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## Electric Light Notes

Messrs Armstrong and Nunn of the Nunn Electric Company of Amarillo was at the public meeting held at the Auditorium Friday evening of last week and gave us quite a bit of information on installing a light plant. The proposition was fully discussed and a committee is now at work trying to raise the necessary amount of stock to start the plant. Up to date \$3,500 has been subscribed and the promoters feel very confident of securing the necessary amount.

## Stock Holders Meet

The Stock holders of the Bank of Miami, met Saturday in annual session with all members present except two. The officers elected were T. M. Cunningham, pres. H. Russell, vice pres. Thos J Boney cashier and Jim Sauls assistant cashier. All stock holders were extremely pleased with the condition of the bank and complimented the managements very highly and the improvements that has been made and the good condition of the institution.

## Fifth Sunday Meeting

The fifth Sunday meeting just brought to a close at the Baptist church was a success. The meetings were well attended; the sermons and addresses were of high order; the visiting delegates were made welcome, and all seemed pleased, interested and helped. Special mention ought to be made to the W. W. W. meeting held on the 24th. It was thought at that meeting that the best way for the sisters to aid the work was by raising and selling poultry. Our women here decided to give to Buckner's Orphan's home; and Belton Female College.

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## Program Roberts County TEACHERS INSTITUTE

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DECEMBER 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 1914.

### INFORMATION

All teachers who are under contract to teach in this county must attend the institute the full time or forfeit their salary for the week and run the risk of losing their positions. If you have either an oral or written contract you are required to attend. Teachers must come prepared for work.

The State Superintendent has adopted Horn's 'The Best things in Our Schools', sold C. A. Bryant & Co., Dallas, Texas, which book will be used during the institute.

Each teacher will be required to recite in these texts and will need the books. Procure them and read up before you come to the institute.

Teachers expect parents to buy books for their children in order that good and efficient work may be done. For the same reason teachers are expected to provide themselves with the adopted book, and prepare to do good honest work.

You get full salary for the week, provided you attend all time and do your duty.

The County Superintendent has no authority to excuse anyone.

Let us use our best efforts to make this institute as interesting and profitable as possible.

Trustees and members of the County School Board are urged to attend the meeting and all friends of education are invited to be with us.

All meetings will be held in the Miami High School building.

Respectfully,

J. E. Kinney, County Judge-  
Ex-Officio County Superintendent.

### MONDAY FORENOON

9:00 Son's Institute.  
Invocation. Bro. Huffman.  
Address to institute. Judge F P. Greever  
An Address. Bro. Rees.  
Organization of Institute.

### MONDAY AFTERNOON

1:00 Roll Call. Answer with Current event  
Teaching the Paragraph.  
Miss Pearl Easley.  
How much english should be taught children in the Grammar Grades.  
Miss E. Sanders.

What shall I teach my children in Primary language. Miss Elva Jones.  
Horn's "The best things in our Schools" Chapter 1. Mr. G. L. Wren.

### TUESDAY FORENOON

9:00 Roll Call. Answer with quotation.  
How to deal with children of the Grammar Grades. Miss L. Sanders.  
Discipline of the entire school. Institute  
How much Number Work should be given in first grade. Miss Helen Sisk.  
The Daily Program, and how to obtain the best results therefrom.  
Miss Myrtle Matthews.

Horn's "The best things in our Schools" Chapter 2. Miss Pearl Crawford.

### TUESDAY AFTERNOON

1:00 Roll Call.  
Concrete Lesson in Number Work.  
Miss Sulu Cook.  
Concrete Lesson in Fractions.  
Miss E. Sanders.  
How to interest students in Mathematics.  
Mr. G. L. Wren.  
Horn's "The best things in our Schools" Chapter 3. Miss Abbie E. Wilson.

### WEDNESDAY FORENOON

9:00 Answer with an Historical Event.  
How to teach Ancient History.  
Miss Helen V. Sisk.  
A Concrete Lesson in Ancient History.  
Miss Pearl Easley.  
What and how much Source Material should be used in teaching History.  
Miss L. Wallace.  
How to obtain the best results in teaching Modern History.  
Miss Myrtle Westbrook  
Horn's "The best things in our Schools" Chapter 4. Miss Vernis Jenkins.

### WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

1:00 Roll Call. Progressive Spelling.  
Teaching Phonics in Primary Grades.  
Miss Sulu Cook.  
Teaching spelling and diacritical marks in third and fourth grades.  
Miss Dora Dixon.  
The importance of Thoroughness in teaching spelling. Miss Burum.  
Horn's "The best things in our Schools" Chapters 5 and 6. Mr. Woods King.

### THURSDAY FORENOON

9:00 Answer with Geographical Fact.  
Concrete lesson in Geography.  
Miss Ura Hudspeth

### Geography in Grammar Grades.

Miss Pearl Crawford.  
Reading. Miss Lucile Ewing.  
Public School Music. Miss Ewing.  
Horn's "The best things in our Schools" Chapter 7. Miss Lida Reed.

### THURSDAY AFTERNOON

1:00 Roll Call. Answer with Texas Senator.  
Advantages to be gained from the study of Languages. Miss L. Wallace.  
Advantages and disadvantages of a Literary Society. Miss Vernie Jenkins  
Further Discussions. Institute.  
Busy work for Primary Grades.  
Miss E. Cook  
Horn's "The best things in our School" Chapter 8. Miss Elva Jones.

### FRIDAY FORENOON

9:00 Answer with a Noted Painter.  
Improvements for Rural Districts.  
Woods King.  
School Entertainments. Miss E. E. Brothers  
The Teachers Duties outside of school.  
Miss Myrtle Matthews.  
Horn's a general review.  
Miss Dora Dixon.

### FRIDAY AFTERNOON

1:00 Roll. Answer with name of Standard Prose Fiction.  
How and Why art should be taught in Public Schools. Miss E. Cook.  
How to interest children in reading other than that of the text book.  
Miss Ura Hudspeth.  
How to use athletics as an incentive to School Work.  
Miss L. Sanders.  
Round Table Talks Institute  
Resolutions, etc. Closing.

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### Telephones Consolidate

Tuesday lineman of the Southwestern Telephone Company came down and cut over their lines to the board of the Miami Telephone Company, and now we have the one system with all connections. The Southwestern will retain their lines only they are connected through the local board, and have no exchange at Miami. This makes it much more convenient for telephone patrons who will now be able to use one phone for all purposes.

### Over The Plains

At Wellington last week the trial of Elbert Eades for killing J. P. Hopkins resulted in a hung Jury. This makes the third time the case has been tried there, twice he was convicted and each time the verdict was reversed by the court of appeals. Three stock farming companies have recently been organized at Plainview with capital stocks at \$6,000 each. They propose to stock farm on a large scale. Wm Hastey and Miss Verdie Evans were married in Canadian last week. They left for a trip to Missouri and will return to take charge of the John Isaac ranch.

### A Car of Flour from Miami to Aid Belgians

The spirit of giving freely of that which the Lord has blessed us with was never more fully shown than in Miami this week when solicitors went out to secure donations to buy a car load of flour for the Belgians. We doubt if there is a town in the United States no larger than Miami that is giving more liberally than Miami. Judge T. M. Cunningham and wife headed the list with a donation of 1,000 pounds followed by

C. Coffee and wife, Cozart Grain Company, Alva Rolles Mills 500 pounds each, J. W. Philpott, White House Lbr. Co., Panhandle Lbr. Co., G. M. Moon, John Dodsob, John Newman, and Daniel Rees and wife, \$10. each. Rev. P. G. Huffman and a large number of others giving \$5. each and many others giving smaller amounts. A very long list will be published later. Up to date \$429. has been subscribed, and the balance will be subscribed this week. The Sunday Schools will take up collection. Sunday and the Cap Rock Theatre will give a performance and donate part of it to the cause.

W. H. Rhodes has been taking an active part in the move and is in receipt of a letter from D. Elliot, of Amarillo, superintendent of the Santa Fe, Stating that the Santa Fe would gladly ship the car to any port on their lines or to Chicago and thence over the N. Y. Central. Those who wish to give anything may see Mr. Rhodes or send him their amount and it will be added to the list.

The people have shown by giving that they are thankful

people and God will continue to bless them. We can be happy over the fact that Miami is able and willing to help the poor unfortunate people who are now starving. Hundreds of dear little lives will be saved, many little children will be fed and many mothers will humble themselves in prayer and thanks to God for the car of flour that will go from Miami. If we could only realize to the fullest extent what a great need is now being helped it would undoubtedly make every one happy to know that they were able to help.

God has liberally prospered us and he will know that we are thankful for it. He has stored up his richest blessings for those who help their fellow man when in need and we trust that every cent given will go to the very best possible use. To Aid the unfortunate nation.

Beautiful hand painted china, for Xmas gifts on display at Cooks Jewelry Store.

### NOTICE

Have three nice upstairs office rooms to rent. Nice rooms. T. M. Cunningham



# The Last Shot

FREDERICK PALMER

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### SYNOPSIS.

At their home on the frontier between the Browns and Grays Marta Galland and her mother, entertaining Colonel Westering of the Grays, see Captain Lanstron, staff intelligence officer of the Browns, injured by a fall in his aeroplane. Ten years later, Westering, nominal vice but real chief of staff, reinforces South La Tir, meditates on war, and speculates on the comparative ages of himself and Marta, who is visiting in the Gray capital. Westering calls on Marta. She tells him of her teaching children the follies of war and martial patriotism, begs him to prevent war while he is chief of staff, and predicts that if he makes war against the Browns he will not win. On the march with the 33d of the Browns Private Stransky, anarchist, declares war and played-out patriotism and is placed under arrest. Colonel Lanstron overhearing, begs him off. Lanstron calls on Marta at her home. He talks with Feller, the gardener. Marta tells Lanstron that she believes Feller to be a spy. Lanstron confesses it is true. Lanstron shows Marta a telephone which Feller has concealed in a secret passage under the tower for use to benefit the Browns in war emergencies. Lanstron declares his love for Marta. Westering and the Gray premier plan to use a trivial international affair to foment warlike patriotism in army and people and strike before declaring war. Partow, Brown chief of staff, and Lanstron, made vice, discuss the trouble, and the Browns defenses. Partow reveals his plans to Lanstron. The Gray army crosses the border line and attacks. The Browns check them. Artillery, infantry, aeroplanes and dirigibles engage. Stransky, rising to make the anarchist speech of his life, draws the Gray artillery fire. Nicked by a shrapnel splinter he goes berserk and fights "all a man." Marta has her first "longue of war" in his modern, cold, scientific, murderous brutality.

### CHAPTER X—Continued.

This was the very thing to whip her thoughts back from the knoll. He was thunderstruck at the transformation: hot color in her cheeks, eyes aflame, lips curving around a whirlwind of words.

"You name the very reason why I wish to stay. Why do you want to save the women? Why shouldn't they bear their share? Why don't you want to see men mowed down? Is it because you are ashamed of your profession? Why, I ask?"

The problem of dealing with an angry woman breaking a shell fire of questions over his head had not been ready solved in the captain's curriculum like other professional problems, nor was it mentioned in the official instructions about the defenses of the Galland house. He aimed to smile soothingly in the helplessness of man in presence of feminine fury.

"It is an old custom," he was saying, but she had turned away.

"Lanny's plan—mow them down! mow them down! mow them down!" she went on, more to herself than to him.

Was there nothing for her to do? Could she only look on in a fever of restlessness while action roared around her? The sight of several automobile ambulances in the road at the foot of the garden stilled the throbs of distraction in her temples with an answer. The wounded! They were already coming in from the field. She hurried down the terrace steps.

The major surgeon in charge, surprised to find any woman in the vicinity, was about to tell her so automatically; then, in view of her intensity, he waited for her to speak.

"You will let us do something for them?" Marta asked. "We will make them some hot soup."

He was immediately businesslike. No less than Dellarme or Fracasse or Lanstron or Westering, he had been preparing throughout his professional career for this hour. The detail of caring for the men who were down had been worked out no less systematically than that of wounding them.

"Thank you, no! We don't want to waste time," he replied. "We must get them away with all speed so that the ambulances may return promptly. It's only a fifteen-minute run to the hospital, where every comfort and appliance are ready and where they will be given the right things to eat."

"Then we will give them some wine!" Marta persisted.

"Not if we can prevent it! Not to start hemorrhages! The field doctors have brandy for use when advisable, and there is brandy in all the ambulances."

Clearly, volunteer service was not wanted. There was no room at the immediate front for Florence Nightingales in the modern machine of war.

"Then water?"

The major surgeon aimed to be patient to an earnest, attractive young woman.

"We have sterilized water—we have everything," he explained. "If we hadn't at this early stage I ought to be serving an apprenticeship in a village apothecary shop. Anything that means confusion, delay, unnecessary excitement is bad and unmerciful."

Marta was not yet at the end of her resources. The recollection of the dying private who had asked her mother for a rose in the last war flashed into mind.

suggestion. "It ought to help anybody who was ever wounded anywhere in the world to have you give him a flower!" he was thinking.

