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## Grand Jury

Miami, Texas, Sept. 7, 1915  
The Honorable Frank Willis of the District Court presided over the Grand Jury for the term of the district court in Roberts county, beg to submit this our final report. We have diligently inquired into all matters of the law and have returned indictments in all cases where the evidence in our opinion warranted such action, and returned two indictments being for felonies.  
We are pleased to know that the country is practically free from crime the condition for which the citizenship of the county should be congratulated. We find the county property in good condition and well kept, and no further business and banking the court and officers courtesies shown we respectfully ask to be discharged.  
Ray L. Morrison, Foreman

## District Court

The Honorable District Court in Roberts county has been in session this week. Judge Wilkison presided over the Grand Jury on Monday and they went to work on Tuesday. The court docket was cleaned up extra well and the prisoners were all dismissed on Tuesday morning. There is one case set for next week and the sheriff was out yesterday looking for jurors.  
The Burton murder case that was tried here last winter, was transferred to Hemphill county and Judge J. W. Sanders named as special Judge for the case.

## Dchiltree-Eagle-Investigator Sold

When we received last weeks issue of the Investigator, we were really very sorry to see that the paper had passed from the hands of Bro. Purcell into the hands of one that Bro Purcell thought could give the Queen City a good paper from now on. Bro. Purcell's health was his sole cause for selling. Bro. Purcell found the paper there eight years ago and from that time to the present writing he has ever been faithful to his subscribers. We are glad to see the good and faithful brother retire, still we are ever ready to welcome new newspaper men to the Panhandle.

Canadian, Texas, Sept. 7 1915  
My company has plenty of money to lend. Can get you money in 15 days. If you want money on farms write me at once, or phone. Borrow money and buy lands while they are cheap.  
W. A. Palmer.

## Coble-Dixon

On Thursday afternoon of last week, Mr. Emmett Coble and Miss Dora Dixon were united in matrimony by Rev. Mayne of Canyon at the home of the brides mother.

At 8:30 the wedding march was sounded by Miss Bobbie Dixon. Then Mr. Chas. Heare and Miss Mable Westbrook entered the hall and led the way into the parlor followed by the groom and bride until they had reached a neatly arranged arch, which was trimmed in clematis the back ground being white, banked in with a mass of ferns.

As the brides colors were white and pink, she wore a very beautiful white Crepe de Chine and Miss Westbrook a pink mesalin trimmed in white fur. The groom wore a conventional black suit.  
After the ring ceremony many congratulations were made for the groom and his bride to live a long useful life.

Miss Dixon, the oldest child of Mrs. Olive Dixon and of the deceased "Billie" Dixon, who was the leader of the wonderful fight at Adobe Walls, and who's life has recently been published. Miss Dixon is well known in and around Miami and has won the friendship of many. She taught two successful terms of school at the Cowan school, and would have been one of Miami's teachers this year, had not Emmett won her fair young life. But lets have a word for the groom. Emmett as we all know him is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Coble who live two miles north-west of town. He is a fine young man, and from his face and appearance, we predict that he will make a prosperous young ranchman. He has many good traits as well as many good friends.

We wish these fine young people much success in life and hope that their path may always be strewn with roses and as few thorns as possible.

Those present beside the immediate families were Mrs. Mayne and Mr. and Mrs. Smith of Canyon, Mr. Herbert Chase, Mr. Chas. Heare and Miss Mable Westbrook of Miami.

The groom and his wife left immediately for Denver, Colorado and other points, after which they will be at home to their many friends in Miami.

## Arithmetic School

Prof Key is conducting a day arithmetic school here this week and will begin a night school at the school house Monday night of next week. He will be assisted by Miss Rose Reid of Mobeetie. They can care for several students and solicit a large enrollment. The school will last ten days.

## Pipkin-King

In the presence of their immediate family, and a few select friends Mr. Knox Pipkin and Miss Ocie King were happily united in marriage Sept. 5 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Archie King. The writer of the article officiating. Mr. Pipkin is an honest, sober, industrious young man, who has spent nearly all of his life in Roberts County. He will do all in his power to add to the happiness and comfort of his young bride, who is fitted and adapted to grace and beauty any home in the Panhandle. She was born and reared in Roberts County. Is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. King, noted pioneers of that county. Also is a niece of Billy Dixon, the noted leader of the famous Adobe Walls fight. She was dressed in white and looked indescribably beautiful to all of us, and especially to Knox.

I must not forget to mention the bountiful feast prepared, especially that 35 pound turkey, which had been prepared in such a way as to make it most tender and delicious. There were many other good things, including cakes, salads and pies which again made that broad and long old family table once more groan from being so heavily laden. No wonder every one likes to go to Archie's as he is called. After we had satisfied our appetites, Archie said "get your hat and lets walk around." He took me to the orchard and showed me fruit trees that he planted 18 years ago and some of the pear trees have 25 bushels of fruit on them. He showed me his garden and truck patch and it ran through my mind how easy it was to have nice things if you stayed in one place long enough. His cellar was full of fine watermelons, I went on into the kitchen to tell Mrs. King good bye, everything was so neatly arranged, waterworks and all. I must say right here that I did not see a single paper sack on these premises. These people do not use such things neither do they live out of them. They haul things there by the wagon load and they can feed a hundred persons easier than the people who live out of paper sacks can feed a dozen.

