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TEXAS BREVITIES

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Nov. 19 is the date that the tenth quarterly meeting of the Central West Texas Agricultural Association will be held at Stamford.

More than \$800 has been raised to defray the expenses of the Grayson county poultry association, which will conduct its exhibition in Sherman Dec. 3, 4, and 5.

The initiative referendum and recall were voted into the city charter of the city of Houston at a recent election in which 37 of 37 amendments submitted to the voters were carried.

The Southwest has produced an enormous crop of sweet potatoes of excellent quality. They are worth 50c to 75c a bushel and the cheapness of them is recommending them as a substitute for Irish potatoes, which are worth about \$1 a bushel.

The contract has been let at Midland for the construction of 44 miles of macadamized roads. These highways will be built from the proceeds of a \$50,000 bond election.

The electric light plant at Quanah has changed hands and is being rebuilt at a cost of \$135,000. The new owner also plans the erection of a transmission line to Chillicothe to furnish light and power for that town.

Preliminary engineering tests are being conducted across the Brazos river at Freeport for the purpose of selecting a site for the \$60,000 steel draw-bridge to be erected across the river connecting that city and Velasco.

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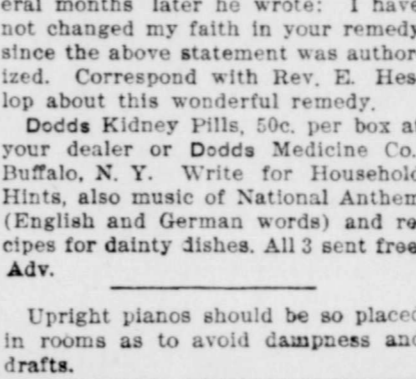
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JUST FORGOT HIS MANNERS

Intoxicated Man's Remark May Have Held Some Truth, but It Was Not Polite. They were seated side by side in a street car. He was very intoxicated and very sleepy.

A CLERGYMAN'S TESTIMONY. The Rev. Edmund Heslop of Wigton, Pa., suffered from Dropsy for a year. His limbs and feet were swollen and puffed.



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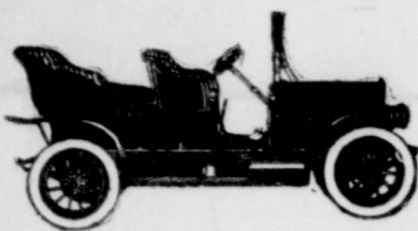
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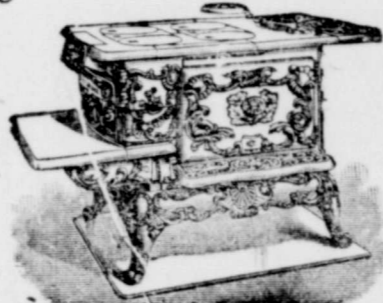


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Announcements

FOR TAX ASSESSOR

L. A. Coffey
L. G. Christopher
S. E. Fitzgerald

FOR COUNTY ATTORNEY

Troy Smith

Sunday was an unlucky day for autoists.

The Pampa News is figuring on getting a linotype for the shop.

Every business mind needs rest as much so as our physical body.

The Matrimonial fever has not been so high in Miami this fall as symptoms first showed.

Winter is not coming as quick as it started in too. Pretty good thing too for coal is "scandalous" high.

Miami's School District is spending near \$800 a month in salaries for teachers. It is bringing good returns too.

We note trains coming through Miami at a 40 mile clip which really looks very dangerous to us, especially when box cars are setting near the crossing.

Emiline Pankhurst is not raising so much "cain" in America as some thought she would.

From the number that were chasing geese Sunday we expect the geese thought they were in Mexico among the revolution.

The greatest hero is the man who has lived such a life that he sets a good example for his children and neighbors to pattern after.

With corn advancing rapidly and chops as high as a cat's back it is about time people were looking towards that wheat pasture as a means of relief.

Cole Younger spoke a truth when he said, "a man that is on the wrong side of every question is a greater enemy to his country than one who will fire on the flag."

By the proper management of your chickens, hogs and horses you should be able to clothe and feed your family very well. Then the crop products could be laid aside for a rainy day.

