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### GERMAN PLOTTERS AT WORK IN MEXICO

MEXICO CITY, Sept. 14.—"The news is damn uninteresting to me," was the angry retort German Minister Von Eckhardt made to a United Press correspondent today when an effort was made to obtain his comment on the American exposure of how he used the Swedish charge, Cronholm, as a messenger, and recommended that Cronholm be decorated by the kaiser. Later the German Minister denied that he made any recommendation for Cronholm's decorations for service rendered to Germany.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 14.—The Swedish-German duplicity, which has threatened to embroil Argentina and Germany, was exposed by the state department today, as working its insidious hand in Mexico.

The Swedish charge d'affaires in Mexico City gave to the German minister their information from the allied countries. He transmitted messages for the German minister through the Swedish foreign office to Berlin.

So extensive and so valuable were the services up to March, 1916 that Herr von Eckhardt, the German minister, recommended that the kaiser bestow upon Herr Folke Cronholm, the Swedish charge, an imperial German decoration, its award to be kept secret until after the war.

A copy of the letter recounting these services and making this recommendation from Von Eckhardt to the German chancellor was made public by Secretary of State Lansing today. The document follows:

Imperial Legation, Mexico—His Excellency, the Imperial Chancellor—Herr Folke Cronholm, the Swedish charge d'affaires here, since his arrival here has not disguised his sympathy for Germany and has entered into close relations with this legation. He is the only diplomat through whom information from a hostile camp can be obtained. Moreover, he acts as intermediary for official diplomatic intercourse between this legation and your excellency.

In the course of this he is obliged to go personally each time to the telegraph office, not seldom,

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### SAYS BALLINGER IS GOOD TO SOLDIERS

The men who are here in training preparatory to going to the government training camp at Camp Travis, are loud in their praise of Ballinger and her hospitable citizens. "We appreciate the kindness," said one of the soldiers Friday morning, just after he spent a couple of hours training, "and we'll never forget Ballinger and her good people, it makes no difference whether we ever get back from France or not."

Ballinger is furnishing board and lodging for quite a number who came here to do a little preliminary drill work and would have furnished board and lodging for others had they come. It was the hope of those in charge of the work that at least fifty would spend the week or ten days in Ballinger before leaving for the training camp.

The boys are also proud of their leader, L. Cohen. Mr. Cohen is doing the work of training the boys just to be doing something for his country. He is just over the draft age, but if he could arrange to leave his business he would return to the army where he made good for about nine years. He knows the game very well, notwithstanding that he has been out of the service for several years, and takes a great pride in helping the recruits get started in their work, and the boys say they appreciate the training he is giving them.

### THE LEDGER GETS THERE FIRST.

Daily Ledger: Enclosed you will find P. O. Money Order for which send The Daily Ledger to the "Miles Postoffice Force" for two months. As soon as the time is up we will collect for several more months so that it may keep coming. You see The Ledger is the earliest paper that we get here in the office and naturally we want to read it. Keep it coming to the "Miles Postoffice Force," Miles, Texas.

### SWEDISH SECRETARY DISMISSED

STOCKHOLM, Sept. 14.—Oscar Werlof, first secretary of the foreign office, was dismissed from the service today. This is the first action on the part of the Swedish government towards clearing up the charges of violating neutrality with Argentine.

### GOV. FERGUSON MAY DEFEND HIMSELF

AUSTIN, Sept. 14.—J. H. Davis, assistant secretary of the government, resumed his testimony for the defense in the impeachment trial this morning. Mr. Davis testified further concerning the private affairs of Gov. Ferguson.

It was expected that Gov. Ferguson would take the stand in his behalf, but no definite statement to this effect has been made by the counsel for defense. Some testimony has been brought into the Governor Ferguson wishes to clear up and it will be necessary for him to take the stand if he explains the testimony.

The defense has subpoenaed more than a dozen witnesses, but introduced only a few Thursday, and several of these were witnesses that had previously testified for the proponents of the charges. H. E. Blum, assistant cashier of the Temple State bank, and Henry S. Fox, Jr., president of the Houston National Exchange bank, testified to details that had arisen since they were previously on the witness stand.