These good people have broken the record as this is the third marriage in their family within the last five months. I most heartily congratulate them, as they have not yet been paid by "Old Satan" in bad sons in law.  
Champ Traylor  
Plemons, Texas.

## Over The Plains

The Christian College at Lockney opened its twenty-first annual session there on Wednesday of last week.

The Hardmen County Fair was one of the most successful fairs financially, ever held in the state. They paid out enormous premiums daily, yet their gate receipts, excelled the expenses to a great extent.

We see that the Shamrock ball team have quit for this season, by defeating Erick, Okla 2 to 1 in an 11 inning game. Page did the slab work for Shamrock.

Rev. Thompson and his singer Mr. Bledsoe are conducting a revival meeting at Claude this week.

County court is in session this week. In Wheeler County

## Panhandle State Fair

The total premiums offered for the Panhandle State Fair at Amarillo Sept. 21 to 25, total \$12,000, by far the largest premiums ever offered for fair premiums in West Texas, and more than offered by any other fair in the State, except the Dallas Fair. These premiums cover livestock, racing, agricultural and horticultural products; and kindred others. It is indeed an imposing premium list and one regarding which the Panhandle should be proud.

More than 35 counties have signified their intention of having exhibits at the fair this fall, and the officers of the Fair are now able to announce that some of the leading race horses in the United States will enter races during the last four days of the Fair. The amusements will be clean and instructive.

Ample preparation has been made for the comfort of all.

The railroads have offered very attractive rates. And in every respect the visitors to the Fair this fall will hear, do and see things on a larger scale than heretofore.

## The Ball-Players Prayer

Lord help me to play the game. It matters not to you whether I am talented or poor in natural gifts; wealthy or starving, a leader among men or a simple follower, so that I play the game as you would have it played. Help me to keep my eye on the ball, that the curves of temptation not deceive me. Keep my feet in the path of righteousness that I may touch second and third on my way around the bases. Help me to beat out my bunts, and hold me that I stray not too far from base when the catcher is ready to pounce on me. Count not my four balls against me O, Lord, for the batting eye sometimes goes wrong, "though this intention is right. Help me in the pinches, because a good bingle might bring my brother home. Let not the noise of the fans keep my eye from the ball, nor the enticements of the slab-artist drag me away from the need of a good clean single with a man on second. Help me to bat over 300, because my eyes are on the big league far eternally even while I sojourn here among the bush-leaguers.

Mr. J. B. Lindley and Miss Jewell Jones were married at Canadian on Tuesday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. I. W. Whitsell gave a real up-to-date house party to several of their Canadian friends at their ranch home last week.

Glaziers school opens the 14th of this month. They have a prospective term before them.

The Randall County News has installed a new linotype machine and intend to stop "clawing" the type for their paper.

The Canyon Normal opened on Monday of this week with fine prospects for the winter term.

Mr. Wm. Ruhl of Vega, Texas and Mrs. Margaret Rehse of Wisconsin were married in K.C. last Saturday.

Vega will have the Methodist quarterly conference of that district this year.

Miss Olive Haynes of McLean and Mr. C. C. Sloan of Pampa, were married in Amarillo last Saturday. Both young people have many friends in Miami.

## NOTICE

I have been serving you for 5 years for Mr. Studer and have worked hard to please you and trust that I have done so.

I appreciate your friendship and patronage for Mr. Studer. I have purchased the shop and will appreciate a continuance of your patronage.

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## Laying of Corner Stone September 15th.

### Ceremonies at Canyon for New Building of the West Texas State Normal College

The corner stone laying of the beautiful new steel framed building of the West Texas State Normal College will be celebrated Wednesday Sept. 15, at Canyon. Judge Nelson Phillips, Chief Justice of the Texas Supreme Court, will deliver the principal address. There will be a big free barbecue. All of the people of Texas are invited to participate in the exercises.

Following is the program.  
11:30 a.m. Laying of the corner stone, the ceremonies to be performed by the Masonic lodge.  
12:30 p.m. Free Barbecue.  
2:00 p.m. Address by Chief Justice Phillips.

An amusement program and base ball game will follow.

The people of Canyon are sparing no pains and expence to make this a great celebration and cordially invite their neighbors to participate with them!

## Green Lake Items

Mr. Wren and family spent Sunday at the Seitz home.

Little Erwin Pursley is spending the week with his grandma. Myrtle Preslor is spending a few days with Mrs. Frank Pursley.

Erve Black end Mrs. Pursley went to Pampa Tuesday. Gerrond Ramsay and wife moved to Miami this week.

J. E. Seitz and W. W. Davis attended Fred Johnsons sale Wednesday.

Mr. J. B. Graham and family moved to the Gerrond Ramsay place this week.

O. B. Hardin and boys were out to Green Lake Friday.

### FOR SALE

One full blood Jersey heifer, will be fresh about Oct. 1st.