Some Mail Order Grafters of Denver, Colo., Chicago, New York and a number of other points, are sending out letters telling how they got rich in 18 months and offering to sell shares in their institutions. They want \$15. to \$25. down as a guarantee of good faith, and would even accept \$5, if you have no more to spare at present. If you are wise you will keep your shekels in your pants.

PICTURE FRAMES

I have anything in this line you could want and want your job. LET'S FIGGER

ROY TROWBRIDGE

Miami, -:- Texas

Thursday, Nov., 27 is a day set for us to give thanks and if we are alive at that time we should all observe the day with proper ceremonies. Enjoy the big turkey dinners and spend one day from the business worries of life.

Somebody certainly had confidence in ex-Governor Sultzer of New York or they would have never elected him to the State Legislature. And somebody has lost confidence in Tammany and his "dirty dozen" or they would have not blacked him so black in the recent election.

The average election now-a-days is followed by a long legal fight and we don't see why they don't just have the legal fight and leave the election off anyway, the courts will settle it the way they want too, regardless of what the majority of the people want.

It looks like intervention in Mexico is necessary, and too one American soldier is worth a hundred Mexicans, but something must be done. The ordinary citizen will but in to a dog fight when it has gone far enough, will stop two men fighting right away, and it looks to us that we had better quiet the Mexicans down a little.

Amarillo will have a local option election soon, just what the outcome will be, no one can tell. A hard fight is being put up on both sides, and regardless of which side wins, there will be a big law suit and a lot of money spent trying to make the minority win.

The Incorporation trial of the Miami town is set for next Monday at Canadian. We trust that the thing will be settled at that time. Courting is very expensive and is going to cost someone something. Then it will be much better to get a squabble like this settled so we can all be on the right side. We are sure that as soon as this question is settled, the losers will line up with the winners and all work in harmony for a bigger and better Miami.

Every lady reader of The Chief is taxing her brain at this season of the year in an endeavor to think of something that will make a suitable Christmas gift for mother, sister or friend. Last week we ran a couple of columns containing some valuable suggestions and illustrations along this line, and this week you will find a couple of columns more, along the same lines. The gifts described in these articles are very pretty and useful, and at the same time very inexpensive. They can be made by any lady at odd moments right in the quiet and comfort of her own home.

Look up last week's issue of The Chief and also find the article referred to in this week's issue on another page. They will be of great assistance to you and at the same time save you some money.

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Local News

D. K. Hickman has just completed an addition to his house.
 Ben Talley built a nice Auto garage for his new car this week.
 C. W. Hamilton was in town first of the week.
 The new side walk up East Broadway looks very pretty.
 W. T. Hammond and niece Mrs. Bray were city shoppers Tuesday.
 Mr. and Mrs. Fred Stribling were city visitors this week.
 Miss Vadna Hurn of Mobeetie visited in Miami first of the week.
 Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Carter of Canadian visited relatives here Sunday.
 Cashier Durham of Mobeetie passed thro Miami Friday enroute home.
 A. W. Chisum was in Tuesday and reports a hundred acres of wheat up and looking fine.
 A card from P. K. Burum says send him the Chief to Richgrove, California, for a short time.
 B. Z. Williams lost one hind wheel off his automobile Sunday while out on the South Plains.
 Oscar Ryan left Sunday night for South Central Texas on a 15 days vacation.
 We note from the Wheeler Sun that Carl Brooks has again took his abode in the Wheeler County jail.
 Clarence Davis of Pampa visited with Henry Chisum Friday and Saturday of last week.
 Miss Ruby Chisum has been quite sick with the mumps the past week.
 Tom Graham is doing quite a bit of remodeling on the Commercial hotel and will be ready to open up next week.
 The Miami Orchestra had quite a nice rehearsal Monday night. The Orchestra is doing fine and playing some very fine music.
 A. C. Chilton came in last week from an extended trip out west and reports things pretty dull out that way in the building line.
 Judge and Mrs. Cunningham, Mrs. Sturdy and sister and Jimmie Kivlehen composed a party of hunters going to the river last week and staying a few days.
 Dave Stribling sold his home section of land north of Miami to W. T. Hammond last week. Mr. Stribling says he is going to change locations in the spring but we trust that he is just joking about the matter.
 Considerable work is being done on the big hill. A new bridge has been put in and is about 6 feet higher than the old one and the cut at the top is being widened. Too much work cannot be done on this particular piece of road for it is a mean place at the best.
 The Chief family acknowledge receipt of a special invitation to attend an entertainment Thanksgiving night, Thursday 27, at Mobeetie entitled "Ramero Kimona," given by the Mothers Club. The play is a comedy in two acts, and will take about an hour and a half, besides some splendid music.
 Rev. J. P. Lowry Pastor of the Methodist Church at Miami and Pampa has just returned from the Annual Conference at Vernon, he was assigned to this charge for another year. The past year was one of success. He reported to the Conference 250 conversions, 154 members received, with a net gain of 136 for the year, with the salaries and all benevolences paid in full, amounting all together \$4,263.00. We are very glad indeed to have Bro. Lowry with us another term.
 The Ladies Aid Society of the Presbyterian Church held its regular meeting yesterday evening at the home of Mrs. L. B. Robertson. The meeting was well attended, all the ladies bringing various pieces of fancy work and useful articles which they prepared for their Bazaar. The Bazaar is to be held on Dec. 6th in the rear of the Central Drug store and will be a very enjoyable affair. The next meeting of the Aid Society will be held at the home of Mrs. C. S. Seiber.

