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"He Profits Most Who Serves Best"

TAX EXEMPTION FARCE MUST END

Will Congress adopt Secretary Mellon's program for tax reduction which includes a reduction in income tax and the going away with future issues of tax-exempt bonds?

The President and the people are in favor of tax reduction. The politicians, through their votes and parties in Congress, are pushing and nauding to try to gain personal prestige through delays and log rolling in the tax reduction program.

A constitutional amendment to do away with tax-exempt securities passed the House of Representatives last winter but died at expiration of Congress. It is now necessary to pass it again. This takes valuable time and shows waste and expense resulting where public officials play politics instead of expediting the business of the nation.

At the present time it is estimated that the income from approximately \$30,000,000,000 in capital invested in government tax-exempt securities, escapes all forms of taxation. The fact that cities, counties, states and nation can issue tax-exempt bonds drawing a low rate of interest has caused a reckless increase in public debt and has furnished the loop-hole for billions of dollars to escape taxation.

After an amendment to the United States constitution is passed permitting the taxation of income from future issues of public bonds, it will be necessary for legislatures of the various states to ratify the measure. For this reason, quick action in Congress is essential in order that state legislatures which are in session or which will be in session in the near future may be able to act on the measure and put an end to the present obsolete system which is an invitation for the reckless piling up of debt on one hand and lawful tax dodging on the other hand.

It would seem as if Republicans, Democrats and Progressives would be on common ground when it comes to a measure of this kind which assures in the future that every person would pay his share of income tax. It is not possible for Congress to cut out politics and get down to business on this measure?

EDUCATION IN PROHIBITION

A state-wide campaign is to be carried on in the colleges of Texas to "increase respect for the national prohibition law," according to plans which are being developed by Rev. Atticus Webb, superintendent of the State Anti-Saloon League. A series of three lectures will be delivered in every college, under the plan, touching upon the subjects of respect for law, total abstinence and temperance, and the national prohibition law. Mr. Webb has been in conference with state officials at Austin as to the details of the plan, and it is expected that the campaign will be launched early in the new year.

There are many, perhaps, whose prejudice against the Anti Saloon League will cause them to deny support to the proposed educational campaign. The League and its activities have not won the whole-hearted admiration of even all the prohibitionists of the state. It is recognized, however, that such a campaign, if properly conducted, might be made worth while. College boys as a rule are not inherently bad, but are easily influenced by bad companions or bad examples. The prohibition law may be violated by a few of them but it is violated by many men far past college-boy age who are holding positions of responsibility in college communities and whose examples are wielding an influence upon the college students. If these men can not be induced to cease their violations of the law, college students should be taught that they are not worthy citizens and that their example should not be emulated.

Prohibition is not yet accomplished, and will not be accomplished until a new generation is reared without an appetite for liquor and with a wholesome respect for the liquor laws. The educational work must be done through the schools for it is neglected in a great many homes. Disrespect for the law is destructive of government, and open defiance of the law by violators of the prohibition statutes must be stopped.—Brownwood Bulletin.

Mrs. S. E. Switzer, one of our valued subscribers and former neighbors, called at the News office Wednesday and renewed her subscription for another year.

ANOTHER PIONEER PASSED TO HIS REWARD

Mr. L. D. Boyd, one of the best and most respected citizens of this country, died at his home just south of town late Sunday evening, and his remains were placed in the City cemetery Tuesday, after a very impressive funeral service at the Presbyterian church, conducted by Rev. T. W. Davidson. He was buried with Masonic honors.

The following article was read at the funeral, which we reproduce, as it contains a true sketch of his life:

Lemmon Dugan Boyd was born Oct. 31, 1845 at Whitmire, South Carolina. His parents shortly afterwards moved to Florida where the father died. The young widow moved back to South Carolina with her three children—a girl and two boys where she lived on the old family plantation until years after the Civil War.

In 1861 he enlisted in Company D, 13th Regiment, South Carolina Veterans, I. F. Hunt, Captain, O. E. Edward's Colonel, Maxey Greeg's Brigade, A. P. Hill's Light Division, F. J. Jackson's Cavalry, R. E. Lee's Army. Later McGowan's Brigade, Wilcox's Light Division, A. P. Hill's Cavalry, R. E. Lee's Army of Northern Virginia.

Shortly after the close of the war he moved to Arkansas. A few years later he married Miss Hortense M. Richards at Caddo Grove, Johnson County, Texas. To bless this union eight children were born. Hugh, the third child died Sept. 27, 1877, aged two years, four months and twelve days. The remaining seven children are living.

In 1879 he came to Coleman County prospecting and three years later moved to the farm that he lived on at the time of his death.

November 21, 1886 his wife died and was buried in the Santa Anna cemetery. On May 14, 1894 he married Miss Kate Cox at Brazos, Palo Pinto, County. To this union were born three daughters, one of which died in infancy.

In the autumn of the year 1887 he professed faith in Christ and joined the Cumberland Presbyterian church under the pastorate of Richard W. Lewis. He immediately established a family after which he faithfully remained until the day of his death, Jan. 13, 1924. The Fifth Psalm was his last lesson.

His health had slightly failed in the last few weeks. On Thursday he complained of a pain in his chest which seemed to give way to treatment but returned again Saturday with the same result.

He attended S. S. and preaching services, walked home, enjoyed his dinner and hour's reading, a nap and a short walk in the sunshine. Afterward he sat by the fire a very few minutes, arose and fell in an unconscious state dying a few minutes later.

He is survived by his nine daughters, namely: Mrs. J. L. McAndrew, Knoxville, Tenn.; Mrs. P. J. VanDalsem, Santa Anna, Miss Blanche Boyd, Santa Anna, Mrs. R. A. Wilson, El Paso Texas, Mrs. C. W. Oakes, Santa Anna, Texas, Miss Lena Boyd, Kasur, India, Mrs. R. E. Wright, Dexter, New Mex., Mrs. Henry Jangema, Earlville, Ill, Miss Louise Boyd, Waxahachie, Texas, and six grand-daughters, three grandsons and one great grand-son.

There was an intermediate B. Y. P. U. social at Mrs. Slaughter's home Saturday night of last week. On account of the unfavorable weather, not many of the members attended, but what few that were there, had a good time. After playing several games, cake and hot chocolate was served. Those present besides the Slaughter family, were Raymond Childers, Gordon and Nohy Harrrell, Monday Nabours, Ola Polk, Louise Ratcliff and Cora Rothermel.

ONE large unfurnished room for rent.—Mrs. John Harper.

PASTOR ACCEPTS CALL

Rev. Sid Martin, who was extended a call to the pastorate of the Baptist church some weeks ago, was here Sunday and accepted the work.

Rev. Martin is a young man and at present is studying in the Southwestern Seminary at Fort Worth. He will continue to live in Fort Worth until after the present term, which will be about May 1st, then he will move his family here and devote his full time to the work.

We understand that he will be here from Saturday to Monday, beginning the first Sunday in February, and will preach regular every Sunday after that time. Here's hoping he proves to be the right man for the place, and the cause will progress under his leadership.

TWENTY YEARS OF FLYING

Twenty years ago, December, last, the Wright Brothers, Orville, and Wilbur made their epoch making flight in the first mechanically driven airplane.

They used a propeller to drive their plane. Probably got the idea from ship propeller used in water, just as the first railroad cars looked like stagecoaches and the first autos like buggies hard to shake precedent.

Throughout the 20 years of heavier-than-air flying, no one thought of using any propelling agent other than a propeller. Now a Frenchman invents something entirely new. His plane has no propeller. It is driven ahead by exploding gases—like a skyrocket. It may revolutionize flying. Also, it may not.

ly crushed foot. Rev. Louis Zuckerman, a converted Protestant Jew from Poland, will give a lecture at the First Baptist church, Thursday night, Jan. 24th. Everybody invited to hear him. He has a five message and can deliver it. Two years and a half in Seminary, Fort Worth, indorsed by L. R. Scarbrough, J. D. Sandifer, and othes like them. Hear him.

Elvie Lowe, a former citizen of this city, is here visiting with relatives. Elvie recently sold his newspaper plant at Lometa, and is on the lookout for a location. We hope he finds a good plant, as he is a valuable asset to the newspaper fraternity.

NOTICE

We the members of the Santa Anna B. Y. P. U. wish to announce to the public that Sunday evening, January 20, the regular preaching hour will be taken in the giving of a play entitled "Wedding Bells."

This play will be carried out in every way like an elaborate church wedding, and aside from the impressive ceremony some of our favorite readers and musicians will furnish entertainment during the evening. Also we wish to announce that this will be absolutely free—no charges.

We want you at the hour given above; to be there on time; to see this happy couple united.—Reporter.

B. Y. P. U. JAN. 20
 Doctrinal Meeting.
 Subject—The Bible—the one Basis of Baptist beliefs.
 Leader—Thelma Martin.
 Bible Quiz—Althea Ragsdale.
 Introduction—Leader.
 Three things Baptist believe—
 Glenda Ford.
 Baptist and other bodies—
 Nettie Newman.
 Baptist should know the Bible—
 Harold Moon.
 Baptist should love the Bible—
 Florence Neill.
 Baptist and Bible reverence—
 Mabel Banister.
 The Bible in Pulpit and Pew—
 Rev. Slaughter.
 The Bible in Daily life—
 Louise Campbell.
 Special Music—Nettie Newman.
 Song.
 Benediction.

WHAT SANTA ANNA CAN DO

To the question "Just what can Santa Anna do" the writer replies: Above all we want to convince Santa Anna that she can become a pretty spot in Texas that many people fair would claim for "my land." Why, it could become a place of rare beauty indeed if every citizen could awaken to the planting of greens about their surroundings. No soil! No moisture! Too high winds! Hot blistering sun in summer, glaring pavements, all these you say?

But the greater the task the more reason why no individual should shirk his part. Nature decks her canyon walls with mosses and lichens. Every nook and cranny where a seed can lodge a seedling takes root to soften the ruggedness of the bare walls. There is every difference of color in the strata of the rock which relieves the monotony of the natural canyon. Light and shade, twist and turn with doughty plants at every available point.

The heart of the busiest business-part of our little city by the hillside need not be stone cold and devoid of living color if the humans within the walls will but take time to sow and plant. Every entrance can have its bit of living green in pots or tubs or urns.

Consult your Florist or nursery man about what to plant in the varied places nooks and corners. They will assist you with the greatest of pleasure.

When community development is possible it is desirable. So start now dear reader and your neighbor will start next. Plant your native trees and shrubs. There is no home however humble that can not be made beautiful simply by making use of trees and shrubs that are at hand. Grass and shade and a few flowering shrubs.—Contributed.

(To be continued next week).

READ THE ADS

By consulting our advertising columns, you will find that the Santa Anna Merchants are offering some real bargains in good seasonable merchandise. It is our observation that the buying public will do better right here in Santa Anna than any other place, if you will read the advertisements and do your trading where the best inducements are offered.

FOR DISTRICT CLERK

J. R. Moore of Coleman authorizes the News to announce that he is a candidate for District Clerk of Coleman County, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries in July.

Mr. Moore has lived in Coleman county thirty-five years, having spent the past twenty years in the Photograph business, spending considerable of his time in trying to persuade people to look pleasant and is too well known to need any introduction at our hand. He promises if elected, to discharge the duties of the office proficiently and in the proper manner. He will appreciate your support during the ensuing campaign.

FOR COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT

I wish to announce for the office of County Superintendent of Public Instruction.

I have been a resident of this county for the past twenty years fifteen of which were spent as a teacher in the city and country schools, twelve of which were in Coleman County schools. I served three years as principal of the Santa Anna High School, one year as Supt. of the school at Rockwood, one year as Supt. of the Cross Plains High School, and seven years in the country schools of Coleman County. I am teaching this year at Anderson school 6 miles out of Coleman City.

I expect to make an active canvass of the county in the interest of my campaign, and wish to solicit the support of my acquaintances in your territory and ask the investigation of those who do not at present know me.

I believe that I am fitted both by education and experience to fill the office of County Supt. and wish to assure you that if elected I will do all in my power to do credit to the honor conferred on me.

Sincerely,
 HUGH DAVANAY.

H. L. Livingston of Coleman, an Attorney at law, was here this week prospecting, and expressed himself as being favorably impressed with the outlook and thinks he will locate here. Mr. Livingston is a boyhood friend to Leman Brown, Burgess Weaver and several other citizens here, and will not come here as a total stranger.

OUR EFFORT

to render the very best Banking Service is recognized by the large number of pleased and satisfied patrons who do business here.

No pains are spared to make you feel at home with us, and your

Comfort and Pleasure Are Concern.

We want you to know that we want to help you, and that this bank is always ready with its MEANS and SERVICE to assist in building up this town and community.

YOUR WELFARE IS OUR WELFARE—

YOUR SUCCESS IS OUR SUCCESS

Let's Build Together—Come Along With Us.

The First State Bank
 Santa Anna, Texas



Banking Service

Ask those who have a banking account in this bank what the advantages are. They'll tell you "It does away with carrying ready cash, serves as a record for both receipt and financial transactions, and is handy in many other ways."

Follow their example and transact your business through this bank.

THE
 FIRST NATIONAL BANK

LOCAL ADVERTISING

FOR SALE—Cordwood. See J. E. McClure. 1-3t-p.

SEE me for plain or ornamental Concrete work.—J. K. Odle.

WHEN in need of service cars call W. C. FORD GARAGE, 1-4p

FOR SALE—Team of good mules, 16 1-2 hands, 8 years old, sound.—R. R. Powell, Bangs r'te 2, in Buffalo community. 2-2t

OUR prices on all kinds of leather goods are right. The lowest in the country and a big stock to select from.—C. E. WELCH. 41-tf

FRUIT TREES—Let me sell you a nice bill of fruit trees for either spring or fall delivery.—S. H. Petty, agent for the Arlington Nursery. 3-2tp.

FILTERED Gasoline, Blue Pentant Cord and Fisk Red Top Tires, none better, at Gardner's Drive-In Filling Stations, No. 1 or 2, on East and West Main St.

Take a dose of Herbine when you are bilious or constipated, or your stomach is out of order. It is a marvel of promptness in correcting these conditions. Price, 60c. Sold by all druggists.

PIANO FOR SALE—Lightly used, in good trim. Will sell worth the money.—Ed Sander-son. 49-tfc.

OUR prices on all kinds of leather goods are right. The lowest in the country and a big stock to select from.—C. E. Welch 41

800 ACRES; no better on South Plains, sheet water 59 feet, fenced 3 sides, a bargain. Will trade.—Fred W. Turner. 49-tf

LOST—One Ford tire with cushion inner tube on rim, near H. W. Kingsbery home. Reward.—Dr. Hays. I will also buy a few Yearling mules. 2-2tp.

FOR SALE—Good, new 5-room house, finished inside and out; two and one-half blocks of land; south of Presbyterian church. Will take good term. For further particulars see W. C. Bur-den. 1-3c.

W. O. W. NOTICE Delinquent Woodman may now reinstate FREE. See me at once for particulars.—J. S. Jones clerk. 19-tf.

NOTICE Mrs. W. P. Brightwell, teacher of Piano and Harmony, graduate of Daniel Baker College under Henry E. Meyer and student of Miss Newsom of C. I. A. will be in Santa Anna in the near future to organize a music class. Your patronage will be appreciated. For information phone Mrs. P. P. Bond.

FOUND—A Fountain pen. Owner can have same by calling at this office and paying for this ad.

ROOMS FOR RENT—Furnished or unfurnished.—C. E. Welch 2f

FOR SALE—Three good milk cows at Refinery Place.—Gene Bell. 50-tf.

BEST prices ever made on Goodrich casings, Ford sizes.—C. E. WELCH. 41-tf.

FOR SALE—Cord wood 6 miles south of Santa Anna.—Mrs. S. G. Caton. 3-3tp.