H. A. Talley.

FOR SALE---A good team of young work mares. 1200 lbs. Will sell cheap for cash or trade if taken at once. Inquire at Mrs. Bennetts place, Miami. 2tp

## The Earning Period of A Man's Life is His HARVEST TIME

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# The BLACK BOX

By E. PHILLIPS OPPENHEIM

Author of "The Moving Fingers," "The Prince of Sinners," "Anna, the Adventuress," etc.

Novelized from the motion picture drama of the same name produced by the Universal Film Manufacturing Company. Illustrated with photographs from the motion picture production.

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### SYNOPSIS.

Sanford Quest, master criminologist of the world, finds that in bringing to justice MacDougal, the murderer of Lord Ashleigh's daughter, he has but just begun a life-and-death struggle with a mysterious master criminal. In a hidden but in Professor Ashleigh's garden he has seen an ape skeleton and a living creature, half monkey, half man, destroyed by fire. In his rooms have appeared black boxes containing notes, signed by a pair of emulous hands, Laura and Lenora, his assistants, suspecting that the professor's servant, of a double murder. The black boxes continue to appear in uncanny fashion. Craig, captured, escapes to Port Said. Quest and his party follow, and beyond into the desert. They are captured by Mongars, escape with Craig as their captive, and turn him over to Inspector French in San Francisco. He escapes in a train wreck, outwits his pursuers, and goes back to New York, where he discloses Quest is attempting to hypnotize him into confession.

### FIFTEENTH INSTALLMENT

#### CHAPTER XXXV.

The first shock was over. Craig's body had been removed, and the girls had taken Mary, half stunned with grief, to their room. French and Quest were left alone.

"That is some disappointment," the former remarked, gloomily.

"It is a disappointment," Quest said, slowly, "which may clear the way to bigger things."

"What's in your mind now?" French inquired.

"Quest shook his head.

"A turmoil. First of all, where is the professor?"

"Must have scooted right away home," French suggested. "He was looking pretty sick all the time. Guess it must have been a powerful shock for him, and he isn't so young as he used to be."

"Give me that paper of Craig's again," Quest asked.

The inspector produced the document from his inner pocket, and Quest, stretching it out upon his knee, read it word for word.

"Never to communicate or to have anything to do with anyone of the name of Ashleigh, eh?" he remarked, as he handed it back again. "Rather a queer provision, that, French."

"I've been thinking that myself," the inspector admitted.

Quest glanced at the clock.

"Well," he said, "if you're ready, inspector, we'll be getting along."

The two men drove to the outskirts of the city almost in silence. The professor's house seemed more than ever deserted as they drew up at the front door. They entered without ringing and crossed the hall towards the library. On the threshold Quest paused and held up his finger.

"Someone is in there," he whispered, stepping quickly forward. "Come!"

He threw open the door. The room was empty, yet both Quest and French were conscious of a curious conviction that it had been occupied within the last few seconds.

"Queer, but it seemed to me I heard someone," French muttered.

"I was sure of it," Quest replied.

They stood still for a moment and listened. The silence in the empty house was almost unnatural. Quest turned away with a shrug of the shoulders.

"At any rate," he said, "Craig's dying thoughts must have been truthful. Come."

He led the way to the fireplace, went down on his knees and passed his hands over the bricks. The third one he touched, shook. He tapped it—without a doubt it was hollow. With his penknife he loosened the mortar a little and drew it out easily. The back was open. Inside was the black box.

"Craig's secret at last!" French muttered, hoarsely. "Bring it to the light, quick!"

They were unemotional men, but the moment was supreme. The key to the mystery of these tragical weeks was there in their hands! Their eyes almost devoured those few hastily scrawled words buried with so much care:

See Page 62, January Number, American Medical Journal, 1905.

They looked at one another. They repeated vaguely this most commonplace of messages. As the final result of their strenuous enterprise, these cryptic words seemed pitifully inadequate. Quest's face darkened. He crumpled the paper in his fingers.

"There must be some meaning in this," he muttered. "It can't be altogether a fool's game we're on. Wait."

He moved towards a table which usually stood against the wall, but which had obviously been dragged out recently into the middle of the room. It was covered with bound volumes. Quest glanced at one and exclaimed softly:

"American Medical Journal, 1905! French, there's something in this message, after all."

He turned over the pages rapidly. Then he came to a stop. Page 61 was there; page 62 had been neatly removed with a pair of scissors.

"The professor!" he cried. "The professor's been at work here!"

The two men stood looking at one another across the table. Strange

thoughts were framing themselves in the brains of both of them. Then there came a startling and in its way a dramatic interlude. Through the empty house came the ringing of the electric bell from the front door, shrill and insistent. Without a moment's hesitation, Quest hurried out and French followed him. On the doorstep was another surprise. Lenora and Laura were there, the former carrying a small, black-bound volume.

"Don't be cross," she begged, quickly. "We just had to come. Look! We picked this up underneath the chair where Craig was sitting. It must have slipped from his pocket. You see what is written on it?—Diary of John Craig."

Quest took it in his hand.

"Say, this ought to be interesting," he remarked. "Come along."