She ran for an armful of blossoms and was back before the arrival of the first wounded man who preceded the stretchers on foot. He was holding up a hand bound in a white first-aid bandage which had a red spot in the center. Those hit in hand or arm, if the surgeon's glance justified it, were sent on up the road to a point a mile distant, where transportation in requisitioned vehicles was provided. These men were triumphant in their cheerfulness. They were alive; they had done their duty, and they had the proof of it in the coming souvenirs of scars.

Some of the forms on stretchers had peaceful faces in unconsciousness of their condition. Others had a look of wonder, of pain, of apprehension in their consciousness that death might be near. The single word "Shrapnel!" by a hospital-corp corporal told the story of crushed or lacerated features, in explanation of a white cloth covering a head with body injured.

Many of the wounded looked at Marta even more than at the flowers. It was good to see the face of a woman, her eyes lmpid with sympathy, and it was not what she said but the way she spoke that brought smiles in response to hers. For she was no solemn ministering angel, but high-spirited, cheery, of the sort that the major surgeon would have chosen to distribute flowers to the men. Every remark of the victims of war made its distinct and indelible impression on the gelatin of her mind.

"I like my blue aster better than that yellow weed of yours, Tom!"

"You didn't know Ed Schmidt got it? Yes, he was right next to me in the line."

"Say, did you notice Dellarme's smile? It was wonderful!"

"And old Bert Stransky! I heard him whiffling the wedding march as he fired."

"Miss, I'll keep this flower forever!"

"They say Billy Lister will live—his cheek was shot away!"

"Once we got going I didn't mind. It seemed like as if I'd been fighting for years!"

"Hole no bigger than a lead-pencil. I'll be back in a week!"

"Yes; don't these little bullets make neat little holes?"

"We certainly gave them a surprise when they came up the hill! I wonder if we missed the fellow that jumped into the shell crater!"

"Our company got it worst!"

"Not any worse than ours, I'll wager!"

"Oh—oh—can't you go easier? Oh-h-h—the groan ending in a clenching of the teeth."

"Hello, Jake! You here, too, and going in my automobile? And we've both got lower berths!"

"Sh-h! That poor chap's dying!"

Worst of all to Marta was the case of a shrapnel fracture of the cranium.



"Why Do You Want to Save the Women?"

with the resulting delirium, in which the sufferer's incoherence included memories of childhood scenes, moments on the firing-line, calls for his mother, and prayers to be put out of misery. A prod of the hypodermic from the major surgeon, and "On the operating table in fifteen minutes" was the answer to Marta's question if the poor fellow would live.

Until dark, in groups, at intervals, and again singly, the wounded were coming in from a brigade front in the region where the rifles were crackling and the shrapnel clouds were hanging prettily over the hills; and stretchers were being slipped into place in the

ambulances, while Marta kept at her post.

"We shan't have much more to do at this station," said the major surgeon when a plodding section of infantry in retreat arrived.

### CHAPTER XI.

#### At the Galland House.

Every unit engrossed in his own work! Every man taught how a weak link may break a chain and realizing himself as a link and only a link! The captain of engineers forgot Marta's existence as an error of his subordinates caught his eye, and he went to caution the axmen to cut closer to the ground, as stumps gave cover for riflemen. For the time being he had no more interest in the knoll than in the wreckage of the dirigibles which were down and out of the fight.

After all, the knoll was only a single point on the vast staff map—only one of many points of a struggle whose progress was bulletined through the siftings of regimental, brigade, division and corps headquarters in net results to the staff. Partow and Lanstron overlooked all. Their knowledge made the vast map live under their eyes. But our concern is with the story of two regiments, and particularly of two companies, and that is story enough. If you would grasp the whole, multiply the conflict on the knoll by ten thousand.

There had been the engrossment of transcendent emotion in repelling the charge. What followed was like some grim and passionless trance with triggers ticking off the slow-passing minutes. Dellarme aimed to keep down the fusillade from Fracasse's trench and yet not to neglect the fair targets of the reserves advancing by rushes to the support of the 123th. Reinforced, the gray streak at the bottom of the slope poured in a heavier fire. Above the steady crackle of bullets sent and the whistle of bullets received rose the cry of "Doctor! Doctor!" which meant each time that another Brown rifle had been silenced. The litter bearers, hard pressed to remove the wounded, left the dead. Already death was a familiar sight—an article of exchange in which Dellarme's men dealt freely. The man at Stransky's side had been killed outright. He lay face down on his rifle stock. His cap had fallen off. Stransky put it back on the man's head, and the example was followed in other cases. It was a good idea to keep up a show of a full line of caps to the enemy.

Suddenly, as by command, the fire from the base of the knoll ceased altogether. Dellarme understood at once what this meant—the next step in the course of a systematic, irresistible approach by superior numbers. It was to allow the ground scouts to advance. Individual gray spots detaching themselves from the gray streak began to crawl upward in search of dead spaces where the contour of the ground would furnish some protection from the blaze of bullets from the crest.

"Over their heads! Don't try to hit them!" Dellarme passed the word.

"That's it! Spare one to get a dozen!" said Stransky, grinning in ready comprehension. He seemed to be grinning every time that Dellarme looked in that direction. He was plainly enjoying himself. His restless nature had found sport to its taste.

The creeping scouts must have signaled back good news, for groups began crawling slowly after them.

"Over their heads! Encourage them!" Dellarme commanded.

After they had advanced two or three hundred yards they stopped, shoulders and hands exposed in silhouette, and began to work feverishly with their spades.

"Oh, beautiful!" cried Stransky. "That baby captain of ours has some brains, after all! We'll get them now and we'll get them when they run!"

But they did not run. Unfalteringly they took their punishment while they turned over the protecting sod in the midst of their own dead and wounded. In a few minutes they had dropped spades for rifles, and other sections either crawled or ran forward precipitately and fell to the task of joining the isolated beginnings into a single trench.

Again Dellarme looked toward regimental headquarters, his fixed, cheery smile not wholly masking the appeal in his eyes. The Grays had only two or three hundred yards to go when they should make their next charge in order to reach the crest. But his men had fifteen hundred to go in the valley before they were out of range. After their brave resistance facing the enemy they would receive a hail of bullets in their backs. This was the time to withdraw if there were to be assurance of a safe retreat. But there was no signal. Until there was, he must remain.

The trench grew, the day wore on. Two rifles to one were now playing against his devoted company, which had had neither food nor drink since early morning. As he scanned his thinning line he saw a look of bloodlessness and hopelessness gathering on the set faces of which he had grown so fond during this ordeal. Some of the men were crouching too much for effective aim.

"See that you fire low! Keep your heads up!" he called. "For your homes, your country and your God! Pass the word along!"

Parched throat after parched throat repeated the message hoarsely and leaden shoulders raised a trifle and dust-matted eyelashes narrowed sharply on the sights.

"For the man in us!" growled Stransky. "For the favor of nature at birth that gave us the right to wear trou-

sers instead of skirts! For the joy of hell, give them hell!"

"For our homes! For the man in us!" they repeated, swallowing the words as if they had the taste of a stimulant.

But Dellarme knew that it would not take much to precipitate a break. He himself felt that he had been on that knoll half a lifetime. He looked at his watch and it was five o'clock. For seven hours they had held on. The Grays' trench was complete the breadth of the slope; more reserves were coming up. The brigade commander of the Grays was going to make sure that the next charge succeeded.

At last Dellarme's glance toward regimental headquarters showed the flag that was the signal for withdrawal. Could he accomplish it? The first lieutenant, with a shattered arm, had gone on a litter. The old sergeant was dead, a victim of the colonial wars. Used to fighting savage enemies, he had been too eager in exposing himself to a civilized foe. He had been shot through the throat.

"Men of the first section," Dellarme called, "you will slip out of line with the greatest care not to let the enemy know that you are going!"

"Going—going! Careful! Men of the first section going!" the parched throats repeated in a thrilling whisper.

"Those who remain keep increasing their fire!" called Dellarme again. "Cover the whole breadth of the trench!"

Every fourth man wormed himself backward on his stomach until he was below the sky-line, when his stiffened limbs brought him to his feet and he started on a dead run down into the valley and toward a cut behind another knoll across the road from the Galland house. The others followed at intervals.

Once across a road and up three series of steps of the other garden terrace, behind a breastwork of sandbags, the company rested. Most of them had fallen asleep on the ground after finishing their rations, logs of men in animal exhaustion. Some of those awake were too weary to give to each other more than a nod and smile. They had witnessed too much horror that day to talk about it. But Stransky foraged.

Marta, coming out on the veranda, saw him.

"You are tired! You are hungry!" she said with urgent gentleness.

"Come in!"

He followed her into the house and dropped on a leather chair before a shining table in a room paneled with oak, wondering at her and at himself. No woman of Marta's world had ever looked at that way to him. But it was good to sit down. Then a maid with a sad, winsome face and tender eyes brought him wine and bread and cold meat and jam. He gulped down a glassful of wine; he ate with great mouthfulness in the ravenous call of healthy, exhausted tissues, while the maid stood by to cut more bread.

"When it comes to eating after fighting—"

He looked up when the first pangs of hunger were assuaged. Enormous, broad-shouldered, physical, his cheeks flushed with wine, his eyes opened wide and brilliant with the fire that was in his nature—eyes that spoke the red business of anarchy and war.

"Say, but you're pretty!"

Springing up, he caught her hand and made to kiss her in the brassiness of impulse. Minna struck him a stinging blow in the face. He received it as a mastiff would receive a bite from a pup, and she stood her ground, her eyes challenging his fearlessly.

"So you are like that!" he said thoughtfully. "It was a good one, and you meant it, too."

"Decidedly!" she answered. "There's more where that came from!"

Then little Clarissa Eileen entered and pressed against her mother's skirts, subjecting Stransky to childhood's scrutiny. He waved a finger at her and grinned and drew his eyes together in a squint at the bridge of his nose, making a funny face that brought a laugh.

"Your child?" Stransky asked Minna.

"Yes."

"Where's her father? Away fighting?"

"I don't know where he is!"

"Oh!" he mused. "Was that blow for him at the same time as for me?" he pursued thoughtfully.

"Yes, for all of your kind."

"M-m-m!" came from between his lips as he rose. "Would you mind holding out your hand?" he asked with a gentleness singularly out of keeping with his rough aspect.

"Why?" she demanded.

"I've never studied any books of etiquette of polite society, and I am a poor sort at making speeches, anyhow. But I want to kiss a good woman's hand by way of apology. I never kissed one in my life, but I'm getting a lot of new experiences today. Will you?"

She held out her hand at arm's length and flushed slightly as he pressed his lips to it.

"You certainly do cut thick slices," he said smiling. "And you certainly are pretty," he added, passing out of the door as jauntily as if he were ready for another fight and just in time to see the colonel of the regiment come around the house. He stood at the salute, half proudly, half defiantly, but in nowise humbly.

"Well, Major Dellarme!" was the colonel's greeting of the company commander.

"Major?" exclaimed Dellarme. "Yes. Partow has the power. Four of the aviators have iron crosses already and promotion, too; and you are a major. Company G got into a mess and the whole regiment would

have been in one unless you held on. So I let you stay. It all came out right, as Lanstron planned—right so far. But your losses have been heavy and here you are in the thick of it again. Your company may change places with Company E, which has had a relatively easy time."

"No, sir; we would prefer to stay," Dellarme answered quietly.

"Good! Then you will take this battalion and I'll transfer Goller to Alvery's. Bad loss, Alvery—shrapnel. The artillery has been doing ugly work, but that is all in favor of the defensive. If we can hold them on this line till tomorrow noon, it's all we want for the present," he concluded.

"We'll hold them! Don't worry!" put in Stransky.

If a private had spoken to a colonel in this fashion at drill, without being spoken to, it would have been a glaring breach of military etiquette. Now that they were at war it was different. Real comradeship between officer and man begins with war.

"We shall, eh?" chuckled the colonel. "You look big enough to hold anything, young man! Here! Isn't this the fellow that Lanstron got off?"

"Yes, sir," answered Dellarme.

"Well, was Lanstron right?"

"Yes, sir."

"Wonderful man, Lanstron!"

"He knows just a little too much!" Stransky growled.

As Fracasse's men rose from their trench for the final charge and found that the enemy had gone, an officer



"Want to Kiss a Good Woman's Hand by Way of Apology."

of the brigade staff brought instructions to the colonel.

"The batteries are going to emplace here for your support in the morning. You will move as soon as your men have eaten and occupy positions B-31 to B-35. That gives you a narrow front for one battalion, with two battalions in reserve to drive home your attack. The chief of staff himself desires that we take the Galland house before noon. The enemy must not have the encouragement of any successes."

"So easy for Westering to say," thought the colonel; while aloud he acknowledged the message with proper spirit.

Before the order to move was given the news of it passed from lip to lip among the men in tired whispers. Since dawn they had lived through the impressions of a whole war, and they had won. With victory they had not thought of the future, only of their hunger. After the nightmare of the charge, after hearing death whispering for hours intimately in their ears, they were too weary and too far thrown out of the adjustments of any natural habits of thought and feeling to realize the horror of eating their dinners in the company of the dead. Now they were to go through another hell, but many of them in their exhaustion were chiefly concerned as to whether or not they should get any sleep that night.