J. H. Davis, Jr., assistant secretary to the governor, was the most eventful witness of the day, and was still testifying when the senate adjourned. He testified that he had charge of the private affairs of Governor Ferguson; that he attended to many matters without conferring with the governor. Relative to a debit of \$5600 against the account of James E. Ferguson, governor, in the Temple State bank, Mr. Davis agreed that the debit was shown in the statement sent him by the bank, but said he had not examined the debits in detail, not presuming the bank would make the mistake of charging a debit to the wrong account, and that neither he nor the Governor had any knowledge of it until called before the Travis county grand jury and asked concerning it. But he showed by canceled checks given against the account that every cent of the money held in trust by the governor in the account of Ferguson, governor, had been paid out properly on approved estimates for the buildings of the West Texas Normal school.

### WILL HOLD THE WEST TEXAS FAIR

The drought and war ery has no horror for the Abilene boosters, and that town has announced that the West Texas Fair will be held on schedule time, October 18-23. Most of the county fairs in this section of the state have been called off, and the Abilene fair will be the only one being Ballinger and a special effort is being made to make it the best fair ever held. The fair committee is going after more and better attraction, and special attention is being paid to the racing program, both horse and auto races.

### LODGE NOTICE

Stated meeting Ballinger Chapter No. 184, tonight 8 P. M. All members urged to be present. Visiting companions cordially invited to attend.

ORDER OF N. P.

Attest: J. McGREGOR, Secretary

### U. S. Secret Service Men Sweeping Three Nations

#### How to Knit for Red Cross Told In Detail

We are too busy to help the ladies knit, if we knew the stitch, but we are anxious to help the Red Cross knitters get all the socks, sweaters, mufflers, wristlets, etc., ready for the soldiers that can possibly be knitted before Christmas, and we publish the following for the benefit of those who are on the knitting job:

#### Equipment:

This circular is prepared primarily for the use of hand knitters. Knitting machines may be used if desired provided the articles can be as well made and made of the same yarn.

The color of the yarn has been carefully considered with the authorities of the War Department and with the American Red Cross Commissioner for Europe, in Paris. It has been learned from both of these sources that articles made in either gray or khaki yarn will be accepted. Owing to the difficulty of securing khaki-colored yarn in large quantities, the American Red Cross Supply Service will carry the grey yarn—oxford mixture, 4-ply 10's construction.

Yarn and knitting needles may be procured either from Red Cross Chapters or from stores, provided the yarn is the same grade and needles of the same size as those described in this circular.

The needles referred to in these directions are standardized Red Cross needles which can be purchased from Red Cross Chapters. Their diameter is given opposite their respective number:

Knitting Needles No. 1—135-1000 inch.

Knitting Needles No. 2—175-1000 inch.

Knitting Needles No. 3—200-1000 inch.

#### General Directions

Stitches should not be cast on too tightly. Knitting should be done evenly and firmly and all holes should be avoided. Joining should be done by splicing or by leaving two or three inches at each end of the yarn to be darned in carefully.

All knots, ridges or lumps should be most carefully avoided, especially in socks, as they are apt to blister the feet.

#### Sleeveless Sweaters

3 hanks of yarn—3 1/4 lb.—1 pair Red Cross Needles, No. 3. Cast on 80 stitches. Knit 2, purl 2 stitches for 4 inches. Knit plain, until sweater measures 25 inches. Knit 28 stitches, bind off 24 stitches for neck, loose. Knit 28 stitches. Knit 7 ridges on each shoulder, cast on 24 stitches. Knit plain for 21 inches. Purl 2, knit 2 stitches for 4 inches. Sew up sides, leaving 9 inches for armholes. 2 rows single crochet around neck and 1 row single crochet around the armholes.

#### Knitted Helmet

1 1/2 hanks of yarn, 3 1/8 lb.; 1 pair Red Cross Needles No. 2. The helmet is made in 2 parts. Front of helmet: Cast on 48 stitches, 11 inches, knit plain for 25 ribs—5 inches—and knit 2, purl 2 for 35 rows. On the next row the opening for the face is made as follows: Knit 2, purl 2, knit 2, purl 2, knit 2, knit and bind off loosely the next 28 stitches and purl 1, knit 2, purl 2, knit 2, purl 2. Run the stitches before the opening on a spare needle and on the stitches at other side of opening knit 2, purl 2 for twelve rows. The last row will end at the opening and at the point cast on 28 stitches to offset those bound off. Begin at the face opening of stitches on spare needle and knit 2, purl

2 for twelve rows. At the end of the 12th row continue all across to the end of the other needle, when there should be 48 stitches on needle as at first. Knit 2, purl 2 for 24 rows.