WANTED—To know the whereabouts of A. L. Smith. Have some important information for you. Communicate with Box 194, Coleman, Texas. 3-6tc

LOST, January 3, a gold wrist watch (chum) and bracelet chain; also lost metal tube containing thread bobbin and silver and gold thimble.—Mrs. R. D. Kirkpatrick, phone 103. 3-2tp

F. M. JAYNES will sell everything in his possession in Santa Anna. Easy terms. 3-tfc

LOST, Monday, Jan. 7, between G. W. Jennings and Earl Ellis place, a wrist watch. Finder please notify Mrs. John Haynes.

J. D. Williamson has oats for sale at 60c per bushel. Maize heads at \$25 per ton, at my farm eight miles southwest of town.

AN incubator will pay for itself in one season. We have them in the OVB brand. There is none better.—S. W. Childers & Co. GET your implements and harness early and get the full benefit from them.—S. W. Childers & Co.

IF YOU have not received your new Calander, we have one for you. Call and get one.—Corner Drug Co.

LOST—Little, Brown Choaker, between Methodist church and town. Finder please leave at News Office.

GIN NOTICE Notice to the patrons of the Rockwood Gin. We will run our gin Saturday, January 19th, and close for this season on that date. We will also buy remnants.—Melton and Mitchell.

I HAVE some mules and horses for sale. If interested see me.—MILES WOFFORD.

MILK cows for Sale. See B. G. Brown, on Kelley farm, phone 203. 3-3tp.

Fire, Tornado Insurance W. E. BAXTER Santa Anna, Texas

DR. L. O. GARRETT Dentist Office Over FIRST STATE BANK Phone No. 11

FOUND—A lady's purse, has no money, but does contain some things of value. Owner can get same by calling at this office and paying for this ad.

FOR SALE OR TRADE—A nice residence in East part of town, 5 rooms and bath, closets, garage, fruit trees, gas in every room, edge grain floors in three rooms; electric lights, own sewerage. Will trade for property closer in or farm. Post office box 76, Santa Anna, Texas.

INCUBATORS, 160 and 260 egg capacity.—S. W. Childers & Co.

CALL for one of our 1924 Calanders next time you are in the Store.—Corner Drug Co.

JUST received new lot of furniture and floor covering.—S. W. Childers & Co.

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SELF CULTURE CLUB Time, 3:30 o'clock, Feb. 9th. Hostess—Mrs. T. R. Sealy. Leader—Miss Ollie Pearce. Subject—Julius Caesar, Act I and II. Roll Call—Quotations from play. Synopsis of play—Mrs. T. W. Davidson. Sketch of Julius Caesar—Mrs. Weaver. Sketch of Brutus—Mrs. Tom Hays. Sketch of Mark Anthony—Mrs. Frank Turner. General questions: To what period of Shakespeare's work does this play belong? What are the historical materials of the play? Comment on the style and structure of the play? What was the political situation in Rome of which Caesar was representative? Had this situation given the people a genuine cause for discontentment? Act I Why do the two Tribunes drive the work people back from the streets? Explain the Feast of Lupes Calia. Also ideas of March. Why is Pompey's memory representative of a cause opposite to Caesar's? What comment does Caesar make upon the sooth sayers warning? How does Cassius express his feeling toward Caesar? What phenomena are reported through scene III and what are they supposed to pretend? What other conspirators against Caesar are mentioned? Act II What is the substance of Brutus' reflection in the orchard? Why do the conspirators decide to exclude Cicero? How does the spirit of Brutus show by contrast with that of Cassius when he remonstrates against the suggestion of murdering Anthony? How does the interview of Brutus with his wife show the spirit in which he has entered the conspiracy? What fears does Calpurnia have and what do they lead her to do? What attempt is made by Artemidorus to save Caesar?

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LESSON FOR JANUARY 20 MOSES CALLED TO DELIVER ISRAEL

LESSON TEXT—Exod. 3:1-12. GOLDEN TEXT—By faith Moses, when he was come to years, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter; choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God, than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season.—Heb. 11:24-25. INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—Moses, the Liberator. YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—Moses and the Deliverance From Egyptian Bondage.

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4. Lack of Eloquence (Exod. 4:10). This difficulty the Lord met by providing an assistant in the person of his brother Aaron. Moses was to be in the place of God to Pharaoh and Aaron was to be his prophet (Exod. 7:1, 2).

Lasting Friendship. The friendship of Jesus is one that lasts.—The Gospel Herald. Perfect Peace. The peace which the Savior gives His own is peace of heart and mind amid daily duties. It is that "central peace" which may subsist in the heart of endless agitation.—Boyd. A Good Equipment. Have a heart that never hardens, a temper that never frets, and a touch that never hurts.—Charles Dickens. Be Courageous. Show not the struggle. Face it.—The Mennonite.

After Joseph was dead, there was a change of dynasty. (Exod. 1:8). The new king, noting the rapid increase of the Israelites, counseled the exercise of prudence lest when war broke out they join the enemy and fight against the Egyptians. One of the methods to curtail this increase was to enslave the people. Falling in that an edict was issued that every male child should be drowned. While the oppression of God's people was heading up, God was providing a deliverer. Moses, that deliverer, was first trained at his mother's knee, then at Pharaoh's court and finally under God's immediate hand in the desert.

I. The Lord Spoke to Moses From the Burning Bush (Exod. 3:1-6). It was while keeping the flock of his father-in-law in the desert that the Lord appeared to Moses in the vision of the burning bush. This bush, enveloped in flames, yet unconsumed, symbolized the people of God enswathed in the very fire of God, or God dwelling in the midst of an elect people. Moses stepped aside to behold this strange sight and was taught the essential lesson of the proper approach to God. The Lord did not leave him long in suspense. He told him he was the God of his fathers, the Covenant God. As soon as he knew it was God speaking to him, he hid his face.

II. Moses Commissioned as the Deliverer of His People (Exod. 3:7-10). 1. God's Active Interest in His People (v. 7). In the preamble of this commission, God said to Moses, (1) "I have seen the affliction of my people"; (2) "I have heard their cry"; (3) "I know their sorrow." 2. God's Gracious Obligation to His People (vv. 8, 9). (1) To deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians. (2) To bring them up out of the land. (3) To bring them into a "good land and a large." 3. God's Commission to Moses (v. 10). "Come now therefore, and I will send thee unto Pharaoh that thou mayest bring forth my people, the children of Israel, out of Egypt." This call seems to have been a great surprise to Moses. At any rate, he realized his unfitness to undertake such a task.

III. Moses' Objections Patiently Heard and Removed (Exod. 8:11; 4:10). 1. Personal Unfitness (v. 11). He realized his insufficiency for this task. Moses did not refuse to go; but pled his difficulty before the Lord. God answered this difficulty by assuring him that He would be with him. The token of His presence would be His worship with the people of Israel on this mountain. 2. The Difficulty of the People to Understand Moses' Relationship to God (vv. 13, 14). Moses knew how unwilling they were to acknowledge him as their deliverer 40 years before. Since God reveals Himself under a new name as He assumes a new relationship to His people, Moses inquired as to what that new relationship would be, and His corresponding name. The Lord promptly met this difficulty revealing to him a name different in many respects from all others previously given. This new name is, "I Am." This name is from the Hebrew word, "to be." It indicates (1) God's self-existence—the One whose very nature it is to be—the cause of all being. (2) His self-sufficiency. He said, "I Am That I Am." Since God is the unique One, He could not go outside of Himself to explain Himself. (3) His unchangeableness. What He always was, and is, He evermore shall be. 3. Unbelief on the Part of the People (Exod. 4:1). This difficulty the Lord met by supplying him with credentials which could not be gainsaid. He was given the power to perform supernatural wonders (Exod. 4:2).

WHY YOU ARE WHAT YOU ARE

By EDNA PURDY WALSH

WHY ALL THE LAUGHS?

The mirthful fun lover cannot help his laughs and the pleasant little wrinkles around his eyes, and face which turn upwards. The source of them is mirthfulness, located in the forehead above the outer white of the eye.

Mirthfulness brings an appreciation of humor, and leads to the pathos taken by Larry Simon, Eddie Lyons and Harold Lloyd. When you see them next, look for development of the forehead at these points. You will surely find it abundant.

The external angles of the face grow tiny lines from mirthfulness. There are horizontal lines on the nose, at the angles of the eyes and at the corners of the mouth.

His eyes look pleasing or mirthful, and in a man who laughs a great deal,



there will be curved lines, even in his cheeks.

Well-developed mirthfulness takes one through many difficulties easily. It takes one to the newstands to buy comic stories. Mirthfulness is at ways memorizing these stories, and telling them to others. Love of mischief also springs from this faculty, and when it is well developed the individual always has a history of playing tricks on others at school, especially when veneration in the upper head at the Fontanelle is not large. No clown, wit, humorist or comedian ever lived without mirthfulness. (© 1924, Western Newspaper Union)

MERCHANTS CREED

"If I knew you and you knew me 'Tis seldom we would disagree; But, never having yet clasped hands,

Both often fail to understand That each intends to do what's right And treat each other "honor bright."

How little to complain there'd be If I knew you and you knew me.

When'er we sell you by mistake Or in your bill some error make, From irritation you'd be free If I knew you and you knew me.

Or when the checks don't come on time, And customers send nary a line, We'd wait without anxiety If I knew you and you knew me.

Or when some goods you "fire back," Or make a "kick" on this or that, We'd take it in good part, you see, If I knew you and you knew me.

With customers a million strong Occasionally things go wrong Sometimes our fault, sometimes theirs— Forbearance would decrease all cares;

Kind friend, how pleasant things would be If I knew you and you knew me.

Then let no doubting thoughts abide Of firm good faith on either side; Confidence to each other give, Living ourselves, let others live,

But any time you come this way, That you will call we hope and pray; Then face to face we each shall see And I'll know you and you'll know me."

The fellow who drinks the brand of booze that is available nowadays may be thankful that there is "many a slip" between the cup and the lip."

The beginning of the year is an ideal time to compare the records of Smith and Jones. One of their examples you will find.

But which will it be.

THIS APPLIES TO ALL OF US

It is a great pity that in this country we cannot grow older a little faster than we are doing; not in years, but in the learning of some vital lessons. Point out a national weakness, such as this riotous extravagance which possesses so many of us, and quickly reply, "Well, we're young as a nation you know. We'll learn better as we grow older." But how much longer are we to remain young? How much farther can we safely go in teaching by example and precept that money is an article which must be spent and never saved? Because that is what we are doing, and nothing else. "But we don't want our children to be stingy," is the universal excuse. Certainly not. But do we want our children to be spendthrifts? With our keen perceptions more alive to all points in human life than is customary with nations, are we so blind that we cannot see that a happy mean exists between extravagance and miserliness? Are we always to cling to extremes; refusing to recognize a safer middle ground in this matter? It is not a pleasant thing to contemplate, if we will sit down and quietly do so, the effect this extravagance will have upon future generations. Already the results are noticeable. The girls are few nowadays who have any true conception of the value of money; the vast majority of them are improvident. The same is true of our young men, three-fourths of whom live in these days abreast of their incomes, if not in excess of them. The fact is, that very few men, old or young, especially the young, make more money than they spend. Habits of improvidence have not alone taken root among the vast majority of our young men, but they are taking firmer root all the time. It makes not an iota of difference what the income is, the result at the end of the year is the same. This is what improvidence does; it finds one at the end in precisely the same condition as at the start, if not in a worse one.

MANURE OFTEN DOUBLES WHEAT YIELD

"When wheat is worth \$1.00 per bushel, good, well-rotted manure is worth more than \$2.00 per ton as a top dressing to wheat," says H. M. Bainer of The Southwestern Wheat Improvement Association. He states that this valuation is based on results from several of the leading experiment stations in the wheat belt. This means that the farmer who hauls out only a few loads of manure a day is making big wages.

Mr. Bainer continues by saying, "Wheat farmers are losing millions of dollars annually because they place too little valuation on manure and let too much of it go to waste. At the Oklahoma station, he says, "Ten tons of barnyard manure per acre applied as a top dressing to wheat once every four years, for a 24-year period, where the land was in wheat continuously, produced 9 bushels more wheat per acre per year than the same kind of land by the side of it which was not manured. This is equal to an increase of 36 bushels per acre in one four-year period and a return of more than \$3.50 for each ton of manure applied."

"The Kansas station produced from 9 to 11 bushels more wheat per acre, for several years, on land that had been manured, than on similar land that had not been manured. At this station, land that was in wheat continuously, and was manured and cropped for 10 years, produced an average of 18.4 bushels per acre per year; during the same period similar land by the side of it that was not manured produced an average yield of only 6.9 bushels per acre."

"The effect of manure of land will continue for several years. The subsoil of manured land always contains more moisture than unmanured land. The nitrogen added by the manure not only increases the yield of wheat but also improves its quality, assuring a higher protein content and a better price."

Not all people with Roman noses came from Rome; not all Africans came from Africa; not all of the blockheads came from woodlands; not all boneheads came from ivory—but all of the coin of the realm comes from the mint.

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THE DAIRY COW PAYS

Under the heading "The Daily Dairy Dollar" an exchange contains the following:

"There are twenty-six members of the Alma-Cochrane Cow-testing Association in Buffalo County, Wisconsin. Working among them throughout the year, E. R. Bailey, the tester, found that all twenty-six own automobiles, having cooling tanks for milk or cream and read farm papers. Between them they have thirty-one silos. All but one grew clover and have power.

"Not one of these families uses margarine. Seventeen of the homes are equipped with electric lights and two have carbide lights. Fifteen have running water and nine have bathtubs. Twelve of these twenty-six dairy men attended the National Dairy

Show at St. Paul last year. Four-machinery for grinding feed, sawing wood, and the like. Twenty-four of the members separate their milk and feed skims milk to calves. Twenty-three of them read daily periodicals. Twenty-one have names for their farms, have both house and barn painted and have milk houses. Sixteen have bull pens, keep cost accounts and drink milk instead of coffee. Teen have had their soils tested for acidity. Thirteen own milking machines. Eight have motor trucks and fifteen have tractors. Seven have installed ventilating systems in their barns.

"This cross-section picture of a small group of typical dairy men should give those who scoff at milking cows something to think about.

VALUE OF CO-OPERATIVE MARKETING

J. Paul Gleason, editor of the Southwest Wheat Growers, one of the best farm papers in the country, has the following to say in regard to co-operative marketing:

"Agricultural colleges and specialists have been teaching the men on the farms how to make two blades of grass where but one grew before. They have shown how the yield per acre might be increased, and how diversification and rotation of crops will pay.

"But we find that agriculture is divided into two separate and distinct parts, each of which is entirely dependent upon the other. The first part is production and the second part is market-

ing. We also have found that production is purely an individual problem. It is generally known among farmers and the consuming public that marketing to be profitable and successful, must be a collective problem.

"By collective marketing is meant that the farmers organize themselves into co-operative marketing association for the purpose of intelligently marketing the products they individually produce. The crops are put upon the market at place and time of demand. It is an orderly affair and avoids a so-called 'glutted' market. Orderly marketing means more money for the farmer.

"Farmers know production. But they are wise enough to admit they know nothing of marketing and it's economic features. For that very reason they have hired technical experts to manage their marketing associations. The experts are 'bossed' by the farmers themselves through their annually elected farmer-grower board of directors. In this manner the power never passes from the producer. The experts are merely hired to do the things with which the members are not familiar."

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And you will be convinced that our Groceries and meats are always fresh and just what you want for every meal.

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By means of these little advertisements we hope to make more folks conscious of our regular newspaper advertisements.

There are many things in our advertisements of moment to the public—editorials of general interest, announcements of store policy and merchandising news of vital import to the household.

Constant reading of our published announcements will bring its own reward.

The Spring number of the McCall quarterlies is now on sale.

Our January Specials on White goods, Woolens and Underwear close Saturday, January Twenty-sixth.