The satire of war makes the valet's son a hero; the chance of war kills the manufacturer's son and lets the day-laborer's son live; the sport of war gives the latent forces of a Stransky full play; the glory of war brings Dellarme quick promotion; the glamour and the spectacular folly of war turn the bolts of the lightnings which man has mastered against man. Perhaps the savage who learned that he could start a flame by rubbing two dry sticks together may have set fire to the virgin forest and wild grass in order to destroy an enemy—and naturally with disastrous results to himself if he mistook the direction of the wind.

Marta Galland's thoughts at dusk when she returned up the steps to the house were of the wreckage the hot whirlwind of war left. She was seeing fathers staring and mothers weeping. Her experience with the wounded drawing deep on the wells of sympathy, heightened her loathing of war and of all who planned and ordered it and led its legions. She had been engaged since dark in completing the work of moving valuable articles from the front to the rear rooms of the house, which had been begun early in the day by Minna and the coachman.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

## PREPARING SEED BED

### Get Rid of Numerous Air Spaces by Firming Soil.

#### Effective Work Should Be Done Just After Plowing, Using Either Sub-surface Packer or Disk Set Straight and Weighted.

Two general methods of preparing the seed bed on dry land are in vogue—one by plowing, the other by diskling. We occasionally find other methods, such as listing, but not commonly. Far more often we find a seed bed with absolutely no preparation at all and this is surely not good farming where deep tillage is so essential. In preparing the seed bed with the plow we must consider the depth and the time to plow. The depth of plowing depends on the type of soil, the previous tillage, the crop to be grown, the time the plowing is done, the amount of water in the soil and the prevailing climatic conditions. When done shortly before seeding, especially in our dry regions, the plowing should be shallow, unless the furrow slice is sufficiently moist to permit of packing and plenty of help available to pack the furrow slice.

From observations during two extremely dry years I would say that more crops are lost from a loose, poorly prepared seed bed than from lack of cultivation. It is absolutely essential in dry land that the seed bed be firm. A loose seed bed dries out unless opportune rains keep it moist. If it dries the crop suffers, and the younger the crop and the deeper the loose seed bed extends the greater the extent of injury. Whenever the soil is plowed, numerous air spaces are found in the furrow slice, where clods, weeds or litter are turned under, writes W. W. Burr in Denver Field and Farm. We must get rid of these air spaces by firming the soil, for otherwise the movement of air through these larger open spaces will very rapidly dry out the soil.

Aside from the larger open spaces the soil particles falling from the plow are not set close together. They have comparatively few points of contact. Thus the movement of water from one to the other is slow while the passage of the air through the soil is much greater than when the soil has been firmed and as a consequence the ground dries out more quickly. This is of vital importance. If any crop is sown on a seed bed prepared only by the plow and harrow, there may be sufficient water in the upper part of the soil—where the particles have been brought quite closely together by harrowing—to germinate the seed.

But the harrow stirs only two or three inches of soil. As soon as the crop has used the moisture in these few inches it will suffer unless opportune rains come to supply it with water until its roots can get through the loose layer below. If light rains keep the upper few inches moist, the roots will probably tend to stay near the surface rather than push through the loose soil. The time to firm the furrow slice is just after the plowing is done. If the surface is allowed to dry out it cannot be packed. If there is sufficient moisture to plow well there will be enough to pack. The firming may be done with either a subsurface packer or a disk set straight and weighted. This firming of the soil to get rid of air spaces and bring the particles in closer contact is more essential on soils that have a tendency to become loose and ashy and in regions of scant rainfall. Heavy soils settle more readily than the lighter ones. In regions of greater rainfall, the rain falling upon the plowed surface beats the particles more closely together and washes the finer particles down into the open spaces and the soil may not need mechanical firming.

## STUDY METHODS OF RENEWAL

### Department of Pomology of New York State Leases Apple Orchards to Make Experiments

At Port Byron, N. Y., the department of pomology of New York state has leased an orchard consisting of eight acres planted with Baldwin and Rhode Island Greening apples, which will be used for studying methods of renewal.

The trees, which were originally too close, have now grown together so that the branches interlock. In one part of the orchard every alternate tree will be taken out, and in other parts the trees will be severely headed in or thinned.

The problem presented is a common one, many orchards in New York state being in a similar condition. Different methods of renewal that are recommended will be tested.

The fruit obtained will be used for testing the various fruit graders on the market.

## Renovation for Horses.

A bran mash, once a week, is a renovation for the driving horse. Two quarts of shelled oats and the same quantity of wheat bran, scalded about midway and then covered with a blanket or cloth, to keep in the steam, add a pinch of salt and feed at night. Give no other grain with this mash, but of course the regulation ration of hay. This once-a-week mash, given preferably Saturday night, will do your driving or riding horse all the good in the world. The work stock will also appreciate the mash.



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PRETTY CHRISTMAS GIFTS

Acceptable Presents for Young and Old and How They Are Made

EASILY MADE CHRISTMAS NOVELTIES IN NECKWEAR

NECKWEAR and muff sets were never more fashionable than they are just now, and they are among the easiest to make of home-made gifts.

Neckpieces are simply straight lengths of velvet, plush or fur cloth, cut a quarter of a yard wide and a yard or more in length. They are lined with satin and gathered in at the



ends, where a tasseled ornament makes the finish. They fasten about the neck with a hook and eye or slide.

Muffs are barrel-shaped and made over beds of down or wool batting. These beds are bought ready made and are very cheap.

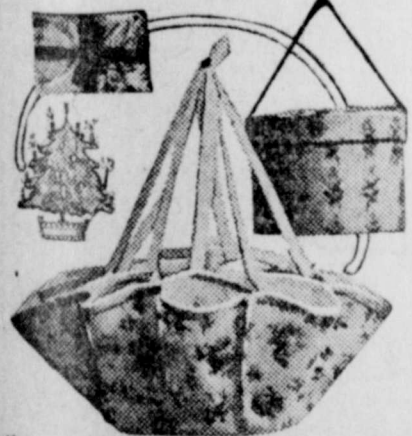
HOLIDAY TIES AND BOWS IN RIBBON



INEXPENSIVE and pretty neckwear is made of narrow colored velvet ribbon. Bows and ties like those shown in the picture are often finished with small flowers of ribbon or chiffon.

HOMEMADE GIFTS ACCEPTABLE TO MEN

SELECTING gifts for one's menfolk is perplexing to the Christmas shopper; their needs are few, compared to those of women and children.



A basket, which will do either for a den or a bedroom, is made very easily. The materials selected for it depend upon the purposes for which it is to be used.

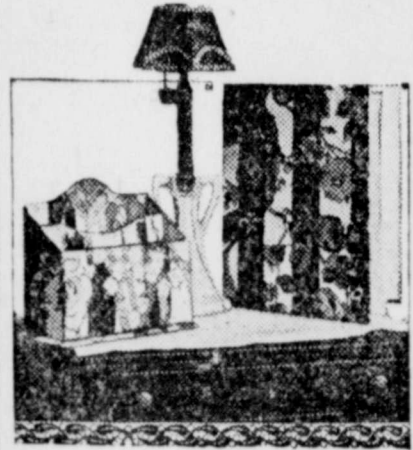
A collar and vestee in sheer or gaudie, to wear with tailored suits will be welcomed by every woman and costs almost nothing but the time for making.

A collar box covered with cretonne and suspended by ribbon hangers is a reliable gift sure of a welcome.

round pasteboard box of suitable size is needed over which the covering is stretched and either pasted or sewed. For small remembrance tokens flat sachets of crepe paper carrying lavender or spicy perfumes in an oblong bit of cotton batting, are tied with narrow strips of ribbons.

DESK SETS FOR THE OFFICE OR HOME

AMONG the most attractive of novel presents for men are office or library sets consisting of portfolio, letter box, waste basket, candle shades, etc. They are made of handsome wall paper designs pasted over foundations of heavy cardboard or wood.



shown in the illustration. The candle shade is of dark red paper decorated with a fancy gold braid pasted on. The ability to choose an attractive paper and paste it on neatly is about all that is required for making these sets.

TOBACCO POUCH AND DRESSING CASE BAG

A TOBACCO pouch is made of four long, narrow triangles of leather or of a silky plush, sewed together. A silk lining is made in the same way and placed in the outer bag. The edges along the top are blind-stitched together. The bag is 7 1/2 inches long,



each triangle 3 3/4 inches wide. A casing is stitched in the bag 1 1/2 inches from the top to accommodate narrow elastic bands for drawing strings. If the bag is to be hung up ribbon or cord suspenders are sewed at each side.

INEXPENSIVE GIFTS IN COLLARS AND VESTEES

A COLLAR and vestee in sheer or gaudie, to wear with tailored suits will be welcomed by every woman and costs almost nothing but the time for making.

A brilliant vestee, with collar and revers of filmy lace, is pictured made of brocade velvet and shadow lace. The vestee is a band about the neck



gradually widening to the waist line where it is trimmed into points. It fastens just above the points with hooks and eyes, and here three small, fancy buttons are set on for ornament.

PEACE!

To promote peace, happiness and good health it is necessary to keep the Stomach, Liver and Bowels working harmoniously and at the first sign of disturbance you should resort to

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PARKER'S HAIR BALM

A solvent preparation of merit. Restores color and beauty to gray or faded hair. For restoring color and beauty to gray or faded hair.

They Live on—Us. John Sloan, the well-known painter, pointed out at a tea in a pale stone palace in Fifth avenue the doubtful authenticity of a Correggio.

At the end of his demonstration Mr. Sloan adjusted his pince-nez, looked about him in his grave, whimsical way and said:

"Ladies, the old masters are indeed immortal. Most of them are still producing chefs d'oeuvre at the rate of nine or ten a week for the galleries of our multimillionaires."

A GRATEFUL ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

Mr. F. C. Case of Welcome Lake, Pa., writes: "I suffered with Backache and Kidney Trouble. My head ached, my sleep was broken and unrefreshing. I felt heavy and sleepy after meals, was always nervous and tired, had a bitter taste in my mouth, was dizzy, had floating specks before my eyes, was always thirsty, had a dragging sensation across my loins, difficulty in collecting my thoughts and was troubled with shortness of breath.

Dodds Kidney Pills, 50c. per box at your dealer or Dodds Medicine Co., Buffalo, N. Y. Write for Household Hints, Dainty Recipes; also music of National Anthem. All 3 sent free. Adv.

Father Know. Her father's voice floated from the head of the stairway. "Geraldine?" "Yes, papa."

"Has that young man gone?" "No, papa; it's only ten o'clock." "Send him home right away, and before he goes tell him it's midnight so he can start his watch and the hall clock again."

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A hot bath with Cuticura Soap followed by a light application of Cuticura Ointment, gently rubbed on the surface, afford immediate relief and point to speedy healing of sleep-destroying eczemas, rashes, itchings, burnings, scallings and crustings of the skin and scalp of infants and children, bringing rest to worn-out, anxious mothers and peace to distracted households. For free sample each with 32 p. Skin Book, address postcard Cuticura, Dept. X, Boston. Sold everywhere.—Adv.

The Presidents. Seven presidents have been born in Virginia, of whom five lived in that state when they were elected. Ohio has been the birthplace of six presidents, and five were elected while residents of that state.

Important to Mothers. Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA, a safe and sure remedy for infants and children, and see that it bears the Signature of J. C. Fletcherson. In Use For Over 30 Years. Children Cry for Fletcher's Castoria

Inconsistent. "Who are your best patients, doctor?" "The people who are always complaining that life isn't worth living."

A man with money is welcome anywhere—if he will let his companion do the talking.

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GROW GRAINS IN WESTERN CANADA, ENJOY AN EXCELLENT CLIMATE AND MAKE MONEY.

With the European wheat fields desolated, and the farming population more than decimated, there will be for a number of years a demand for food products that has not been experienced in the memory of the present generation.

There are several ways in which excellent farming lands can be secured in the provinces of Manitoba, Saskatchewan or Alberta, and also British Columbia.

In the first place the offer of the Dominion Government of 160 acres of land free to the settler is something not given by any other country. Conditions of settlement are easy. Live upon the land six months in each year, for a period of three years, cultivate about thirty acres, and erect a habitable house.

Another plan is to purchase from some of the railway companies who hold large tracts, or from some responsible land company. The prices asked are exceedingly low and the terms easy. Whether one may decide to locate in the open prairie area or in the park country the land will be found to be of the same general texture, a rich black or chocolate colored loam on a clay subsoil.

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Choice Juicy Birds

Advertisement for Pratts Poultry Regulator. A nice fat chicken, turkey or duck—unequaled for dinner when the folks come home for the holidays. Pratts Poultry Regulator. Makes plump, tender, tasty birds—the kind that make delicious eating and bring top-notch prices.

ODD COINAGE ON NIGERIA

Legal Tender That is Unhandy to Carry About in Any Conspicuous Quantity.