Additional Local

H. F. Simmons left yesterday for Kansas City.
 R. F. Gillman left yesterday for Cisco.
 Atty. J. C. Dial and stenographer Miss Bell came in today.
 Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Edge are visiting her mother in Woodward.
 H. J. Newman and A. C. Chilton went to Canadian this morning.
 Mrs. Sam Seiber is visiting relatives in Canadian this week.
 Work is again in progress on the oil well.
 Leo Fitzgerald and Happy Casey are out after a seige of the mumps.
 C. M. Hobket and Thos. Thompson are hunting geese today.
 G. A. Addison of Canadian was in town this morning.
 The District Court officers returned Tuesday from court at Ochiltree.
 B. Z. Williams, J. W. Burks, John Short and Judge Greever went hunting yesterday, returning today.
 Mrs. Burnett left today for her home in Little Rock Ark. after a visit with her sister Mrs. Sturdy.
 J. C. Farrington returned this morning from Oklahoma City where he has been with Mr. Fidler who underwent an operation.
 Chas. Haase of Ochiltree is in town today. He brought in a load of turkeys and disposed of them.
 Jake Eller, an old timer of Miami, but late of Mexico came in yesterday and says Miami for him from now on.
 Rev. Hallie McDonald will preach Sunday morning and night at the Christian Church. Everyone invited to attend.
 Missionary Notes, Wed. 19th. The Ladies Missionary Society met with Mrs. Jackson in the regular Mission study in connection with the study of Chinas New Day. An interesting program was carried out with Mrs. Lula Lowry as leader.
 Mrs. M. W. Sturdy entertained several guests at her home Wednesday afternoon from 3 till 5 o'clock with "42," in honor of her sister, Mrs. Burnett, of Little Rock Arkansas. Several games were played, after which a delicious salad course of fruit cakes, coffee and mints was served.
 The Juniors will give a Missionary program at the Auditorium Friday night November 28th. Program will consist of readings solos character songs, play and pantomimes. Proceeds to be given to Foreign Missions, come and help the cause. Admission only 10 cents.
 An attempt was made to rob the depot last night and murder the new operator. However by quick use of the phone and telegraph wires and protection from the lower corners of the room the young operator managed to save things until the Sheriff and deputies and balance of the depot force and part of the town could arrive and unmask the vicious looking burglars, who proved to be some town boys playing a little joke. They say it worked pretty well.
 The musical recital of Mrs. Ewing's music class Friday night was very fine indeed and enjoyed by a full house. The children showed some fine musical talent and played music that was enjoyed by all. It was a good proof that our town has some of the coming musicians and the parents should feel proud of them. However no talent can be developed without the proper training and we cannot compliment Mrs. Ewing too highly on the training she has given her class. The complete program may be found in the Chief.
 DRESS MAKING. Mrs. C. B. Parks has opened a dressmaking shop next door to the restaurant and is prepared to meet your needs in plain and fancy sewing. 171f.
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 Every year the blooded hens and high-browed roosters from all over the world assemble at the show, chatter about the premiums, cackle and crow over the blue ribbons, return to the barnyard boasting of their triumphs and spread the fame of the Stock Show throughout the length and breadth of the land.
 The hen will be one of the leading attractions of the show and she is a splendid entertainer. Her form is exquisitely molded in all shapes and sizes from the ornamental to the useful. Her attire is the pink of perfection and her form and color are of latest design. In utility she is without an equal in the Texas barnyard. Her cackle is as musical as the clink of gold dollars, she buys the baby new dresses, keeps the family in groceries and pays off farm mortgages. She has put on a shell game that has driven the fakery from the fair grounds in shame and she has netted the housewife millions of dollars.
 For years she has maintained her supremacy as a star performer and this year she will put on a show that will rival all previous exhibits. In giving the largest returns on the amount invested, she takes sweep-stakes. The markets of the world are clamoring for the Texas steer; the packers are loudly calling for more hogs; the sheep boasts of the demand for its fibre, but they must all bow down before the Texas hen. She lays three times her value per annum, raises annually a brood of chickens worth ten times her value and then lays down her life to appease human hunger.
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 No. 13193
 Meet 4th Thursday night of each month
 Oscar Ryan, V. C.
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The NATION'S GREATEST FEAST DAY