The new Popillon Charmeuse is even more beautiful than last season's. Plan some fascinating sewing of this lovely silk-like material.

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Looking Ahead

LAST Spring a total of 350,000 people were disappointed in not being able to obtain deliveries of Ford Cars and Trucks, as orders were placed faster than cars could be produced.

The demand for Ford Cars and Trucks this Spring will, according to all indications, be far greater than last Spring.

Winter buying has been increasing at a greater rate than ever before.

Actual retail deliveries the past 60 days totaled 308,170 Ford Cars and Trucks, an increase of 1,961 a day over a year ago.

Over 200,000 people have already ordered Ford products on our purchase plan, the majority of whom will take delivery in the Spring.

The above facts are given with the suggestion that you list your order promptly with a Ford dealer if you contemplate the purchase of a Ford Car or Truck for use this Spring or Summer and wish to avoid delay in delivery.

Ford Motor Company
Detroit, Michigan

You need not pay cash for your car. You can arrange to make a small deposit down, taking care of the balance in easy payments. Or, you can buy on the Ford Weekly Purchase Plan. This puts you on the preferred order list and insures delivery of your car at a time to be determined by yourself.

See the Nearest Authorized Ford Dealer

BIG CLEARING SALE

The Adams Mercantile Co., is in the midst of a big January Sale, which will continue throughout another week, as was announced in a full four page ad and circular last week. The Sale is progressing nicely, and considerable merchandise is changing hands.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

We were glad to see so many new faces in the audience at the services last Sunday, especially at night. Come again. It helps us to deliver the message. It also encourages the faithful ones

as well as the preacher. There was another splendid addition at the morning hour, making 14 in the last month. Many more expected soon as there are quite a few in town who should come in as this is where they belong in belief.

The Bible School is growing slowly but surely. Come and join one of the classes next Sunday. The class of women challenged the class of men last Sunday to engage in a contest during this quarter. This challenge was promptly accepted. The visitors are to be entertained with a supper by the defeated class. This is going to create quite a lot of friendly rivalry. It will also increase the attendance of the whole school if we mistake not. It more than doubled the attendance at our last pastorate.

The Bible School paid out for all purposes during the past year \$336.92 and has on hand now \$99.86, according to the report last Sunday.

The Bible School begins next Lord's Day at 10 o'clock promptly. Preaching and communion service follows immediately.

Subject of the morning sermon: "The Lord's Supper."

An evangelistic service at night. Plenty of good music. Just one hour of lively, enthusiastic, enjoyable service. If you come once you can't stay away.

Frank Polk made us a splendid talk on the character of Ruth, at the Bible School hour last Sunday. Others have promised to talk on some other Bible characters. We hope soon to have some real boy preachers. Come and join the Bible School next Sunday.—A. L. Oder, minister.



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Inactive Liver

"I have had trouble with an inactive liver," wrote Mrs. S. Nichols, of 412 Spencer St., Houston, Texas. "When I would get constipated, I would feel a light, dizzy feeling in my head. To get up in the morning with a lightness in the head and a trembly feeling is often a sign that the stomach is out of order. For this I took *Theford's Black-Draught*, and without a doubt can say I have never found its equal in any liver medicine. It not only cleans the liver, but leaves you in such a good condition. I have used it a long time, when food does not seem to set well, or the stomach is a little sour."

If it isn't
Theford's
it isn't
BLACK-DRAUGHT
Liver Medicine.

THOSE CURLEE GUARANTEED SUITS

Why pay \$40.00 to \$50.00 for your Suit when you can buy a Curlee guaranteed Suit for \$32.50. These Suits carry an absolute guarantee of satisfaction in every respect. YOU TO BE THE JUDGE. If they fail we are positively authorized to give you a new suit and we will do so. They are real values and real merchandise. If you expect to buy a suit be sure to see them. We have other Suits \$16.50 and up.

Last week's freight brought us about 30 cases of those Friedman-Shelby "All Leather" shoes. In these were quite a number of new spring styles. We do not think there is a store in Santa Anna that sells more shoes than we do. "The Reason" we give you absolute value in each and every pair that you buy. Nothing but all leather shoes in our shelves and the prices are even lower than lots of the cheap shoes. RED GOOSE SHOES for the children. "Some higher priced, but none better."

We Have Protected Ourselves

by buying all the staple cotton goods, Work Shirts and Overalls that we will use for the next several months. This means that you will buy this class of merchandise at our store at the same old prices you have been paying. No advanced prices and a large stock to select from.

\$1.00 DRESSES

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We are grateful to our friends and customers for their patronage the past year. Our stock is going to be enlarged this year. We are going to make every effort to serve you better. Small expense account and paying cash for all the merchandise we buy gives us an advantage that some do not have. We can give you better merchandise at the same prices.

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Friday, January 18, 1924

Political Announcements

The News is authorized to make the following announcements, subject to the action of the Democratic Primaries July 25, 1924:

For County Judge:

S. J. PIERATT.
(Re-election)

For Tax Collector:

J. C. LEWIS.
(Re-election)

For County Treasurer:

NOLAN BARMORE.
(Re-election)

For Superintendent of Schools:

C. A. FREEMAN.
(of Talpa)

J. H. KELLETT.
(of Valera)

HUGH DAVANAY.

For County Clerk:

L. EMET WALKER.
(Re-election)

For District Clerk:

W. E. GIDEON.
(Re-election)

J. R. MOORE.

For Tax Assessor:

GEO. M. SMITH.
(Re-election)

For Commissioner Precinct 2:

FRED L. WEST.

L. W. HUNTER.

For Public Weigher, Precinct 7:

JOE B. FLORES.
(Re-election)

CARD OF THANKS

To the old, old friends and the true new ones who so lovingly visited us, assisted us and spoke such deep, sincere words of sympathy, love and praise, we write this card of thanks.

Daddy's life among you was so clean, wholesome and thoroughly Christian that our loss is all of Santa Anna's loss. You loved him and he loved you so his memory you paid him was a true outpouring of your loving hearts and our wishes for you are that you may enjoy many years of health, pleasant companionship and Christian association as he did. Also Dr. Holland who responded so promptly when called but too late.—Children of L. D. Boyd.

The town that has outgrown the curfew law needs something to take its place.

Let the Terrace Do Its

Soil Salvation Work

Over 100,000,000 acres of land in Texas are losing both soil and plant food as a result of the washing which follows heavy rains. This loss of soil and plant food occasioned by erosion is not confined to any particular section. It is a problem of state wide interest. East Texas has a growing interest in the improvement of its soil, and while the farmers of the section realize that terracing will not restore the fertility of washed fields, they are alive to the fact that on rolling lands terracing is the first step in any soil-building program. Until the soil itself is anchored, there is little opportunity of increasing its supply of plant food and the size of the crop yield.

Central Texas is gradually coming to the conclusion that terraces and contour farming—running the rows around the slope—are preferable to unterraced fields and straight rows, which run up and down the hillside, even though the appearance of the land is less pleasing to the eye. It is almost a crime the way in which many fertile black lands have been robbed of both soil and fertility by the burning of cotton stalks and the running of rows up and down hill. The cotton stalks consumed by fire would have increased the ability of the soil to absorb water and hold it for the mid-summer drouth, while terraces would have slowed up the flow of the water; thus, giving the soil a better opportunity to absorb a larger part of it. But the wate found the soil inhospitable to its entrance, and has taken its revenge by tracing a ruinous course over the surface of our fields.

Even in West Texas, where a lack of moisture is more often the factor which limits the yield of the crop than is a deficiency of plant food, there is a very great need for terracing. While the total rainfall of the section is limited, the occurrence of occasional torrential downpours makes it very important that the land be protected from washing during this period and that much of the surplus water of the spring season be stored in the soil for future use. Furthermore, the terracing of West Texas farm land is one step in the State-wide flood control work now under way. Much of the water which floods East Texas in the spring of the year originates in West Texas, where it is so badly needed later on. Terraces will give West Texas soils a better opportunity to absorb more of this water and thus stop the floods at their source.—The Progressive Farmer.

You Know These Things,

Why Not Do Them?

The farm boy who has missed fruits in season, has missed by far the greatest happiness of farm life. Ask the man whose boyhood was spent on a farm where there were fruits of all sorts in abundance in season. The chances are ten to one that he will admit that his greatest pleasures came from the fruits. He will find it hard to decide which he enjoyed most. Whether the rich, ripe morsels gathered in as he picked over the little strawberry patch each day in early spring, or the first rip-

currants that came soon after, or the huckleberries, or the blueberries found in the woods? The first ripe apple in May, the first red one in June, or the first Horse apple in July? The first peaches in May or those of the different varieties that came in a steady procession week after week until early fall?

In the midst of this abundance the cantaloupes grew sweet, the watermelons answered "plump," and several varieties of grapes ripened one after the other. And as the leaves turned brown in the fall the red apples hanging high were brought down and stored, and the peans were frailed down and picked up for winter use. In the cold, gray days of winter the hot coals of the wood fires furnished the heat for the popping of popcorn, the parching of peanuts, and the roasting of sweet potatoes, as well as comforting warmth in which an apple or a plate of peans was thoroughly enjoyed.

But what difference does it make which of the fruits give most pleasure? The important thing is to have them, each and every one of them. Many farm families have all of these things. Why can't more have them? Those who really want them can have most or all of the fruits in season adapted to the section in which they live.

Some will grow fruits and nuts for the mere joy of living that comes from having them. Others will grow them as a source of cash. Whether you seek the riches in the pleasures to come from an adequate home orchard, or the cash that may come from the well managed commercial orchard, we hope this issue will be a help to you. Turn from page to page, study each of the articles in turn, think of the happiness a good home orchard brings to kiddies and grown folks, and then do something about it.—The Progressive Farmer.

THE GIRL AND THE NEWSPAPER

Should girls read the newspaper? That's a question that is short, sweet and to the point, and we are inclined to answer the girls in one word—"Yes." And yet, after that one word we want to add a little warning.

First of all, a good newspaper: read what is going on in the world of literature, science, art, and, possibly, if it interests you, politics. Read so that you may talk well on the subjects most interesting to men and women. Don't read descriptions of awful murders; don't read details of vile intrigues, and don't read silly personalities. The girl who reads a daily newspaper properly is apt to be the girl of quick wit and fully infomed of what the world is doing. You see, we want to know that because we are in the world and of it. There would be no lie and animation in us if we were not. The woman whose world is a narrow one makes it for herself. She enlarges it when instead of idle gossip, she can talk about the last new picture, the critics man the book or play, the wonderful gift that some chairtable man has made to humanity, or the advantages to be derived by men and women in the passing of a law. We said choose a good newspaper, and we do not believe in the good news-

paper, there is anything to be avoided by the girls and certainly very much can be learned from it.

Let's Start a Bank Account

Banks in a way serve the same purpose as an implement storage barn. Did you ever think of that? Implements stored under good shelter are protected and preserved, we know where they are, can check them up or inspect them at any time, and they are ready for use at any time we have need of them. It is the same way with money deposited in a bank, and there is one additional and very great advantage. This comes from paying all bills by check—the check being a receipt for all payments thus made and no money is paid by the bank until the receipt is given by the endorsement on the back. Our obligations are discharged, recorded, and receipt taken when we pay by check. Then when we can check up at the end of the month and see where our pennies, dimes, and dollars go, we naturally are more careful to see that we get full value in return for all we pay out.

Having started a checking account, it becomes a much easier matter to then start a saving account. Every man feels just a little prouder of himself when he has a bank account and pays his bills by check. That very fact takes him out of the ranks of the unprogressive and puts him in the class with real business men.

PLAINVIEW NEWS

We have been having some cold weather and everyone has been killing hogs.

Misses Bessie Brandon and Morris Gober attended the show Saturday evening.

Ozro Eubanks spent the afternoon in the C. W. Williams home Sunday.

Mrs. C. M. Williams visited Mrs. Travis Hays Tuesday.

Lorraine DeRusha was a caller in the Hill home Sunday night.

Mr. T. T. Fowler is moving on Grandma Richardson's place and we are glad to welcome them back into our midst.

Alton Taylor spent an enjoyable afternoon in the John Potter home Saturday.

Miss Nellie Jackson visited Miss Odie Jackson Sunday.

The Club work is progressing nicely. We enjoyed our work last Monday, which is our regular meeting day. The officers are Bessie Brandon, president, Dollie Taylor, vice-president, Ruby Copeland, secretary, Jamie Phillips, reporter. We took in two new members Monday.

Miss Lorena Taylor and Vernon Roberts took dinner in the C. M. Williams home Sunday.

—Reporter.

To drive out worms that are eating away the strength and vitality of your child, use White's Cream Vermifuge. It expels the worms without injury to the child. Price 35c. Sold by all druggists.

Auto bandit tied a motorist to the wheel of his machine. He thought a fellow who could get away from an automobile deserved to live.

WILL FORD'S FOLLOWING FOLLOW?

The announcement of Henry Ford that he would not run for President on any ticket against Calvin Coolidge is one of the most important developments of the presidential situation. It means that the movement that has been in progress to induce him to enter the presidential race will terminate and that political prognosticators will be without a favorite topic on which to speculate. There is not the slightest question but that Henry Ford was favored for the presidency by a large number of people throughout the country. This was manifested in many ways. Although he never expressed a desire for the nomination there developed a widespread sentiment in favor of his selection; and in some states it crystallized into organized action. Definite announcement of his determination not to be a candidate will give impetus to the candidacy of several other men who are aspirants for this honor. The sentiment which developed in favor of the nomination of Mr. Ford is a high compliment to him. It was based upon the conviction of many that the genius that he has shown in the development and management of his private industry would find great opportunity for service in the discharge of the duties of the head of the nation.

It be forgotten that the motor magnate's support may actually alienate many who were friendly to Coolidge before he (Ford) spoke. There are financial interests that view Ford with disfavor. The Jews have no occasion to align themselves with him. There are many others who rate him as a joke in politics. In spite of which, it is a reasonable assumption that he has helped Coolidge, but he hasn't decided the next election.

Misers and prodigal spenders are the two extremes, yet they are both of a class. They are their own worst enemies.

Doing unto others as you would be done by is good practice and it pays in the long run.

This is the season of the year when there are so many people who like chicken just as well as turkey anyway.

\$BIG MONEY\$

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SCIENCE AND INVENTION
(From the Literary Digest
January 5, 1924)
**IRRIGATION BLAMED FOR
THE WEATHER**

Has the irrigation of arid lands in our Southwest affected the climate of the United States? E. B. Dunn, affectionately known as "Farmer" Dunn, and long connected with the U. S. Weather Bureau, asserted that it has done so. In an article contributed to the New York World, he expresses his belief that irrigation in the Rocky Mountain region has swerved the average path of storm-centers across the continent and has thus changed climatic conditions over wide districts, altering temperature and rainfall in a distinct degree. Everybody in America and Europe, writes Mr. Dunn, remarks that the climate has changed, and speculates on what may be the cause. We can know but little of atmospheric conditions, much less control them, he admits. What little

we have learned does not suffice to explain the real deep causes for many of the erratic conditions of recent unseasonable seasons. Nevertheless he is convinced that much of our own local trouble may be attributed to irrigation. He continues: It may seem rash to accuse irrigation of working revolution in our climate; but even a cursory study of well-proved facts is enough to demonstrate that serious changes in the weather of the West and Southwest have gone hand in hand with irrigation. It is largely a matter of storms.

Storms, local or general, are the result of unequal distribution of heat, or of excessive local heat, over any part of the earth's surface. This causes unstable equilibrium of the air, thus effecting constant fluctuations of barometric pressure. The climate of any place is determined by the number and the paths traveled by the storm centers, whether to the north or to the

south of the given locality.

If a low-pressure storm center pass to the north of a given locality, the wind will blow from a southerly quarter and bring warmer weather; if it pass to the south the wind will be northerly and bring colder weather.

