fresh and as sweet as the day it was made.

THE BIG SPRINGS ENTERPRISE

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BIG SPRINGS, TEXAS

RABBIT SAUSAGE.

Down in Georgia there is gastronomic joy over the discovery of a new table delicacy in the form of rabbit sausage. The benefactor to mankind who made the discovery lives in Wilkes county, and there is more rejoicing in Wilkes over one Molly Haro made into mince-meat than over ninety and nine specimens of the same that have been fried, stewed, boiled and barbecued. The good news is gradually percolating into other parishes. The inventor of rabbit sausage is showing no disposition to bottle up his rare recipe, to peddle patent rights or to put in a claim for royalties. It was in Georgia that President Taft made his first acquaintance with "possum, and now all the Georgians are saying that the proud, marsupial, nocturnal "bird" is not deserving of mention in the same breath with rabbit sausage, says the Louisville Courier-Journal. The president will have a new epicurean experience coming to him the next time he sets foot on Georgian soil. Rabbit sausage looks good at long range. Those who like rabbit in the various forms in which it is wont to be served in Kentucky would need little persuasion to join in an assault upon Wilkes county's latest production in the line of high-class "cats." Those who are fortunate enough to recall the famous country sausage that once was to be had in nearly every Kentucky farmhouse in its proper season will be hard to convince that anything better ever was or ever will be discovered.

Snuff boxes are not what they used to be. More people take snuff than is commonly thought, but their tastes are not nice as to the utensils, receptacles and agencies of the fob. Snuff boxes are sometimes given by sovereigns to distinguished visitors as souvenirs, but the recipients are not even under implied obligation to fill them with rappee. The great prices realized at the Schroeder sale of snuff boxes in London may bring them into vogue again, at least with collectors, but with collectors only. Count Nesselrode, the Russian statesman of the last century, was a famous collector of snuff boxes. He collected them as a diplomatist, receiving one or two for each treaty he signed, and when he had got \$100,000 worth of them turned them into cash and became a capitalist. His capital he invested so judiciously that his descendants are multimillionaires. The moral of Count Nesselrode's experience is that a snuff box is not to be sneezed at.

The new customs law which provides a discount on all those gowns and other articles of feminine apparel, "not altogether new, but remodeled," is already producing the expected wrangle and fuss, says the Baltimore American. For not only is it difficult to make such distinctions accurately, but the ladies who brought in "only remodeled gowns" in the spring are asking their money back. The resulting complexities involve much detail, close inspection of seams and plaits and biases and fabrics, and develop week-long arguments between the owner, who professes a great disdain for "these old clothes" and the inspector, who mildly suspects they will later be displayed with great pride as "brand-new and made in Paris, my dear." It beats the old conundrum about the old knife that had three new blades and another handle put in.

A western editor says there are still a great many people whose idea of a good joke is to applaud when a stage hand goes to the stage. They nearly die laughing when he takes a broom and sweeps off the crockery broken by a team of comic jugglers.

It might have been a trifle dangerous to have a mob of 2,000 Chinese besiege a Chinese newspaper in San Francisco with the avowed object of killing the editor, but then it showed that his editorials were attracting attention.

"Hello" is tabooed by various New Jersey ministers because it verges on profanity. Some day we shall hear the sweet voice of the telephone girl echo that highly respectable word "greetings."

When radium replaces coal there will be no ashes to carry out, nothing to carry in and no furnace room for the head of the family to retire to when his better half is nervous.

An aeronaut who undertook to deliver newspapers in California got them there five hours behind time. This would not do for the newspaper business; but it does seem to qualify the aeronaut for the messenger boy class.

An archaeologist making excavations at Colchester, England, reports finding safety pins more than 2,000 years old, which goes to show that they had babies then.

THAT JAPANESE BOGY IS THINNEST OF AIR

NO DANGER OF JAPAN MEDDLING WITH MEXICO.

THE SITUATION IS DELICATE

Dual Task of Conciliation and Enforcing Strict Neutrality Requires Great Skill.

New Orleans, La., March 21.—"There is not the slightest possibility of war between the United States and Japan," declared Baron D'Estouvenelles de Constant, member of the French Senate and special representative of the Association for International Conciliation, who has just arrived in New Orleans. "As regards an armed Japanese intervention in Mexico," said the Baron in discussing the Mexican situation with a representative of the Associated Press, "I think it is not even worth while to speak about such a probability. I am sure that Japan desires peace as much as the United States strives to maintain it in the world. Japan requires peace for her national development, which demands men, time and money—the very things which war would destroy and deprive her of."

"The Mexican situation is a very serious one, in so far as the United States is obliged to maintain order on her boundary lines and at the same time observe the most complete neutrality in regard to the internal affairs of Mexico. "It is and always will be very difficult to conciliate these two definite duties; that is, maintain order and at the same time observe neutrality, but nobody can sincerely doubt that the United States will accomplish this dual task, because this work of conciliation is precisely the work to which the United States has devoted itself, so far as I know, for the past twelve years, or ever since the first conference at The Hague. Since that time this country has never missed a single opportunity to serve the cause of order and international justice."

RUPTURE IN RUSSIAN CABINET

Premier Stolypin Hands Emperor His Resignation.

St. Petersburg, P. A. Stolypin, Premier and Minister of the Interior, resigned Monday and his resignation was promptly accepted by Emperor Nicholas, V. N. Kokovsov, Minister of Finance in the Stolypin Cabinet, will be the new Premier, and unless unexpected circumstances intervene the appointment will be gazetted at once.

Premier Stolypin presented his resignation personally to the Emperor. His action was due to the rejection by the Council of the Empire of the Zemstvo bill for self-government in the nine Western provinces. The Premier decided to make the crisis a personal issue, and the quickness of the Emperor's answer was accepted in certain quarters as substantiating the report current recently that the Emperor had abandoned the Premier to his fate by telling the Conservatives in the Council of the Empire, through M. Treppoff, to vote "according to their conscience."

On to Sherman.

Guthrie, Okla.: E. R. Sutton of Philadelphia and Jake L. Hamon of Lawton, promoting the construction of a railroad from Lawton, Okla., eastward through Duncan and Ardmore to Sherman, Texas, announces that in one day's time during the past week citizens of Sherman raised \$100,000 bonus for the company. Lawton and Ardmore had already raised the necessary bonus funds and Mr. Sutton left immediately for Philadelphia to close the contract for construction, which is to be done by the Development Corporation of that city. The surveyors are now in the field between Lawton and Duncan, working eastward. Sherman also gives the right-of-way from the city to Red River and land, donated by Ardmore, aggregates in value \$300,000. It is understood that Hamon will be president of the company. A western extension of the road from Lawton is already being undertaken through Walter and Gansfield, the latter city being asked for \$50,000 bonus.

More than 400 of the students of the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas, which is 40 per cent of the student body, come from farm homes in Texas.

It cost the lives of 1,125 men to mine 231,966,070 tons of coal in Pennsylvania last year, according to an annual report of the Chief of the State Department of Mines.

Healthy Increase in Fort Worth.

Fort Worth: Morrison & Fournery's new city directory is complete for 1911 and is being delivered. The directory contains about 4,000 more names than the last and shows a population of 81,167, or an increase in one year of 5,820. The Federal census compiled in 1910 gives the city a population of 73,312, but the new directory, compiled a few months later, shows that there are 8,855 more people dwelling in the corporate limits than were enrolled by the census enumerators.

TEXAS NEWS HAPPENINGS

Waxahachie recently voted \$15,000 additional bonds for erecting a new school building.

The American Bank and Trust Co. capitalized at \$300,000, opened doors at Sherman last week.

The North Texas Gas Company began last week to supply Bridgeport with gas for domestic purposes.

The Casino association has selected May 18, 19 and 20, as dates for the annual fair at Lagrange this year.

Frank Dillard, a Fort Worth bartender, ended his life by drinking carbolic acid. Ill health was the cause.

Contract to erect the new Sanitarium at Taylor has been let for \$10,500, and work is to commence at once.

Gulf coast citrus fruit men in meeting at Houston effected permanent organization with Col Sam H. Dixon as president.

The cornerstone of the new Federal Building in Temple will be laid April 6 under the auspices of the Masonic fraternity.