They passed into the library. French lingered behind for a moment and caught them up just as they were opening the book underneath the electric lamp.

"See here what I've found!" he exclaimed. "It was just by the side of the wall there. Where's that magazine?"

He spread out the piece of paper—it fitted exactly into the empty space. They all read together:

Professor Ashleigh, after being bitten by the anthropoid, rapidly developed hydrophobia of a serious nature. After treatment with a new serum the patient was relieved of the hydrophobic symptoms, but to my horror this mild-mannered, humane man seems possessed at times of all the characteristics of the brutal anthropoid—cunning, thievery, brutality. I do not know what may come of this. I hesitate to put even these words on to paper. I am doubtful as to what course, in the interests of humanity, I ought to take.

(Signed) JAMES MERRILL, M. D.

Editor's Note—Just as we go to press, a cable announces the terrible death of Doctor Merrill, the writer of the above notes. He was attacked by wild animals whilst alone in a South American jungle, and torn to pieces.

There was a queer little silence among the company. No one seemed inclined for speech. They looked at one another in dumb, wondering horror. Then Quest drew a penknife from his pocket and with a turn of his wrist forced the lock of the diary.

They all watched him with fascinated eyes. It was something to escape from their thoughts. They leaned over as he spread the book out before him. Those first two sentences were almost in the nature of a dedication:

For ten years I have protected my master, Prof. Edgar Ashleigh, at the cost of my peace of mind, my happiness, my reputation. This book, even though it be too late to help me, shall clear my reputation.

"French," he decided, "we must find the professor. Will you have your men search the house and grounds immediately?"

The inspector left the room like a dazed man. They could hear him giving orders outside.

"The next page," Lenora begged. "Just one page more!"

Quest hesitated for a moment. Then he turned it over. All three read again:

Ten years of horror, struggling all the while to keep him from that other self, that thing of bestiality, to keep his horrible secret from the world, to cover up his crimes, even though their shadow should rest upon me. Now Sanford Quest has come. Will this mean discovery?

"Another page," Quest said. "Don't you see where it is leading us? We have the truth here. Wait!"

He strode hastily to the door. French and one of the plain-clothes men were descending the stairs.

"Well?" Quest asked, breathlessly. "The professor is not in the house," French reported. "We are going to search the grounds."

Quest returned to the library. Lenora clung to his arm. The diary lay still upon the table.

Quest opened the volume slowly. Again they all read together:

The evil nature is growing stronger every day. He is developing a sort of ferocious cunning to help him in his crimes. He wanders about in the dark, wearing a black velvet suit with holes for his eyes, and leaving only his hands exposed. I have watched him come into a half-darkened room and one can see nothing but the hands and the eyes; sometimes if he closes his eyes, only the hands.

"Mrs. Rheinholdt!" Quest muttered. The door was suddenly opened and French entered.

"Beaten!" he exclaimed, tersely. "You haven't found him?" Quest asked.

French shook his head.

"We've searched every room, every cupboard, every scrap of the cellar in the place," he announced. "We've been into every corner of the grounds, searched it all backwards and for-

wards. There's no sign of the professor."

Quest pocketed the diary.

"You're perfectly certain that he is not in this house or anywhere upon the premises?"

"Certain sure!" French replied.

Quest shrugged his shoulders.

"Well, we'd better get back," he said.

They were on the point of starting, the chauffeur with his hand upon the starting handle, French with the steering wheel of the police car already in his hand. And then the little party seemed suddenly turned to stone. For a few breathless seconds not one of them moved. Out into the clammy night air came the echoes of a hideous, inhuman, blood-curdling scream. Quest was the first to recover himself. He leaped from his seat and rushed back across the empty hall into the study, followed a little way behind by French and the others. An unsuspected panel door which led into the garden stood slightly ajar. The professor, with his hand on the back of a chair, was staring at the fireplace, shaking as though with some horrible ague, his face distorted, his body curiously hunched over. He seemed suddenly to have dropped his humanity, to have fallen back into the world of some strange creatures. He heard their footsteps, but he did not turn his head. His hands were stretched out in front of him as though to keep away from his sight some hateful object.

"Stop him!" he cried. "Take him away! It's Craig—his spirit!"

He came to me in the garage, he followed me through the grounds, he mocked at me when I hid in the tree. He's there now, kneeling before the fireplace. Why can't I kill him! He is coming! Stop him, someone!"

No one spoke or moved; no one, indeed, had the power. Then at last Quest found words.

"There is no one in the room, professor," he said, "except us."

The sound of a human voice seemed to produce a strange effect. The professor straightened himself, shook his head, his hands dropped to his side, ghastly pale, but his smile was once more the smile of the amiable naturalist.

"My friends," he said, "forgive me. I am very old, and the events of these last few hours have unnerved me. Forgive me."

He groped for a moment and sank into a chair. Quest fetched a decanter and a glass from the sideboard, poured out some wine and held it to his lips. The professor drank it eagerly.

"My dear friend," he exclaimed, "you have saved me. I have something to tell you, something I must tell you at once, but not here. I loathe this place. Let me come with you to your rooms."

"As you please," Quest answered, calmly.