ONCE more the liberal year laughs out
O'er richer stores than gems of gold;
Once more with harvest song and shout
Is Nature's greatest triumphs told.



THANKSGIVING DAY! Personally it conjures up visions of roast turkey and plum pudding and pies and all that go to make it an annual occasion of feasting; historically one sees "pilgrims on a rock-bound coast" and, invariably, it is regarded as about the oldest national holiday of the land! As a matter of fact it is the youngest! Practically every yearly observance of a patriotic nature is more ancient than the celebrating of Thanksgiving day as a regular official ceremony.

It is so customary in America for one person to do the pioneering and another to get the credit that it is no surprise to learn that even the Mayflower band were really not entitled to the praise as original thanksgivings, which they have been receiving ever since 1620. Not that there is anything disparaging to be uttered about those stern moralists—who seem to have been adepts in loading a cargo of furniture that would tax an ocean liner into a little sailing ship!

They were brave and they deserve the nation's remembrance. But 13 years before they landed at Plymouth a group of future colonists had stood on American soil and given thanks at their deliverance from the perils of the sea. This was on Sunday, August 9, 1607, at the Island of Monhegan and an English minister and a priest jointly conducted a service of thanksgiving. The twin ships, Mary and John, and the boat, Gift of God, found their way to the island after a long, terrible voyage of storms and helplessness. They had neither turkey, nor cranberry sauce, but there was never a more genuine Thanksgiving day.

This was along the coast of Maine and yet Massachusetts has, through all the years, been honored among states as the home of the first Thanksgiving service.

Of course the Bay state may be said to have taken the idea and in the words of a capitalist, "developed it and put it on a paying basis." In Massachusetts such a day was set apart for special services, continued fasting and rigorous giving of thanks almost from the time the Pilgrim Fathers first landed. But, without meaning to be facetious, it is obvious that these common sense folk never believed in giving thanks unless they had something to be thankful for.

Thus, in 1633, 13 years after the landing at Plymouth, the governor of that state officially appointed a day of thanks and another in the year following. But then there was a jump of three years during which the colonists did not celebrate. Why? Certain historians insist it was because they were "lean" years. If so, they must have been followed by three "fat" ones, as the day was observed regularly until 1639. Again an interval of fateful 13 years and then, in 1651, the governor once more declared in favor of Thanksgiving. In 1650 the day was set apart as an annual state holiday and has been ever since.

But only New York adopted the practice of having such a day until well into the eighteenth century! As early as 1644 the Dutch governor of New York issued an official proclamation for a day of thanksgiving, but it was not followed each year—varying probably with the governor's ideas or the conditions of the crops. Like the famous pagan feast of autumn, it originally was meant chiefly as a public offering of prayer in gratitude for the bountiful output of grain and fruits which would see the settlers through the winter.

The other states were being more slowly settled and in Maryland and Virginia there was not so much of a strong religious atmosphere noticeable as a debonnaire enthusiasm for whatever of the good things of life could be had. The day was observed but not officially. And always, in the south, it was a day of feasting. From the time slavery entered the land the Maryland or Virginia colonist pictured Thanksgiving dinner as a scene of expectant waiting diners and a round grinning black face to the rear of the huge roast turkey on a platter.

About the time of the struggle of '76 it came into its own as a regular holiday and in 1789 was, for the first time, declared a holiday by congress and so observed. So that, really, it is quite a youthful, immature holiday after all!