Among the strangest coins in the world are those used in certain out-of-the-way towns and villages in southwest Nigeria, on the west coast of Africa, called "manillas." In shape they resemble a horseshoe with the two extremities flattened out like a camel's foot. Being made of solid copper, three-eighths of an inch thick, they weigh over eight ounces each. In "face value" seven of these queer coins are equivalent to one quarter, so that a dollar's worth would be an uncomfortable, heavy load.

Before Congress of Vienna.

One hundred years ago Alexander I of Russia, the king of Prussia and other sovereigns, accompanied by a large retinue of diplomatists and soldiers, made their solemn entry into Vienna to take part in the congress which was to readjust the map of Europe.

They Won't Burn.

Campaigning in Kentucky means a variety of experiences. Representative Stanley is authority for this statement. When he was stumping the state not long ago Stanley was pointing out the manifold uses of steel and iron in American industries.

Explanation.

A sturdy Scot, six feet five inches in height, is a gamekeeper near Stafford, England. One hot day last summer he was accompanying a bumptious sportsman of very small stature when he was greatly troubled by midges. The other said to him: "My good man, why is it that the midges do not trouble me?" "I daresay," replied the gamekeeper, with a comprehensive glance at the other's small proportions, "it will be because they hevna seen ye yet."

Encouraged.

"I'm getting on," said Mr. Cumrox. "I'm getting into this haughty and superior social stride." "How do you know?" "My wife gave a party, and some of her friends mistook me for one of the invited guests."

Felt Safe in That.

"How many hotels here?" asked the man who had just left the train. "Two," answered the man who was standing on the platform. "Which would you recommend?" "Well, I'm stopping at 'the Hotel Hornswoggle. I'd recommend the other one."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

The Old Lady Again.

Mrs. Kawler—I was reading this morning about those picturesque soldiers England has brought from India. Mrs. Blunderby—you mean those Sneaks and Gherkins. My dear, aren't they wonderful?—Boston Evening Transcript.

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BRIGHTEST OF INDIA'S GEMS

Beauty Spots That Are to Be Found in the Valleys and Uplands of Kashmir.

It has been said that India is the brightest jewel in the British crown, but one cannot realize the brightness of the gem to the full until one has sojourned for a space in that veritable dreamland situated in the wedge of mountains forming the north central boundary of that peninsula. No other country in the world can boast of such a diversity of scenery, or is so full of beauty spots as the valleys and uplands of Kashmir, a writer in the Wide World states. Snow-covered mountains, pine-clad hills, rushing torrents, clear streams, limpid lakes, and broad alluvial plains all combine to make up this wonderful, which forms the summer haunt of many jaded plainmen from the sultry cantonments of India.

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Cager—Can you spare a pore bloke a trifle, mister? Minister—What! A big able-bodied man like you begging? Cager—Well, yer got to be big an' strong ter beg these days wivout gettin' hurt.—Sydney Bulletin.

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Death Lurks In A Weak Heart

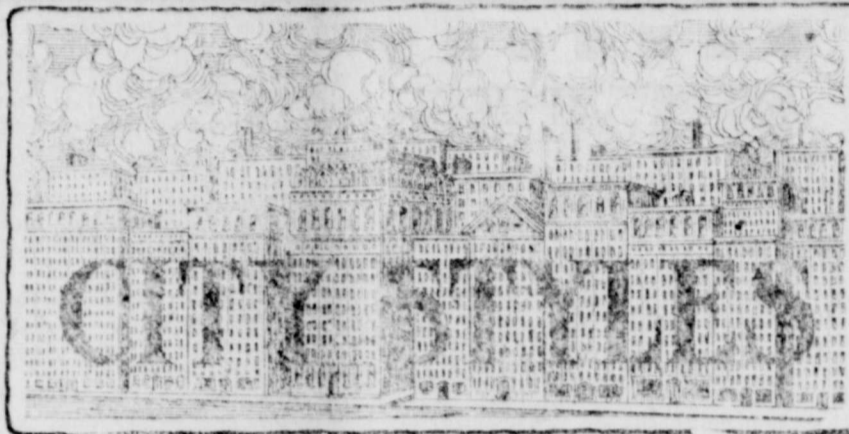
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20 per cent off on all we have on hand.	
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\$6.00 grade Stetson hats	\$3.8
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\$3.50 grade Ermine Hats	\$2.7
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75 cent boys hats at	49c
<b>Cotton Bats</b>	
75c large rolls prepared for quilts per roll	55c
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go into this sale, among them 1 lot odd pants, 1 lot cotton blankets, 1 lot Misses sweaters, 1 lot mens belts, 1 lot boys jerseys and a quantity of Jewelry. You can save money.	

All Calicos Including Simpsons and American, while they last, at 5 Cents.



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Regular \$16 suits now	\$12.
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1 lot 65 cent grade woolen dress goods	39c
1 lot 35 cent cotton plaids, sale price	25c
25c galatia cloth	19c
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60 cent wool plaid	49c
Colored table linen	42c

### LADIES COATS

\$15.00 ladies coats, woolen mixture	\$11.
\$12.50 Ladies coats, tango	\$9.25
\$12.00 ladies coats, Scotch Neicture	\$9.
\$7.00 Ladies coats, Pyle fabric	\$5.
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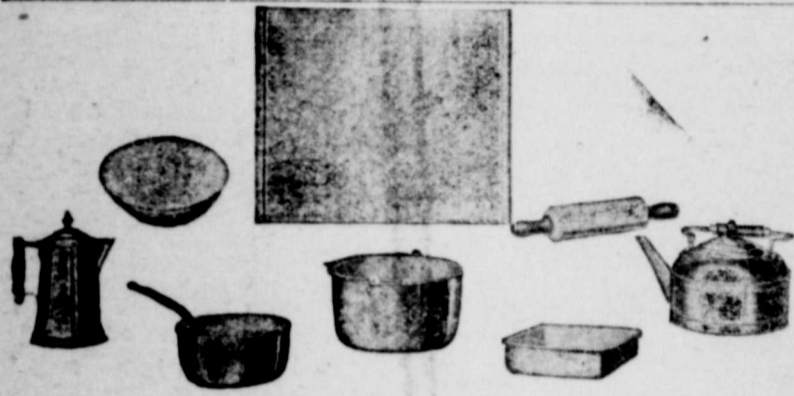
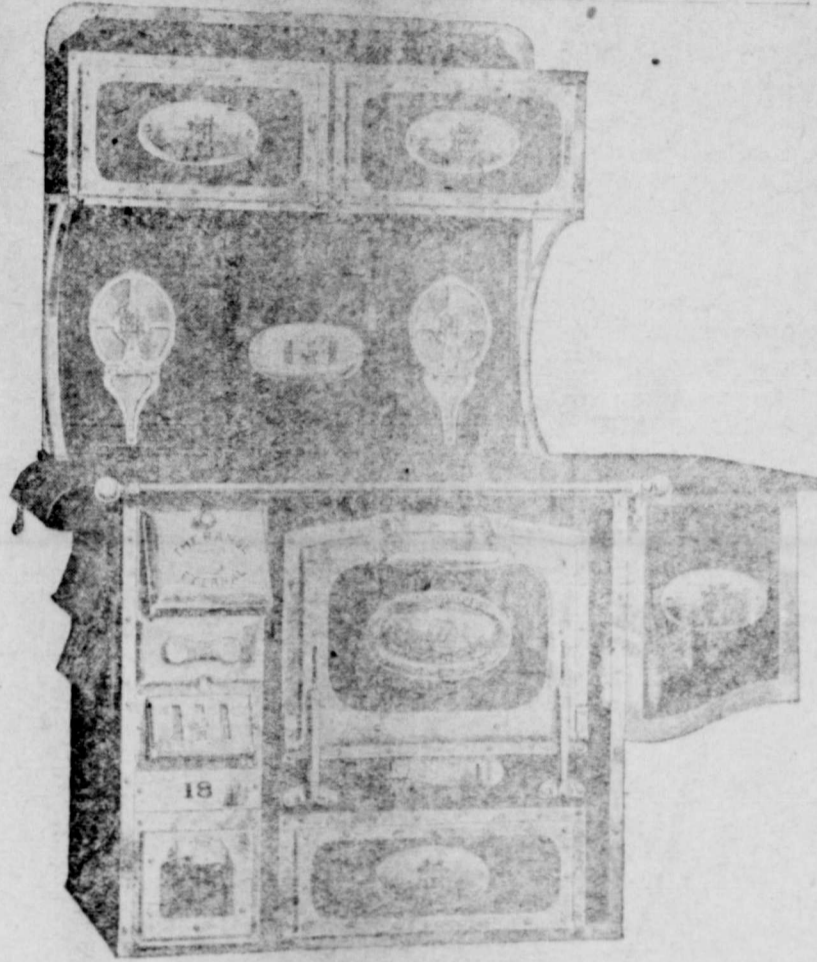
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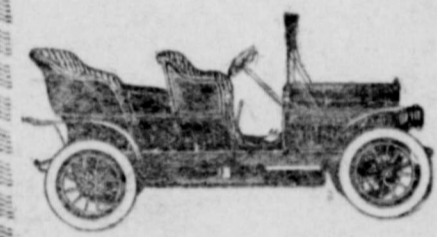
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days and had left his wife  
on the farm with no com-  
panion, except a small  
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no matter what law any city  
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stand, is unjust, etc. Our city  
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to give the town such laws as  
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as are necessary. If we did not  
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26 piece set silverware, absolutely guaranteed, \$12.50 value for only ..... \$6.25	Ladies Solid silver Chat watch \$7. value \$5.
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Set tea spoons, absolutely guaranteed ..... \$1	Ladies Chat enamled watch \$7.50 val \$5.00
Set table spoons " " ..... \$2.00	Button hole watch, \$5 value ..... \$4.00
Butter knife " " ..... 25c	Other watches at same reduction.
Sugar spoon " " ..... 25c	Ladies Bracelett, 20 yr, \$10 value at ..... \$6.25
3 piece childs set H. H. Knife ..... \$2.25	" " " " \$8 value at ..... \$4.50
Berry spoons, permanent guarantee ..... \$1.85	Ladies solid gold neck chains, \$4 val ..... \$2.50
Gravy Ladles " " ..... \$1.55	Ladies solid gold Diamond Lavaleers sold \$12.50 to \$15.00 at only ..... \$8.50
Tomato servers " " ..... \$2.00	Ladies Solid Gold Lavaleers \$7.50 val \$4.50
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Be sure and see my line of gold plated chinaware. The  
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Coffee & Company have turned  
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**CHURCH OF GOD**—Meets to practice  
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**Miami Council No. 1783**

**Knights & Ladies OF SECURITY**

Meet on Every 4th Monday night,  
G. C. FITZGERALD, President  
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117—West Bound 7:12 p. m. daily  
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**New FALL Goods**

**All Sorts of Goods**

We have just opened up a big shipment of fall goods. The finest line of goods we have ever had, big variety to pick from and they are marked at an extremely low price.

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Macknaw coats, all sizes, just the thing for winter, big line of pants, all kinds, sizes and prices. We can fit you in pants. Jersey and cloth gloves, Union Suits for the whole family from the baby up. A dandy assortment.