Storms used to enter the United States from the north west. Now they come from the southwest. This change has caused a change of weather which is felt over the whole country. This is not a matter of opinion but of official record. It brings us back to irrigation.

As far back as 1870, when the United States Weather Bureau was quite young, it instituted a system of charting the path of storms across the country. Its records show that for many years the majority of storms entered our country from the North Pacific Ocean by way of Washington and Oregon. Very few came directly across the Central Rocky Mountains. The few that did were forced to high elevations and by contact with the colder air deposited all their moisture on the Pacific slope.

Other storms began to develop over the Plateau States, and yet others appeared on the Gulf or South Atlantic Coasts. Those that came in from the North Pacific traveled well to the north of the Canadian boundary line and passed off the coast of Nova Scotia or Newfoundland. Their influence was felt over our Northern States and into the center of the country, and after their passage the old-fashioned cold wave would follow from an area of high pressure, often driving the cold or "norther" even into the heart of Texas.

For a long time it was a mystery why so many storms should be born or linger over what was supposed to be arid country. Later it was discovered that the great inducement was water. Up to 1890 Colorado had more land under irrigation than any other State. The Geological Survey at the time showed that there were 4,300,000 acres of land in Colorado, Wyoming, Nebraska, Kansas and Utah cultivated by means of irrigation, and it was about that time the charted observations of the course of storms first indicated the connection between irrigation, and

climatic change.

In the last thirty years irrigation has increased manifold. Today the water furnished for irrigation supplies 19,000,000 acres of land, extending from Montana and the Dakotas southward to Arizona, California, and Texas, and east to Kansas and Nebraska.

In the Indian reservations alone there are being developed for irrigation purposes 1,392,797 acres of land, which cost the United States \$52,000,000, while \$134,000,000 has been expended in other sections; the persons interested are now asking for \$250,000,000 more for further extension of the work.

The vast area covered by irrigation in Southern California, Arizona, Utah, Idaho, Oklahoma and Texas have made nature change her habits. The result is that comparatively few storms come in from over Washington and Oregon, but most of them arrived from over Southern California. The great attraction which Colorado and Wyoming used to furnish for drawing storms from their natural path has shifted to the desert lands of the Southwest, principally in Southern California and Arizona. Here we find a succession of low pressure storms entering and developing over the lowlands of this once arid but now well-irrigated region. The greater part of this land is now kept thoroughly saturated and the intense heat from a broiling sun steadily draws the water from the soil up the sides of the mountains, which form barriers as if to hold in check the vast areas of depression that swing forth and back from the California coast to Texas. This continues until the storm, which has now attained its full energy, moves slowly away, generally to the northwest, with its major axis pointing toward the lake regions.

All the desert land is not under irrigation; for hundreds of miles the sun beats down on stretches of bare sand and stone which hold the heat and add to the building up of storms. As these storms move, the area of depression assumes a roughly oblong shape stretching for hundreds of miles from southwest to northeast. These storms keep under their influence the warm

air from all the Southwest and Central States and carry it north over all the country lying to the south of the storm center. This accounts for the extreme heat which has so frequently covered the Western districts.

The floods which have so often in the last few years visited Arizona, Texas, Colorado, Arkansas and Utah, causing the loss of hundreds of lives, making thousands homeless and destroying millions of dollars' worth of property, may then be attributed to man's zealous endeavor to utilize that great arid waste.

TAX REDUCTION MOVE.

Congress is supposed to represent the people of the United States. The people are undoubtedly a unit in favor of tax reduction. The secretary of the treasury says it is feasible. The president urges that it be done at once. Congress has no good excuse for delay.

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"Is the Newspaper Man a Liar?" asks the Osborne Farmer in a headline, and then goes on to explain: "If the average newspaper man is a liar, he generally lies to protect his community. If a boy goes out into the world and gets into trouble, the home paper says he was a good boy until he got away and got into bad company. If the town tightwad who hugged his pennies to his bosom in life dies, the newspaper throws the mantle of charity over him and says he hated wastefulness, and that his hate for useless spending made him over careful of his investments and his charities. If the town gossip dies he carefully avoids referring to her outstanding weakness, and tells how she visited the sick and afflicted, and winds up by saying she was a good neighbor. If the home team goes away from home and gets the daylight whipped out of them, the home town paper editor tells the unsuspecting world that the team was made up of second-string players. The editor isn't a liar from choice. Truth struggles in his manly breast the same as it does in that of the village preacher, but the pride of his community and the

fear of the irate subscriber makes him a trembling rabbit, and he lies to save the local pride of the town. Still it's a great life if you don't weaken."—Carlsbad Argus.

VOTING EXEMPTION RULING IS MADE

Austin, Jan. 11.—Persons reaching the age of 21 after Feb. 1, 1923, and before Feb. 1, 1924, will be entitled to vote without securing a certificate of exemption, except those living in cities of 5,000 population or over, according to a ruling today by Lon A. Smith, State Comptroller.

A bad wound, burn or cut should be cleansed of dirt or impurities and dressed with Liquid Borozone. It heals the flesh with marvelous speed. Price, 30c, 60c and \$1.20. Sold by all druggists.

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The seal is in blue, as is also a large numeral "1." Also the word "one" is spelled in full and scattered over the new certificate. There's not so much hanjo work on the new certificate, but the clear sharp engraving stands out in bold relief, and it's simply different.

So if you run into one of these welcome little strangers, remove your hat and give it a fitting salute and salaam—and then go out and spend it.

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MOVIE AWAKENING

It would seem that the movie magnates are waking up to the fact that salaries had gone so high that it was impossible to make both ends meet and pay them.

So it is reported that some of the big companies have closed their studios in New York and Hollywood. Some have made enough pictures to last for some time, and are ahead of their schedule, and one concern says that it has fifteen million dollars invested in pictures that have not been released.

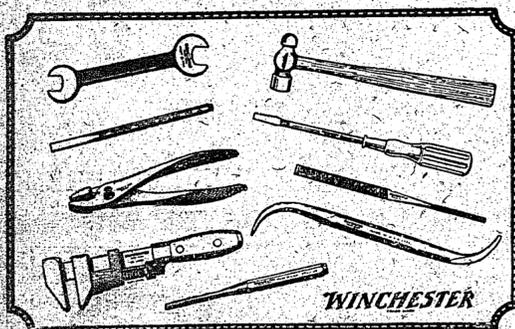
Movie cost has been too high, the producers say and they are taking their first step to reduce it.

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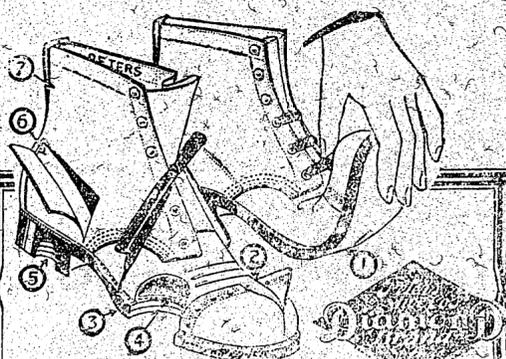
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Caught in the Round-Up

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Campbell spent Monday in Brownwood.

Mrs. A. M. Pleasant was a Brownwood visitor Monday.

Tom Campbell of Daniel Baker, spent the week-end with relatives here.

Mr. Yarborough of Bangs was in the Mountain City Monday.

Mrs. Henry Peoples of Trickham was operated on at the local hospital Wednesday.

The News family attended the Truett Meeting at Brownwood Sunday and heard some real old fashion gospel preaching. Dr. Truett, in his preaching, reminds us of people who have pure old time religion.

Mr. W. W. Stewart was carried to the local hospital Monday for special treatment.

H. L. Griffin was in last Friday to see his nephew, Merle Hart, who is confined in the local hospital suffering from an attack of appendicitis and peritonitis.

Mrs. Reeves of Regency is visiting the family of Jim Harrison.

The Week's Program

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Monday and Tuesday, 21 and 22

2 REEL FIGHTING BLOOD in connection.

Wednesday & Thursday, 23 & 24
THOMAS MEIGHAN
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FRIDAY 25
MAY McAVOY
in

"THE TOP OF NEW YORK"

The real romance of the girl Broadway called the beautiful "Baby Doll." May McCoy's most appealing picture. Cast includes those wonderful children Mickey Moor and Jane Irving. In connection, with a PARAMOUNT PICTURE we will run a SERIAL, William Duncan in the "STEEL TRAIL" every Friday. Don't fail to see this Friday's program.

SATURDAY 26
SHIRLEY MASON
in

"THE PAWN TICKET"

2 REEL GANG COMEDY in connection.

NOTICE the change in the program. PARAMOUNT PICTURE every Friday. Also William Duncan Serial. You that don't care for serial will see a complete program without the serial.

Messrs. Henry, Frank, and Lewis Brooks and their families of Bangs attended the funeral of L. D. Boyd and by request sang several songs; they sang at his wife's funeral 3 years ago.

Rev. J. L. Smith of Los Angeles, Calif., a former pastor in these parts, is visiting in the John West home, and will preach at the Miligan School house on the Fourth Sunday. The public is invited to attend.

Mrs. R. M. Lowe and daughter Miss Victoria from out on route 2, were pleasant callers at the News office Wednesday and renewed their subscription to the News for another year.

Mrs. Dale of Longview is in the local hospital being treated for a complication of diseases. Her sons, Tom and Will of Fort Worth came in Sunday to pay her a visit.

Mr. J. I. Ellis, a prominent citizen of the Rockwood community, is being treated in the local hospital.

Mr. R. M. Allen, an employee of the Womack Construction Co., was carried to the local hospital Sunday for treatment for a bad

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Martin of Smithville, Texas, are visiting with friends. They called at the News office Wednesday and renewed their subscription to the News.

Mr. and Mrs. Bowden of Brownwood visited in the J. W. Kizer home Sunday.

Leman Brown, president of the First State Bank, visited relatives in Nolan county first of the week.

Mrs. Paul Craig and son, Paul Jr., of Brownwood visited Mrs. Craig's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Taylor Friday and Saturday of last week.

Mrs. Horace Ripley of Brownwood visited home-folks here last week-end.

Mrs. E. T. Haden and children moved to Brownwood last week where they will live until school is out in the spring after which they will join Mr. Haden in their new home near Lamesa.

Clyde Bays and family returned to their home in San Angelo Friday after visiting several days here with relatives.

Our good friend J. Fox Casey from route 2 flipped us a dollar last Saturday with instruction to mark him up another year on our books.

J. H. Blevins, former citizen of this city, has moved back here from the panhandle country and will make this his future home.

STOP THAT ITCHING

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LOST—Friday, December 28th, between Bee Branch and Watts Creek, 22 Target. Reward.—A. D. Olinger, Coleman Route 1.

Good C Grade Canvas 7c per yd.—F. M. Jaynes

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"My little girl had an awful cough. I got a bottle of FOLEY'S HONEY AND TAR COMPOUND and gave her a few doses and she was greatly relieved," writes Clyde H. Benson, Marlboro, Virginia. The best remedy for coughs, colds and hoarseness. Relieves promptly and effectively. C. K. Hunter.

Enjoyed a Good Night's Sleep.

"I wish to say that FOLEY PILLS worked O. K. on me in a couple of hours. I took a couple of them, went to bed and had a good night's sleep," writes Con Thiel, 118 E. Columbia St., Fort Wayne, Indiana. FOLEY PILLS are a diuretic stimulant for the kidneys. C. K. Hunter.

UNFURNISHED rooms for rent.—W. L. Keeling.

Pansies are perfectly hardy. Border your walks with them. Rine plants at 35c per dozen, \$2.50 per hundred.—Mrs. Polk, Phone 71, Santa Anna, Texas.

J. C. Bair and family moved to Ballinger first of the week where they expect to make their future home.

Alonzo Moore of Rockwood has accepted employment with the Burton-Lingo Company.

Hubbard Gage of Dallas is visiting in the home of his uncle, T. J. Lancaster of Whon, and installing a radio in the Lancaster home.

Church Deer returned last Friday from Lott, Texas, where he was called to attend the funeral of his father, who died last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Bobo called Saturday and ordered their babe changed from Trickham route to Trickham, Texas.

Miss Myrtle Beard of Trickham called in Wednesday and paid for the News to go to her sister, Mrs. W. L. Thompson at Waxahachie for one year.

Among the out of town friends attending the funeral of L. D. Boyd were Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Hollingsworth, Mrs. W. M. McCulloch, Mrs. E. K. Thompson of Coleman, Miss Jannie Hammon of Goldsboro and Rev. J. M. Youree of Stamford.

Mr. Jesse Broadway of the Longview community was carried to the local hospital Tuesday, suffering with blood poison in his right hand, and is reported doing nicely this week.

Master William Burden was carried to the local hospital last Wednesday and operated on for Gan green appendix. His condition is reported as being satisfactory this week.

INTERMEDIATE B. Y. P. U.

Subject—Ananias.
Leader—Ethel Jones.
Memory verse—Thelma Lackey.

Introduction—Leader.
Satan the Father of lies—Ola Polk.

Some Bible illustrations of lying—Mondean Nabours.

The sin of Ananias—Louise Ratcliff.

The sin of Sapphira—Manuel Edwards.

Cumberland Presbyterian Church

Sunday School every Sunday morning at 10 o'clock.

—Preaching next Sunday at both the morning and evening hours.

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A combination church and apartment house is being built in New York City. What's the idea—to help the church or the apartment house?

TRICKHAM

Bro. Ferguson filled his regular appointment here Sunday and Sunday night.

Mrs. Eff Sheffield of Bangs is visiting her brother, Mr. Mart Guthrie.

Mr. Stanley Jackson of Childress is visiting his sister, Mrs. Ord Harrison.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Laughlin and Miss Minnie Laughlin from Brownwood spent Sunday with home-folks.

Mrs. Wiley McClatchy was operated on for appendicitis Thursday morning at Coleman and is reported doing nicely.

The Trickham basket ball team played the Santa Anna basket ball boys Friday at Santa Anna. The game was in favor of the Santa Anna boys, the score being 9 and 13.

Several young folks of this community attended Harley Sadler's show at Santa Anna last week.

Mr. Emmet Mathews of Winchell spent Saturday night and Sunday with his mother, Mrs. Lee Mathews.

Mr. Bryan Shield was cutting wood Saturday afternoon and the ax slipped and cut his foot real bad. He is still weak on account of having lost so much blood.

WANTED CAR OF CHICKENS

We will be shipping Cars of Live Poultry to New York and California and will be prepared to pay the highest cash price. This car will be here Tuesday of next week, so bring them in. We also buy Eggs, Hides, Furs and Peacans.

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For the benefit of our customers, and to further reduce our large stock, we offer the following specials for this week. Look them over and bring your bill to us

SPECIALS FOR THIS WEEK:

100 pounds best Sugar	\$9.50
25 pounds best Sugar	\$2.45
100 pounds Pinto Beans, the best	\$6.50
100 pounds Pink Beans, the best	\$6.25
3 bags Bull Durham Tobacco	25c
3 6 oz. Snuff, all kinds	\$1.00
48 pound Sack Flour	\$1.45
Large Bucket Lard	\$1.35
All kinds cakes, the package	5c
Large box Best Crackers	75c
Medium size box Crackers	45c
Spuds per 100 pounds	\$2.50
All kind Onion Sets per gallon	.35c

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oted for sewerage by Olney, sold, for which \$55,000 received. The system is now being laid and the town will soon be rejoicing over the completion of a splendid sewerage plant.

NEW RAILROAD PROBABLE

Plans for a railroad through Yoakum county, from Roswell, N. M., to a point on the Fort Worth & Denver are being discussed, and it is reported that a survey is to be made in the near future.

NEW COURTHOUSE FOR SAN ANGELO

Work is now in progress on a new courthouse, which was razed in order to make room for the new structure, was built in 1834. For some years after the old structure was built it served thirteen West Texas counties.