Circuit tax in Texas is now on a basis of \$250 a day, instead of so much per performance, as was formerly the system.

Work is now under way on the girl's new dormitory for Clarendon College. It is expected to have this building ready for occupancy by September.

Five bond issues for public improvements aggregating \$145,900 were voted on at Brownsville and carried out of a total vote of 182 by 150 majority.

Texas Traction Company is in the market for new cars with which to install a limited service between Dallas, McKinney, Sherman and Denison.

An election will be held in the Paris precinct of Lamar county, on April 23 to determine upon the issuance of \$300,000 road building bonds.

The Rotan Water Company has begun the extension of their water mains to furnish about sixteen more blocks of the residence portion of the town with water.

Francisco Gutierrez, a prisoner in the Bexar County jail, who drank a mixture of water and sulphur matches several days before, died last Thursday night.

J. W. Murphy, aged seventy, for thirty years an engineer with the Texas and Pacific railroad, died at Marshall last week. His body was shipped to Fort Worth.

The Edwards Oil Company of Oklahoma City unloaded three car loads of machinery at Byers, Clay county, and will begin to drill east of town a series of test wells for oil.

Free mail delivery in Marlin will commence April 1. The houses of the city have been numbered and all other requirements for the service have been complied with.

An election to determine whether or not the city shall issue bonds to the amount of \$20,000 for the purpose of building an addition school building at Palestine, has been ordered.

Postmaster S. H. Cole received instructions last week to advertise for sealed bids for the construction of the new postoffice building for McKinney, bids to be in by April 21.

All train dispatching on the Lockhart branch of the San Antonio and Aransas Pass railroad is done by telephone. The telegraph wires have been cut out at all stations on this division.

Menard's freight depot, which is 30x150 feet, has been completed and is occupied by the agent. The passenger depot, costing \$10,000, is being erected, which will be an ornament to the city.

Work commenced last week on the Reagan County court house at Stiles.

A company to manufacture Mexican and Indian drawn work and Navajo blankets with a capital stock of \$40,000 has let the contract for plans and specifications for their building to be located in El Paso.

Earl Young, alias Charley Howard, a juvenile, who has served half a dozen terms in as many reformatory institutions, jumped from a Katy train while en route from Dallas to Gatesville, under charge of officers. He made good his escape.

The Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe has prepared specifications and will at once advertise for bids on the construction of a brick passenger and frame freight station, the cost of the two buildings being \$17,000, to be constructed at San Saba, San Saba County.

Work on building the up-to-date and modern electric street car line in Greenville is progressing rapidly, and it is the intention to have the cars running about May 1. The cars will be of the latest type, the "pay-as-you-enter" model.

W. F. Brooks, who lives two miles south of Plainview, brought in the last week what appears to be the best well in the South Plains to date. It is 129 feet in depth and the water stands within nineteen feet of the surface, which gives him 116 feet of water in the well.

The Corsicana Cotton Mills Co. has been reorganized and the mill will be overhauled and will begin at once to arrange for laborers, and will also begin buying cotton at an early date, and expect to have the mills in operation within thirty days.

GOOD NEWS EPITOMIZED

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

BOTH FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC

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

A stock company has launched a large commercial laundry at Clarksville.

Nacogdoches has recently added a hose and chemical wagon to its fire fighting apparatus.

Thirty cases of smallpox were reported in the Mexican troops at Escondido, near the California line.

A Sunday fire at Granite, Okla., destroyed nearly an entire business block entailing a loss of some \$20,000.

There was a cloudburst between Haskell and Stamford Sunday and four inches of rain fell. Only a shower fell at Stamford and but little rain fell at Haskell.

The ladies' world record on light tackle was broken at Tarpon Saturday afternoon when Mrs. Will H. Dilg of Chicago landed a six-foot two and one-half inch tarpon on nine thread line and six-ounce top.

The United Commercial Travelers of Texas will hold their State meeting at Marshall on May 12 and 13. The Progressive League has appointed committees to take care of the visitors during their stay.

The Kaufman County Guard is planning to hold a carnival in Terrell next month, the proceeds of which are to be used in defraying the expenses of indigent Confederate veterans at the annual reunion at Little Rock May 16, 17 and 18.

It is learned that large shipments of bullion have been carried out of Mexico. One shipment of a million dollars passed through Corpus Christi en route to banks in the United States. This is regarded as a sign of the feeling of uneasiness that exists in Mexico.

The brick work has been finished on the four-story sanatorium and hotel being erected at Marlin. The building when completed will represent an expenditure of \$125,000.

A sensation has been caused in financial circles by the suicide of R. F. Carnegie, manager of the Lombard street branch of Parr's Bank, Limited, who shot himself at his residence Friday. The affairs of the institution are said to be in perfect order.

Nevada, a favorite haunt of divorce seekers, has let down the bars wider than ever. A six months residence is all that is required, and one may go out of the "state as often as may be necessary" during the required six months.

Contracts have been closed between the Muskogee Industrial Company and the Central Stove and Plating Company to move its plant from Columbus, Ohio, to Muskogee. The Westmoreland Pickling and Canning Company also signed a similar contract.

There are now 671 State banks, over thirty have been opened since the first of the year, three applications for licenses are now pending, and inquiries have been received from seven more prospective banks relative to charters.

The Temple B. B. Oil Company has unloaded from the cars at Normangee a drilling rig, all other machinery being all ready on the Temple B. B. Oil lands and drilling for oil will begin on or before April 1.

Senator Bailey, in a letter to a Temple pastor, makes it clear that he is a believer in local option and favors the present laws regulating the sale of liquors.

Plans have been accepted for a new 3-story station and office building for the "Gulf Coast Route" to be built at Kingsville, at a cost of \$100,000.

A committee has been appointed to raise \$1,500 to make a survey of the Quahab, Seymour, Dublin and Rockport Railway from Georgetown to Jarrell. The engineers are expected to hurry the work.

A gap of only forty-three miles remains to be filled before the completion of the Santa Fe cut-off from Coleman to Texico. The extension south from Texico has reached Post City, and that north from Coleman has reached Snyder.

Congressman George F. Burgess of the Ninth Texas District is seriously ill at the Plaza Hotel at Gonzales from a partial stroke of paralysis.

A can making establishment is in prospect at Houston, to employ 100 operatives. The products will go all over the Southwest.

Timpon handle factory, with large plant at Timpon, is locating a plant at Houston.

A metal bed factory with an initial building, 75x390 feet, and which will start with 100 workmen, is being built at Houston.

A sixty-day option on a soap factory, now of Dallas, has been secured by McKinney. It is announced that the factory will be removed to McKinney and run for two months on trial. If it proves advantageous, the \$10,000 stock of the concern will be increased and it will remain permanent.

Thieves robbed Mrs. Harriet Taylor, at Bastrop, aged 92 years, of \$45 and other property.

Texas' contribution to the United States cotton crop is 27.5 per cent. Georgia furnishes 15.3.

Notice has been sent to McKinney's postmaster to advertise for bids for the construction of the \$40,000 building authorized by congress.

The Fuller and Carr building at Barstow burned Wednesday with a loss of \$18,000. The fire occurred before daylight, from a cause as yet unknown.

Plans are under way for building an arcade building in the heart of Dallas, covering a whole block, sixteen stories high, and to cost \$1,250,000.

J. E. Jelvsay, aged 50, chief mechanic of J. I. Case Co., Dallas, dropped dead Monday while setting up some machinery in the company's plant.

Tom Swearingen, 30 years of age, a powder man, was killed and a foreign laborer named Millers was severely injured Saturday when twenty sticks of dynamite that Swearingen was carrying exploded at the West Dallas plant of the Portland Cement company.

Shi Ai Shum, Chinese charge d'affaires, announces that his country has decided to establish Consulates in the more important cities of Mexico.

France has decided to increase her force of occupancy in Morocco to 6,500, and to assist Sultan Mulai Hafid in maintaining order among the troublesome tribes.

On information carried from China, custom-house inspectors overhauled the steamship Mongolia on her arrival at San Francisco and seized 122 lbs of opium, valued at \$6000.

Rev. Allen McDonnell, one of the oldest members of the Jesuit order in this country, died at Woodstock College, near Baltimore. He was born on Prince Edward Island, 85 years ago.