Gradually, as the free air and broadmindedness of this climate began to leaven the witch-burning dogmas of the Pilgrims, the fastings of the day was tempered by moderate feasting. People ceased partaking in solemn silence of a meal just about the same as that served on Sunday—on which day of the week all early Thanksgiving used to be observed—and had a few friends or relations in to help give proper thanks. This necessitated more elaborate preparations and what the college-bred young man of the household today would term "a bigger feed."

It would not be correct to dine in everyday clothes when guests were present, so elaborate costuming came into vogue for the occasion. Many guests came from a long distance—maidens sitting demurely behind men riders on horseback, or else in clumsy old road-coaches. It was not hospitable to suggest that these return the same day. So started the country house party which still flourishes wherever there is a hostess, a house in the country and a fireplace.

For weeks beforehand preparations for the great day went on. Especially at a place like Mount Vernon did Thanksgiving almost outweigh Christmas in culinary importance—which was as it should be since the host of Mount Vernon signed the first official proclamation making Thanksgiving a holiday. And always the turkey has been its emblem—just as the eagle is of freedom. Like the Indian it is typically American.

Of course with such tempting menus as turkey, roast pig, home-cured hams and mince and pumpkin pies—to say nothing of imported plum pudding—feasting rapidly took the place of abstinence. And it is remarkable that amid all the changes of this vast country during the past 123 years that menu has remained practically unchanged. Everywhere in America on this Thanksgiving day—save in the homes of the poor and the multi-millionaire—turkey and cranberry sauce will have places of importance and be served from the table. The high cost of living debars the city poor from much turkey and the ultra-rich have long since determined that a few thin un-gravied slices of white meat are sufficient to introduce amid the various cosmopolitan dishes of the meal.

Back in revolutionary days no such thought troubled the mistress of the governor's mansion at Albany, the exclusive hostess of Boston, or the chateleine of a Virginia estate. There was only one proper place for the huge golden-brown savory and beautiful turkey—and that was the exact middle of whatever end of the table was designated "head." No courses annoyed the guests and irritated eager juveniles. The dinner services had to be extensive and complete. Dinner was served at midday and complete. Dinner, taken from an immense began with a soup, the hostess. She ladled out into soup plates, whose depth would astound a fastidious diner of today. All over the broad expanse of white cloth were various dishes and plates and cruetts and receptacles for needed seasonings.

Nor were these of a thickness meant to endure rather than charm the eye. Gazing upon a collection of them now at the National Museum at Washington one marvels what magic of housewifery skill ever prevented their breakage. Where is the bride of yesterday who can point today to an intact after-dinner coffee set—much less that sufficient for a dinner party? Yet these are displayed in all the purity of outline and quaintness of a long gone period, bringing very near to the visitor the era of genuine hospitality.

can vividly picture the powdered hair of the grown-ups, the eager faces of the youngsters, the grinning darkies in the south, or cheery white "help" of the north.

At the museum imagination is stimulated by a sight of the very garments and jewels worn at Thanksgiving dinners just about the time the holiday received its christening as a national event. Dainty and suggestive of the beauty of youth is a pale blue ribbed silk empire gown with short puffed sleeves, a cowbeby white hand embroidered kerchief and a plain fall of wide skirt. Near it are the ridiculously little high-heeled white satin shoes, the gay colored fan, immense tortoise shell combs and gold beads and miniature locket worn by the revolutionary maiden.

Looking at her footgear one smiles in reminiscence of the fairy tales of grandmothers who always insist upon the sensibleness of the way THEIR grandmothers dressed. A flaming red cloak, with Red Riding Hood cape, and a beautiful beaded hand bag completed the toilette in which the girl probably rode many miles horseback with her arms clasped tight around the body of a male relative, or perhaps rested warmly inside one of the lumbering road coaches which the museum contains. From a family long famed in history comes down a rarely beautiful gold engraved snuff box and lace wristlets and handkerchief, which the owner was wont to display on such occasions as that of a stately Thanksgiving. In every detail of china and silver the costumes there is evidenced this suggestion of dignity and caste.

And yet, very gay and festive must have appeared a gathering of well-known folk of the late revolutionary period, when Thanksgiving was sufficiently new as a national holiday to be observed with particular enthusiasm.