HELIUM PLANT AT AMARILLO

ones recently gave out that the Bureau of Geology has completed plans for a helium plant at Amarillo. Construction would be as soon as the title to the land is perfected.

VE BANKS SHOW DECREASE

ederal reserve system district, composed mainly of banks, showed an increase in deposits to individual banks ending November 30, 1928, with the same week of last year, according to figures submitted by the federal reserve bank of Dallas. Only six of the seventeen banks reported decreased deposits.

ONE OF THE TALLEST CONCRETE BUILDINGS

The Milam building, recently completed in San Antonio, is the second tallest reinforced concrete building in the world. The tallest building of this character in the world is the United Bethlehem building in Dayton, Ohio. It has the same number of stories, but is a little taller than the San Antonio building. The company owning the building reports an investment of about \$2,000,000.

TEXAS SCHOOL ROLLS SHOW 1,369,838 CHILDREN

There were 1,369,837 children within the scholastic age validly enrolled in the census of this year, according to figures submitted by the State Department of Education. The original census rolls showed 1,379,153 children, but a careful checking of the rolls showed many duplications. Many children enumerated last year as being 17 years old, the maximum age for scholastic enrollment, were included this year as still being 17. This resulted in the removal from the rolls of 9,321 names.

BIG POTASH DEPOSITS IN MIDLAND COUNTY

A committee of the faculty of the University of Texas, Dr. J. A. Udden, Dr. E. H. Sellards, and Dr. E. P. Scoch, recently made a survey of the potash fields of the western part of Midland county, and upon completion of the survey submitted a report saying the section of the county mentioned contains enough potash to supply the entire United States for a period of 250 years. The first definite information of a tremendous supply of potash in this region was given in a paper some time since by Dr. Udden.

FINE NEW HOTEL FOR MIDLAND

Formal opening of the new Scharbauer Hotel at Midland is expected to take place about February 1. The structure will be six stories high, will contain 150 rooms and will be one of the finest hotels in the State. Every room will be provided with private bath, radiophone, telephone and running ice water. There will be a banquet hall with a seating capacity of 300, a roof garden and club rooms for the Midland Petroleum Company. Mr. Scharbauer went to Midland when he was ten years old, his first money being earned selling newspapers. He is now a millionaire.

SURVEY TO SAVE VALUABLE LAND

Approximately 60,000 acres of rich agricultural land along the Brazos and Little Rivers will be reclaimed according to surveys authorized by the State Reclamation Department. The surveys will be used in constructing levees and controlling flood waters. These surveys, according to the reclamation engineer, should be completed not later than March 1, 1928.

Forty thousand acres of the rich Brazos bottom lands between Marlin and Waco will be salvaged from overflows and permit farmers to plant crops under one survey and reclamation project, and 20,000 acres along Little river from Buckholtz to Marlin will be converted into good farming land.

MULE 37 YEARS OLD

Dan Bull, well-known farmer of Parker county, owns a mule that is 37 years old, and he believes his is the oldest mule in the State. The mule is still active, but has not done any work in five years, the owner having set the animal free five years ago. "Old Jude," for that is the mule's name, has the run of the pasture and comes up regularly to be fed. Mr. Bull worked the mule twenty-five years and says there was never a better one.

About ten years ago a mule died near Honey Grove, in Fannin county, that was known to be forty-six years old.

TO DRILL FOR POTASH AT CROCKETT

The fifth well in the course of the government's effort to develop domestic supplies of potash will be drilled in Crockett county, Texas, by the Pennsylvania Drilling Company of Pittsburgh, under a contract awarded by the United States Bureau of Mines. It is expected that the top of the potash-bearing salts will be reached at the depth of 1,190 feet, after which a diamond drill will be used.

Potash well No. 4, in Ector county, was completed the first of October, at a depth of 2,098 feet. It is probable that the next potash test well will be drilled in Upton county.

TWO TWELVE-STORY BUILDINGS FOR SAN ANGELO

Early in 1928 work will be begun on two twelve-story buildings in San Angelo by the Concho Realty Company, the two structures representing an investment of \$1,200,000. One of the structures will be a bank and office building, the other a hotel. The two buildings will be in the same block.

The twelfth floor of the bank and office building will be reserved for a medical clinic, and the eleventh and tenth floors will be equipped especially for professional men. The hotel will have 400 rooms, each with bath.

WHEELER COUNTY VOTES MILLION FOR ROADS

Early in December, Wheeler county was assured a permanent highway system when a bond issue of \$1,000,000 was voted by the people of the county for good roads. As a result of this election 68 miles of highway will be paved and more than 100 miles of lateral roads will be built. Highway No. 66 will be paved its entire length, east and west, across the county, closing an important gap in what is known as the "Main Street of America." State Highway No. 4 will be paved from the Collingsworth county line, through Shamrock and Wheeler, to Mobeetie, and Highway No. 33 from Mobeetie to the Gray county line.

NACOGDOCHES COUNTY HAS NEW COTTON QUEEN

Nacogdoches boasts of a second "cotton queen" in the person of Miss Ruby Lee Williams. Miss Williams, who is 17 years old, produced three 476-pound bales of cotton on one acre of land this year. She is the daughter of a tenant farmer and beat 100 club boys in this year's county contest. The young lady plowed the cotton by herself and picked half of it.

Last year Miss Elza Daniels was cotton queen of the county, producing two and one-half bales of cotton on one acre of land. In recognition of her work Miss Daniels was sent to Washington, D. C., as "The Cotton Queen of the South," and was received by President Coolidge.

STANDARDIZATION OF COTTON IN COLLIN COUNTY

Collin county is thoroughly sold on cotton standardization, both as to production and ginning. The scheme has been tried out in this county and experience has taught the farmers that it pays. One particular variety of certified cottonseed was planted on about 8,000 acres in the county this year, and a gin was standardized for ginning it exclusively. Some other gins in the county set aside certain days in the week on which no other variety of cotton was ginned. Next year five or six varieties of cotton will be planted, some communities preferring one variety and some another; in fact, some varieties seem adapted to certain communities. Farmers in the various communities will select the variety which seems best adapted to their lands and all plant it. Then each neighborhood gin will equip itself especially for ginning the variety grown in its community. If enough of the variety is grown the gin will gin no other; if not certain days of the week will be designated on which the favorite variety will be ginned exclusively, thus insuring the growers the maintenance of the purity of their seed and staple. Cotton buyers and cotton mills prefer buying uniform staple and willingly pay a premium for it.

Experience this year has fully demonstrated that pure certified seed produce the best cotton, both as to quantity and quality. The McKinney Chamber of Commerce is fostering a county-wide cotton standardization campaign.

TEXAS' OLDEST WOMAN

So far as there are records to show, the person who lived to the greatest age in Texas was Sarah Chambers, who died in Dallas December 9, 1927. According to the death certificate on file in the office of the county clerk, Sarah, who was a negress, was born in Georgia in the year 1800. "Old age" was given as the cause of her death.

CHEESE PLANT FOR WICHITA FALLS

Final arrangements have been made for the operation of a cheese factory at Wichita Falls, by the Kraft Cheese Co. A minimum of 50,000 pounds of milk per day will be required for the operation of the plant, and this amount has been guaranteed by the local Chamber of Commerce after a careful survey of existing dairy herds. Favorable freight rates to all points in Texas and to Shreveport, La., have been scheduled. The widening market and the resulting demand for increased supplies of milk have led this company to seek out and develop new dairy areas, according to the president of the company.

WOOL AND MOHAIR OUTPUT OF TEXAS

Government figures recently published showed Texas again leading all the States of the Union in wool output, a distinction which also applies to mohair. The latter industry has grown swiftly during the past few seasons, achieving notable progress in both quantity and quality of yield.

Last year Texas breeders clipped nine million pounds of mohair, which brought them more than five million dollars. That represented about one-third of the world's total production. A few years ago American manufacturers imported from Rhodesia and Anatolia the raw materials for their finest fabrics, but now they find that Texas mohair meets all requirements in quality. Mohair is used in the making of men's summer clothing, and by upholsters, drapers, shoe and stocking manufacturers, and by the weavers of finer woolsens. Its gloss is not attained in any other fabric.

OLD TEXAS HORSES

J. D. Okefee, of Strawn, Palo Pinto county, owns a horse that is 33 years old. Mr. Okefee believes his horse, which bears the name of Rondo, is the oldest horse in Texas. Rondo did active service in hauling oil field supplies during the development of Palo Pinto, Eastland and Stephens counties oil fields.

At Honey Grove, Fannin county, a horse 37 years old was killed early in December. This horse, which bore the name of Henry, was for about fifteen years a fire horse. During a run one night the horse fell and broke a leg. From that time until his death old Henry was pensioned by the fire department, his old driver caring for him tenderly, and requiring no work whatever of him. Early in December the horse got out at night and wandered away. While on the highway the horse was struck by a large truck and died of his wounds.

TEXAS HAS FOUR OF NATION'S LARGEST SPRINGS

A Texas writer, who has looked the matter up, tells us that Texas has four of the largest springs in the nation. According to Oscar Edgar Menzies, of the United States Geological Survey, this writer points out, the largest springs in the Texas region are those which occur along the fault belt on the coastal plain near the Balcones escarpment, chiefly between Austin and Del Rio. These are believed to be artesian springs whose water rises through fissures produced by faulting. The four largest, the ones listed among the 65 major springs of the United States, are Comal, New Braunfels, Goodenough, 12 miles southeast of Comstock; San Marcos, San Felipe, Del Rio, and three just outside the major class: San Antonio, Las Moras, Brackett, and Barton Springs, Austin. Sixty-five springs, under the classification of major springs, are to be found in the United States. Four of the number belong to Texas. Comal Springs, at New Braunfels, have an average flow, according to government measure, of 350 feet, so when it is understood that one second foot means an equivalent of 646,000 gallons a day, some idea of the size of a major spring may be had.

Of recent years an effort to utilize the water for commercial advantage has begun to materialize. Within the past two years the first unit of a three-unit plant has been built by the Syndicate Power company, at a cost of over \$3,000,000.

San Marcos Springs, San Marcos, issue from openings at the foot of a line of bluffs that form the Balcones escarpment in this locality. The water forms a lake nearly half a mile long, which gives rise to the San Marcos river. It is estimated that San Marcos springs would supply Washington, the national capital, and another city of equal size, all the water the two cities could consume.

BIG ORDER FOR FLYING BOATS

The Navy Department at Washington has ordered twenty-five FN-10 type flying boats from the Douglas Aircraft Company of Santa Monica, Cal., the total cost of which will be \$1,553,505.

\$2,500 FROM 10 ACRES OF PECANS
I. W. Shireman, of near LaPorte, who is 83 years old, realized \$2,500 last year from ten acres of pecans.

Mr. Shireman had passed his sixtieth year when he became interested in pecan culture and planted his first pecan trees on his place near LaPorte, which is about 35 miles from Houston. "I like to see things grow," he said, and to his fondness for growing things he attributes his success in pecan growing.

WOMAN GETS \$904.65 FOR TURKEYS

Mrs. Florence Makinson, who lives near Clovis, N. M., is another woman who is well-pleased with the returns from her turkey crop last season. For her turkeys last season Mrs. Makinson received a check for \$904.64. Mrs. T. M. White, of the Fort Sumner community, received for her last season's crop of turkeys \$856. About \$100,000 was paid out for turkeys by Clovis dealers during the past season, the farmers receiving 30 cents per pound for their birds.

BIG GIFT OF LAND TO TEXAS SCHOOL

The Texas Christian University, located at Fort Worth, rejoices over a splendid Christmas present which was made the institution by Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Shirley, of Anna, Collin county. The gift to the University consisted of lands, located in Grayson county, and a conservative estimate of the value is \$50,000. A deed of record conveying the lands to the University has been filed in the office of the county clerk at Sherman.

The total in acres covered in the transfer is 562 acres, and the consideration named is that of promoting the cause of education in the State of Texas, and especially for the purpose of promoting and assisting the cause of education at Texas Christian University. Six tracts of land are covered in the deed.

ANTI-CHICKEN THIEF ASSOCIATION

A fine indication of the poultry business' growing importance in San Saba county is the recent movement there for the protection of poultry against thieves. The poultrymen and farmers of the county recently organized an anti-chicken thief association. This association is a logical successor of the vigilante organizations formed years ago to protect the people against horse and cattle thieves. Time was when a chicken was not regarded as of sufficient importance to call forth individual, to say nothing of organized protection, but at this good time a raid on a hen house filled with pure-bred fowls yields as much value as the stealing of a horse years ago. Chicken stealing is now a felony offense in Texas, and Idaho has a law for the protection of poultry owners that prohibits the sale of fowls between sunset and sunrise without the permission of the sheriff.

GREATER PROTECTION FOR DEER IN TEXAS

While there are still many deer in Texas, many believe the State is granting too liberal a policy in their slaying, and the next session of the Legislature will doubtless be urged to amend the hunting laws for the better protection of many wild animals, and especially of deer. It has been pointed out by several writers that Texas faces the prospect of complete extermination of wild deer within a very short time unless more rigid protection is afforded and made effective. The limit under the present law is two bucks for any person, but hunters find an easy way of making this law ineffective by adding members to their party when it becomes necessary to show sufficient names to make a total equaling half of the number of deer slain.

To prevent the extermination of deer in Texas Mr. Kleburg, of Kingsville, suggests a number of important changes in the present law. He declares that unless better protection is given that in a very few years there will be no wild deer in Texas, where once millions of the animals reamed. Mr. Kleburg points out that many of the old western States have more deer than Texas, due to the fact that the older States long ago learned the lesson of conservation. The hunting season should be shortened to ten days, Mr. Kleburg believes; New Mexico, which has a much larger area of waste land and more deer than Texas allows but ten days in which deer may be killed. Mr. Kleburg is on the opinion that the present law, permitting the slaying of bucks only and resulting in the decimation of males has reduced the breeding capacity of the herds as a whole. He suggests that the law be changed to allow the hunter one buck and one doe, instead of two bucks.

CRIMINAL RECORD OF ONE TEXAS CITY

According to the report of the chief, a total of 7,239 arrests in the City of Dallas during October, 1927. Of these were for violations of the ordinances, 141 for breaches of peace, 264 for vagrancy, 522 for drunkenness.

Fines aggregating \$11,622 assessed against law violators, \$6,278 was paid in cash. The plain clothes division made 104 raids, which netted 10,860 of beer, 6,318 quarts of whiskey, 1,044 quarts of wine and six liquor licenses. The detective chief reported in 52 burglaries and 196 thefts of property worth \$13,401 were reported. Automobile thieves got \$26,000 valued at \$126,550.

NEW USES FOR COTTON NEEDED

District Manager Tutt, of the Department of Commerce, with offices at Houston, has sent out a letter to businessmen and others of the State seeking suggestions for new uses for cotton. The letters ask the opinion of those to whom they are addressed what new extended uses may be developed for cotton, or any cotton product in any industry, trade or profession, art, household, or elsewhere.

In his letter Mr. Tuttle says, "Many who used to robe herself in many yards of the South's fleecy staple now trim down the street in a few yards of cloth made mostly from silk or wool." Many suggestions for the new uses of cotton have already been received, some of which are very practicable.

A doctor suggests that all infants should wear cotton underwear and hosiery. There is no need for woolen underwear for infants in the South, the doctor avers. He also urges that fashion designers be petitioned to aid in the good work.

The chairman of the board of the South Texas Cotton Oil company suggests the use of cotton curtains in Pullman cars. He believes the Department of Commerce will be able to solve this knotty problem, if it sets itself the task.

A well-known manufacturer suggests cotton canvas for the back of automobiles, which, he says, would be much stronger than the burlap now used for that purpose. Another well-known manufacturer suggests printing wall paper cotton cloth.

The head of an advertising agency suggests that a two-inch longer and a mixture of cotton thread with in the manufacture of hose would yield a five per cent increase in cotton shipment, or the use of 500,000 additional bales. He says further that saving in economy on their hose would go into more dresses and further help the cotton situation.