He gripped Quest's arm. In silence they passed from the room, in silence they took their places once more in the automobiles, in silence they drove without a pause to Quest's rooms. The professor made his way at once to his favorite easy chair, threw off his overcoat and leaned back.

"The best," he pronounced, "you are the best friend I have in my life! It is you who have rid me of my great burden. Tell me—help me a little with my story—have you read that page from the Medical Journal which

Craig has kept locked up all these years?"

"We have all read it," Quest replied.

"It was forged," the professor declared, firmly, "forged by Craig. All the years since he has blackmailed me. I have been his servant and his tool. I have been afraid to speak. At last I am free of him. Thank God!"

"Craig, after all," French muttered. Lenora stood a little apart with a faint frown upon her forehead. She touched Quest on the shoulder.

"Mr. Quest," she murmured, "he is lying."

Quest turned his head. His lips scarcely moved.

"What do you mean?" he whispered. "He is lying!" Lenora insisted. "I tell you there's another creature there, something we don't understand. Let me bring the electro-thought transference apparatus; let us read his mind. If I am wrong, I will go down on my knees and beg for forgiveness."

Quest nodded. Lenora hastened to the farther end of the room, snatched the cloth from the instrument and wheeled down the little mirror with



"He is Dead!" Quest Declared.

its coils and levers. The professor watched her. Slowly his face changed. The benevolence faded away, his teeth for a moment showed in something which was almost a snarl.

"You believe me?" he cried, turning to Quest. "You are not going to try that horrible thing on me—Professor Lord Ashleigh? I am all broken up. I am not fit for it. Look at my hands, how they shake."

"Professor," Quest said, sternly, "we are surrounded by the shadow of some terrible deeds for which as yet there is no explanation. I do not say that we mistrust you, but I ask you to submit to this test."

"I refuse!" the professor replied, harshly.

"And I insist," Quest muttered.

The professor drew a little breath. He sat back in his chair. His face became still, his lips were drawn closely together. Lenora wheeled up the machine and with deft fingers adjusted the fittings on one side. Quest himself connected it up on the other. The professor sat there like a figure of stone. The silence in the room was so intense that the ticking of the small clock upon the mantel piece was clearly audible. The very atmosphere seemed charged with the thrill and wonder of it. Never before had Quest met with resistance so complete and immovable. Sternly he concentrated the whole of his will power upon his task. Almost at once there was a change. The professor fell back in the chair. The tense self-control had passed from his features, his lips twitched. Simultaneously, the mirror for a moment was clouded—then slowly a picture upon it gathered outline and substance. There was a jungle, strange, tall trees, and brushwood so thick that it reached to the waists of the two men who were slowly making their way through it. One was the professor, clearly recognizable under his white sun helmet; the other a stranger to all of them. Suddenly they stopped. The latter had crept a yard or so ahead, his gun raised to his shoulder, his eyes fixed upon some possible object of pursuit. There was a sudden change in the professor. They saw him seize his gun by the barrel and whirl it above his head. He seemed suddenly to lose his whole identity. He crouched on his haunches, almost like an animal, and sprang at the other's throat. They could almost hear the snarl from his lips as the two men went down together into the undergrowth. The picture faded away.

"Doctor Merrill!" Lenora faltered. "Then it was not wild beasts which killed him."

Almost immediately figures again appeared in the mirror. There was a small passage which seemed to lead from the back entrance of a house; the professor, with a black mantle, Craig followed him, pleading, expostulating. They saw the conservatory for a minute, and then blackness. The professor was leaning against a marble basin. There was nothing to be seen of him but his eyes and hands. They saw him listen for a moment or two in cold, unresponsive silence, then stretch out his hand and push Craig away. The picture glowed and faded and glowed again. Then they saw through the gloom the figure of a woman approach, a diamond necklace around her neck. They saw the hands steal out and encircle her throat—and then more darkness, silence, obscurity. The mirror was empty once more.

"Mrs. Rheinholdt's jewels!" Lenora cried. "What next? Oh! my God what next?"

Their eyes ached with the strain, but there was not one of them who could even glance away from the mirror. It was Quest's study which slowly appeared then. The Salvation Army girl was there, talking to the professor. They saw him leave her, they saw him look back from the door, a strange, evil glance. Then the secretary entered and spoke to her. Once more the door opened. The hands were there, stretching and reaching, a paper-weight gripped in the right-hand fingers. They saw it raised above the secretary's head, they saw the other hand take the girl by the throat and push her towards the table. A wild scream broke from Lenora's lips. Quest wavered for a

moment. The picture faded out.

"Oh, stop it!" Lenora begged. "Haven't we seen enough? We know the truth now. Stop it or I shall die!"

The criminologist made no reply. His eyes were still fixed upon the professor, who showed some signs of returning consciousness. He was gripping at his collar. He seemed to have difficulty with his breathing. Quest suddenly braced himself. He pushed Lenora back.

"One more," he muttered. "There's something growing in his mind. I can feel it. Wait!"