A complete full dress costume of a man of affairs of Maryland, displayed behind glass at the museum, reveals the dandyism prevailing. The knee breeches are of corded tan silk, with gem encrusted buckles; the coat, of the same material, is on the frock variety—with many plaits at the back, self-covered buttons and a high turnover collar of the Robespierre style. The gloves, silken hose, three-cornered hat and capped great coat are all delicate of texture and in marked contrast to the somber garb now thought appropriate for wear at a Thanksgiving dinner.

But it was not all "beer and skittles" then! Amid the display of old mahogany table, candelabra, cushioned dining chairs and array of costly old china and glass used on Thanksgiving days at Mount Vernon is the camp outfit of George Washington from which he partook of so many frugal meals.

One distressing winter of the struggle he ate his Thanksgiving dinner "in the field" and it is recorded that he had nothing except the regulation soldierly provender. His little camp chest still contains the numerous pewter forks and spoons and dishes that served him in lieu of silver and porcelain. Over a fire that could be built in the open one picture toaster being toasted for him on the iron toaster which is still intact. There were bottles of seasonings, such as salt and pepper and a few shallow pewter plates.

If ever one needed faith in order to be thankful it was then, and yet he who issued the first national proclamation of Thanksgiving came through it to leave a visible evidence that not all early Thanksgiving dinners were sumptuous feasts.

At least, though, they were events—not merely annual meals—regarded by the very rich of today as a maudlin tribute to the national spirit and by the very poor as a merciful pause in the starvation of winter.

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A great many seven and eight room houses are now being built on this plan with a wide gable and roof having a wide projection at the gables and at the eaves.

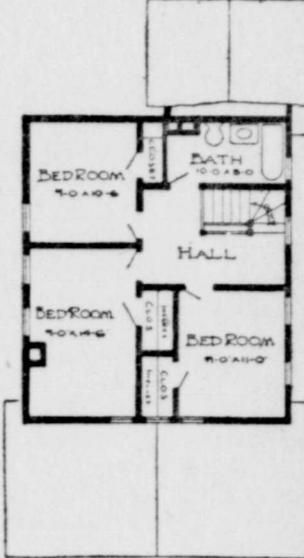
To be in keeping the loggia or living porch roof is built on the same plan, with the ends of the rafters exposed and a pitch and projection in conformity with the main roof.

A loggia built in this manner makes a very pleasant summer parlor, a splendid addition to the big living room in fine weather. It should be furnished with comfortable rockers and other easy chairs. It should have a good, heavy two story table to hold books and magazines and a hanging swinging seat in the corner farthest from the door.

These hanging seats are all right or all wrong, according to the way they are made, upholstered and hung. In the first place they must be solid, but they may be either cheap or expensive and still look well and comfortable. But the proportions must be right, and there must be cushions and pillows and a lean-back to make them comfortable.

The very best kind of a hanging seat may be made from a suspension woven spring wire mattress such as all furniture dealers seen for single beds. The wire spring is suspended from the ends of a solid hard wood frame. In making the seat the frame is neatly boxed around and on the

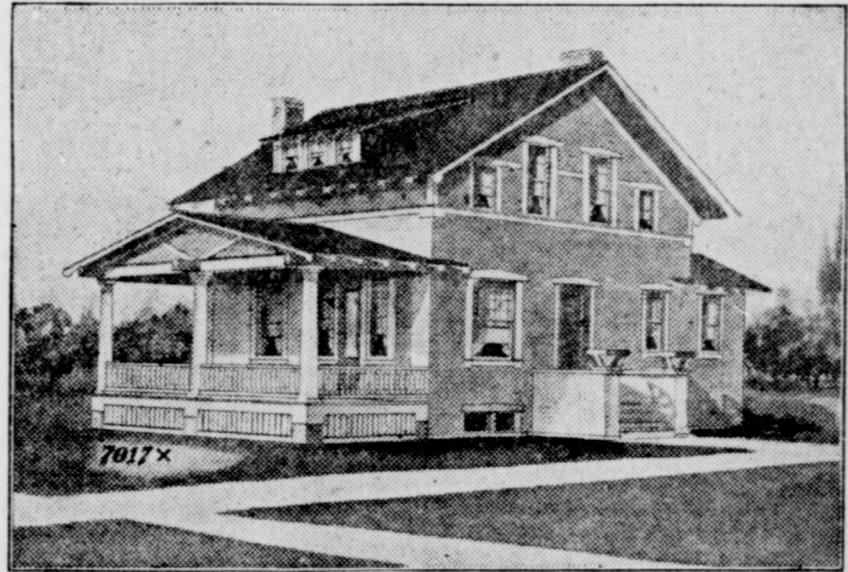
room and a stairway in the front of a medium sized house they interfere with each other, but this plan leaves the living room free to occupy the whole width and you have the loggia besides. Upstairs the floor area is smaller than downstairs; still you get three good bedrooms, a bath room and plenty of closets. Downstairs is helped out by extending the kitchen so it does not come out of the main building. This arrangement in connection with the large pantry makes a house