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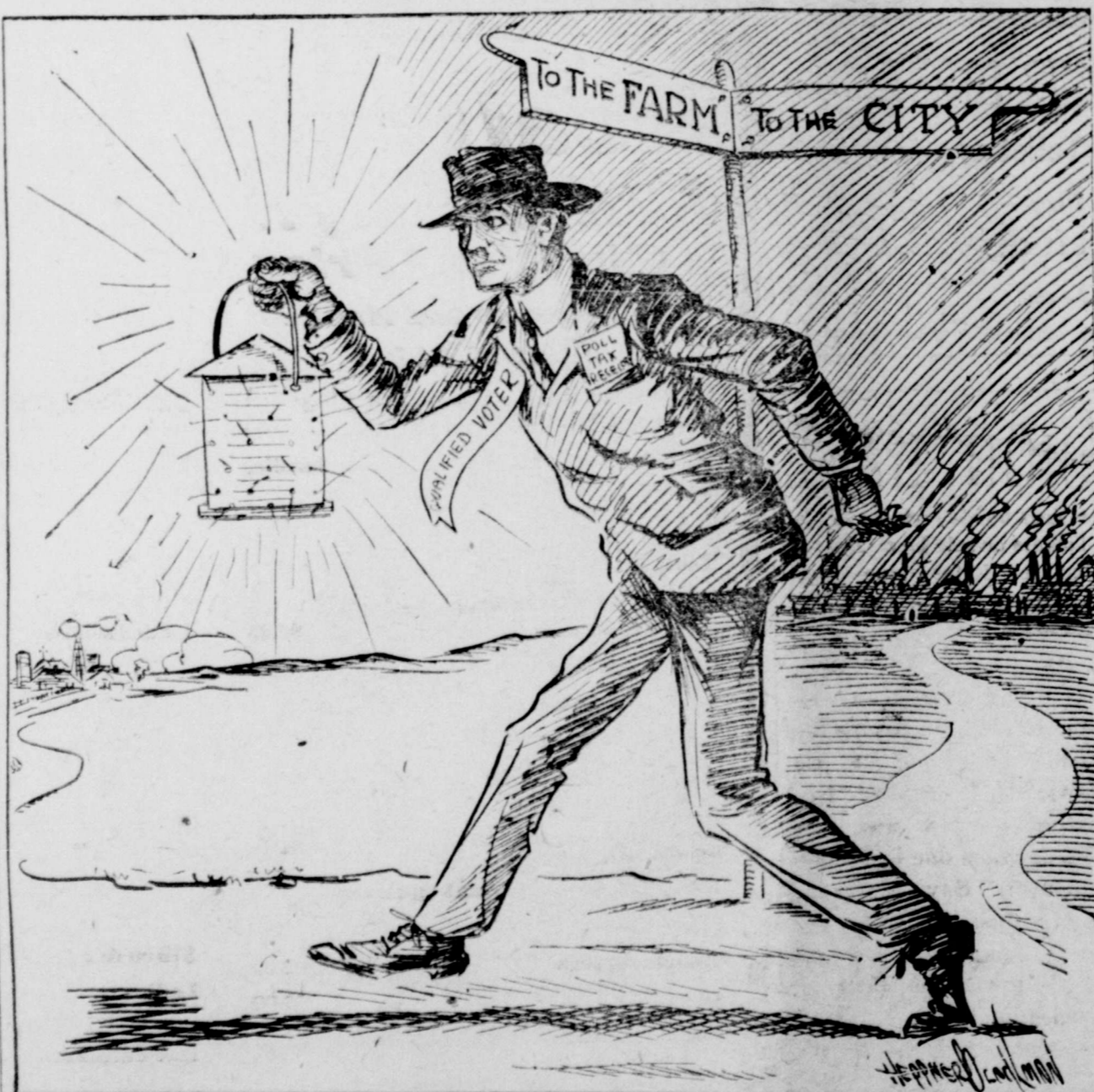
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**Local News**

Miss Roxie Mosley of Glazier visited in Miami Sunday.

Elder Bedescheck is holding a meeting at Laketon this week.

Miss Sallie Lewis of Amarillo spent Sunday with Mrs. Harrill.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lee of Mo-beetie visited at the Dread Lee home.

Numerous small improvements are being made around our city on houses, barns etc.

Watch for Hattie Plemons ad in the Chief next week. All about everything for Christmas.

I. Brizindine orders the Chief sent to his father J. J. Brizindine Nesho, Mo.

The new garage built for J. L. Seiber is completed and now occupied now by his two new cars.

Misses Florrie Jackson and Hunter of Claude spent the weeks end in Miami with friends and relatives.

"Dutch" Birdauf spent the latter part of the week here from Glazier visiting friends.

Perry Brown is having a new house erected in Miami across the railroad near the Christopher property.

Hattie Plemons will have a nice ad in the Chief next week telling about the things she will have to interest you.

D. D. Payne was a business visitor in the City Saturday and reinstated himself on the Chief books thanks.

Judge F. P. Greever left last week for Waco where he goes to attend the Grand Chapter Masons, as a delegate from the local lodge.

All notes, mortgages, bills of lading, telegrams etc. now require a war revenue stamp. Said documents that are unstamped are either invalid or the maker subject to a fine.

Harry Green and company staged his latest play, "The Town Fool" at the auditorium Saturday night of last week. A nice audience was present and the play was enjoyed very much.

Rev. Payton of Centinel, Okla. filled the pulpit at the Presbyterian church Sunday morning and evening this week. The church has called him as their regular pastor, provided he will accept.

J. A. Hill, one of the West Texas State Normal instructors, will lecture at the School Auditorium on Monday afternoon, Dec. 14. Subject to be "Challenge of Childhood" Everybody invited.

B. O. Bartrand was a business visitor in the city Saturday and that he has 200 acres of wheat and looking good. He is a reader of the Chief each week and has dropped two dollars in the till assuring him of no danger of indefinite suspension. Thanks.

Elder Cummings was in the city Monday after coal. He says he will make about 26 bales of cotton this year, and that his family gathers near 2,000 per day. Earl getting 515 one day.

The commissioners court of Roberts county met Monday and passed on the bonds of the unqualified officers. The court also appointed W. B. Kitchen commissioner from precinct four and he qualified for the position.

The Ladies Aid of the Presbyterian Church will give a Bazaar at the Central Drug Store Saturday evening. They will have some nice pies, cakes, chicken, and many useful house articles to sell. Give them a call.

Mesdames Short and Thompson entertained a large number of their friends at the Short residence Thursday evening last week from 7:30 to 11:00. Progressive "42" was engaged in with great interest and enthusiasm and a better time was never had at a "42" party. Thos. J. Boney showed himself to be master of the game and by far the most skilled player there and easily walked away with high score. Nice refreshments were served and we are sure that all present feel indebted to the good ladies for a real nice time.

**THE RURAL PASTOR**

Intelligent and Consecrated Leadership the Need of the Hour  
By Peter Radford.

The rural pastor has greater possibilities than any other factor in our national life. The rural civilization of the Twentieth Century has opened up a new world of activities for him. There lie before him unexplored continents of usefulness, unemployed forces of civilization and tremendous responsibilities such as have never before confronted the pastor.

The need of the rural communities today is intelligent and consecrated leadership. There must be marshalling of forces that build life, strengthen character and broaden vision. The pastor should deal with living problems. In addition to the service he now renders he should help us lift the market basket, hold out a helping hand to the tenant farmer and develop the potential energies of the community he seeks to serve.

**A More Useful Ministry.**  
The farmer needs the personal touch of the pastor. He seldom comes in direct contact with his hal- lowing influence, except when he is baptized, married and buried. We need to further extend Christian influence in the homes, as well as to spread the gospel in China; to in- struct our children in the art of living, as well as to convert the bar- barian and the Hottentot, and we should devote our energy and talent to the solution of problems of our own locality, rather than consume our energies in fighting vice and ig- norance beyond our borders. It is as important that we discuss from the pulpit, the building of macadam highways from the church to our homes, as that we preach of the gold- en streets of the New Jerusalem. It is as much a part of the duty of the pastor to exhort us to own a home while on earth as to in- spire us to build a mansion in the skies and that we should construct Christian character in our own com- munity, rather than that we fight foreign sins in other lands. We want a religion we can farm by as well as die by. We want sermons from the fields, songs from the birds and prayers from the stars that are with- in the horizon of our daily lives.

**Christian Influence Needed.**  
There is an emptiness in the life of rural communities and we want preachers who can weave into the social fibre, educational pastimes, profitable pleasures and instructive amusements. Too often we find the games of our young people a search for a suggestion in immorality and a stepping-stone to sin. The pastor should supervise the growing lives of young people, approve their amuse- ments, create expressions of joy and pleasure that make of Christian character and bless their lives with Christian modesty.

The farm is the nursery of civ- ilization, and the parsonage of all religious denominations. Too long has the farm furnished the cities with their great preachers, until to- day the rural church is the gangway to city pulpits. The current should be reversed. The power of the pul- pit is most needed in the country where the fundamental forces of hu- man life originate. The farm is the power-house of all progress and the birthplace of all that is noble. The Garden of Eden was in the country and the man who would get close to God must first get close to nature.

Many communities are church-rid- den. We frequently have three or four churches in a community with a circuit rider once a month preach- ing to small congregations and all fail to perform the religious func- tions of the community. In many instances, more harmonious effort might result in a more efficient ser- vice. The division of religious forces and breaking into fragments of moral effort is ofttimes little less than a calamity and defeats the pur- poses they seek to promote.

A pastor in a neighborhood, study- ing the economic, social, moral and educational problems of the com- munity, presenting fresh visions of potential possibilities and native power with beauty and new meaning, interpreting the thought-life of the community and administering to their daily needs, will contribute more toward the advancement of a locality than a dozen preachers who occupy the pulpits at irregular in- tervals, preaching on subjects for- eign to the life of the community.

Church prejudice is a vice that saps much of the spiritual life of a community, and wasteful sectar- ianism is a religious crime against society. Denominational reciprocity should take its place. Non-support of church institutions and religious activity can often be traced to cases inherent with the church. There should be co-operation between churches and co-ordination of moral effort along economic lines, and there must be if the rural churches of Texas are going to render a ser- vice which this age demands.

Get it from the Chief



# BENEFIT

The Cap Rock Theatre will give a popular feature play, "**Quo Vadis**" in addition to their regular program on Friday Dec. 4 at 4:30 and 6:45.

50 per cent of the profit to go to the

## Belgian Fund

Admission 15 and 25c.

Come and see this good play and help a good cause.

### Honor Roll

Mrs. Ewing's pupils who have been perfect in attendance and excellent in work for the month of November are entitled to a place on the Honor Roll and are as follows:  
Lucille Gill  
Mattie Elliott  
Lorena McCaully  
Modena Burks  
Estelle Slaton  
Lucy Talley  
Elvira Kinney  
Clara Mae Kinney  
Letha Cunningham  
Mary Nelson  
Annie Jackson  
Mildred Gunn  
Fleda Shaller  
Ophelia McAfee  
Mrs. Waggoner

During the past month Mrs. Ewing's intermediate Theory class has discussed Mendelssohn and the best paper prepared was written by Lucille Gill, age 12 and is printed below.

### MENDELSSOHN

In Hamburg Germany in 1809 Mendelssohn was born. Unlike Beethoven and Dvorak's parents Mendelssohn's parents wanted him to be a musician. His father was a rich Jewish banker but his mother was a Protestant who began to show his love for music when he was six years of age and his mother was his first music teacher. As he grew under his parents supplied him with the best teachers of Europe at the age of 10 he played very difficult music in public and at the age of 12 he composed very well. Mendelssohn had a sister whose name was Fanny with whom he was very "chummy" she helped him with his music. Among his popular compositions are the Spring Song, Hunting Song and Wedding March. In later life he went on a visit to England and stayed a year. When he came back he found to his surprise that his sister Fannie was dead. The shock was so great that he died early afterward at the early age of 35. In telling of Mendelssohn we must not forget to mention that in 1843 he founded the famous Leipzig Conservatory where hundreds of persons go every year to study music.

### Card of Thanks

We the bereaved family, M. Walker and wife herewith express our thanks to all who assisted us during the sickness and burial of our dear boy.

M. Walker and wife.

Silverware for Xmas presents. At Cooks, in Moons Store.

### Green Lake Items

W. D. Christopher and family took Thanksgiving dinner in Miami.  
Messrs Seitz, Christopher, Hoskins and wives attended the box supper at the Reed School house Thursday night.  
Mr. BeBee went to Miami Friday.  
Tilman Casey was out with Jerrond Ramsay this week.  
Mr. Hoskins is on the south plains this week hauling his maize to town.  
Lee Chisum spent Friday night with Chris Chisum.  
Jerrond Ramsay is fencing his place hog tight this week.  
Frank Pursley and wife took Sunday dinner with his mother.  
Harve Patton and wife spent Sunday with Mrs. Pursley.  
Quite a crowd attended singing at W. D. Christophers Sunday.

### North Plains

Emmett Coble spent Thanksgiving at home.  
Mr. Seitz is having a new well drilled on his place.  
Mr. Rodgers was on the sick list last week.  
The people of the neighborhood decided Sunday to have a tree at the Cowan School house Xmas eve.  
Mr. Rasor transacted business in Miami Monday.  
Every one be on the alert now to kill himself a fine goose, they are coming in fast.  
Bob Sanders was a caller at the Cowan home Sunday.

### Obituary

Clarence Kelly Walker, the son of Mr. and Mrs. M. Walker, born on the 29th day of October, 1914 died on Dec. 2nd, the same year after a short illness. Appropriate funeral services were held at the home of the bereaved family where a number of friends of the parents congregated to sympathize and mourn with them in the hour of their affliction. Brother Daniel Dees had charge of the services and comforted the family by drawing their attention to the fact that our departed children are God's and are with him for ever more. The mortal remains were interred at the Miami Cemetery to await the resurrection.

See Cook for a nice watch for Xmas.  
Ladies solid gold neckchains from \$1.50 to \$5.00 at Cooks.

## EUROPEAN WAR SHATTERS KING COTTON'S THRONE

FLEECY STAPLE MUST PAY RANSOM INTO THE COFFERS OF WAR.

Nation Rings With Cries of Stricken Industry.

By Peter Radford, Lecturer National Farmers Union.

King Cotton has suffered more from the European war than any other agricultural product on the American continent. The shells of the belligerents have burst over his throne, frightening his subjects and shattering his markets, and, panic-stricken, the nation cries out "God save the king."

People from every walk of life have contributed their mite toward rescue work. Society has danced before the king; melody has decreed that the family wardrobe shall contain only cotton goods; the press has plead with the public to "buy a bale"; bankers have been formulating holding plans; congress and legislative bodies have deliberated over relief measures; statesmen and writers have grown eloquent expounding the inalienable rights of "His Majesty" and presenting schemes for preserving the financial integrity of the stricken staple, but the sword of Europe has proved mightier than the pen of America in fixing value upon this product of the sunny south. Prices have been bayoneted, values riddled and markets decimated by the bathing hosts of the eastern hemisphere until the American farmer has suffered a war loss of \$400,000,000, and a bale of cotton brave enough to enter an European port must pay a ransom of half its value or go to prison until the war is over.