Again they all turned towards the mirror. They saw the hallway of Ashleigh house, the pictures upon the walls, they could almost feel the quiet silence of night. They saw the professor come stealing down the stairs. He was wearing the black velvet suit with the cowl in his hand. They watched him pause before a certain door, draw on the cowl and disappear. Through the opening they could see Lord Ashleigh asleep in bed, the moonlight streaming through the open window across the counterpane. They saw the professor turn with a strange, horrible look in his face and close the door. Lenora burst into sobs. "No more!" she shrieked. "No more, or I shall go mad!"

Quest leaned forward and released their victim. The whole atmosphere of the place seemed immediately to change. Lenora drew a long, convulsive breath and sank into a chair. The professor sat up and gazed at them all with the air of a man who has just awakened from a dream.

"Have I, by any chance, slept?" he asked. "Or—"

He never finished his sentence. His eyes fell upon the mirror, the metal band lying by his side. He read the truth in the faces still turned towards him. He rose to his feet. There was another and equally sudden change in his demeanor and tone. He carried himself with the calm dignity of the scientist.

"The end of our struggle, I presume?" he said to Quest, pointing to the metal band. "You will at least admit that I have shown you fine sport."

No one answered him. Even Quest had barely yet recovered himself. The professor shrugged his shoulders.

"I recognize, of course," he said, gravely, "that this is the end. A person in extremis has privileges. Will you allow me to write just a matter of twenty lines at your desk?"

Silently Quest assented. The professor seated himself in the swing chair, drew a sheet of paper towards him, dipped the pen in the ink and began to write. Then he turned around and reached for his own small black bag which lay upon the table. Quest caught him by the wrist.

"What do you want out of that, professor?" he inquired.

"Merely my own pen and ink," the professor expostulated. "If there is anything I detest in the world, it is violet ink. And your pen, too, is excusable. As they are to be the last words I shall leave to a sorrowing world, I should like to write them in my own fashion. Open the bag for yourself, if you will. You can pass me the things out."

Quest opened the bag, took out a pen and a small glass bottle of ink. He handed them to the professor, who started at once more to write. Quest watched him for a moment and then turned away to French. The professor looked over his shoulder and suddenly bared his wrist. Lenora seized her employer by the arm.

"Look!" she cried. "What is he going to do?"

Quest swung around, but he was too late. The professor had dug the pen into his arm. He sat in his chair and laughed as they all hurried towards him. Then suddenly he sprang to his feet. Again the change came into his face which they had seen in the mirror. French dashed forward to seem about to spring, then suddenly once more stretched out his hands to Quest the paper upon which he had been writing.

"You have nothing to fear from me," he exclaimed. "Here is my last message to you, Sanford Quest. Read it—read it aloud. Always remember that this was not your triumph, but mine,"

Quest held up the paper. The

read. The professor's letters

carefully formed, his handwriting

perfectly legible:

You have been a clever oppo

Sanford Quest, but even now yo

to be cheated. The wisdom of the

outreaches yours, outreaches it

triumphs.

Quest looked up quickly.

"What the devil does he mean

muttered.

The professor's arms shot su

ly above his head. Again that str

animal look convulsed his feat

He burst into a loud, unnatural

"Mean, you fool!" he cried, bu

out his wrist, which was slowly

ing black. "Poisoned! That is

it means!"

They all stared at him.

Quest seized the ink bottle, reveal

false top and laid it down again

a little exclamation. Then, be

they could realize it the end of

The professor lay, a crumple

heap, upon the floor.

Quest swung round in his cha

French entered the room and ha

his left hand.

"Glad to see you, French.

"I don't know as I want to

this morning just at present, b

you," French replied.

"Nothing wrong, eh?"

"The fact of it is," French expla

"I should like a few words with

Laura."

Quest laughed shortly.

"Why on earth couldn't you

so?" he observed. "Never knew

bashful before, inspector. She's

the laboratory. I'll ring for so

to show you the way."

Quest touched the bell and his

secretary entered almost at once.

"Take Inspector French up into

laboratory," Quest directed. See

later, French."

"Yes—perhaps—I hope so," the

secretary replied nervously.

Quest watched him disappear

a puzzled smile. Then he sat

at his desk, drew a sheet of paper

towards him and began to write.

My Dear Inspector:

I am taking this opportunity

of telling you that out of defere

the wishes of the woman I hope

to marry, I am abandoning the

arduous and nerve-racking profes

of criminology for a safer and

career. You will have, therefore,

find help elsewhere in the futu

With best wishes. Yours,

SANFORD QUEST

He left the sheet of paper upon

desk and, ringing the bell, sent

Lenora. She appeared in a few

moments and came over to his

desk. "What is it, Mr. Quest?" she

said. "He gave her the letter with

mark. She read it through and,

ling slowly around, looked at him

peccantly.

"How's that seem to you?"

asked, reaching out his hand for

cigar.

"Very sensible, indeed," she re

plied. "It's no sort of life, this, for

a married man," Quest declared.

"I think so," she admitted, with

little sigh of content.