One man was killed and 300 head of cattle were burned to death Saturday in a fire that destroyed a square block of the huge network of pens in the Union stock yards in Chicago.

An enterprising Houston business concern gave away 10,000 elm trees to school children Tuesday and Wednesday.

Saturday the last of the \$100,000 Grover Cleveland memorial fund was subscribed. The monument will consist of a tower 165 feet high, to be erected on the battlefield of Princeton, near Princeton University.

Work on the new \$133,000 First Presbyterian church of Dallas at Harwood and Wood streets, Dallas, will be begun within the next thirty days, according to the announcement made by the committee in charge of the building plans.

John W. Burns, a physician and surgeon of Cuero, will erect a \$15,000 sanitarium. It is to be a two or three-story building. Plans and specifications are being drawn up. It is to be of modern design and equipment, heated and lighted by steam and electricity.

Lightning killed Dock Westbrooks, a negro, while plowing in his field two miles north of Elgin.

The Sauer-Whiteman Lumber Company, which had the misfortune of losing its mill at Caro the morning of March 6, will rebuild the mill as soon as possible. The company has bought a small mill to cut the timbers to be put into the large one.

The remaining school lands of Oklahoma, consisting of 1,400,000 acres, will be put on the market at an early date.

Twelve carloads of pipe water mains have been received for the new water plant at Georgetown. The mains and piping cost about \$10,000. The laying of the mains began Monday.

It cost the city of Houston \$111,867.53 to operate its police department last year.

Napper Byron, a white man convicted of the murder of his wife, the mother of twelve children, was hanged at the State prison in Nashville, Tenn. His crime was a most brutal one.

Francisco Gutierrez, a prisoner in the Bexar county jail, attempted suicide by snipping off the heads of matches, mixing them in water and drinking it. He was found unconscious in his cell and an antidote administered.

A series of conferences Saturday morning between Gov. Cramer, Mayor Lackey, officials of the street railway company and delegates and attorneys of the union carmen has ended the strike in Oklahoma City.

Judge Francis Pentz, Sr., widely known in the South, died at his home at Memphis, aged 70 years.

The body of John Kratzka, a Bohemian farmer, who disappeared a week before, was found Tuesday near the Trinity river. He had shot himself through the heart with a rifle. He leaves a wife and four children.

The Progressive League of Goliad has decided upon a permanent county fair, the first to be given this year.

Two small boys playing with matches set fire to a barn of A. C. Kelley, San Antonio, and caused the destruction of a \$1,000 automobile. It was partly insured.

Representative J. R. Elliott of Sherman, Grayson county, has tendered his resignation as a member of the legislature, and has assumed his duties as chief clerk in the Department of State, looking after the financial affairs of the office.

BAD CASE OF GRIP

Caused Sore Throat and Tonsillitis. Restored by Peruna.

Mr. W. H. Housley, Stony Point, Tennessee, writes:

"Five years ago I took a very severe cold which resulted in la grippe. I never was so bad off. I was in bed several weeks, and when I did get up I had tonsillitis and sore throat."

"I tried to cure this for eighteen months, but it gradually got worse. A doctor advised me to have my tonsils cut out, but I did not like the idea. Another doctor examined me, and told me the same thing. I finally got a bottle of Peruna, and after I had taken one bottle my throat was better. I bought and used a dozen bottles, and saw I was going to get well, and I did."

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UP TO PAPA.



"Now remember this—the stronger should never do anything to injure the weaker!"

"Wake up, Cull," says the burglar, shaking the man by the shoulder. The man wakes up, and jumps up too.

"I went 'trod dis house las' week an' got \$100 an' a bum gold watch," explained the burglar; "an' de papers said dat you said your loss was \$100 an' foolry to the amount of five or six hundred."

"Ye-yes?"

"Well, make good, sport. Me partner dat was watchin' on de outside made me cough up de difference between what I got and what you said I got. Now, you got to make good. You can't beat me dat way."—Judge's Library.

A FOOD STORY

Makes a Woman of 70 "One in 10,000"

The widow of one of Ohio's most distinguished newspaper editors and a famous leader in politics in his day, says she is 70 years old and a "stronger woman than you will find in ten thousand," and she credits her physical condition to the use of Grape-Nuts:

"Many years ago I had a terrible fall which permanently injured my stomach. For years I lived on a preparation of corn starch and milk, but it grew so repugnant to me that I had to give it up. Then I tried, one after another, a dozen different kinds of cereals, but the process of digestion gave me great pain.

"It was not until I began to use Grape-Nuts food three years ago that I found relief. It has proved, with dear Lord's blessing, a great boon to me. It brought me health and vigor such as I never expected to again enjoy, and in gratitude I never fail to sound its praises." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

"There's a Reason."

Look for it in the little book, "The Road to Wellville," to be found in just one appearance from time to time. They are genuine, true, and full of health interest.

TEST DR. HESS'

Poultry Pan-a-ce-a

ON TRIAL

Did you know that you could test Dr. Hess' Poultry Pan-a-ce-a the balance of the winter, all spring, in fact until the first day of August, then if you are not satisfied that it has paid and paid big

We will refund every cent you have paid us

It is to make your hens lay, to make your chicks grow fast, healthy and strong, cure gaps and roup. Of course you are expected to keep your poultry free from lice and for that purpose we know of nothing better than Instant Louse Killer. Let us have your order now

Biles & Gentry

Phone 87 Exclusive Druggists Big Springs

Local and Personal

Onion sets at Pool Bros.
Triumph seed potatoes at Pool Bros.
M. F. Burns of Midland spent several days here this week.
Onion planting time. Get your onion sets from Pool Bros.
A. E. Watson of Abilene was a business visitor here this week.

J. A. Baggett left the first of the week on a business trip to Austin.
Get your onion sets from Pool Bros., the up-to-date grocers.

M. H. O'Daniel of Coahoma was a business visitor in Big Springs yesterday.

George Cauble, Jr killed six wolves last year and was paid a Saturday by the county.

Frank Cauble and wife returned Saturday from the Fat Stock Show at Fort Worth.

Stanley Alderman returned Sunday night from a visit to his home at McConnesville, Ohio.

M. A. Weinberg, traveling representative of the El Paso Herald, was here Wednesday.

The Joy of Living

Half the Joy of Living is in the eating, and there is Happiness in the Home when your Groceries are of the Highest Grade and Purest Quality. We stake the reputation of our firm on the Quality of our Merchandise; on these grounds we solicit your trade

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Fresh Vegetables

We receive weekly shipments of Fresh Vegetables, such as Lettuce, Onions, Radishes, Beets, Turnips, Etc. When you want Fresh Vegetables just Phone us your order and will be given prompt attention. Just ring up "145"

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Are you frequently hoarse? Do you have that annoying tickling in your throat? Does your cough annoy you at night, and do you raise mucus in the morning? Do you want relief? If so, take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and you will be pleased. Sold by Biles & Gentry.

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the Hatter

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Cold drinks and apple cider at Atkins.

All kinds of cold kinks at Atkins.

Onion planting time. Get your sets from Pool Bros.

A. L. Wasson returned Saturday from his Dawson county ranch.

Fruits, candies, nuts and cigars at Atkins.

FOR RENT—Four room house on east Second street, at \$6.50 per month. Apply at this office.

J. R. Ledbetter and wife of Colorado visited friends here last week.

Do you like cider? Atkins has the very best.

Triumph seed potatoes at Pool Bros.

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In Tablets, in Boxes and in Bulk.

We invite your attention to our carefully selected stock, which represents both variety and quality. We selected the stock of these lines for YOU. We don't care how particular you are, we can please you. Let us try. J. L. Ward Jewelry & Drug Co. The Price is the Thing.

Base ball goods at Reagan's.

Now is the time to have your Panama hat cleaned and re-blocked. See Atkins at his confectionery store.

J. C. Baumgarten, who is now traveling salesman for the Texarkana Casket Co., of Texarkana spent Sunday and Monday here looking after business and greeting old friends.

New local view postals—Reagan's.