Top of Helmet: Knit 2, narrow—knitting 2 stitches together—knit 14, narrow, knit 14 narrow, knit 12, purl the entire next row. On the 3rd row knit 2, narrow, knit 13, narrow, knit 13, narrow, knit 11. Purl 4th row. On the 5th row knit 2, narrow, knit 12, narrow, knit 12 narrow, knit 10. Purl 6th row. Continue to narrow in the 3 places every plain knitted row with 1 stitch less between narrowings until 9 stitches are left.

Back of helmet: Work in same manner as for front but omit the face opening. Sew the stitches of upper edges together with joining stitch. Sew up the side seams, leaving the plain knitting at the shoulders open.

#### Medium Sized Man's Sock

4 Red Cross Needles No. 1; 1-2 lb.—2 hanks—of yarn. Set up 60 stitches, 20 on each of three needles. Knit 2 plain and 2 purl for 35 rows, 4 1/2 inches. 36th row knit 4 plain stitches, knit 2 together; repeat this until the round is completed. There are now 50 stitches on the needles. Knit 50 rows plain until leg measures 11 inches. 6 1/2 inches of plain knitting. Take half the number of stitches—25—on first needle for the heel, leaving 12 and 13 stitches on the second and third needles for the instep, add on the 25 stitches, knit 1 row, purl 1 row alternately for 26 times, or 3 inches, always slipping the first stitch. Begin to turn the heel on the wrong side, slip 1, purl 13, purl 2 together, purl 1.

Turn work over, slip 1, knit 4, slip 1, knit 4 and pass it over slipped stitch, knit 1. Turn, slip 1, purl 5, purl 2 together, purl 1. Turn, slip 1, knit 6, slip 1, knit 1, and pass it over slipped stitch, knit 1. Continue working towards the sides of the heel in this manner, leaving 1 more row until all the stitches are worked in. There should then be 15 stitches on the needle. Pick up 13 stitches on side of heel; now knit the 25 stitches, on 2nd and 3rd needle on to one needle, which becomes your 2nd needle; with your third needle pick up the 13 stitches on other side of heel, and knit 7 stitches off your 1st needle so that you will now have 21 stitches on the 1st needle, and 20 stitches on the 2nd needle. 1st needle—knit to within 3 stitches of the end, knit 2 together, knit 1. 2nd needle—knit plain. 3rd needle—knit 1, slip 1, knit 1, pass slipped stitch over, knit plain to end of needle. Knit around plain.

#### Wristlets

1-2 hank of yarn, 1-8 lb.; 1 pair Red Cross Needle No. 2. Cast on 48 stitches, knit 2 and purl 2 for 12 inches, and sew up leaving 2 inches open space for thumb 2 inches from edge.

#### Muffler

2 1/2 hanks of yarn, 5 1/8 lb.; 1 pair Red Cross Needles No. 3. Cast on 50 stitches or 11 inches. Plain knitting for 68 inches.

#### NEW COMER BIT BY RATTLESNAKE

Dr. Herndon was called to Merced Monday night to attend a Mr. Green that had been bitten by a rattlesnake. While he had a bad case at first the Doctor says he thinks he will be all right. M. Greelee is a new-comer and this was an introduction to West Texas reptiles.—Miles Messenger.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 14.—The United States announces its aim to sweep German intrigue out of three nations, Argentina, Sweden and Mexico. The American government expects to convince the Teuton Liberals that the world is unsafe while such plotting exists. The American secret service will co-operate with the neutral powers in running down and bringing to justice plotters who are furnishing the German government with information, or in any way helping the enemy.

### WOUNDED MAN IN SERIOUS CONDITION

A. W. Drake, who was brought to Ballinger from Coleman and placed in the Halley & Love sanitarium at noon Thursday, is not expected to live. The bullet wounds will cost the man his life, according to the latest report from the sanitarium, and death is only a matter of a short time.

Drake was shot by a man by the name of C. E. Jernigan, the shooting taking place on the streets of Coleman Thursday morning. The Coleman Democrat gives the following account of the affair:

Using a double-barreled shotgun loaded with buckshot and firing both barrels, C. E. Jernigan probably fatally wounded A. W. Drake. The shooting occurred Wednesday morning on the main street of this city.