### Hope of the Future Lies in Co-operation.

The Farmers' Union, through the columns of the press, wants to thank the American people for the friendship, sympathy and assistance given the cotton farmers in the hour of distress and to direct attention to co-operative methods necessary to permanently assist the marketing of all farm products.

The present emergency presents as grave a situation as ever confronted the American farmer and from the viewpoint of the producer, would seem to justify extraordinary relief measures, even to the point of bending the constitution and straining business rules in order to lift a portion of the burden off the backs of the farmer, for unless something is done to check the invasion of the war forces upon the cotton fields, the pathway of the European pestilence on this continent will be strewn with mortgaged homes and famine and poverty will stalk over the south and, filling the highways of industry with refugees and the bankruptcy court with prisoners.

All calamities teach us lessons and the present crisis serves to illuminate the frailties of our marketing methods and the weakness of our credit system, and out of the financial anguish and travail of the cotton farmer will come a volume of discussion and a mass of suggestions and finally a solution of this, the biggest problem in the economic life of America, if, indeed, we have not already laid the foundation for at least temporary relief.

### More Pharaohs Needed in Agriculture.

Farm products have no credit and perhaps can never have on a permanent and satisfactory basis unless we build warehouses, cold storage plants, elevators, etc., for without storage and credit facilities, the south is compelled to dump its crop on the market at harvest time. The Farmers' Unions in the cotton producing states have for the past ten years persistently advocated the construction of storage facilities. We have built during this period 2,000 warehouses with a capacity of approximately 4,000,000 bales and looking backward the results

Miami Lodge No 805 A F & A M, meets night of First Friday of each month.  
H. E. Baird W. M.  
M. M. Craig, Sec.

Royal Arch Chapter, 265, meet night of Third Friday in each month.  
J. A. Meade H. P.  
C. H. Baird, Sec.

would seem encouraging, but looking forward, we are able to house less than one-third of the crop and warehouses without a credit system lose 90 per cent of their usefulness. The problem is a gigantic one—too great for the farmer to solve unaided. He must have the assistance of the banker, the merchant and the government.  
In production we have reached the high water mark of perfection in the world's history, but our marketing methods are most primitive. In the dawn of history we find agriculture plowing with a forked stick but with a system of warehouses under governmental supervision that made the Egyptians the marvel of civilization, for who has not admired the vision of Joseph and applauded the wisdom of Pharaoh for storing the surplus until demanded by the consumer, but in this age we have too many Josephs who dream and not enough Pharaohs who build.

## RAILROADS APPEAL TO PRESIDENT

The Common Carriers Ask for Relief—President Wilson Directs Attention of Public to Their Needs.

The committee of railroad executives, headed by Mr. Frank Trumbull, representing thirty-five of the leading railroad systems of the nation, recently presented to President Wilson a memorandum briefly reviewing the difficulties now confronting the railroads of the country and asking for the co-operation of the governmental authorities and the public in supporting railroad credits and recognizing an emergency which requires that the railroads be given additional revenues.

The memorandum recites that the European war has resulted in general depression of business on the American continent and in the dislocation of credits at home and abroad. With revenues decreasing and interest rates increasing the transportation systems of the country face a most serious crisis and the memorandum is a strong presentation of the candle burning at both ends and the perils that must ultimately attend such a conflagration when the flames meet is apparent to all. In their general discussion the railroad representatives say in part: "By reason of legislation and regulation by the Federal Government and the forty-eight states acting independently of each other, as well as through the action of a strong public opinion, railroad expenses in recent years have vastly increased. No criticism is here made of the general theory of governmental regulation, but on the other hand, no ingenuity can relieve the carriers of expenses created thereby."

President Wilson, in transmitting the memorandum of the railroad presidents to the public, characterizes it as "a lucid statement of plain truth." The President recognizing the emergency as extraordinary, continuing, said in part:

"You ask me to call the attention of the country to the imperative need that railway credits be sustained and the railroads helped in every possible way, whether by private co-operative effort or by the action, wherever feasible of governmental agencies and I am glad to do so because I think the need very real."

The conference was certainly a fortunate one for the nation and the President is to be congratulated for opening the gate to a new world of effort in which everyone may co-operate.

There are many important problems in our complex civilization that will yield to co-operation which will not lend themselves to arbitrary rulings of commissions and financing railroads is one of them. The man with the money is a factor that cannot be eliminated from any business transaction, and the public is an interested party that should always be consulted and happily the President has invited all to participate in the solution of our railroad problems.

M. G. Hollis spent yesterday in the city.

LOST STRAYED OR STOLEN  
A 2 yr. old heifer, red mottled face branded H M A on right side. Disappeared Nov. 20 from Gossit place.  
19 ff. H. M. Anderson.

Beautiful hand painted china, for Xmas gifts on display at Cooks Jewelry Store.

### Recital

Mrs. Ewing's piano pupils will give a recital at the auditorium on the evening of Friday Dec. 4 1914. All patrons and friends are cordially invited, no admission fee. Programme will start promptly at 7:45.

Several young people attended the party at the Hale home in the country Friday evening of last week.

The Carnival company dismissed themselves from our city last week just about as sudden as they entered. Coming in with out warning and leaving the same way, only they left two days ahead of the time after they found that the citizenship of Miami did not approve of their kind of amusement.

Atty. J. C. Dial spent yesterday in Canadian.

The Presbyterian Ladies Aid will have their Bazaar open all day Saturday instead of evening as aforesaid.

J. R. Webeter has just installed a new Bowser Gas filling station.

Next Lyceum course Dec. 12 the Waldens and we predict a good entertainment.

The Chief today has 10 full pages and one who does not like this issue is hard to please.

The Home Mission Society met at Church in regular business session Wednesday P. M. at 3:00. Seven members were present and the usual routine of business given. The next meeting will be the Bible study, the fifteenth chapter of Luke being next lesson. All are requested to come and take part.

The Womens class of the Baptist S.S. met Nov. 27 with 9 present, all officers present, Mrs. Rhodes appointed to lead next lesson. All ladies who do not belong to another class are invited to join.

### The Panhandle

By Hon. N. P. Willis

Ship me west of Kansas City  
And considerably south,  
Saddle up my western mustang  
Put a snuffle in his mouth,  
Let me ride those balmy prairies  
Where the air is pure and bright,  
Round the ranch house on the mesa,  
With its cowboy song at night.  
I am longing for west Texas,  
Where the world is big and clean,  
For its distant frowning hillsides,  
With the valleys in between.  
I can see the broad plateaus,  
Where irrigation reigns;  
I can see the wheat a waving  
In the breezes of the plains.  
And Oh! you Canadian River,  
With your sand so quick and queer  
With all your faults I love you,  
And I'm gratified to hear  
Your roaring and your rumpus,  
As you leap and rare and tare  
Mad because you're in a hurry,  
And you havent time to spare.  
Yes, a ticket please for Texas  
Its valleys and its hills,  
Mid its cactus and mesquits,  
I'd forget all other ills,  
For I've drunk the river water,  
And I'm alkali'd for fair;  
I'm a longhorn pure and simple,  
And belong right there.  
I love the State of Texas,  
With its fields of wheat and corn.  
I love the Texas sunset,  
And the Texas dewy morn.  
And speaking metaphoric,  
I grew fat on Texas crops,  
And never mind the absence  
Of the yield of rye and hops.  
I like the Texas porker,  
And the Texas top notch steer.  
I love the Texas zephyrs,  
And the Texas atmosphere.  
I love the Texas sermons  
And love the Texas jokes,  
But the thing I like in Texas most  
Is Panhandle style of folks.

# Rio Grande

## Miami School Auditorium

The Pupils of the Pampa High School will give the above mentioned play and is guaranteed to be a good one. Play is taken from Western army life the army merely being suggested. It is a play of thrilling incidents and a love story interwoven with the nature of Western Life

## Saturday Night

December 5 8:30 p.m.

Admission 25 - 35c



ARMIES OF ALLIES NOW ON OFFENSIVE ALONG THE COAST

Paris and London Assert that German Activities Around Yser and Ypres Have Been Suppressed.

SLAV NAVY BLOCKED

Berlin Says Turks Have Control of Black Sea and that Kaiser's Navy Holds Baltic—Holy War By the Sultan.

(Summary of Events.)

Official reports from Paris and London say that the Allies have assumed the offensive against the Germans along the Yser river and the Ypres canal in the last few days. This is regarded as a significant change.

The Germans, following a lull lasting more than a week, made very heavy assaults all along the lines in the extreme northwest of France and in Southwestern Belgium. They had heavy reinforcements and fresh guns, and for a time it appeared that they would be able to cut the Allies' line and get to the English channel.

It was reported from Berlin that the Kaiser had ordered his great western army to get to Calais, France, by December 19, and that a raid on the east coast of England would follow the capture of Calais. That the Allies have been able to withstand the battering of the German forces, and have even assumed the offensive, probably means safety for English coast towns for the winter.

The British warship Bulwark has been blown up in the Medway river off Sheerness by an explosion in her magazine. Only twelve were saved out of the crew of 700 or 800 aboard the Bulwark. The explosion is believed to have been in an internal magazine. Whether it was caused by German agents or was an accident such as might have occurred in times of peace, has not been determined.

Striking a mine off Grimsby at the mouth of the Humber river, near Hull, the British collier Khartoum was blown up, a report from the British admiralty announces. The crew was saved, but the Khartoum went to the bottom.

A brief dispatch from Lisbon says the Portuguese congress has decided that Portugal should co-operate with the Allies. The minister of war has called for a partial mobilization of the army. The treaty by which Portugal believes it is bound to aid the Allies was made in 1703 with England, and it provides that "each shall mutually aid and help the other" in case of attack.

French artillery continue to bombard Arnville, only ten miles from Metz, Germany. The development of an offensive in Lorraine has long been expected, but to what extent it may be carried was not indicated at the war office.

From north of Verdun and south of Metz the German line extends in a wedge into the Verdun-Toul defenses of the French. The two sides of the wedge are joined in the region of Chauvonvourt and St. Mihiel, where desperate fighting has occurred the last week. It was at Chauvonvourt that the French suffered heavy losses through the explosion of German mines. The French have been unable to drive the Germans from the positions they now hold in this district and the movement upon Arnville is

CAPT. BENTON C. DECKER



Captain Decker, commander of the U. S. S. Tennessee, whose launch was fired on by a Turkish fort near Smyrna, is here shown in full uniform.

evidently a tightening of the circle which the French are endeavoring to drive about St. Mihiel.

Heavy Attack on Allies. The Allies have been attacked in force from Ypres to La Bassée. A terrific battle has commenced. The Germans have heavy reinforcements and fresh guns for this renewal of the effort to cut through the Allies' line.

It is now said the plan is to reach the French coast by December 10. The Germans show few signs of being staggered by their enormous losses and dispatches from Berlin set forth that the German troops are far better able to stand exposure to the cold than are the Allies. The forces of Emperor William are trained and clothed for just such an emergency, while the troops of the Allies, from the south of France, from Morocco and from India must necessarily suffer greatly.

Russian Navy Blocked? The Russian navy is useless for the present. This is the gist of an official declaration made by the German war office. The Turkish navy dominates the Black Sea and the Sea of Azov, according to the declaration. A bombardment of Odessa is feared and Russian shipping companies have removed their ships from these bodies of water.

A blockade of the harbor of Libau places the control of the Black Sea in the hands of the Germans, while the freezing of the harbor of Archangel, in the White Sea, severs Russian communication with the outside world.

German Defeat in Poland. Russia and Germany each claim a great victory in Poland. The Russian claim is supported, however, by reports from neutral countries and from neutral correspondents. It is said that the Slavs have virtually crushed one of Germany's finest armies in an engagement staged between the Vistula and Warta rivers in Poland and have taken about 50,000 prisoners.

When the full details of the Russian victory are known, declares Lord Kitchener, commander-in-chief of all the British forces, they will furnish a story that will astonish the world—describing a blow such as has not been dealt since the days of Napoleon.

Abandon Guns and Transports. The Germans have begun a retreat along the entire front, and in many places the flight is a disorderly rout, marked by the abandonment of artillery, maxims and transports. Berlin meanwhile is beginning to talk about repulsing Russian attacks, which is a subtle method of announcing that the German troops are on the defensive.

The main Russian force is exclusively engaged against the Plock group, whose front is cut in halves. Its right half is surrounded on all sides and is vainly struggling as in an iron vise and striving to break through to the left wing at Lowicz, which in turn is battling unsuccessfully.

A Second Battle Probable. The same dispatches that tell of Von Hindenburg's reverses, however, say that the German reinforcements were being brought up so that another great battle is likely to develop on a line nearer to the frontier of Posen, where the Germans will have some chances of renewing a vigorous offensive as had the Russians in the present instance.