H. J. Dean, who came here several months ago for his health left Sunday morning for his home at Lima, Ohio.

SEE

S. R. Morton at J. D. McDonald's new and second-hand store east of court house to get your pictures framed.

Lewis Ables of the new county of Culberson came in last Friday and remained here until Wednesday night.

Farms for Rent

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

Z. R. STEPHENS.

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

L. Daugherty of Hagerman, New Mexico, spent several days here this week looking after his real estate interests.

Clay Schoolfield, who is attending school here, visited his parents in Denton county last week.

The sanitary fountain—Reagan's.

Mrs. Lyman Jones and two of her children are here from Texarkana on a visit to Mrs. W. G. Jones.

CASTOR OIL?

Yes, But the Children Won't Know It.

If you give your children castor oil give it in palatable form—You know how disagreeable castor oil is—even the refined oil—sticky, nauseating and somewhat drastic in action—

It's no wonder children dislike it. The use of Nyal's Aromatic Castor Oil obviates all unpleasantness—it is a pleasant tasting preparation particularly adapted to children—they like it, too.

Every bit as effective as the crude castor oil but not all severe in its action as a cathartic. Can be given to infants with perfect safety. If you can't take common castor oil you will find Nyal's Aromatic Castor Oil is equally good for you as well. It sells at 25 cents the bottle.

When we had a chance to get the exclusive selling agency for Nyal Family Remedies we jumped at it. They are known among all druggists as the highest quality line on the market, and are prepared by a great firm of manufacturing chemists, famous for fifty years. WARD'S. The Price is the Thing.

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

Rev. J. E. Stephens held quarterly conference at Iatan Sunday.

Remember the meeting at the Y. M. C. A. at three o'clock Sunday afternoon. All men are invited.

When a man admits, that he has a good deal to be thankful for it is a sign that he is not talking to the tax assessor.

HAPPY RESULTS

Have Made Many Big Springs Residents Enthusiastic

No wonder scores of Big Springs citizens grow enthusiastic. It is enough to make anyone happy to find relief after years of suffering. Public statements like the following are but truthful representations of the daily work done in Big Springs by Doan's Kidney Pills

T. M. Lightfoot, Big Springs, Texas, says: "I do not see why any one need suffer from backache or kidney trouble when Doan's Kidney Pills can be obtained. This remedy relieved me of a sharp, darting pain in the small of my back which came on me after sitting for any length of time. It also regulated the passages of the kidney secretions and made me feel better in every way. I believe Doan's Kidney Pills to be the best kidney remedy on the market and I will always recommend them."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cts. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agent for the United States. Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

Reagan wants to supply your drug store wants.

We become wiser by adversity; prosperity destroys our appreciation of the right.—Seneca.

Reagan's Cold Cure, cures—25 cents per box.

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

W. T. Moore, editor of the Stanton Reporter, spent the time between trains here Tuesday morning.

For Sale.

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

Cheap Money.

Do you want to borrow money at 6 per cent interest on long time with easy payment? Apply at this office.

W. E. Chaney was here Monday on his way home from the Fat Stock Show at Fort Worth. His big hog was in the part of the stock yards that burned last week but he succeeded in getting his hog out without damage.

A wire from Fort Worth announces that Dick Houston took the first prize on the Best Grade steer, also first prize on the Best steer of any age, at the Fat Stock Show. This is an honor for Mr. Houston and all Martin County to feel proud of. In competition with the whole of Texas and after being compared with the very best from every section, the judges handed Mr. Houston two blue ribbons and a handsome purse beside. Hurrah for Dick and his enterprise.—Stanton Reporter.

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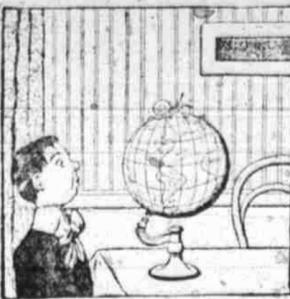
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Try This for Colds
Prescription Known for Results
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Go to your druggist and get two ounces of Glycerin and half an ounce of concentrated Pine compound. Mix these with half a pint of good whiskey. Shake well. Take one to two teaspoonfuls after each meal and at bed time. Smaller doses to children according to age. Do not use after meals at home. This is said to be the quickest cough and cold cure known to the medical profession. Be sure to get only the genuine (red) Concentrated Pine. Each half ounce bottle comes in a tin screw-top sealed case. If the druggist is out of stock he will quickly get it from this wholesale house. Don't fool with uncertain mixtures. It is risky.

GRAND VOYAGE TO THE POLE.



Doubting His Word.
 Two Irishmen occupied beds in the same room. By and by one of them woke up.
 "Mike," said he, "did you put out the cat?"
 "I did," said Mike.
 An hour later Patrick woke up again.
 "Mike," said he, "Mike, did you put out the cat?"
 "Sure I did," said Mike, sleepily.
 "On me word of honor."
 Some time later Patrick again woke up.
 "Mike," said he, "Mike, ye divvie; ye did not put out the cat."
 "Well," said Mike angrily, "if ye will not take the word of honor of a gentleman get up and put her out herself."

Railroading and Dancing.
 Stuart C. Leake, who has a lot to do with managing a big railroad in Richmond, Va., is noted as one of the best dancers in the south.
 One night something went wrong with the branch of the road over which Leake has supervision.
 "Where in thunder was Leake?" asked the president of the road next morning.
 "Leading a german," said the general manager.
 "Which," commented the president, "was a dirty Irish trick."—Popular Magazine.

Prolific.
 A census-taker while on her rounds called at a house occupied by an Irish family. One of the questions she asked was:
 "How many males have you in this family?"
 The answer came without hesitation:
 "Three a day, mum!"

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 Take the Old Standard GROVES' TASTELESS CHILL TONIC. You know what you are taking. The formula is plainly printed on every bottle showing it is simply Quinine and Iron in a tasteless form. The Quinine drives out the malarial and the Iron builds up the system. Sold by all dealers for 25 cents. Price 25 cents.

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Some men, like some roosters, are always crowing—but what's the use?

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for Children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures whooping cough, 25c a bottle.

The man who lets well enough alone never gets very far ahead.

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 Your druggist will refund money if PAIN EXPELLER fails to cure any case of Hemorrhoids, Bleeding or Protruding Piles in 10 to 15 days. 50c.

You can often tell what a woman really means by what she doesn't say.

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TO AVOID SICKNESS
 You must keep the stomach and liver in an active condition, the bowels free from constipation and the blood pure. For this work
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ALL DRUGGISTS & DEALERS

PASSING OF THE PASSENGER PIGEON

By **EDWARD B. CLARK**
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PRESUMABLY everybody knows by this time that there is a standing offer of \$400 in cash for the man, woman, boy or girl who finds the nest of a wild pigeon (scotopistes migratorius), otherwise known as the passenger pigeon, and finds with it the nesting birds. In order to get the reward the person who makes the discovery must leave the nest and the birds unmolested and prove the truth of it by making a report and giving the scientists an opportunity to verify the case.

Magazine and newspaper articles literally by the thousands have been written about the disappearance of the wild pigeons which once, as it is always put, "darkened the sun with their flights." The members of the biological survey in Washington are specially interested in the subject of the disappearance of this bird of passage from its wild haunts. For years it has been hoped that nesting pairs might be found in some part of the country and that with proper protection the bird might be restored in part at least to its place in nature.

Recently there was a story published to the effect that the birds, wearied of the constant persecution which met them in the United States, had changed the course of their flight and had gone into Mexico and there were living peacefully and happily. This story proved to be absolutely without foundation. Still another tale was to the effect that the pigeons had gone into the heart of South America and there finding conditions pleasant were leading a non-migratory life. This tale also proved to be entirely fictitious.

In all parts of the southern states in the winter seasons there are people watching sharp-eyed for a glimpse of the bird that once was a common sight. In the summer sharp eyes of the north are constantly on the alert for the same purpose, but as yet no authentic report has been received that the bird of mysterious disappearance has revisited the scenes familiar through the centuries to its ancestors.