Jernigan approached the street from the rear of the Central State bank building and fired the first shot in the direction of Drake, who was moving down the sidewalk. The second shot struck Drake as he turned to enter Nance's saddle and harness shop and he fell in front of the door way.

Local physicians who attended Drake believe his wounds may prove fatal. His wounds were given hurried attention and he was put aboard the 10:54 train and conveyed to the Ballinger sanitarium for treatment. Ten or twelve shot entered vital parts of his body. It was stated that his kidneys and intestines were penetrated and that he was bleeding internally.

Jernigan immediately surrendered to Sheriff Banister and is held in jail pending the outcome of Drake's wounds. Bullets from the first discharge of Jernigan's gun pierced several signboards along the sidewalk and several persons barely escaped being hit. A plate glass at the front of the Pessel store was shattered, one bullet passed through the frame work of the chime clock in front of the First National Bank and spent its force against the sign board of the Silver Moon Cafe, a block further down. Bob Collins was sitting in his invalid chair in front of Whitaker's tailor shop and several bullets passed just above his head, and punctured Whitaker's signboard.

Thirteen has proven an unlucky day for Mr. Drake. February 13 part of the city was shot and wounded by Mr. Jernigan in the southwestern part of this city. The second shooting, which may prove fatal, occurred September 13th.

Family affairs is alleged as the cause of the shooting. Drake is about 38 years old, has a wife and four children. He lives on a farm near Gouldsburg. Jernigan is about fifty years of age and has a family now living in Brownwood. It is said he returned to Coleman from Brownwood about two weeks ago. It is alleged, also, that Mr. Jernigan and his family are not living together at this time.

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That man who stood on the sidewalk and made fun of the soldiers boys drilling in the street, should be used for a target for the soldiers in practice shoot, and after his carcass has been thoroughly perforated with bullets it should be placed in the scavenger's cart and hauled to the dump grounds. Those boys are patriots and deserve the love of every American.

This country is passing through a period when men's souls are tried. We can not deny the fact that conditions here with many people are just a little "squalid," and it will take a man with unbroken faith in the country to pull through and help to rehabilitate a country that is sure to come. No country is immune to reverses, and we are having ours now. The man who moves should not burn the bridges behind, and should go prepared to return with the return of prosperity which is sure to follow the reverses as day follows the night. The unemployed man is offered employment in the sections where the crops are heavy, but after the harvest he should have a home to return to, and the man who has a home in Rannels county will gain more by holding on to it than he will by running from a drouth that will soon be forgotten.

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We should not criticise the man who is seeking exemption from

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draft at this time. Most of the applications filed for exemptions are based on the fact that the applicant feels that the first duty is to his family, or feels that he can better serve his country at home. There are exceptions of course, because it has developed that there are men in America who are opposed to war and would desert, rebel and revolt, if they thought it would deliver the country into the hands of the enemy, but they are not true Americans.

In many cases those asking for exemptions are appealing only for extended time and say that they will arrange their affairs and respond to their country's call later. In a number of cases the exemption boards are granting temporary discharges, fixing the date upon which the registrants must answer.

Every nation involved in the war has experienced more or less trouble with slackers and traitors, and when we stop to consider the foreign population in America, and the fact that certain localities furnish hot beds for revolutionists, we should feel proud of the small per cent of slackers, and hold up to the world that there is no discount on American patriotism.

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A JUST GRIEVANCE

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Too many merchants, officers and business men get the idea that the newspaper's mission in life is to do the "boasting" for the old home town—help the government organize armies, sell liberty bonds and carry on the Red Cross work; say nice things about people when they get married and give the dead a passport to heaven, while the editor and his force stands off their bills and subsist on hot air, and the well-dressed, glad-to-see-you salesman for the out-of-town printing firm, comes along and "hands out" a little palava and leaves town with orders for printing that should be kept at home. Money spent at home in time returns to the spender, while money sent away from home is slow to return. Just so long as the people send away from home for printing that can be had at home, just so long will the local printer have a just grievance.

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J. B. Pace of Winters had business in Ballinger Friday.

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J. W. Daneer of Winters was in Ballinger Friday on business.

Citation.