THE END



### PLANNING FOR NATIONAL DEFENSE CONFERENCE



Subcommittee of the National Conservation congress arranging for a conference on the organization of the country's resources for national defense, to be held in Washington in October. Left to right: Gifford Pinchot, conservation leader; Norman C. McLeod, Cleveland, treasurer Conservation congress; E. L. Worsham, Atlanta, president Conservation congress; Thomas R. Shipp, Washington, general secretary White House conference of conservation and secretary of Conservation congress, and Dr. Henry S. Drinker, president Lehigh university.

### RUSSIAN GEESSE COMMANDEERED BY THE GERMANS



When the victorious Germans made their entry into Russia countless numbers of geese were left behind in the hands of the Russian farmers and peasants. The Germans saw a supply of food in the flocks of geese and commandeered them. Now roast goose is on the menu of the kaiser's men in Russia.

### PRINCESS IN RED CROSS WORK



Princess di Bagnio of Italy at a base hospital near Rome, with Count delle Somaglia, president of the Italian Red Cross, at the right, and Captain Guglielmi, a marquis, who assists in the dressing of wounds of soldiers, at the left.

### CHINESE ADMIRAL HERE



Vice-Admiral Wei Han is probably the most important naval man in the Chinese navy. Because he is looked upon in China as an authority, he has been sent here on a mission by his government to purchase submarines. Admiral Wei is visiting the important United States naval stations and was present at the big naval review in Boston when a great flotilla of destroyers made an "attack" on a squad of battleships. He was much impressed by the spectacle, which he witnessed from aboard the Wyoming.

### DANIELS SIGHTS A BIG GUN



Secretary of the Navy Daniels looking through the sights of one of the big guns on the monster battleship Wyoming. The picture was taken at the time of the review of the fleet at Boston.

**Forest Fires.**  
An especially good showing was made by the forest officers last year in extinguishing fires outside the national forests before they reached the forest boundaries. Such fires constituted more than one-sixth of all fought by the forest rangers and guards. About nine-tenths were extinguished before they touched the forests. Of the fires within the forest boundaries, more than 18 per cent were on lands in private ownership. Nearly one-fourth of the extra expenditures due to fighting fires—that is, expenditures outside the time of the regular forest force—was incurred in fighting these fires.

Lightning caused more fires than any other agency, followed by rail roads, campers, and incendiaries, in the order given.

### TO KNOW FROM EXPERIENCE

Evidently Mr. Jimso Was to Get a Plentiful Quantity of Fresh Air That Night.

Mr. Jimso was in the habit of attending meetings which often detained him after the usual hour of retirement. One night he was exceedingly late, and his wife, after fretting herself into a temper, went to bed, determined to give her husband a lesson. When she had been upstairs about ten minutes she heard a knock, so, putting her head out of the window, she inquired:  
"Is that you, Tom?"  
"Yes, Kate; come and open the door," was the answer.  
"What has kept you out so late?" asked his wife.  
"We have been discussing the real benefits of fresh air," answered he.  
"Well," returned his better half, "you can lecture tomorrow night from experience," and down went the window with a bang.

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"How enchanting!" exclaimed one young woman.  
"Do tell us," said another young woman, equally enthusiastic, to a gardener standing near, "what those beautiful things are."  
"Them?—Them's onions gone to seed."—New York Times.

**Carrying Them Out.**  
Youth (with tie of the Stars and Stripes)—I sent you some suggestions telling you how to make your paper more interesting. Have you carried out any of my ideas?  
Editor—Did you meet the office boy with the wastepaper basket as you came upstairs?  
Youth—Yes, yes, I did.  
Editor—Well, he was carrying out your ideas.

**Worse Yet.**  
"You're a lucky man," said Jones to his bachelor friend Sweeney. "You don't have to buy shoes for a wife and two kids."  
"No," replied Sweeney, "but I have to buy shoes for a Fearless Six."  
**Appropriately Named.**  
"Why do you call the baby Bill?"  
"He was born on the first of the month."—From the Buffalo Express.

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### EXPERTS DIFFER IN OPINION

Status of the First-Born Child is a Matter Over Which Scientists Have Had Grave Differences.

Experts on children, eugenicists, hereditists and just plain scientists are waging a more or less merry war over the status of the first-born child. Prof. Karl Pearson stirred up a veritable hornet's nest by his recent article intending to prove that first-born children are inferior mentally, morally and physically. Other experts, it seems, do not agree with him, in whole or in part.

Dr. Charles Gilmore Kerley of New York, who is listed as a "pediatric specialist" and is connected with innumerable institutions for babies, comes forth with the conviction that first-born children are inferior physically, but not mentally or morally. This is some slight consolation to those of us who were the first born, but unfortunately pediatrics and psychopathology do not agree. Dr. Menas S. Gregory, a well-known psychopathologist, begs to state that the first-born child is liable to be inferior mentally, but not morally or physically. This is less solace to the first born.

But a champion of the sorely maligned first born has been found in G. Hardy Clark of Iowa, who in a recent speech at the Child Welfare bureau of the Panama-Pacific exposition flat-footedly declared that the best characteristics of both parents were always to be found in the first born. "When you marry, choose the oldest child in the family and you will never make a mistake," was Mr. Clark's own particular advice to the lovers.