One of the scientists most interested in the search for the wild pigeon is Ruthven Deane, fellow of the American Ornithologists' union and president of the Illinois Audubon Society for the Protection of Wild Birds. Mr. Deane virtually has given up all hope that any living specimen of the passenger pigeon ever will be found, but he is as tireless today as ever in tracing reports of the bird's reappearance to their sources. The offer of \$400 for the discovery of a nesting pair of the pigeons and their undisturbed nest comes from Clifton R. Hodge of Clark university, but \$150 additional will be paid for the discovery of a pair of birds and their nest if found in the state of Illinois. The additional reward is the joint offer of Mr. Deane and, as I remember it, of Professor Whitman of the University of Chicago.

One of the most curious features of the search for the wild pigeon is the mistakes which are made constantly by men who years ago trapped the pigeons and were as familiar with their appearance as they were, and are today for that matter, with the appearance of the common robin of the dooryard. Reports have come in from all sections of the country of the reappearance of the pigeon, but on investigation it invariably has been found that the discoverers had seen nothing more nor less than the common wild dove (venadura macroura), or mourning dove, which is so familiar a bird that it seems almost impossible that any man of the countryside could have failed to overlook it as his constant neighbor and could confuse it with its much larger cousin, the passenger pigeon of other days.

To give an example of how the search is conducted for the wild pigeon and how conscientious are the scientists in attempting to verify reports of its reappearance this one instance, taken from a hundred instances, may be noted. Recently a report from northern Michigan reached the president of the Illinois Audubon society that the passenger pigeon in very truth had reappeared in the vicinity of a club house frequented by fishermen and gunners, many of whom had known the pigeon well in the old days and who were certain that in this case they could not be mistaken as to the identity of the bird visitors.

It was a long journey to the northern Michigan club house, but an ornithologist undertook the trip believing in his heart that finally the passenger pigeon had been found, for he knew that the men who had made the report had been familiar with the bird in the old days and supposedly knew the appearance of its every feather. At the end of the journey he was told that the pigeons were there and he was led out to see them. They proved to be mourning doves, a bird common in nearly all parts of Michigan and in most of the states of the Union. The disappointment was keen, and keener in this case because this was one report which seemed to have about it every mark of truth.

When I was a boy I knew the wild pigeon fairly well. It was nothing like as abundant as it had been in the years gone by, but occasionally small flocks were seen in the vicinity of my birthplace in the foothills of the Adirondack mountains in central New York. I am sorry to say that I shot some of the birds before I fully realized the value of giving protection to a vanishing race. The mourning dove I know as well as I know the English sparrow, and I think that there is no chance of confusion in my mind respecting the identity of the dove and its bigger relative, the pigeon. It is possible, though I am not sure that such is a fact, that I saw the last wild pigeon reported in Illinois. Others may have been seen since that time within the borders of the state, but if so I have not seen their reappearance reported.

At five o'clock on the morning of a late April day, fifteen years ago, I went into Lincoln park,



Chicago, to look for migrating birds which had dropped down into the pleasure ground from their night flight in order to rest and feed. I had just entered the park when my attention was attracted to a large bird perched on the limb of a maple tree and facing the sun, which was just rising out of Lake Michigan. My heart gave a sort of leap, for I recognized it instantly as the passenger pigeon, a bird of which I had not seen a living specimen for at least twelve years.

Then instantly I began to doubt and thought that my eyes must be mistaken and that the atmosphere was magnifying the bird and that what was before me was really a mourning dove. I drew closer and then I knew there was no possibility of deception. Before me was a beautiful specimen of the male passenger pigeon with the sun striking full on the burnished feathers of his throat. I stood within 15 yards of the bird for half an hour and then it left the maple and went in arrowy flight down the lake shore drive toward the heart of the city. I have often wondered since what was its fate.

Theodore Roosevelt is deeply interested in the outcome of the search for surviving members, if such there may be, of the passenger pigeon tribe. Mr. Roosevelt knew the bird when he was a boy and in his trips afield he always has kept a watchful eye open for a possible sight of a specimen of the species now feared to be extinct.

When Mr. Roosevelt was president of the United States he occasionally went to a wild spot in Virginia where he owned a cabin. He called the place Pine Knot. While there one day he saw what he believed to be nine wild pigeons. It would be perfectly proper today for a man who saw as many pigeons as this together to shoot one of them—one only—in order to prove beyond peradventure that the tribe still has existence. When one simply reports the appearance of a pigeon or of a flock of pigeons every one doubts very naturally the truth of the tale, holding that the mourning dove has been again mistaken for its cousin bird.

President Roosevelt did not have a gun with him on the occasion of his meeting with what he thought were wild pigeons. If he had he probably would have shot one of them. He told no one except a few scientists and a few friends of his discovery. He knew as well as anyone else did that in the absence of the proof furnished by a bird in the flesh it would be said at once that he made the common error. No one knows positively today whether the nine birds, which the president saw were or were not passenger pigeons. Every time that Mr. Roosevelt has been to Pine Knot since he has hoped for another sight of the birds which made him glad some years ago.

John Burroughs heard from his friend, Theodore Roosevelt, that the nine pigeons had been seen in Virginia. Burroughs believed the story because he knew how accurate an observer of nature his friend the president was and in the stories of the pigeons in Virginia led Mr. Burroughs to make inquiries at once in the counties in New York state west of the lower Hudson lying in the old line of flight of the migrating pigeon armies of years ago. There the farmers

and the country sportsmen told Mr. Burroughs that they had seen pigeons that spring, at least 1,000 of them, but that none of them had been shot. Mr. Burroughs was inclined to believe the report, for the men who made it were old-time sportsmen and supposedly knew the bird well. However, there is no positive proof today that the New York farmers and gunners were not just as much mistaken as were the old-timers who told the story of the return of the pigeons to the upper Michigan country.

In The Auk, a quarterly journal of ornithology published by the American Ornithologists' union, there recently appeared a paper by Albert Hazen Wright on "Some Early Records of the Passenger Pigeon." In this paper are reported some of the first accounts which ever saw print of the pigeon multitudes of the early days. When one reads them it seems almost incredible that a bird species which numbered its individuals almost, it would appear, by the million millions could ever disappear from the face of the earth.

The account of the great pigeon flocks which is most familiar to the people of the country is that written by John James Audubon, the naturalist. It seems from Mr. Wright's paper, however, that a century and a half before Audubon was born records were made of the immense numbers of the birds which were seen in America. The earliest writers called them turtle doves. Mr. Wright quotes from the Jesuit father, Le Jeune, who in the year 1637 likened the American Indians to the pigeons. "Our savages are always savage; they resemble the migratory birds of their own country. In one season turtle doves are sometimes found in such abundance that the end of their army cannot be seen when they are flying in a body."

Mr. Wright found another reference to the immense numbers of the pigeons in the writings of another Jesuit father in the year 1671. The observation was made at Cayuga lake in New York state. "Four leagues from here I saw by the side of a river within a very limited space eight or nine extremely fine salt springs. Many snares are set there for catching pigeons, from seven to eight hundred being often taken at once." Another father of the church in the latter part of the seventeenth century writes of the passenger pigeons of the St. Lawrence country: "Among the birds of every variety to be found here it is to be noted that pigeons abound in such numbers that this year one man killed 132 at a single shot."

Within the last five or six years reports have come of the reappearance of the pigeon in Missouri, Oklahoma, Illinois, Wisconsin, Michigan, Ohio, Pennsylvania, New York and Virginia and perhaps from some other states. In no instance has proof been adduced that the real passenger pigeon, the bird of the old time, was the species seen. The disappearance of the flocks which once covered the sky as with a cloud is one of the mysteries of nature. Man's persecution of course had much, if not everything, to do with the annihilation of the species, but it would seem that something else, disease perhaps, must be held accountable at least in part for the dying out of a noble race of feathered game.

He Was Too Wise
 Dr. Harvey W. Wiley, the government's food expert, said at a recent dinner in Washington: "But in our search for pure foods we may go too far. Thus a lady entered a grocer's the other day and said:
 "Have you got any currants?"
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 "Yes, madam, we have very fine Corinthia, or small dried grapes from the Greek town of that name—currants, you know, is the corrupted form. How many will you have?"
 "None at all if they are corrupted," muttered the lady. "I belong to a pure food league."

WOMAN ESCAPES OPERATION

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 Hans—Yaas; I got a surprise.