TEXAS GAME SHOWS INCREASE

Due to wise conservation measures the wild game population of Texas shows a healthy increase. During the last year especially the increase has been very satisfactory. The increase applies to nearly all animal and bird life. His annual report the State Fish and Game Commissioner says that in parts of the State where there has been game four years ago restoration has progressed to a marked degree.

In a general survey of wild game conditions over the State, the Commissioner, in his report, notes big increases in the supply of quail, turkeys, doves, a fair increase in white-tailed deer and antelope, especially in the game preserves. The Commissioner attributes large part of the success of the game to the fact that the legislature years ago allowed the department use of the game fund, which has been used in conservation work. Since time fifty-two game preserves have been established, taking in 2,000 acres where wild game is protected and propagation is enhanced. In addition to these preserves numerous large tracts over the State have been set aside for hunting so as to increase the number of deer and turkeys especially thrived in such localities.

Prairie chickens in the Panhandle have rapidly increased during late even with extensive hunting during ten-day season, but the southern section has reproduced somewhat slowly. During this year the men have distributed 500 pheasants, 5,270 bob-white quail.

While statistics showing the increase in game life indicate dangers from extermination of species have been averted, the Department is still waging war against animals, many of which have enormously with increases. Coyotes and cats are being hunted, not only by wardens, but by private citizens, who contribute their share of pest control to road runners and crows.

Game killed the last year, as determined through records of the Department, show that 1,437 bucks, 1,320 keys, 67,356 ducks, 998 geese and 1,320 brant were killed. Nearly 12,000 hunting licenses were bought than a season before, and all game collected amounted to \$190,770.

CURRENT COMMENT

By J. H. LO

CHRISTMAS IS OVER

The squeal has been crushed out of the rubber balls and rubber and the ear-splitting flutes and gongs are but an echo. This is the compensations of after-days, and for the stilling of the young thank Heaven. The annual toys, such as electric railway engines, are all out of the window. The youngsters have benighted the things won't and have quit trying to make. This is a case of the old folks when hope dies in the juvenile Christmas turkey is but a pale shadow now. First there was the gloriously roasted to a delightful brown, carefully garnished and surrounded by all its concomitant gustatorial delicacies, such as oyster dressing, celery, cherry sauce, salads, etc. Then we ate the scrappings, which were by means bad, then we picked the bones, leaving but the framework of what had been a glorious feast. After that there was turkey hash, which sufficed for two or three meals. Then there was a turkey with only a suspicious flavor of turkey and its trimmings. But even the turkey is but a memory now. We have returned to the workaday world, with its cuisine of bacon and eggs, buttermilk and greens.

The cream chocolates and the divine fudge have all been devoured or given away, leaving only the pretty containers as reminders that gallant swains have lovely lassies. The toy balloons have all burst and their tinsel remains watered by the children's tears.

The little flagons have all been drained, even to the last drop.

The friends who dropped in to glad and to cheer have returned to life's cruel routine, that kills ideals and dreams, leaving us lonely indeed.

But, thank Heaven, all of Christmas is not a mere memory. The toys, the flagons, the balloons and the chocolates are numbered with the things of the past, and the last firecracker has long been exploded, but I have my socks! Other Christmas trappings perish from the earth, but the socks abide. They will cover shins, corns, chilblains and sores for many months to come, and give a joy and a comfort as the new travels from joyous youth to dejection. When you make your list of presents for father, next Christmas they will have a place at the head, the center of the list. If we only socks at Christmas time, the joys would live throughout the year and be a blessing to mankind.

Program for 1928
"What are you going to do in 1928,"
I asked the other day.
"After I am going to do a great

many things—and so are you. There are so many things to do that none of us need fear ennui, or think about much rest.

As yet only a few days of the year have passed, and we haven't got a fair start. However, they have been busy days, and give but a foretaste of what we may expect as the world continues its journey around the sun. These few days have been given largely to paying Christmas bills, and scratching out 1927 and writing 1928 in its stead. We haven't finished with either of these tasks yet, and will not for another fortnight or so.

The next task that will seriously engage our attention is that of paying taxes. We kept this duty off our minds during December, knowing that, if entertained, it would knock all the romance out of Christmas. We are all going to say "ouch" and say it vigorously, when submitting to the gouge into our purses by the government, just as we do when a troublesome molar is removed by an indifferent dentist, who seems devoted to the theory that a thing will feel good when it quits hurting. But after throwing a few gems of profanity at the government in general and the taxing system in particular, and swearing that never again will we support the present State officials, the tax-assessor, collector, or representative in the Legislature, we'll get our patriotism functioning in time to participate in the primaries. Of course we'll give the government another touch of profanity about March 15, when we face the work of making out another income tax blank, which has been correctly styled the world's most intricate cross-word puzzle.

There'll be crops to plant in March and April, and of course there will be too much rain and too much cold. A few intrepid souls will plant corn in February. After watching the remains of the tender corn fade to a dull brown, following the kiss of Jack Frost, they will plant a few patches of corn—perhaps they will forget their promise to participate in a reduction of the cotton acreage, and plant all their land in cotton. You will note that the cotton acreage is always reduced in the winter and increased the following spring. A few warm days in late March and early April will prompt quite a few farmers to plant cotton, which they will replant in May or June, after paying fancy prices for seed.

Gardening season will come about the same time, and many families, between whom the ties of friendship are now strong and companionship delightful, will come to a parting of the ways, say mean things about each other and refuse their children permission to play together. The falling out will come over whose garden plot Sambo, the colored

man, shall spade up first. The grocery stores will display their stocks of garden seeds, and many men who last year swore they would never plant another garden will look at the pictures of the big red tomatoes, the long green cucumbers and the solid heads of cabbages and lettuce and become seized with the fool notion that they, too, can grow just such vegetables in their own little garden plots. These fool fellows will buy many papers of tomato, radish, cucumber and lettuce seeds and hurry home to make another garden. Of course they will find that the fork has been broken, that wife left the hoe and the rake in the front yard flower bed, and somebody stole them. After a wordy war that moves husband to profanity and wife to tears, hubby will rush back to town and purchase a new set of implements. Upon his return he will warn his spouse not to leave the tools where they will be stolen, whereupon the wife will go into a season of pouting, the man will turn a few spadefuls full of dirt, persevere a little, blow a great deal, and finally go in search of the colored man to spade the plot and plant the garden. With the aid of his wife he will cultivate the tender plants, and at the end of the season he will find that he has grown \$2.30 worth of vegetables, at an expense of only \$4.00 for labor, \$3.50 for tools, and \$1.90 for seeds. And he will urge his voice to its most sonorous pitch in swearing that he will never attempt to grow another garden.

About the first of May the annual fight between man and the worm family will begin. Man has conquered the great beast of the forest and bridled the wild horses of the plains; he has driven the dinosaur and other huge creatures from the earth, but in his fight against the lowly worm he has been unhorsed in every battle and left the field with defeat written upon his brow. The result will be the same this year. The cutworm will cut and the webworm will web, just as they have always done, and the potato bug will play havoc with the promising patch of spuds. When they and their allies have destroyed the gardens, the greenbugs will give attention to the wheat and oats and then the cotton flea, the boll weevil and the boll worm will invade the cotton fields. As we watch these destroyers steal the fruit from the promising cotton fields, we will wonder and wonder, until picking time, whether there will be enough cotton left to justify picking. There will be, but man will have lost another battle to the old enemy, the children of the great serpent. Poor man! He will fight on and on, and life's fitful fever over, the worms will eat his mortal remains. The first few bales of cotton marketed will sell at a fair price, then the Agricultural Department will send out a report and the price will take a big slump.

About the first of May, "when the young man's fancy gently turns to thoughts of love," the attention of older people will turn to politics. Politics, like gardening, disgusts people one year, only to call them to renewed activity and foolishness the next. The men and women who want the county offices will distribute their cards. Most of them will tell you they grew up on the farms, wore home-spun clothes, went barefooted from March until November, and had no opportunity to obtain an education. They will declare themselves (when in the country districts) in deepest sympathy with the tillers of the soil, and promise to put forth their best efforts to lighten the burdens of the tillers. When first we meet the county candidates we will be very favorably impressed and see in them men above any act unbecoming a Christian gentleman or a model citizen, but as the campaign proceeds we will hear much that is very unfavorable. It will develop that one of them, once upon a time, when an argument was on between a negro and a white man, sided with the negro; that another tried to jew a poor widow on the price of the family washing, that another was a draft evader and still another has kinsfolk who vote the Republican ticket. Before election day rolls around we will have heard so much against all the candidates that it will be difficult to find one good enough to vote for.

The State candidates will begin their rounds in June, and those who can get an audience will speak until their tonsils are worn off and their throats are paralyzed. Every mother's son of them will be in favor of lower taxes and promise to lower the tax rate, if elected. Many of us will believe the speakers, throw our hats high and strain our alimentary canals shouting while they speak. When tax-paying time comes again, and we find the rate a little higher, we will cuss those who won for cruelly deceiving the people. Of course there will be a battle royal in November over the postoffices. The Democrats will see Republicans sitting in royal sanctum-sanctoriums, watching blue smoke curl from 50-cent Havanas, and go forth shouting "turn the rascals out." The Republicans, maddened by the charge, will gird up their loins and go forth shouting, "keep the rascals out."

Having saved the country at the polls, fought the worms to a finish, bought a few more Fords and cars of other makes, picked and sold the cotton, we'll settle down to cussing the government and high taxes again—then we'll do our Christmas shopping early and wonder where we will get the money to pay our taxes. To be sure we will do many things not listed here. Many of us will have the flu and try to connect with a little flu medicine. There will be out-

breaks of measles and mumps, and a few will surrender their souls to the surgeons, for a valuable operation. There will also be a few cases of itch. Those who have measles, mumps and appendicitis will make much noise over these afflictions, but those who have the itch will keep very quiet, preferring to do their scratching in silence, seeking no sympathy from a cold, uncharitable world.

It's the same old program, with the same old kind of people carrying it out. It's an old drama, but the greatest one ever staged—a succession of laughter and tears, thrills and heartaches. All play, and all are interested spectators. The marriage bells peal forth peacans of joy, and the world applauds the happy; the stricken bow beside the rigid forms and marble clay of one dearer than life itself, and we mingle our tears with the tears of the sorrowing. On the stage will appear heroes as brave and as good as Stephen or Paul, and villains as grasping and as mean as Shylock. In the past will be women as sweet as Edith Cavell, and as bad as Jezebel. Frail ships will be charted air to new continents, and still another has kinsfolk who vote the Republican ticket. Before election day rolls around we will have heard so much against all the candidates that it will be difficult to find one good enough to vote for.

Perhaps it is cruel, but it is a part of the drama. It leaves it out would be a great drama. Some of us will be very not I; surely not I; surely not I. We know that our lives are mortal, and that we will quit this vale of tears—some time! But surely the fates will be kind to us and place our time of departure far in the future—some far-off time, when our interest in things terrestrial shall have ceased, when our ears have grown too dull to hear, when our senses can no longer be sweetened, when our hearts can no longer be thrilled, when we can no longer desire or love! Then, and not until then, will the summons from the dark shadows across the river come to us, or the silent boatman come to row us to the other shore. Would that it were not so, but some of us must be cast for the great drama for the last time this good year. Even as the leaves, when stirred by the winds of autumn, some of us must fall to the earth before the curtain rises on 1929. But this will not be so bad. Our passing will call forth flowers of richest hues and sweetest fragrance, and virtues that neither friends nor foes knew we possessed will be discovered and extolled. Then a kindly earth will welcome our dust—and the time that we will be missed will be very, very short.

Ex-Ranchers Own Four Chicago Skyscrapers

(New York Times)

Twenty years ago two ex-cowboys, who had moved to Chicago from the open spaces of South Dakota. In the pocket of one were papers showing that they had traded what was known as the Mule Head ranch for a lot in Chicago's Loop. In the pocket of the other were documents showing that the partners were in for something like \$1,000,000. After only three years of business in the city, these two ex-ranchers had built four Chicago skyscrapers, the tallest sixteen floors high, the tallest two hundred feet.

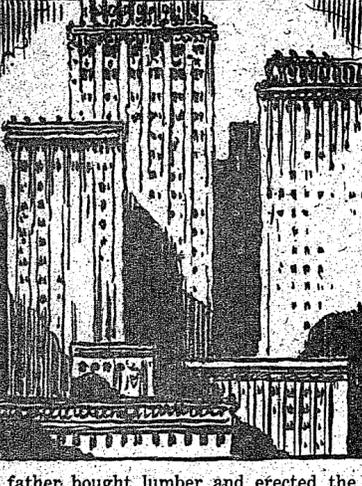
"Financial wizardry? Not at all," said Ernest Stamer, born and reared in Dakota, until ten years ago. "It was just an example of stick-to-it-iveness and making the most of opportunity."

Stamer, born and reared in Dakota, until ten years ago. He knew what it was to be hemmed in by the open plains. Ernest Stamer is the son of a former governor of Iowa. A liking for outdoor life prompted him to leave his home in Iowa, for cow punching and presently threw him into the hands of Ernest Stamer. Together they acquired a ranch, and their herds and holdings only began to slip in the post-war depression. Then they quit to try Chicago, where obstacles gradually yielded to Western grit.

Stamer's father was one of those who were killed shortly after Custer's battle. With his bride, he had been on the way from Hastings, Neb., to the west, looking for a likely spot in the West. They neared the Sioux reservation at about the time it was being opened to settlers. Changing their minds, they entered the reservation and bought a homestead on the plains, some miles between the Missouri river and Black Hills.

Among the Indians, Ernest Stamer was born and

grew up, forty-five miles from the nearest town. A squaw man about ten miles distant was the nearest neighbor. Three more boys arrived in the family. When they were old enough for schooling, the



father bought lumber and erected the first schoolhouse in the Sioux reservation. During this period the family lived under the protection of the soldiers at Fort Randall, many miles away. And once—Stamer recalled recently, sitting in his Chicago offices—the soldiers came galloping up to the little homestead to carry the family to the safety of the fort because Indians had once more gone upon the warpath.

At last, law came into the reservation, counties were laid out, the elder Stamer found himself elected to the office of Sheriff. "We were county-seat folks then," said the son reminiscently. "Regular folks." But town life palled upon him and he soon went back to punching cows, a job at which he had become efficient on his father's ranch.

Gradually he acquired a few cows of his own, took care of them, added more and started a ranch of his own.

About this time Ernest Jackson arrived in the Sioux country. Hearing that Stamer was making a success in a small way, Jackson, having a little money of his own, suggested that they go double on the ranch. Thus began the partnership that still continues.

Had 110,000 Acres of Land.

Their combined efforts prospered. They began to expand their holdings. Money was being made in the cattle business and the two partners bought another ranch. At one time their lands comprised 110,000 acres and included seven townsites. Twenty-five thousand head of cattle bearing their brands roamed the plains. Then after the war, came the depression. As rapidly as they had piled up their money they began to lose it.

"Our bookkeeper was using three bottles of red ink to every one of black," said Stamer. "I got so sick of seeing those red marks that I never wanted to go near the office. We had to do something and do it quickly. And we realized that something would have to be outside of the cattle business."

"So we began looking around. We had shipped cattle to Chicago, to Minneapolis and St. Paul, to Des Moines, St. Louis and Kansas City. We had ridden on those cattle trains and had seen those cities. The questions we wanted answered was which of those cities was growing the fastest, because that was the city we would head for."

"When we received figures indicating that Chicago was growing at the rate of 125,000 a year, we headed for the Windy City."

"So we opened negotiations to trade our Mule Head ranch for some Chicago property. That took some time and in the meantime we were losing money so fast that it made us dizzy. Finally, we

traded what was left of the place for the Transportation building at Dearborn and Harrison streets, in Chicago's Loop district. And then we cut loose from our old life and started for Chicago."