Second Floor Plan.

that is easy on the housekeeper. She has store room at hand for the hoards of necessary little things without running down cellar 40 times while getting dinner.

Generally speaking, this is an old style house, when viewed from the outside, but there are a number of mod-



spring is placed a thin mattress or cushion which is covered with good wearing material, dyed a good color to match the other furniture. Six feet long and three feet wide is a good, sensible size, big enough for comfort and big enough to look well. Make strong ends about a foot high, connect them with a back piece and hang with four chains from the four corners. Usually furniture fringe of a color to match the cushion is tacked around the box, but this is not absolutely necessary.

Red is perhaps the most substantial and lasting color for outside upholstery and cushions, but this of course must be governed by the individual taste of the housekeeper. I might say, however, that a loggia like this with a bright red rug on the floor and a dash of red somewhere connected with the different articles of furniture seems to

ern innovation that add very much to the comfort of the house without costing a great deal of extra money.

The house is 23 feet wide by 35 feet long without measuring the loggia or side porch, a size sufficient to make a roomy house and still keep it within the limits of a small family.

I find that more houses are needed for families of from three to five persons than any other size. Large families are the exception and families of three or four, or five at most seem to be the rule in this country. But I notice, too, that even small families want a good, large, attractive living room. It seems to be the one feature of modern houses that pleases everybody. I have known a living room like this to sell a house when it was deficient in many other ways, which goes to show that the idea is extremely popular.

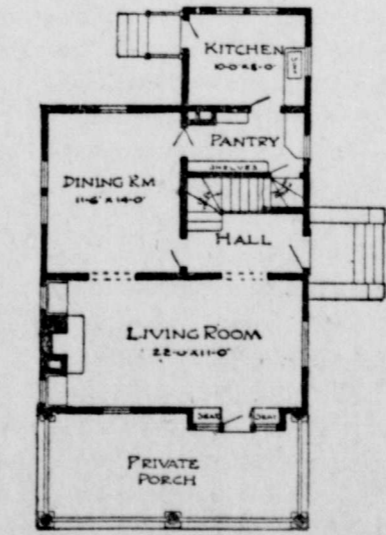
You can put as much expense on the building as you want to, or you can build it almost as cheap as any other house of the same size by using cheaper materials. Sometimes a house cheaply built and well painted looks better than a more expensive house that has been neglected in the final finish. There are many such things to consider when building.

Posy Rings.

Somewhere back in the sixteenth century the posy and motto rings came into vogue. It is said that the famous ring which Essex sent to Good Queen Bess by the countess of Nottingham, and which the woman did not deliver, was a posy ring.

Lovers as well as friends all over Europe exchanged these rings. Some of the mottoes on the old rings are very quaint indeed. Here are a few:

- "In thee, my choice, I do rejoice."
- "May God above increase our love."
- "Not two, but one 'til life is done."
- "My heart and I until I die."
- "As gold is pure, so love is sure."
- "As long as life your loving wife."
- "Love is sure where faith is pure."
- "Love is heaven, and heaven is love."
- "Not for a day, but love, for aye."
- "When this you see, then think of me."
- "In gold I'm cast to bind two fast."
- "My heart is thine, true love of mine."



First Floor Plan.

brighten up a sun parlor in a very pleasant way.

Sometimes you want to screen a room of this kind, either with glass or wire netting, or both, a loggia is much better than a porch or veranda for this purpose, because it is not necessary to pass through it, in fact you can't pass through it because the only entrance is from the living room.

In this house plan you enter at the side, an arrangement that solves the big living room and stairway problem. Where you have both a large living