Encourage the Boys.
 When a boy presents an idea that is feasible, pat him on the back and encourage him, and he will develop a love for agriculture and become the pride of your heart in your declining years and will love the homes and the farms that you have worked so hard to pay for.
 If farming has not paid in your case by all means give the boy a chance to begin without your handicap. "What was good enough for me is good enough for the boy" is a maxim unworthy of a New England farmer. Give the boy a chance at an agricultural education and he will help you to stop the leaks and turn the past and present into a brighter future.

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Corn is one of nature's choicest specialties. Farm machinery is often sadly neglected when not in use. The ultimate consumer seems to be a helpless sort of critter. A greater calamity than the failure of corn could hardly be imagined. It's better to be judged by your appearance than by your disappearance. Some people ask you to do them a favor as if they were doing it to you. A man can learn a good deal about women by pretending to be indifferent. One of the worst instruments of torture to the horse is the tight check rein. Most people imagine they would rather be miserably rich than happily poor. The Farmers' Union is a co-operative as well as an educational institution. When people can afford to do a thing it takes most of the pleasure out of it. Reputation is what enables you to get along in this world when you haven't any character. A lot of city people would give half their fortune for the corn husker's appetite and digestion. Perhaps nothing worries a woman more than to have something to tell and no one to tell it to. Have you ever noticed that the expected doesn't always happen, even when you feel it in your bones? When a person can't find several good reasons to be thankful, his inner works need the attention of a liver specialist. Happiness in marriage would be more prevalent if a man would handle his wife as tenderly as he does his old brar pipe. A farm life that doesn't include a good education for the boys and girls isn't successful farming—it's just running a cattle or hog ranch.

DAKOTA FARMERS IN UNION

Buy Town Site of Voltaire, Erect Their Own Building, Telephone System and Elevators.

Co-operation seems to be contagious at Voltaire, N. D. A great many co-operative enterprises have been organized, and with profit to the stockholders. The farmers own the town site. The former owner, who was a non-resident and cared only for the money that he could get out of the lots, put exorbitant prices on his property. It was, however, taxed at his own figures, so he was soon ready to sell. The farmers organized a stock company with T. E. Tostenon as president and J. M. Colter as secretary, and bought him out. Wanting a telephone they organized a company with T. E. Tostenon as president and J. M. Colter as secretary. Shares \$25. No one can hold more than two shares, which entitles one to a phone, though each one must pay his share of the running expenses. They are renting phones to the people in town; in time this income will pay the running expenses.

The elevator men paid what they pleased for grain so the farmers got together and organized a stock company with Fred Schmidt as president and S. I. Knutson as secretary. Shares \$25. No one can hold more than eight shares. Last year a dividend of 20 per cent was declared. And in addition they had received a higher price for their grain. The other elevators now pay one to two cents above market price, yet they are able to get but little grain.

Not wanting to swell the coffers of the insurance companies they organized the Farmers' Mutual company; President, Fred Schmidt; secretary, S. I. Knutson. The assessments were three mills 1909, two mills 1908, four mills 1907, and one mill 1906.

Not having any place to meet they organized a stock company with R. H. Soelle as president and H. G. Bundy as secretary. They wanted a building 30 by 60, with a full basement. The contractors wanted \$3,500. The farmers thought that this was too much so they hired men to do the work and superintended the work themselves. They save \$1,000 on the building.

When they held a farmers' institute recently they met in their own hall, brought their families and a picnic dinner. The basement contains a dining room, kitchen, two cloak rooms and coal room. Here the children played and had a good time while their elders were entertained and instructed upstairs. When noon came all repaired to the dining room. Meanwhile the orchestra furnished music. They all stayed at the hall, no hanging around grocery stores, pool rooms and livery barns. It will be interesting to know that many of these farmers raise the fine crops of corn this year. It will also be interesting to know that they wanted such subjects discussed as corn and clover growing, dairying, silage and rotation of crops. It will not be easy to estimate the independence and sense of power that this successful co-operating will develop in this community.

FRUIT ASSOCIATION IN WEST

California Ranchers Who Were Dissatisfied With Low Prices Form Organization for Protection.

The Western Slope Mutual Fruit Growers' association seems to be in line as a success. It is organized by a number of Grand valley ranchers who were dissatisfied with the low prices received for some of their fruit, says the Denver Field and Farm. It now promises to reach over the entire fruit country on the western slope. The movement originated in an attempt by the orchardists to rid themselves of the awful middlemen who will hold a meeting of their own out in Sacramento, California, to determine in turn what they will do to the fruit growers and so the merry war goes on. The plan of the new mutual association is that no person who is not raising fruit can hold stock and receive dividends of the concern. The ranchers claim that the profits from their fruit is eaten up by dividends to stockholders in the present shipping associations who formerly owned orchards and raised fruit, but who have sold their land. The ranchers also charge that the officers of the present association are receiving too large salaries, \$7,500 a year being paid to the manager of the Grand Junction association. Under the new system only the men actually raising fruit can be stockholders in the association and then only on an acreage basis. One share will be issued for every acre bearing fruit. The plant of the Palisade peach association has been purchased by the new mutual company for \$5,500 and negotiations are on for the purchase of several of the larger associations so as to wind up their little ball of yarn. The whole plan thus far evolved in Colorado proves that organization alone is not the only thing necessary to fetch good prices and we will have to try something smarter. The trouble with most of the shipping associations is that they become top-heavy with expense and this eats up the profits.

FORM A BREEDING SOCIETY

Michigan Co-Operative Organization Was Started by House to House Canvass by Agent.

W. F. Raven, field agent for the Michigan Agricultural college, spoke recently in New York on "Methods of Organizing Co-operative Breeding associations." Mr. Raven explained how he had gone from house to house and induced the farmers in certain sections to bind themselves into a legally organized association, agreeing to use only purebred sires of a certain breed.

About 120 cows are represented by such an association. Three breeds are bought, and the cows are divided into three sections and a bull placed at the head of each, where he remains for two years, when the bulls are changed to other sections. In this way the three bulls are used for six years, and thus give the advantage of using mature sires.

The speaker pointed out the advantages of all the farmers in a neighborhood keeping only one breed of cattle by saying that cattle brought higher prices where buyers could pick up a carload in a small community. The "joker" to Mr. Raven's plan seemed to be that all cows going into such an association must be tuberculin-tested by a state veterinarian, and that the farmers must bind themselves to buy only such tuberculin-tested cows.

Why Stick to Cotton?

Why keep putting land in cotton year after year until it will not make more than one-third bale of cotton per acre? Why not begin to rotate crops this year? Cotton ought not to be planted on the same land more than one year out of three—certainly not more than one year out of two. Let us plant more leguminous crops this year and raise more poultry, hogs, cattle, sheep and other stock to convert the leguminous crops into meat and manure.

Time to Plow.

Now is the time to plow. If the land was not broken last fall, begin at once to break the land about one inch deeper than it has ever been broken before and to turn under all the vegetable matter, such as corn and cotton stalks, grass and trash. Don't burn off the grass or trash on the land. Vegetable matter is the thing most needed on the worn out cotton lands of the south and it is a shame to burn grass and trash on cultivated land.

Importance of Reading Matter.

The up-to-date farmer needs a good library as well as any other professional man. The progressive man reads some at all seasons of the year, but there is more time for reading in winter than in summer, especially of long evenings. Get good books of all kinds and read them. Every dollar spent in good books will bring \$10 actual return, not counting the pleasure and general information derived from the reading.

Dry Grain for Chicks.

The same dry grains that are fed to young chicks will answer for turkeys. They should not be overfed, for they are very tender things for the first month or six weeks, especially are they susceptible to dyspepsia. Keep them dry.

DRY FARMING ISSUE

Movement Has Direct Value in Application to East.

Never Have Good Agriculture Until Farmer Prepares for Dry Times Just as Consciously as He Does for the Winter.

I am convinced that the dry farming movement has direct value in its application to eastern as well as western conditions. The movement is necessary, and therefore worth while, in its western applications alone, and in its bearing on the welfare of those regions it should appeal to all the people; but it also has a bearing on agriculture in the entire country such as our people do not yet understand. We habitually associate "dry farming" with dry regions; but the conservation of water lies also at the foundation of agriculture in most humid regions, as well as in semi-arid regions, for the crop in humid regions is very generally determined by the pinch of the "dry spell" or drought; writes L. H. Bailey, director of the New York State College of Agriculture at Cornell University, in the Dry Farming Congress Bulletin. As the strength of a wall is measured by its weakest course, so is the crop-producing power of the year determined, under prevailing farming methods, by the poorest or least effective growing month.