The two ex-ranchers applied the principle in handling their new property as they had used in running their ranch.

"You can't run a ranch without being there, and we figured that you couldn't run a city building without being on the job," said Stamer. "And we were there every day, from early in the morning until late at night."

The principles of ranch management as applied to operating a Chicago skyscraper proved so successful that it was not long before the ex-ranchers began looking around for a second building.

"Out on the ranch I had heard a lot about a building known then as the Montgomery Ward Tower," said Stamer. "People who had been to Chicago used to tell us it was the tallest building in the world, and when you went up in that tower, if you didn't get dizzy looking around, you could see all of Chicago and a whole lot further! I guess it was just natural for us to feel familiar about that building and have a hankering to have something to say about it. So when we heard that it was for sale we made a try for it and got it."

More successful financing and management followed. Then the partners opened negotiations with the Woolworth Company in New York, suggesting a Woolworth building in Chicago. The terms were agreed upon, the financial end attended to by the two former cow punchers and the building started upward at Monroe street and Wabash avenue. Three stories had been built when Carson, Pirie, Scott & Co., whose retail store adjoins the new structure, decided they needed more space for their store. They spoke to Stamer and Jackson on the subject, offering to lease the space for fifty years if they could get it.

After further negotiations with the Woolworths, workmen began tearing down the three floors that had been

built, for a different kind of steel frame was required for the department store. The building went up to the sixteen stories originally planned for it.

The next venture was the construction of what is now known as the Bankers' building at Clark and Adams streets, directly across from the Federal building and half a block from Chicago's financial center. The two Westerners carried through a financial scheme and the building, forty-two stories high, was constructed at a cost of \$3,000,000.

BIRDS CONTROL INSECT DAMAGE

The National Bureau of Biological Survey recently gave out a report showing that many birds have a distinct money value to the Southern farmer. According to this report, orioles, swallows, blackbirds, meadowlarks, titlarks and California wrens feed extensively on the boll worm and cinch bugs. More than sixty species of birds are known to prey on the boll weevil and forty-one on the boll worm. Fifty-seven kinds of birds feed on either the grub or adult form of May beetles, which damage the corn crop and injure gardens. The night hawk, or bull bat, which hunters often shoot wantonly for target practice, showed a usefulness in catching insects on the wing, which, in the estimation of the bureau, justifies strict protection. The bobwhites eat more or less grain, but the grain feeding is largely in the winter months and from scattered seeds left in the fields. In the growing and harvesting months the bobwhites prefer insects as food.

The house wren, in spite of its small size, is a most useful bird, feeding almost exclusively on harmful insects. Its only bad habit is interference with the nests of other birds. The crow and the blue jay are occasionally mischievous, but neither bird does enough damage to justify its destruction under ordinary circumstances, and they are very effective in controlling certain insect

A LITTLE FUN Jokes to Make You Laugh

Rubber

Hubby: "Your check to the grocer came back with no funds on it."
Wife: "That's funny. I saw an ad in the paper yesterday which said the bank has a surplus of \$3,000,000."

Cradle Song

Quack Medicine Vendor: "Sir, I might mention as a slight testimonial to this world-famed 'Rejuvenator' that, a year ago, after taking one small dose overnight, upon awakening in the morning, I said to my wife: 'Mother, give me my satchel—I shall be late for school!'"

A student who had failed in all the subjects he took at college wired his brother: "Failed in all five subjects. Prepare papa." The brother telegraphed back: "Papa prepared. Prepare yourself."

When It's Dad's Car

The whole family owns the car. That is, when the car is idle it is mother's car, when it is in use it is the children's car, and when it is disabled or with a tire down it is dad's car.

More Deadly

Tourist in Western Town: "I suppose men still die around here with their boots on?"
Sheriff: "Yep, but 'tain't from six shooters now as much as from six cylinders."

Native Land

A Kindergarten teacher asked her youngsters to name a country. With no knowledge of geography, none answered—except one small boy who waved frantically. "Very well, Freddy," said the teacher, "What country can you name?"
"Tis of Thee!" he cried.

Past and Present

Mrs. Almatia Bennett, of Chicopee, who at the age of 101 flew last month from Boston to Old Orchard, said in a recent interview:

"I suppose that modesty is the thing that has changed most in my time. Modesty still exists, of course, but it has changed so much.
"When I was young, a girl with a 50c pair of stockings could only show about three cents' worth of them. Now she buys three dollar stockings and shows about five dollars' worth."

Advertising

A Jewish moneylender had been elected a member of an exclusive country golf club. The master caddy had asked him if he desired to have his name imprinted on his golf balls.

"And you would put my name on a dozen balls at that price?"
"Yes," was the response.
"And would you put on them my address, too?"
"Yes."
"For de same price?"
"Yes."

"Well, den, for the same price would you mind putting on them, too—Office hours, 9 to 5?"

Ethiopian Grammar

A colored school teacher is credited with the following: "The word 'pants' am an uncommon noun, because pants am singular at the top and plural at the bottom."

Gates Ajar

Little Boy Blue, come blow your horn,
You're nearing the crossroads,
The brake lining's worn!
Little Boy Blue didn't let out a peep,
Now he's under a tombstone, fast asleep.

Something in Women's Wear

"Fer'de goodness sake," exclaimed an old-time dorky as he shuffled along in a department store, "I can't find nothin' at all."

"Are you looking for something in men's clothes?" asked the polite floor-walker.

"No, sir, boss, I ain't," explained the old dorky. "I's looking for suppin' in wimmin's clothes; I see lost my wife somers in dis here place."

The Only Cure

If you don't feel just right,
If you can't sleep at night,
If you moan and sigh,
If your throat feels dry,
If you don't care to smoke,
If your food makes you choke,
If your heart doesn't beat,
If you're getting cold feet,
If your head's in a whirl—
Why not marry the girl?

The Rear Guard in Danger

A negro regiment was stationed in the front line trenches in France during the World War, awaiting the zero hour for their first charge in actual battle. As they were untried troops the precaution had been taken to station 6,000 seasoned white soldiers in the immediate rear as a support.

As the moment approached for them to go over the top they grew more and more nervous. Finally a little undersized negro private turned to a buddy at his side, a great giant of a man, and said: "Mose, what you reckon de papers back home gwine ter say about us in de mawnin'?"

And Mose replied: "If de rest of you niggers feels like I does, de headlines is gwine ter read 'bout like dis—'Six Thousand White Troops Tromped to Death'."

Poor Reputation

An individual called Lige Williams was hailed to court to answer a complaint arising out of a broken bargain. Among the witnesses called was one Steve Collins.

"Mr. Collins," said the examining lawyer, "you know the defendant in this case, do you not?"

"Oh, yes," answered Collins.
"What is his reputation for veracity?" continued the lawyer. "Is he regarded as a man who never tells the truth?"

"Waal, I can't say that he don't never tell the truth," replied Steve, "but I do know that if he wanted his hogs to come to dinner he'd have to git somebody else to call 'em!"

FOR SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS AND ELEEMOSYNARY INSTITUTIONS

Texas colleges and eleemosynary institutions will ask the next legislature for appropriations of between \$40,000,000 and \$50,000,000, according to a member of the State Board of Control, which body is now conducting a canvass of all institutional requirements. Members of the Board will visit all the institutions, fifty-five in all. The last session of the legislature appropriated \$16,370,000 for the collegiate and \$9,942,000 for the eleemosynary institutions for the biennial period. The member of the Board of Control quoted says the amount appropriated for the eleemosynary institutions was wholly inadequate. He says 500 insane persons are now confined in the jails of the State.

WILLACY COUNTY VOTES FOR IRRIGATION

More than 250,000 acres of land is included in the new irrigation district recently formed in Willacy county. Revival of the old Union Irrigation District was voted at a mass meeting of farmers and the acreage was increased from 100,000 to more than 250,000 acres.

W. E. Anderson, a member of the commission to provide equitable distribution of the water of the Rio Grande between Mexico and the United States, says virtually all of Willacy county can be irrigated by gravity.

BIBLES FOR DRESSING ROOMS

Many years ago the Gideons, an organization of Christian traveling salesmen, conceived the idea of placing a copy of the Holy Bible in every room of every hotel in the United States. It is said that the idea has been fully carried out, and that every hotel room in the country now has a Bible on the table.

Having accomplished this splendid work, the Gideons have undertaken the work of placing a copy of The Book in all of the dressing rooms of the theaters of the country.

TURKEY RAISER GOT \$24,500 CHECK

One turkey raiser of De Witt county received this year a check for \$24,500 in payment for his turkeys. The check was issued by the Cuero Packing Company, and was paid for turkeys sold by the breeder this year. The 1927 turkey and other poultry crop will net De Witt county producers nearly a million and a half dollars this year, according to figures prepared by the Cuero Chamber of Commerce.

WINNERS IN CAMP COUNTY CROP CONTESTS

In the crop contest sponsored by the Pittsburg Chamber of Commerce, for the greatest yield on one acre of land, the winners are as follows:

J. M. Curtis won first for corn, growing 87 1/2 bushels. J. W. Johnson, col., won first on cotton, growing 456 pounds of lint. W. I. Turnage won first on cane, making 592 gallons of syrup from the cane grown on one acre.

OIL REFINERY FOR SAN PATRICIO COUNTY

The Humble Oil & Refining Company has begun construction of an oil refinery at Ingleside, San Patricio county. The refinery will cover forty acres of land on a site about one-half mile west of Ingleside, near the Southern Pacific tracks. The cost of the refinery will exceed \$125,000.

HOW TO TRUST:—Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths.—Prov. 3: 5, 6.

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TEXAS CORN CROP LAST YEAR LARGEST IN HISTORY

According to reliable authorities, the largest corn crop ever produced in Texas was produced last year. In spite of this bumper crop, no greatly increased quantities of corn have found their way to the markets. One of the reasons that more corn found its way to market in 1926 than in 1927 is that in 1926 a bumper oat crop was made, and many farmers marketed their corn and fed their oats. In 1927 the oat crop was very small. Another reason is that Texas farmers fed more hogs, and probably more hogs, last year than ever before. With good prices for beef cattle prevailing the farmers found that they could get a better profit by feeding it to beef cattle than by selling it. In years gone by nearly every Texas calf was sent North for finishing. Last year fully half the Texas calves were finished at home.

Last year's corn crop was of decidedly better quality than crops of previous years, the dealers say.

A CHURCH MEMBER 86 YEARS

Mrs. Martha Ann Owens, of Fort Worth, is doubtless the oldest church member in Texas. Mrs. Owens, who is the mother of ten children, has been a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church South for eighty-six years. She joined the church in Alabama when she was eleven years old, and is a regular church attendant. Her membership now being with the Central Methodist Church of Fort Worth. She is 87 years old.

Mrs. Owen has lived a life of hardship such as only pioneers have known. Her husband, who was a Southern soldier, was killed on the field of battle, leaving her with ten children; the youngest only three years old. The war robbed her of all her property and left her virtually destitute. She moved to Texas 60 years ago and for many years lived on a rented farm.

LAND AND BOOKS FOR THE UNIVERSITY

Archer M. Hunting, of New York, has given the University of Texas 4,175 acres of land, also 1,500 rare volumes for the University library. The land, or the income therefrom, is to be used to further an art museum, something not yet provided for the institution. The land is located on Galveston island, on the mainland side, and extends from the causeway across the bay toward Texas City. The appraised valuation of the land is \$125,000. The donor is a descendant of the late Collis P. Huntington, for a long time president of the Southern Pacific system of railways. Deed to the land has already been received by the Board of Regents.

STATE PRISON SHOWS PROFIT

According to the financial report made to the Governor by the prison officials, the State prison system received more money during the month of November than it disbursed. The report shows that during the month mentioned the net cash receipts were \$172,882, and the disbursements were \$108,733.

Early in 1926 in Shelby county brate its one hundred anniversary. Shelbyville is one of the State's most historic towns. At one time it was the capital of the Free State of Teneha, which was created by its secession from the Republic of Texas during the administration of General Sam Houston.

The first settlement in what is now Shelby county was made at Shelbyville in 1828. First settlers on the present site of Shelbyville were from Tennessee. Many of them were personally acquainted with General Andrew Jackson and his right-hand man in the Indian wars, General Isaac Shelby, so they named their town Shelbyville, and when the new county was created it was called Shelby, in honor of the old Indian fighter in their home State. Shelbyville was for a long time the only town in the East Texas wilderness except St. Augustine. It had a very slow growth. Just east of Shelbyville was the Neutral Ground, created by secret treaty between Gen. Wilkinson of the United States army and Gen. Herrera of the Spanish army, in October, 1806. By the terms of this treaty a strip of country between the Sabine river and the Calcasieu river was declared neutral, not to be occupied by Spain or the United States until a definite treaty of peace could be signed. For nearly twenty years this spot was the rendezvous of lawless characters, fugitives from justice from every part of the country.

ELLIS GREATEST COTTON COUNTY

Ellis county, Texas, led all the counties of Texas, and the United States as well, in the production of cotton in 1927. Ellis enjoyed the same distinction the previous year. Up to December 1, with virtually all of the cotton ginned, there had been ginned in Ellis county 110,585 bales, nearly 4,000 bales more than were ginned in the county up to the same date in 1926. Nueces county was second in cotton production last year, 99,349 bales having been ginned in that county up to December 1. Williamson county was third in the list, with a very close race between McLennan and Hill for fourth place. Twenty-four Texas counties had ginned more than 40,000 bales.

WOMAN LIVED IN TEXAS UNDER FOUR FLAGS

Mrs. Winnie Edmondson Crooks, who died in Denver last month, lived in Texas under four flags. When she was brought, an infant, to the State, Texas was under the Mexican flag. Later she lived under the flag of Texas when it was a republic, the flag of the State when it was under the confederacy, and then under the flag of the United States. Her husband, Thomas J. Crooks, was one of the pioneer newspaper men of the State, conducting papers in Paris, Sherman and Denison.

COTTON QUEENS GET TRIP TO HAVANA

Announcement has been made by the County Agent of Nacogdoches county that Miss Ruby Lee Williams, 17-year-old daughter of a tenant farmer of that county, who raised three bales of cotton on one acre last year, will get a free trip to Cuba, along with other "cotton queens" in February. Miss Elga Daniels, cotton queen of 1926, has been invited to accompany Miss Daniels as an escort. The trip was awarded by the Chilean Nitrate Corporation of New York.

TEXAS SECOND IN PRODUCTION OF HONEY

Texas ranks second in the United States in the production of honey. The annual output is approximately 5,000,000 pounds, and bee culture is on the increase in the State. Texas is particularly well adapted to honey production because the long summer season results in an abundance of flowers. The cotton bloom, which is to be found in most of the State, is also excellent material for honey making. Honey is a valuable food and the demand for it is constantly increasing.

POULTRY FACTS

By F. W. KAZMEIER
Poultry Breeder, Bryan, Texas.

Proper Time to Hatch Barred Rocks, Reds, Wyandottes Or Other Similar Breeds.

Many poultry raisers do not appreciate the importance of hatching the chicks at the proper time. If you expect winter eggs from the medium weight breeds, sometimes referred to as the general purpose breeds, such as Plymouth Rocks, Single Comb Rhode Island

Reds, Wyandottes, and others, they should be hatched early. January is not too early to hatch these breeds, and surely not later than February. We recommend January and February hatched chicks from these breeds for winter layers. Hatching them early will enable them to mature in time to produce fall and winter eggs.

Early hatched chicks come from winter layers. It is easy to see that the best way to get winter layers is to hatch from winter layers. Chicks hatched in January and February can not help but be hatched from winter layers. The best layers produce eggs in January and February. By hatching eggs at that time or buying January and February chicks, you just naturally get chicks from the best layers in the flock. Too much cannot be said in favor of early hatching.

Poor layers do not lay in January and February, they begin to lay in March and then for a few months they lay like a house on fire. Early hatching of the medium weight and large breeds increases the size of the stock. You generally have no trouble getting good size on early hatched stock. This can not be said about late hatched stock.