General Von Hindenburg has about 400,000 men, but if the Petrograd report can be accepted, they have been separated, badly cut up and thousands taken prisoner, so these German forces will require reformation and rest.

Another Russian army is operating along the border of East Prussia, and a third one is pursuing a vigorous campaign in northern Austria. It was said by military experts that the purpose of the Austro-German attack and pursuit of the Russian center was to draw off the second and third armies from East Prussia and Galicia. What these lesser Slav forces are doing has not been revealed.

Veil of Secrecy. The veil of secrecy has been drawn over the battles between the Russians and the Austro-German forces. The headquarters of both armies now are confining themselves to the briefest statements concerning the hostilities, saying merely that fighting is in progress.

Holy War Proclaimed. The proclamation of a holy war, announced for the first time some ten days ago, has just been published at Constantinople. It is signed by the sultan and twenty-eight Moslem priests and calls on the Moslem world to participate in a holy war against Great Britain, Russia and France.

Turks Are Winning Feet. Official reports given out in Constantinople relate the continued successful Turkish advance upon Batum, the Russian port on the Black Sea. All the territory between the Turkish-Russian border and the River Churuk is in Turkish hands, while a Turkish force in the southern part of this territory has taken Artvin. The Turks declare that the English losses at Shatt-el-Arab amounted to 750 dead and several thousand wounded.

Riot in Constantinople. The British embassy in Constantinople has been sacked and the Russian hospital pillaged and all foreigners have been more or less seriously abused.

May Attack Italy. The Italian government is aware that Austria is doing its utmost to induce Turkey to attack Italy, but none the less hesitates to believe the report that has just come in from one of its most reliable agents that common action of the combined Austro-Turkish squadrons is to be expected against Italy at a very early date.

CARRANZA'S FORCES OCCUPY VERA CRUZ

MEXICANS FOLLOW IN ON HEELS OF DEPARTING AMERICAN TROOPS.

EVENT WAS A QUIET AFFAIR

Funston Turns Records Over to Canadian and Troops Sail for United States.

Vera Cruz.—Gen. Candido Aguilar, who succeeded Brig. Gen. Frederick Funston Monday as military governor of Vera Cruz, did not mince words when, through his chief of police, Theodore Frelieres, he told the residents of this city that any disturbance of the peace, whether it be picking pockets or any of the graver crimes, such as sacking, would result in the execution of the offending individuals.

Vera Cruz.—The Mexican flag is again flying over Vera Cruz. Brig. Gen. Funston and his command of 6,000 infantrymen and marines, which landed here on April 30 last, got under way Monday afternoon, and Gen. Candido Aguilar's men assumed charge of the city. The United States transport Cristobal, bearing the first contingent of the American brigade, left the dock at 1:50 p. m., bound for home.

The evacuation of the city was effected without any clash occurring between the Americans and the native army. The Mexicans marched in on the heels of the departing troops, but no serious disturbance of the city's peace was registered during their entrance.

General Carranza was quoted by representatives here as being displeased with the method used by the Americans in delivering over the city and as having criticized sharply the failure to make a formal transfer of the various departments.

The government of Vera Cruz was not turned over to any faction of Mexicans. The territory was evacuated and as fast as the Americans went out constitutionalists came in. The American officials took with them the moneys collected for customs and from other sources of the revenue. These ultimately will go to some Mexican government which the United States deems a proper one to receive them.

\$15,000,000 Vehicle Order from British. Chicago.—British orders for more than \$15,000,000 worth of vehicles—automobiles, wagons, sleds, harness and equipment—were brought back by Frederick S. Fix, of South Bend, Ind., who has just returned from England, it was announced. England has also contracted for 500 automobile trucks from a Wausau, Wis., firm while the French government has ordered more than \$1,000,000 in automobiles from a Jackson, Mich., factory. The 2,000 men laid off last spring who returned to their work in the steel mills of South Chicago brings the total men employed now up to about 5,000 of the 10,000 who work during normal times.

Austro-Germans Split by Disensions. London.—"It is confirmed that serious disensions have arisen between the Germans and the Austrians," says a Petrograd correspondent. "A stormy council was held at Breslau after the German flight from Poland. After mutual recriminations, Germany demanded that Austria send every available man to the defense of East Prussia. The Austrians, however, demanded that the Germans make a serious attempt to save Cracow. Moreover, this council meeting was preceded by actual fighting between Austrian and German soldiers in the retreat."

1,500 Pardon Applications. Austin, Texas.—When the present members of the board of pardons, Judge O. C. Kerven and Captain Louis von Hagen, retire next January, they will turn over to their successors, who have been appointed by Governor-elect Ferguson, about 1,500 applications for pardons which have not been passed upon.

Wilson Will Not Interfere. Washington.—President Wilson will not adopt the suggestion of the American Federation of Labor that steps be taken to have a receiver appointed for the Colorado coal mines involved in the strike with the purpose of having them operated by the federal government.

Portugal to Order Partial Mobilization. London.—A dispatch from Lisbon says that the Portuguese congress has decided that Portugal should co-operate with the allies when it considers the step necessary. The minister of war issued a decree for partial mobilization.

Wins Point Before Convention. Washington.—The Texan plan for preventing disregard of a state-made rate applying wholly to intrastate traffic, until the same has been found by court to be unreasonable and unlawful, as presented by William D. Williams, member of the Texas Railroad commission, was adopted by the national association of railway commissioners as a proposed amendment to the federal act to regulate commerce.

Japan Ready to Furnish Allies Army. London.—Arthur Dioso, the founder of the Japan society and an authority on Anglo-Japanese affairs, says in a statement that Japan is ready to furnish a large army, if it is found necessary to increase the allied forces in Europe. "The Japanese army is in a complete state of readiness," Mr. Dioso says. "The Trans-Siberian railroad and an ample supply of Japanese steamships make the transportation of half a million men in two months easy."

GAS WELL WASTES \$15,000 DAILY

Runaway Gasser at Corpus Christi Now Thought to Be Total Loss.

Corpus Christi, Texas.—Bubbling like a cauldron and with vast bodies of mud, water and slush being hurled as much as 20 feet in the air, the White Point gas field at night presents a volcanolike scene, with millions of cubic feet of natural gas escaping in the open air, through the well in which the blowout occurred, through two abandoned wells in the field and through every crack, fissure and crevice that can be reached by the gas in its mad escape.

About the mouth of the great well from which length after length of four and six-inch pipe have been hurled there is a crater which would hold it is estimated, a four-story building. It was thought that the well could be capped and the 50,000,000 feet of gas escaping could be conserved. Now since the pipe has been broken from the top and there is scarcely any perceptible trace of the original hole, except the crater about the well, it is considered an almost impossible feat. It is thought that the well is a total loss. Officials of the company have announced that they have been losing \$15,000 daily since the gas strike was made.

Baptist Convention Meets at Abilene. Abilene, Texas.—The sixty-sixth annual session of the Baptist state convention convened in Abilene Thursday. Dr. S. P. Brooks was elected president, succeeding Dr. R. C. Buckner. M. H. Wolfe, of Dallas, J. D. Sandifer of Abilene, and O. S. Lattimore of Fort Worth, were elected vice presidents. Reports on various departmental work of the church were discussed, and the report from Dr. Buckner on the orphan's home was read, showing the institution in a most healthful state.

Water Rates Increased. Galveston, Texas.—An increase of 15c in ocean freight rates to Barcelona—a jump from 85c to \$1—is announced by steamship companies operating out of Galveston. The increase was expected, since the rate to other ports advanced some 30 days ago. The cause is said to be due to the feverish condition of the charter market and the scarcity of tonnage. Steamship companies are now charging the \$1 rate, amounting to approximately \$5 per bale for transporting cotton from Galveston to Italian and North sea ports.

Frank Loses Fight in Supreme Court. Washington.—Attorneys for Leo M. Frank, under sentence of death for the murder of Mary Phagan, a factory girl in Atlanta, Ga., in 1913, will carry to other members of the supreme court of the United States their application for a writ of error in Frank's behalf which was refused by Justice Lamar. Mr. Alexander of Frank's counsel will remain to continue the attempt to get intervention on the ground that Frank's constitutional rights were violated when the verdict was rendered during his absence from the courtroom.

A. & M. Board Opposes Special Tax. Houston, Texas.—Resolutions calling upon the university of Texas board of regents to appoint a committee from the A. & M. college board of directors in considering the final settlement of the relation of these two institutions, including separation, were adopted by the A. & M. board at its session in Houston. In the same resolutions the A. & M. board expressed its unwillingness to participate in a conference called to consider ways of securing the levy of a special tax for the benefit of the state institutions of higher learning.

German Cruisers Put to Flight. Vancouver, B. C.—After one of the most thrilling races and long battles known to the high seas, in which the French cruiser Montcalm came to the rescue of the plucky little Canadian gunboat Rainbow, the German cruisers Leipzig and Nürnberg have fled. The Rainbow when met by the German cruisers turned seaward, the Kaiser's boats in full chase. The French cruiser was sighted and, after an exchange of several effective shots, said to have disabled the Leipzig, the pursuers gave up.

The War Boom in Horses. Austin, Texas.—The war in Europe has begun a boom in the horse market. Recently shipments were made of southwestern horses from St. Louis, Mo., to the value of \$2,499,000. Contracts have been offered in Texas by representatives of the British and French governments for 50,000 horses, but these are hard to obtain, the horse raising industry of the state having been greatly neglected in recent years. There are any amount of scrub stock and off-color mongrel on hand but these are not wanted. Only horses bred to form and color of the thoroughbred is desired.

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TEXAS NEWS CONDENSED

Work on the new Harvey house being constructed by the Santa Fe at Brownwood is now almost finished.

Vernon has dedicated her new three-story brick school building. The building cost \$17,000.

The Hardin County Abstract company of Beaumont has been chartered, capital stock \$5,000.

J. O. Payne, a merchant of San Augustine, filed a petition in voluntary bankruptcy, giving his liabilities at \$101,520.43 and his assets at \$73,146.59.

Claims filed against the city of Fort Worth during the last year amount to nearly \$1,000,000. Half of this amount represents the damages asked by farmers and land owners in the vicinity of Lake Worth reservoir.

The Richardson school board has received from the contractors their new brick two-story school building. The house has been under construction since last May and cost \$15,000, with \$2,000 for furnishings.

The temperature at Denton one day last week registered 28 at 7 a. m. and 66 at 4 p. m.; the coldest day of the season and the warmest for November.

Forty cars of horses have been shipped from Texas over the Santa Fe to Canada, where they will be shipped to Europe for use in British and French armies.

Farmers of Jefferson county, Okla., and business men of Waurika, are discussing the advisability of trying to induce a cotton factory to locate in Jefferson county, and immediate steps will be taken along that line.

The annual meeting of the Central West Texas Poultry association will be held in Stamford Nov. 25-28. Besides the main cash prizes given by the merchants and business men of Stamford, four handsome loving cups will be given away.

With prospects of a graduating class of 95 students and with a total enrollment approaching 600, the college of industrial art at Denton is the only state institution of higher learning, except the state university, which opened its session this fall with an increased attendance over all previous years. The enrollment for last year was 545, while the list of graduates totaled 76.

Two million dollars worth of property was destroyed in Galveston when the Sunset elevator, near the Southern Pacific docks, and owned by the Southern Pacific Terminal company, with its contents of nearly 1,000,000 bushels of wheat, was destroyed. The fire was one of the most disastrous that has visited the Galveston waterfront in many years.

The trustees of the Michael Meagher hospital fund have advertised for bids for the construction of a hospital building at Texarkana. The estimated cost of the structure is anywhere from \$100,000 to \$125,000.

A. H. Haynes, secretary of the state fire insurance commission, held another consultation with Assistant Attorney General Cureton relative to the new fire tax to be levied on fire insurance policies, amounting to one-half of 1 per cent of the premium paid thereon. The question has arisen as to who will pay this federal war tax, whether it will be paid by the policyholder or the insurance company selling the policy.

Austin was selected for the next meeting place and Nov. 18 as the time for the next Baptist General convention by the convention in session in Abilene.

Ballinger postoffice officials declare that never before in the history of the city has the postal business increased in such rapid proportion as it is now. Every month's receipts exceed the former, with indications that the months of November and December will be the greatest ever known.

The new plant of the Texas Power and Light company, one of the largest in the southwest, which will furnish electrical energy for places 100 miles from Waco in all directions, will soon be ready for occupancy.

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Backache Spells Danger

Do you know that your bad back may be merely a hint of some hidden, dangerous kidney disorder? Census records show that deaths from kidney disorders have increased 75% in 20 years. People can't seem to realize that the first signs in the back, the first disorder of the urine, demands instant attention—that it may be a signal of coming rheumatism, gravel, dropsy or fatal Bright's disease. The best prevention of serious kidney disorders is prompt treatment—the best medicine is Doan's Kidney Pills.