Farmers in the semi-arid regions are compelled to save the rainfall, and they prepare a definite program of conservation, making this program a part of their reckoning. But the farmer in humid regions usually makes little or no allowance or reckoning for drought, and when it comes he is caught; and yet the drought and not the rainfall determines his crops.

We shall never have a good agriculture until the farmer prepares for dry times and drought just as consciously as he prepares for winter. The "dry spell" of summer is usually considered to be a calamity; it is probable that a properly regulated system of husbandry would make such spells to be advantageous.

The annual precipitation at Ithaca, in central New York, is approximately 33 inches; yet there is record of a year with a rainfall of only 21.20 inches. The average recorded yearly rainfall for the state of New York ranges from 51 inches down to 28 1-3 inches, and if we exclude Long Island with its more uniform precipitation, the minimum becomes about 26 1/2 inches, or approaching closely to dry farming conditions. There are parts of the state in which the mean precipitation over a series of years is under 23 inches.

I have before me the records for 48 years of one station in western New York, with an annual average of 27.52 inches, in which there are four years with a total precipitation of less than 20 inches (one year only 16.44 inches), and two years with a total of 20.02 and 20.61. Were it not for other aids than rainfall of the particular year (there is probably a low evaporation due to proximity of large bodies of water, and water is held in the soil from other years), this would be a semi-arid place; for a region is usually held to be semi-arid if its precipitation is less than 20 inches.

It is the precipitation of the "growing months," however, that largely determines the crop. In the dry section just mentioned, there are 26 years of the 48 in which the monthly rainfall was less than one and one-half inches (which is very dry) in one or more of the months of May, June, July, August; and there are ten other years in which the rainfall in one or more of these months was between two inches and one and one-half inches (which usually indicates droughty conditions). Even at Ithaca, with its mean precipitation of about 33 inches (and a maximum of about 46 1/2), there are 17 years out of 53 in which the rainfall was less than one and one-half inches in one or more of these four growing months, and 14 other years in which it was less than two inches, making 31 years in the 53 (or about three-fifths of the years) in which droughty conditions prevailed. Even in a section in western New York with a mean annual precipitation of 44 1/2 inches and a maximum of 59 1/2, there were five years out of 20 in which the rainfall was less than two inches in one or more of the four growing months. If to these four main growing months were added April and September, all the foregoing figures of droughty conditions would be more marked.

Prevent Exhaustion of Soil.
To prevent exhaustion of the soil, the fruit grower has to replenish the elements taken from the soil, and this is done in the form of manure and commercial fertilizer, says American Cultivator.

Vegetables Pay.
As between vegetables and fruit, the vegetables pay best, as one can raise two to four crops of them on the same spot of land in a season and only one crop of fruit.

Profit in Cucumbers.
A farmer near Olathe, Kan., last season made a net profit of \$7,000 from cucumbers alone. He uses a hothouse in winter and grows the vegetables out of doors in summer.

Non-Springing Roosters.
A man of Springdale, Wash., claims to have produced a breed of poultry from wild birds obtained in the Sandwich Islands, the roosters of which cannot grow.

MAKE SUCCESS ON DRY FARM

Governor Brooks of Wyoming Makes Timely Suggestions to Home-Seekers in Semi-Arid Sections.

Governor Brooks of Wyoming makes the following statements which those who live in or perhaps intend to go to dry farming sections should carefully observe and be governed by them:

First: Those who occupy these lands should go with some means in hand by which they can sustain themselves independent of the product of their land until such land can be made productive. This is a fact that we have observed in our going through those sections. The dry farming area is quite different from areas that have heretofore been opened by the settler. When our prairie sod is turned over it is ready for a crop of some kind the first season. Not so, as a rule, when the sod is turned in these dry sections. Now and then there are exceptional seasons that will help the occupant of that land to get something from that first sod, but it is not safe to depend upon it.

Dry farming should follow well established rules. Most of those rules are now well understood by those who have made it a study and have worked it out upon the land itself, until it can now be said that something is known, as to successful detail in the handling of dry land soils. We will not stop to outline those rules here for much has been written and said concerning it. There are experiment stations that are doing good work in these dry sections which will constantly illustrate the value of what is called dry farming methods. Let the farmer in those sections keep in touch with what they do or not do at those places and be governed by their successes or failures as the case may be.

There is much evidence now that some lands that were called worthless by reason of the lack of rainfall can be made to sustain good comfortable homes when that soil is handled in ways which are now understood but which were not known a few years ago.

The general opinion from those who are good authorities, is that when any one settles west of the 99th meridian on good land which cannot be irrigated, such a party should own his land outright, either by purchase at the proper price or by location under government authority. He then should plow deeply as soon as possible in order to make a cistern in which to hold the water that comes in limited amounts from rains and melting snows. Keep the surface of that deep plowed land very thoroughly cultivated so that the moisture which he has already obtained shall not escape, but will be eventually used by the crop which he wishes to grow.

In all probability continued experience will demonstrate that a man so located should cultivate one part of his land one year, and summer fallow the other part that year, which means to keep the top part very thoroughly cultivated after every rain or deposit of moisture, so that when he grows a crop on that field the following year he will have the accumulation of two years' water to aid him in his growing crop.

Dehorning is Cruel.
Is there any decent excuse for sawing off a steers' horns when they might have been stopped from growing when the steer was a calf ten days old at a cost of ten cents? Dehorning is a cruel and useless practice.

Water for Farm Animals.
The amount of water consumed per day, by each of the various farm animals commonly found upon the farm, is about as follows: A horse, seven gallons; a cow, six gallons; a hog, three gallons, and a sheep, something less.

Barley Excellent for Pork.
It has been found by experiment and practical experience that barley is a most excellent feed for pork production, as it produces a sweeter and firmer meat than corn.

DAIRY NOTES.

Keep the hand separator in good repair.

Get the best cows; they are none too good.

One thousand pounds of butter from a single cow in a single year is pretty good.

A separator in the dairy business is almost equal to the thrasher in wheat growing.

When a man begins to keep records of his herd he is a good long step toward success.

Do not leave the cows out in any kind of storm until they are wet or chilled through.

The products of the dairy are perhaps the most useful articles included in the human diet.

To make a success of dairying you can't know too much about your cows. No two cows are alike.

Cows giving milk are voracious eaters. It is from their food and drink that their milk is made.

The cleaner the milking and the sooner the milk is strained and cooled the longer it will keep sweet.

Separator milk contains less cream than milk skimmed by hand; hence there is less fat in it for the calves.

Some cows have a natural adaptation to certain feeds, while others again can make use of most any kind of feed.

The dairy farmer should make it a point to study the individuality of his dairy cows if he expects to get the most out of them.

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Dog Dies From Grief
A dog's striking attachment to his master is recorded from Villeneuve-Saint-Georges. While attending the funeral of a municipal councillor's wife C. Constantin, a resident of that village, contracted congestion of the lungs, from which he died suddenly.

He had a dog, a small fox terrier, which never left him. Since the death of M. Constantin the poor animal refused food and passed whole days at the cemetery moaning on the tomb of his dead master. The other day the terrier was found dead.—le Figaro.

LEADING QUESTION.



Grace—What lovely sleighing weather, Jack!
Jack—Yes, it is. Would you like to try it?
Grace—Dear me, I should be delighted!
Jack—Do you think your father would lend me his horse?