Early hatched January and February cockerels will develop into broilers by Easter, worth all the way from 75 cents to \$1 each on the market. There is good money raising broilers for the Easter market. Soon after Easter prices on broilers drop continually, until some time in June the price reaches the

bottom, sometimes as low as 15c per pound. At Easter time broilers in many markets bring 50c per pound and over.

Buy Your Baby Chicks Now.

The poultry business, more and more, is being conducted on a real business basis. Many baby chick buyers now place their order in advance for future delivery because they have found that many good breeders offer liberal early order discounts for the future. When you stop to think that practically everybody wants their baby chicks at the time, it is only reasonable to suppose that some must wait on deliveries. Booking your order in advance assures you of a reduced price, also protects you on the shipping date. Only when you book your order in advance may you depend on getting the chicks when you want them.

Hatching Eggs.

Keep the hatching eggs in a warm place during January and February. During these extremely cold spells watch the temperature of the place where you store your hatching eggs. The ideal temperature for hatching eggs is between 55 and 60 degrees. A temperature much below or above this is injurious.

Age of Hatching Eggs.

Do not set or sell hatching eggs older than seven days. The fresher the eggs, the better the hatch and strength of the chicks. Old eggs produce weak chicks that are hard to raise.

Size of Hatching Eggs.

All hatching eggs should be carefully selected for size, shape and color. Do not hatch any eggs that do not weigh an average of 24 to 26 ounces to the dozen. Eggs should not be too large and not too small. Pay more attention to the size of eggs you set. The color should be that characteristic of the breed producing the eggs. The shell should be strong, good texture and free from blemishes. It will pay you to give this question earnest consideration. Remember the chicks can be no better than the parents, accordingly in mating your breeding pen.

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ANY INTERESTING RELICS IN FORT WORTH INSTITUTION

The Carnegie Library at Fort Worth has many interesting relics, and the collection is being added to all the time. There is an autumn coat from the battle of Gettysburg, a world war by a soldier, out of appreciation of the work of the Red Cross. There is a flimsy worn by a Chinese in the fifteenth century. A collection of cowboy coats, spurs, saddles, etc., being made in order that the memories of the pioneer days of glory. Efforts will also be initiated to collect for Texas the full uniform of Santa Anna, who lost to the Texans in 1835. The Smithsonian Institution has the treasured raincoat that was kept in Texas. The uniform was presented to the Smithsonian by Capt. E. M. Smith, "father of Fort Worth." After Texas won freedom from Mexico, the arms, including the cartridges and the flintlock, listed in the collection. Every nation is represented by firearms. There is a British Machet, used in the American war, an old man flintlock, a pair of iron dueling pistols from Ireland, Belgium span. There is also a gun, inscribed with the name of Stonewall Jack-

ARMORED CARS FOR CARRYING PAY ROLLS

Such steel walls, bullet-proof, rifles and tear gas, payroll bandits in attempts to hold up carriers carrying funds to business houses, industrial plants. Two armored cars were put in Houston the first of December. Four men ride in armored car, while another carrying four to seven men follows behind, any owning the cars sport and safeguard bonds, stocks and cables.

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For Our BOYS and GIRLS

By AUNT MARY

Happy New Year, boys and girls—Happy New Year, Shut-In friends! We have just closed the last leaf of the Old Year; on it we have written our deeds—good or bad. They are there forever and we can not erase a single one of them. Our deeds, our thoughts, are printed on the pages of the passing year and each is sealed until the Judgment Day. "But God has given us a New Year—a chance to do better. Isn't this a wonderful thought? When this new year closes some of us will have gone on to the "other side of the river." What will we do with THIS YEAR? Make others happy?

LETTER CONTEST AWARDS

What wonderful letters have been written in recent letter contest. I tell you it was very hard to make a decision as to the winners. But I am sure you will all agree that the winners deserved the prizes and will be happy with them. The winners were chosen first because of the interesting way they wrote on the subject "Why I Love to Help Others," secondly because their letters were extremely neat and they complied with all rules of the contest.

Winner of first prize: Janis Franke, Henrietta, Texas, age 12, 110 words.

Winner of the second prize: Maurine White, Bandera, Texas, age 11, 145 words.

Winner of the third prize: Frances Richards, Tyler, Texas, age 11, 194 words.

Special mention is also given to the letters of Qris Fisher, Nixon, Texas; Dorothy Moss, Madill, Okla.; and Rubye Watson, Alief, Texas.

First Prize Letter

"I am a little girl and have been an invalid most of my life so I know what it means to have kind deeds done for me. It gives me great joy to do the same things for others. I am a Christian and read in my Bible how Jesus went about doing kind deeds for others; not for the rich especially but for the poor and humble. Jesus said we should not do these things for others hoping for something in return.

"I love to do things for others because of the warm, loving thoughts in my heart for the Man Who said, 'Give a cup of cold water in My Name.'

"I think one who has been ill knows better how to value kind deeds and have a greater desire to 'do unto others.' I love to do all I can for the orphans but more if possible for the old people who seem to have outlived their welcome in this world. How pleased they are for even the least attention.

"I love to be kind to others because of the Divine truth that it is indeed more blessed to give than to receive—not gifts every time but glorious deeds of kindness."

JANIS FRANKE, Henrietta, Texas.

Second Prize Letter

"My first reason for 'Why I love to Help Others' is because it is one of God's greatest commands. To be happy I must help others and make them happy.

"The greatest joy that can come to one's life comes through helping those in need, whether in poverty or distress.

"When I help others I feel that in a small way I am thanking God for His many blessings. If I did not help others I would not feel I deserved to be helped and enjoy the association of friends and relatives.

"In helping others we bring more joy and Sunshine into our own lives and in the world in which we live.

"This great Nation of ours is here because someone was willing to sacrifice their own lives for the others, and in helping others I may be helping build still a greater Nation."

MAURINE WHITE, Bandera, Texas.

Third Prize Letter

"I love to do things for others because it makes me happy. When I do things for others it gives me great pleasure. I always feel that my duty is done when I have done something for someone. In doing things for others my time is occupied with something that is worth while, and I don't have time to be idle and cross. Of course, I am happy in doing things for others.

"I also love to do things for others because it makes them happy, too. Everyone likes to see a face that is happy while no one likes to see one that is not. In doing for others the person for whom the thing is done and I are both happy. When one person is happy others begin to get happy.

"One other reason I love to do things for others is that I would like for them to do the same for me.

"The last but not the greatest reason of all that I love to do things for others is because it pleases Jesus. Jesus is pleased when He knows that His people are occupied in kind service for one another. Jesus said to His disciples, 'The one who is greater among you shall be a servant to the others.'"

FRANCES RICHARDS, Tyler, Texas.

These are truly wonderful letters. In fact, every letter in the contest was worth printing, but we simply did not have the time nor the space. I wish you could read every one of them.

SUNSHINE CLUB NEWS

First of all, Aunt Mary wants to apologize to all the new members because their membership cards have been so slow in coming to them. But we have been so very, very busy that we simply did not have time. But I am sure everyone will be answered by well between now and then. Aunt Mary

be patient with her and she will get to you all sooner or later—at least, as soon as possible.

Mr. W. R. Smith of Pyron, Okla., whom many of the members and Shut-Ins of the Sunshine Club have known through correspondence the past year, sends a beautiful letter which is printed here in part:

"Dear Children: I would greet all of you in the sweet Name of Jesus, Who said of the little ones, 'of such is the kingdom of heaven.' As the good Shepherd, Jesus loves and cares for you and will never forget or forsake the little afflicted lambs of His flock. Jesus' love for you is higher than the stars, wider than the skies; deeper than the seas, and will never end. For it is the solid rock foundation of all your hopes and joys for time and eternity. He wants each one of you to live the sweet, lovelife for Him and others, for it is the only life on earth worth living. No noble labor of love was ever lost, though the final results may not be known here. Remember that the Alpine roses blossom amid the winter storms of the mountain tops—that a wild flower of the Sahara desert blooms when tempests sweep over the burning sands—that the nightingale is only heard in the midnight gloom. You can still love and trust with a song in your heart whatever your outward condition may be.

"God knows the way, He holds the key, He guides thee with unerring hand, Some day with tearless eyes you'll see, And up in heaven you'll understand."

"I think I have written to and remembered nearly all of you with some little gift. A few have answered, perhaps others were not able. Remember the birth of the Saviour."

"May He forever bless you and comfort each one all of your days and at last bring you to the Land that is fairer than day. I am still writing to many afflicted ones in every State when I am able, but at times am a Shut-In from the world."

Mr. Smith also sent Aunt Mary a beautiful message which she appreciated and thanks him for it from the bottom of her heart.

I am sure Mr. Smith would love to hear from all the members of the Sunshine Club. He has been so thoughtful of our little Shut-Ins, has written them so many letters and sent so much Sunshine; I feel we should do the same for him. Don't you think so? Address your letter to Mr. W. R. Smith, Pyron, Okla. Send him a cheerful New Year's letter.

I want to acknowledge with thanks letters from the following: Clement Carey, Merkel, Texas; Virga Reed, Mountain Park, Okla.; Ruby Williams, Santa Anna, Texas; Gwendolyn Black, Canyon, Texas; Martha A. Wheeler, Windon, Texas; Annie Murphy, Kerrville, Texas; Ethel Berry, R. F. 4, Box 602, Henderson, Texas; Estelle Ponder, Spur, Texas; Zora Herring, Rt. 2, McAdoo, Texas; Ruthie Whorley, Paducah, Texas; Leva Moffett, Medina, Texas; Guyneth Ironmonger, Millsap, Texas.

A Shut-In writes: "Thanks very much for the Sunshine they are sending into my life of darkness. Am so glad I am a member of such a grand club. No one knows how I appreciate what they all are doing for me. Make new things to think about. Aunt Mary, I would love to meet you. Here's thanking all the members for their Sunshine they have sent me. Mrs. Pauline Duncan, Trent, Texas, thanks so much for your nice letters, will surely be glad to get the book you spoke of. Ruby Heckler, Lexington, Okla., thanks for the poem and presents. Hazel Fitch, Caldwell, Kan., thanks for your nice letters, they are indeed bright rays of Sunshine. I look forward to their coming. Ruthie Whorley, Paducah, Texas, your nice letters are surely appreciated. (Signed) Mrs. J. J. Langford, Henrietta, Texas."

Ruth Holt, Gonzales, Texas, reports that her sister is no longer a Shut-In and wants to thank those who were so nice to her. We are happy that Eura is well and strong again and rejoice with her family.

Sunshine for Shut-In Club Shut-In Coupon

I want you to keep my name on the Shut-In list.

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Town..... State.....

Age..... Birthday.....

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Frost Tonight.

Apple green west and an orange bar,
And the crystal eye of a lone, lone star—
And, 'Child, take the shears and cut what you will,
Frost tonight—so clear and dead still.

Then I sally forth, half sad, half proud,
And I come to the velvet, imperial crowd,
The wine-red, the gold, the crimson, the pied—
The dahlias that reign by the garden side.

Dahlia I touch not until tonight,
A gleam of the shears in the fading light,
And I gather them all—the splendid throng,
And in one great sheaf I bore them along.

In my garden of life with its all-late flowers,
I heard a voice in the shrinking hours:
"Frost tonight—so clear and dead still."
Half sad, half proud, my arms I fill.

—By Edith M. Thomas.

CRUSOE'S ISLE AN EDEN.

Robinson Crusoe was more to be envied than pitted, says Dr. Waldo L. Schmitt, of the Smithsonian Institution. In a recent survey of Juan Fernandez Island, on which Alexander Selkirk, the reputed original of Robinson Crusoe, lived over four years, he found the island to be one of the most fruitful spots in the Pacific, and said:

"Magnificent as to One Friday's ship."

BIG TURKEY SHIPMENTS FROM WEATHERFORD

Up to Christmas twenty-two cars of dressed turkeys had been shipped from Weatherford this season, the bulk of the shipments being for the Thanksgiving and Christmas trade. The shipments totaled approximately 440,000 net pounds, for which the Parker county growers were paid more than \$140,000.

The shipments of turkeys from Weatherford up to the date mentioned exceeded the shipments of the 1926 season seven cars, showing an active increase in the turkey industry in Parker county. Three large dressing plants in Weatherford paid out over 27,000 for picking the turkeys, most of which went to women and children of the town and surrounding country.

In addition to the big turkey crop, which contributed such a goodly sum to the revenue of the county, Weatherford dealers report that they have paid about \$8,000 for furs to trappers of Parker county this season.

CHAMPION RAT DOG

No doubt there are many dogs in Texas that have made great records for rat killing since the rats have become so numerous in the State. Everywhere there is now a strong demand for rat dogs, and people think as much of a good canine rat-slayer as the pioneers did of effective span dogs. Miss Lola Fishel, of Midlothian, believes she has the champion rat dog of the State, and will continue to so believe until some other canine comes forward with a better record. Miss Fishel's dog is named "Fuzzy." Her dog is not a large one, but when it comes to finding and despatching rats he is a past master. Fuzzy is only eleven inches high and sixteen inches long, but one day in December he killed 140 rats in two hours.

CAMPAIGN AGAINST INTOXICATED DRIVERS

The City Manager of Fort Worth says his city is having around an average of ten cases per month of accidents resulting from persons who are intoxicated driving automobiles. Some of the accidents result in fatal injuries.

With the hope of lessening the number of accidents from such causes a strong campaign has been inaugurated against drunken drivers, and orders have been given to "bear down hard" on such offenders.

"Every intoxicated man or woman is a potential murderer," said the City Manager. "I hope the State Legislature will vest the city courts with broader powers so as to relieve the congested county courts of many minor cases. This would enable the district courts to mete out summary punishment to those mixing their alcohol with gasoline."

MUCH TRAPPING AROUND BURNETT

Dealers at Burnett say they have paid out about \$5,000 for furs this season. Fur trapping is becoming quite an active industry in the section contiguous to Burnett during the winter months. Last season considerable money was put into circulation in the county by the sale of furs, and the indications are that this season will show a considerable increase over last season in the number of fur-bearing animals trapped and the receipts from the sale thereof.

HEMPHILL INCORPORATED

Hemphill, in Sabine county, is now an incorporated town, incorporation being voted by a majority of more than six to one. A move is on foot to install water works and a sewerage system for the town.

SEGUIN REJOICES OVER GAS

Natural gas was turned on in Seguin December 16, and the event was celebrated by hundreds of citizens. Addresses were made by officers of the gas company and city officials.

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SOIL SURVEY IN VAN ZANDT

A member of the United States Soil Survey Department, with his assistants, has resumed the work of soil survey in Van Zandt county, which was discontinued last spring. The survey is provided by both State and federal governments co-operating and without any expense to the land owners. The survey was begun two years ago and is to be completed this spring. Those engaged in this work are occupied in the south during the winter season and in the north during the summer months.

A soil survey is valuable to the individual farmer because it gives him a better idea of the differences which exist between the various soil types on his farm. This knowledge points the way to him of the possibilities of growing other crops than those he has been growing. The survey also gives the farmer information as to the practice of cultivation, fertilizer rotation on his soil types as developed on these soils in other areas whenever such information is known to apply to his own soil. It gives the farmer a broader view of his soils and their relation to agriculture by comparing his own farm soils with similar soils in other regions. It serves as a key in translating experiment stations, investigations and results in terms of his own individual farm conditions. After the survey is completed, in the course of time government maps are made, showing just what has been accomplished. The maps are available to those desiring them.

HOSPITAL AT NACOGDOCHES

The City Council of Nacogdoches has voted unanimously to build a hospital for the city, the cost of the building to be about \$50,000. The city has for some time been without adequate hospital service.

LOVE DESTROYS FEAR

There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear; because fear hath torment. He that feareth is not made perfect in love.—1 John 4:18.

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