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Rannels County—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon Minnie Lee Thomas by making publication of this Citation once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your County; if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 35th Judicial District; to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Rannels County, Texas, to be held at the Court House thereof, in Ballinger, Texas, on the 2nd Monday in October, A. D. 1917, the same being the 8th day of October, A. D. 1917, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 4th day of September, A. D. 1917, in a suit numbered on the docket of said Court No. 1879, wherein Griffin Thomas, is plaintiff and Minnie Lee Thomas, is defendant; the nature of plaintiff's demand being as follows: Griffin Thomas, who resides in Rannels County, Texas, hereinafter called plaintiff, complaining of Minnie Lee Thomas, whose residence is unknown to plaintiff, called defendant; and for cause of action plaintiff represents to the court that he is a bona fide inhabitant of the State of Texas and has resided in the County of Rannels for the past six months preceding the filing of this suit; that on or about the 1st day of September, A. D. 1908, in Oklahoma County, Oklahoma, plaintiff was lawfully married to defendant then a single woman by the name of Minnie Lee Copeland; that they continued to live together as husband and wife until on or about the 16th day of August, A. D. 1913, when for cause unknown to plaintiff defendant left his bed and board and since that date plaintiff has never seen nor heard from defendant.

Wherefore, plaintiff prays the court that defendant be cited to appear and answer herein and for judgment dissolving said marriage relations, and for such other relief special and general as in law and in equity he may be entitled to and will ever so pray.

S. C. HARRIS,

Attorney for Plaintiff.

Herein Fail Not, but have you before said Court, on the first day of the next term thereof, this Writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness My Hand and Official Seal, at my office in Ballinger, Texas, this 5th day of September, A. D. 1917.

MARY PHILLIPS, Clerk,  
District Court Rannels County,  
Texas.

Citation.

To the Sheriff or Constable of Rannels County—Greeting:  
You Are Hereby Commanded

to summon Will Flakes by making publication of this Citation once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 35th Judicial District; to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Rannels County, Texas, to be held at the Court House thereof, in Ballinger, Tex., on the 2 Monday in October, A. D. 1917, the same being the 8th day of October, A. D. 1917, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 4th day of September, A. D. 1917, in a suit numbered on the docket of said Court, No. 1878, wherein Lizzies Flakes is plaintiff and Will Flakes, is Defendant; the nature of plaintiff's demand being as follows: Lizzie Flakes, who resides in Rannels County, Texas, hereinafter called plaintiff, complaining of Will Flakes, whose residence is unknown to plaintiff, called defendant; and for cause of action

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plaintiff represents to the court that she is a bona fide inhabitant of the State of Texas and has resided in the County of Rannels for the last six months preceding the filing of this suit; that on or about the 18th day of February A. D. 1913 in Tillman County, Oklahoma plaintiff then a single woman by the name of Lizzie Taylor was lawfully married to defendant; that they lived together as husband and wife for one day only when defendant was arrested and sent to the penitentiary for false swearing and from that day until this she has never been heard from defendant.

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appear and answer herein and for judgment dissolving said marriage relations, and for such other and further relief special and general as in law and equity she may be entitled to and will ever pray.

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To all Persons Interested in the estate of W. F. McKown, deceased, notice is hereby given that Mrs. Mary Matilda McKown, by her attorneys, Doss and Baugh, has

filed an application in the County Court of Runnels County, on the 13th day of September, 1917, for probate of Will of said W. F. McKown, and for letters testamentary thereon, which said application will be heard by said court on the 5th day of November, 1917, at the Court House of said County, in Ballinger, at which time all persons interested in said estate are required to appear and answer said application, should they desire to do so.

Herein Fail Not, but have you before said Court, on the first day of the next term thereof, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.  
Witness my hand and official seal, at Ballinger, Texas, this 13th day of September, 1917.

W. C. McCARVER,  
Clerk County Court, Runnels County, Texas.



Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Erwin are at home from a pleasant trip to Colorado. They returned home Wednesday night.

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"MR. OPP" AT WHITE CITY TONIGHT.

Daniel Webster Opp, egotistical vain and with only a scattering of education, is the epitome of cheerfulness and optimism. He has ventured into many careers and has made a failure of all of them, until he becomes a traveling salesman for a St. Louis show firm. Just when promises are golden, Opp receives word that his stepfather has died and he must go to his old home to settle the estate.

He is met at the hotel in Cove Junction by his brother, Ben, who demands that a settlement be made on the basis of D. Webster taking the homestead while Ben shall have the few dollars in cash that complete the estate. In this arrangement Ben plans to send Kippy Opp to an institution for the feeble minded. As a result of the ravages of fever Kippy at the age of twenty-four has only the mind of a child.