EYES WOULD BURN AND STING

"It is just a year ago that my sister came over here to us. She had been here only a few weeks when her eyes began to be red, and to burn and sting as if she had sand in them. Then we used all of the home remedies. She washed her eyes with salt water, used hot tea to bathe them with, and banded them over night with tea leaves, but all to no purpose. She went to the drug store and got some salve, but she grew constantly worse. She was scarcely able to look in the light. At last she decided to go to a doctor, because she could hardly work any more. The doctor said it was a very severe disease, and if she did not follow his orders, closely she might lose her eyesight. He made her eyes burn and applied electricity to them, and gave her various ointments. In the two and a half or three months that she went to the doctor, we could see very little improvement. "Then we had read so much, how people had been helped by Cuticura that we thought we would try it, and we cannot be thankful enough that we used it. My sister used the Cuticura Pills for purifying the blood, bathed only with Cuticura Soap, and at night after washing, she anointed her eyes very gently on the outside with the Cuticura Ointment. In one week, the swelling was entirely gone from the eyes, and after a month there was no longer any mucus or watering of the eyes. She could already see better, and in six weeks she was cured." (Signed) Mrs. Julia Csepleska, 2905 Utah St., St. Louis, Mo., Aug. 25, 1915.

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"Yes, I do. She's dumb."



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She—Yes; who is that?

Barmails in South Australia.
"South Australia is suffering from a barmail famine. Two years ago barmails were abolished in that state by act of parliament. No more could be legally engaged, but those already employed could remain on condition that they registered themselves.

There are now only 400 of them left, and the competition for their services is such that their wages have jumped from 25 shillings to £3 a week. The hotels that have had to employ barmails report a considerable change for the worse in their receipts.

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"So far as I can see every indication points to one of the best crop years in the history of this country. Two more rains of the right variety and coming at the right time will make the crop. No power can prevent it. I cannot help but think that Central West Texas is on the ragged edge of an era of unprecedented prosperity."—W. L. Lilly in Abilene Reporter.

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EXCLUSIVE AGENTS IN BIG SPRINGS

He Calls on Her Mother

By STACY E. BAKER

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Young Mr. Butler—Freddy Butler, he was popularly known—stared at the woman in keen surprise as she generally invited him in and placed an easy chair at his disposal. Mrs. Coyle was loquacious; as yet Freddy had not uttered a word.

"I knew you at once—but why do you pretty young for the job?" Freddy surveyed her with reproachful eyes. Also he flushed. It was somewhat embarrassing to have his tender years sung in his face—especially from the lips of the mother of the girl he intended to marry.

"I don't think I am," he retorted indignantly. This woman, in spite of her anti-aesthetic appearance, was positively different, with all the different possible, from Hope—sweet, slim Hope, his brown-eyed, brown-haired divinity.

It had been a whim of Hope's that she come to Swiswale alone and break the news of their engagement to her mother, whom he had never met, while she remained in Pittsburg. It was a strange whim, but Hope was a girl of odd ideas and the personification of impulse.

Under the scrutinizing eyes of the elderly woman, Freddy drew his boyish form more erect in the great chair, and the red on his cheek thickened.

"Pretty young," reiterated Hope Coyle's mother. "Pretty young for the job. The others before you were older men; not that I am criticizing you, sir, but it seems to me that you are—pretty young for the job."

Freddy glared in amazement. Hope had told him that she had said not a



"Aren't You Pretty Young for the Job?"

word of their engagement to her mother—and Hope was to be believed. Hope had told him that he—of Pittsburg's most promising young lawyers—was the first man to enter this life—and Hope was to be believed. Still—

"I was born in Rhode Island," said the woman, suddenly smiling across at the embarrassed youth. "My husband is dead," she continued. "My first name is Loretta, and— She interrupted herself. "Are you sure you can remember all this? Hadn't you better put it down?"

Butler mumbled inarticulately, and cast furtive and frequent glances toward the door.

"I have one daughter," continued Mrs. Coyle serenely. "She is an expert stenographer located in Pittsburg. She— You must have a remarkable memory," she suddenly sang at the young lawyer, to be able to remember all this, you know. Now what else shall I tell you? Question me!"

Butler's dry lips clicked as he opened them to answer. Heavens! So this was the mother of the girl he intended to marry—and she was crazy—no doubt of it—crazy as a Bedlamite.

"Well, then," continued the talkative one, Freddy showing no inclination to interrogate, "I guess I know what you want to know. This property—this house, and this lot—are mine. I also own another place in Homestead. I'll bring the deed for you to see in a moment."

"Never mind about that," the youth managed to ejaculate. "I thought you were a le-ette young for the job. But never mind," she soothed. "I'm sure every one will help you to the best of their ability."

"He must think I am a pauper," pronounced the youth inwardly. As a matter of fact, Freddy Butler, though young, and untired along paths of jurisprudence, was no pauper. An acute father and left him with a sufficient amount of the world's goods

to do with as he pleased and still not touch his principal. The girl stenographer in the Frick building had attracted his notice—and thereafter her income was perceptibly swollen by the patronage of Blackstone's youngest disciple. Imaginary clients demanded all sorts of typewritten screeds.

"We have a cow and a horse," continued Hope's mother, "but the barn doesn't belong to us. We rent it from Owne O'Neal, the grocer on the corner. He's a perfect gentleman, too, and I'm sure you'll like him."

"I don't expect to meet him," protested Butler, shifting uneasily in his chair.

"Oh, but you will," insisted the other. "You'll have to meet him. His home is only three blocks from here, and he'll be terribly put out if you exclude him."

"Exclude him," mumbled Butler. "What the dickens is the woman raving about now? Certainly must be crazy. It's high time that I make my little talk and get away."

"We shall live in the city, you know," he explained. "So I doubt if we will meet Mr. O'Neal."

"Live in the city?" came the hesitant answer. "Why—what do you mean?"

"Firmness at the start," thought Freddy to himself. "I'll establish no precedent by allowing my mother-in-law to bluff me at any stage of the game."

"In a city," he repeated. "We will go there as soon as we are married—right after the honeymoon, I mean. We decided on that step some time ago. I have a large house in the east end lying idle, and Hope is quite infatuated with it."

"Hope! Infatuated with—why what are you talking about?"

"Our marriage, of course," explained Butler, impatiently. "Hope and I are to be married in June. I see you know all about it, though how you learned is a mystery to me. Hope sent me out to explain. She said you didn't know—yet."

Mrs. Coyle burst into a shriek of hysterical laughter.

"And I thought you were the census taker," she gasped.

"Census taker!" reiterated the surprised attorney. "What in the world gave you such an idea?"

The mother of Hope had stilled her laughter and was now staring at the young man, an inexplicable look in her eyes.

"I—I don't know," she answered slowly, "unless it is that I am always prone to jump at conclusions, and I had as a working basis to my supposition the information given me by a neighbor not over an hour ago that the census taker was working this street today. She said he was young and good looking."

Mrs. Coyle paused to eye the embarrassed youth critically, a half smile on her lips.

"And so you are going to marry Hope?" she continued. "And think I don't even know your name!"

Butler hastened to give an inventory of himself for the edification of his prospective mother-in-law.

"Hall of the Thousand Mats."

It will be learned with much regret by those who have visited Nara in Japan, says a writer in the London Evening Standard, that the famous "Hall of the Thousand Mats" in that ancient city has been destroyed by fire. The flames spread with great rapidity, and before long the whole place was enveloped in flames, which lighted up the landscape for miles around. Before long the godown (warehouse) in which the temple's valuable relics were stored "for safety against fire" also took fire, and in a short space of time the godown and its contents were totally consumed. By their strenuous efforts, however, the fire brigade saved the main temple—the "far-famed Hasedera. Nevertheless the damage done by the fire is estimated at £100,000. The Sen-jo-ji, or "Hall of the Thousand Mats," was formerly the residence of the abbot. One room alone contained 150 mats, while all were handsome with fusuma by an artist of the Kano school.

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"I should be glad to have you call some evening."

"That is nice of you!"

"I have the most amusing little brother you'll ever see. I just know you'll go wild over him."

"Amusing, eh? Pshaw! I resolved New Year's not to visit any places of amusement this year."

The Difficulty.

"I say, old boy, lend me an X."

"Would if I could, dear chap, but there's an algebraic difficulty in the way."

"What is it?"

"An X with me is an unknown quantity."

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"He'd be put in the yard house," said the sergeant.

"He wud?"

"He wud?"

"But if the private only knew the sergeant was a consorted little monkey, and said niver a wurd, wud he be put in the yard-house for that?" inquired Private Leahy.

"Av course he wud not," said the sergeant, loftily.

"Well, thin, for the present we'll have it go at that," said Private Leahy.

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