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A style of house that is becoming common in suburban towns is the bungalow. It is designed for the bungalow style with the addition of dormer windows in the roof, a hallway and bedrooms on the second floor. The plan of the first floor is a little different from the fact that there are two rooms. It is difficult to get six rooms in a bungalow. Ordinarily there are five in a large bungalow and from four to four rooms in a smaller bungalow. The one floor with a low roof is the original bungalow, but the inventive genius of the Americans is never content to stop if there is any room for improvement, and it does seem a waste of material to have a big, wide roof over a one-story house, because the same foundation

A great many houses settle in the center so that every door sticks either at the top or at the bottom. You notice this especially in cheap houses, where a few dollars have been skinned out of the job here and there, and in such cases the floor supports are sure to be deficient in some way. It is especially annoying to have doors that won't shut or open properly. It is an indication at once that the house has been cheaply built in at least one particular. When doors fail to work properly a carpenter is employed to refit them. By next year they are just as bad, then it is given up as a bad job, and the family keeps on year after year putting up with little annoyances that should have been corrected in the first place.

In building a house as wide as this considerable attention should be given to the floor supports, and I know of no better way than to put in division walls in the cellar and to make these walls right give them sufficient footing to prevent any settling, then arrange the joists carefully so as to properly distribute the load and place the doors and upper partitions where they have the right kind of foundation support; then if the door frames are properly shored up there will be no trouble from settling or badly fitting doors as long as the house is properly cared for.

Doors are made of kiln-dried stuff. They are intended to be properly protected from unreasonable dampness or change in temperature. Such lumber will not remain rigid and unchangeable if a house is shut up and allowed to freeze in the winter time. A good door is a great comfort, but must be well cared for to keep it in good condition.

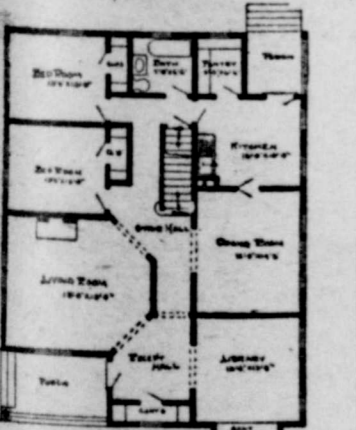
Besides being a very comfortable and roomy house this plan looks well. There is something homelike about a bungalow design when it is nicely finished up outside and the front veranda partially screened in with vines. Then if you have a few flowers growing along one side of the house the appearance is especially attractive. I think it is easier to give an air



of refinement to a house of this build than almost any other style. Of course we all recognize the fact that a house is not a home until intelligent, thoughtful people take it in hand and add the right kind of finish. The window shades and curtains show at a glance whether the people living in the house are educated and refined or whether they are careless and indifferent. The way the grass is kept on the lawn is almost a sure indication of the character of the family, but a good deal depends on the house itself. Some houses are easily fixed up while others are almost hopeless.

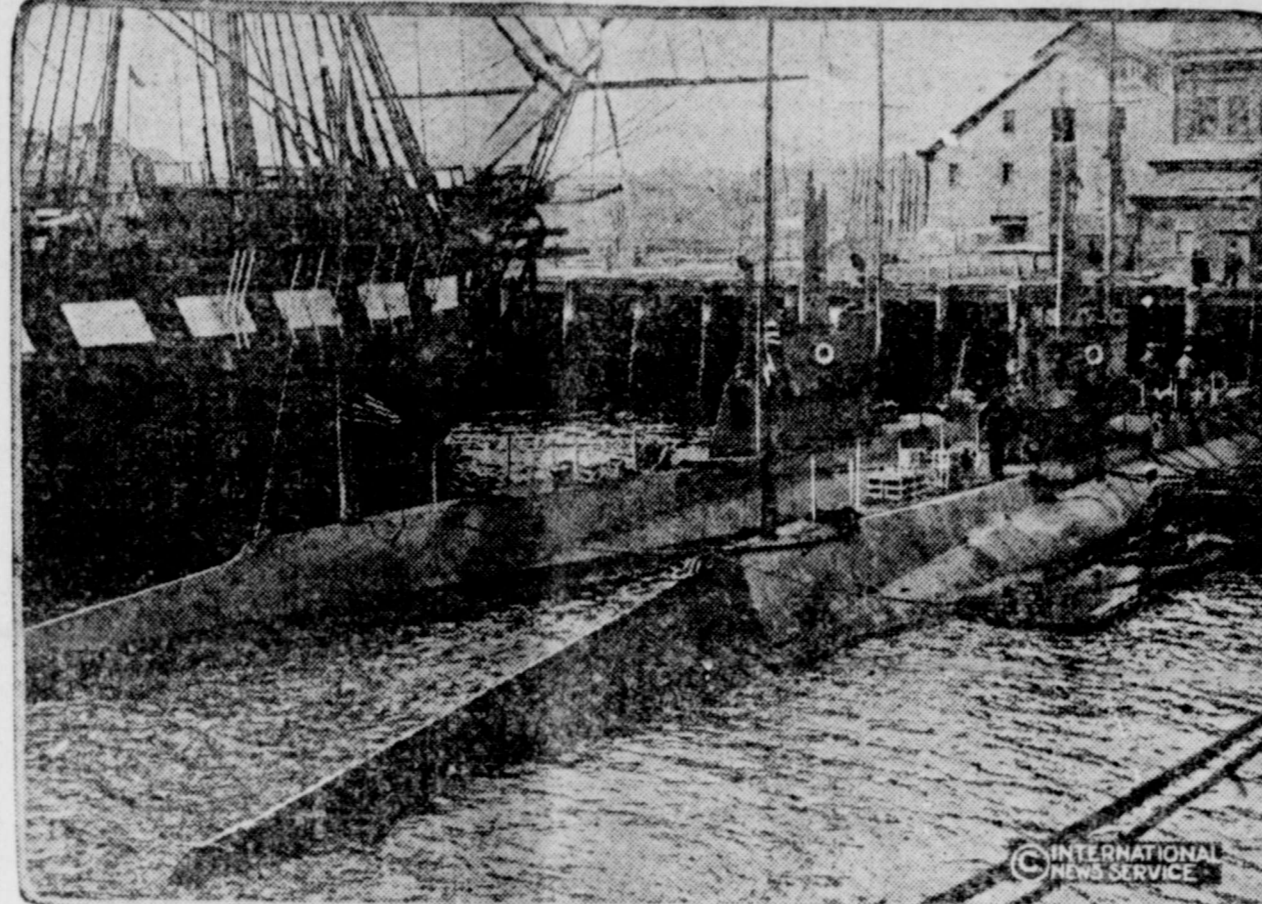
This story-and-a-half house is not a small affair, by any means. It is 28 feet wide by 45 feet in length, and contains six rooms downstairs with a chance to finish up two or three rooms in the attic and in that way make a two-room house. The plan is a good one for a summer cottage, because of the accommodation it offers for a large house party. It is also a good plan for any location where ground is plentiful, because there is a good deal

The cellar may be made a very important part of the house. A suburban home should have plenty of storage room for fruit and vegetables, because supplies are not so easily ob-



tain on short notice as they are in towns and cities. The cellar under this house should be divided into two main compartments by a stone or concrete wall, a cross wall under the partition which divides the library from the dining room would do the business. The furnace pipes or hot water heating pipes can then be carried to the library without passing through the fruit cellar. It is impossible to have a satisfactory fruit cellar unless you can keep it cold. It is usually much more satisfactory to have the laundry also partitioned off from the furnace room. Make it as carefully as you may, there will be considerable dust, and it is just as well to keep it out of the laundry if you can. These partitions cost but little more than to support the floor by piers. The walls are permanent, solid and satisfactory, while piers and posts of any kind are almost sure to settle more or less and require attention in a year or two. Right here is a point to consider when building.

## OLD AND THE NEW IN AMERICAN NAVY



America's first battleship, the Constitution, and the navy's latest acquisitions, the submarines K-5 and K-6, lying side by side in the Charlestown navy yard.

## KHAKI-CLAD TURKS MARCHING AGAINST RUSSIANS



Regiment of Turkish regular infantry, drilled by the Germans and wearing their new khaki uniforms, marching across the desert to meet the Russian troops on the Caucasus border.

## 'TARGET FOR TURKS' "FRIENDLY" SHOT



This is the launch of the U. S. S. Tennessee at which a Turkish fort in the harbor of Smyrna fired a shot, which afterward was declared to be only a "friendly" warning that the harbor was mined and closed to alien vessels.

## TERROR OF NAVIGATORS



This big steel ball is one of the deadly mines that are feared by all navigators. It was washed ashore at Sizewell, Suffolk, and its explosives were removed by a torpedo instructor. Many of these mines have been beached along the coast of England.

## FRENCH SOCIETY WOMEN AS NURSES



Parisian women, well known in society, attending wounded soldiers at the Gare du Nord as they arrive from the battlefields.

## "JIM CROW" ACT HELD NOT VALID

### OKLAHOMA NEGROES HAVE RIGHT TO DINING AND SLEEPING CARS ON TRAINS.

## SO SAYS FEDERAL SUPREME COURT

### Technicality Holds Up Decree Erasing Law, but Majority of Justices Think Blacks Can Demand Equal Treatment from the Railroads.

Washington, Dec. 1.—A majority of the supreme court today joined in an opinion that the Oklahoma "jim crow" law proviso permitting railroads to furnish sleeping, dining and chaircar accommodations only to the white race was unconstitutional, but they did not so decree because of imperfections in the petition on which the case reached the courts.

The case was one in which five negroes, claiming that the entire law was unconstitutional, sought an injunction to restrain five railroads in Oklahoma from enforcing it. The Oklahoma federal court dismissed the petition, holding the law constitutional. The majority of the court affirmed the dismissal today because the negroes had not shown they had applied to the railroads for accommodation under the law or that the railroads had notified them that they would be refused certain accommodations.

The majority, through Justice Hughes, stated, however, that they could not agree with the lower court that the proviso as to sleeping, dining and chaircars was constitutional. A minority, consisting of Chief Justice White and Justices Holmes, Lamar and McReynolds, concurred merely in the order of affirmance, but expressed no views on the constitutional question.

"The reasoning is," Justice Hughes said, "that there may not be enough persons of African descent seeking these accommodations to warrant the outlay in providing them. This argument with respect to the value of the traffic seems to be without merit. It makes the constitutional right depend upon the number of persons who may be discriminated against, whereas the essence of the constitutional right is that it is a personal one. Whether or not special facilities shall be provided may doubtless be conditioned upon, there being a reasonable demand therefore; but if facilities are provided, substantial equality of treatment of persons traveling under like conditions cannot be denied."

## ARMY IS CAUGHT IN BIG CIRCLE

### Underestimated Russian Force—Issue Hangs on Whether Reinforcements From West Can Arrive in Time to Save Hindenburg.

## LATE WAR NEWS IN BRIEF.

The struggle in Poland still hangs in the balance, with Petrograd reports claiming one unit of the German army has been surrounded.

Servia is doomed, Berlin reports, with the Austrian army ready to occupy Belgrade.

Reports from South America tell of German and British-Japanese fleets on the western coast of America.

King George has gone to France to visit the army for the first time since the war started.

Belgium must pay \$7,000,000 a month to support the German army, besides an indemnity of \$75,000,000 for resisting.

France has issued a "yellow book," showing diplomatic documents to prove that Germany's hasty ultimatum is to blame for the opening of the war.

Germany has paid Luxembourg for the damage to the fields done by the invading army and for the use of the roads into France.

Berlin reports that a part of England's new army is to be sent to South Africa to quell the Boer rebellion.

## WARNS KING OF ENGLAND

### Astrologist Tells George to Beware of Evil Days in March of Next Year.

Boston.—That King George of England must beware of evil days next March is the prediction of Catharine H. Thompson, astrologist. Miss Thompson bases her prediction on the fact that Jupiter enters Pisces, a watery, unstable sign, next March, and afflicts the king's radical sun, and sickness and trouble should increase rather than diminish. While Jupiter was passing through Aquarius this year, she says, trouble for the king was allayed. Something extraordinary will happen, she predicts, such as the siege of London, the fall of Westminster abbey, St. Paul's cathedral or Buckingham palace.

## A Thorough Soaking.

"Some of those soldiers fighting along the Aisne must lead a dog's life." "I should think that lying in a trench half full of water day after day would be more like a frog's life."

## ROCK ISLAND SHOPS CLOSE.

### 300 Lose Jobs When Chickasha Branch Shuts Down Indefinitely.

Oklahoma City, Dec. 1.—Three hundred men have been thrown out of employment at Chickasha by the closing of the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific railroad shops indefinitely.

Lack of funds was given as the reason for closing down. This is not expected to effect the other works of the road. The order will have no effect in Oklahoma City.

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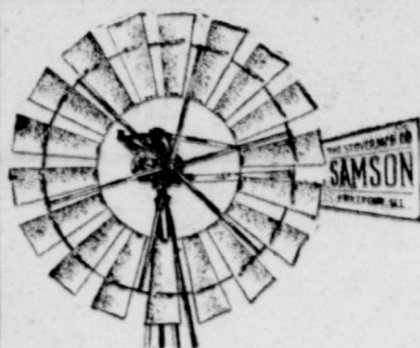
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