D. Webster Opp decides to sacrifice himself to the care of his sister. He gives Ben the money and settles down in the old homestead to start life anew. In his many ventures he has been, at one time, a printer. As Cove Junction boasts no newspaper, Mr. Opp establishes The Opp Eagle and begins at once to boom the town. His optimistic editorials are read by a wealthy promoter who goes to Cove Junction to investigate the possibilities of getting coal from the ground in that vicinity.

Mr. Opp's plans for a "Greater Cove Junction" enthralls the populace, and he is chosen as the community head in forwarding schemes to make the town famous and prosperous. John Mathews, the promoter, addresses an assembly of the townfolks, promising to co-operate with them in developing the coal lands if the citizens will invest with him in the Turtle Creek Development Co., which he undertakes to form. Mr. Opp's enthusiasm leads the citizens to invest, and Cove Junction begins to boom.

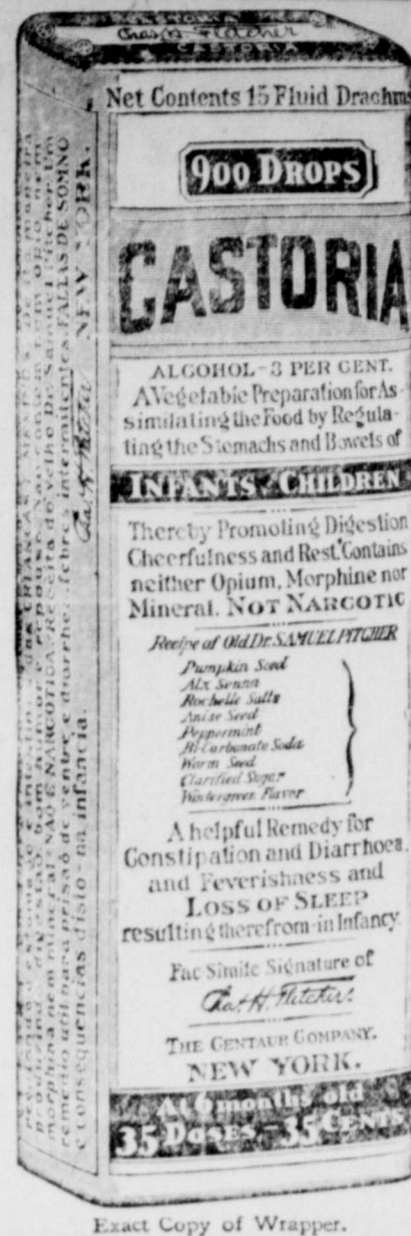
With Guinevere Gusty, the village belle, Mr. Opp has fallen in love, proposes marriage and is accepted. This happens before Willard Hinton, because of threatened blindness, is compelled to abandon his position as private secretary to John Mathews. Hinton decides to remain in Cove Junction and goes to board at the home of the Widow Gusty. This move ends Mr. Opp's matrimonial aspirations, for Guinevere falls in love with Hinton and Mr. Opp, wise in his generation, releases the girl from her engagement.

John Mathews returns to Cove Junction and at a meeting of the stockholders declares that the coal lands have been found to be unproductive of profit, but offers a plan to sell out to a rival corporation. All the stockholders, except Mr. Opp, agree to sell. Mr. Opp declares the whole transaction to be dishonorable, pre-empted by Mathews to trick the rival company into buying a worthless proposition. He, however, is voted down and the sale is consummated.

Then and there Cove Junction's boom begins to wane. Hinton, having married Guinevere, makes a proposal to buy The Opp Eagle and retain Mr. Opp as an employee. Seeing his last hopes vanishing, Mr. Opp sells out on the day the townfolks have set for a banquet to do honor to the man who has done so much to advance the prosperity of Cove Junction. Mr. Opp finds himself the hero of an occasion that brings to his heart the manna of adulation and praise for which he is so hungry. He is then and there nominated for the office of mayor and the story ends with Mr. Opp happy in the horage of his fellow citizens with a life of devotion to the brain-sick Kippy his irrevocable portion.

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Mrs. M. L. Legg of Palestine, who had been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Ralph Willingham, here for awhile, returned home Thursday. She was accompanied by Mrs. Willingham, who will visit there for a while.

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