It is notable, however, that none of the other experts back up their conviction with the rows and columns of statistics furnished by Professor Pearson, who is connected with the University of London. Figures from many countries and including many races apparently prove, at least to Professor Pearson's satisfaction, that the first born has but a poor chance in this world. Now that the distinguished Iowan has reduced the problem of heredity to one of marriage, it was sagely observed by a strictly neutral commentator that the world at large will go on its tranquil way marrying and giving in marriage under the wise guidance of a tempered and regulated impulse.

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**A Real Sport.**  
"Them city fellers is pretty slick, but they can't fool me," said Hiram Waybacker.  
"They couldn't interest you in any of their skin games, eh?"  
"I should say not! Two o' them offered ter show me th' only German submarine in captivity. Haw! Haw!"  
"And what did you say to that?"  
"I told 'em ter git out th' shells an' the peas, an' I'd make one guess jest ter keep 'em from bein' lonesome."

**Putting His Foot in It.**  
Niece—I do think you are clever, aunt, to be able to argue with the professor about sociology.  
Aunt—I've only been concealing my ignorance, dear.  
Professor Hilks (gallantly)—Oh, no, Miss Knowles. Quite the contrary, I assure you.

**Something Like Foundries.**  
"What air them kitchennettes I hear tell of in the cities?" asked Deacon Hyperbole Medders, the somewhat honest agriculturist.  
"They're the places, Uncle Hy," explained Upon Downs, his city nephew, "in which are molded or cast or somehow produced a flat dweller's daily round of mealettes."—Judge.

**Not Warlike.**  
"Would you go to war if your country called you, Mr. Jobbles?"  
"I might, and then again I might not."  
"What do you mean by that?"  
"If the first call sounded like a mere invitation, I would wait to be sufficiently urged."

**Inconsistency.**  
Mrs. Bacon—He's a very inconsistent man.  
Mrs. Egbert—Indeed?  
"Yes; why, he tried to break his boy of being left-handed and he could only punish the little fellow with his left hand."

**Perfectly at Home.**  
"Are the summer boarders making themselves at home?"  
"Yep," replied Farmer Cornstossel; "they sit down to the table and kick about the food same as if they was among their own relations."

**Where the Vacuum Was.**  
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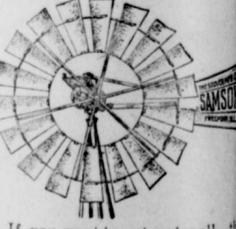
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CHURCH OF GOD—Meets to practice singing every Friday evening at 7 p. m. Bible lesson every first day of the week at 10 a. m. Preaching on 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month.

Judge Willis was a caller at the Chief office Monday.

Ira McNeil hands us a dollar for the chief another year.

Miss Hattie Coffee left Saturday evening for Blue Mountain, Miss, where she goes for her second years schooling there.

Miss Jannie Cooper left Tuesday evening for Waco, where she will spend the winter taking a business course.

J. S. Morton of the famous Gageby country was in our city last week buying supplies and visiting his old friends.

Hubert Durham was over from Mobeetie Thursday.

Clayton Heare left last night for Austin where he will attend school this term.

J. C. Studer sold his Miami meat Market this week to Herbert C. Hill. The business was invoiced and turned over to Mr. Hill Tuesday. Mr. Hill has been manager of the shop for 5 years and has given splendid service and we are glad to see him start in business for himself. He also bought the building.

A deal was closed yesterday whereby Ben Talley became owner of the P. K. Burum 960 acre ranch and cattle. Possession will be taken soon and Mr. Burum states that he has purchased land near Panhandle.

A. E. Gething was a business visitor in the city yesterday.

The J. R. Webster family and Miss Emma Sobus motored to the Elliot ranch in Wheeler county and spent Sunday. Oliver Elliot returned with them and left Monday for Roswell to attend school.

W. D. Lee and family of Mobeetie were shopping in the city yesterday.

The Local Yeoman Lodge will have a big supper at the hall tonight to which all Yeomans and their families are invited.

Ellis Wells began the erection of a nice five room residence Tuesday. Mr. Smoot is doing the "bossing" and the building is being built on the corner south of the Baptist Church.

Miss's Verlie Burum and Blanche Matthews left this morning for Canyon where they will attend the State Normal this term.

Mr. Frye, english, science and athletic instructor in the high school this year, came in Sunday. Mr. Frye made the Chief office a pleasant call Monday.

D. W. Turner and wife came in last week from a visit with Mr. Turners father. Mr. Turner says his fathers health is improving very rapidly and that he had a fine visit.

J. W. Wells and wife came in this week from their trip to market and to Rochester, Minn. where Mrs. Wells underwent a successful operation.

Miss Edna Walker came in Sunday from a few months visit with relatives in Ft. Worth.

Misses Jessie and Nina Severson left Monday for Clarendon where they will attend the Clarendon College this winter.

W. S. Carter and wife attended the Labor day exercises in Amarillo Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Williams and Miss Fay Jackson left Tuesday for Denton where Miss Fay takes up her second years work.

W. S. Tolbert transacted business in Amarillo Monday.

Walter Cook and L. D. Cummings are conducting a meeting at Kings Mill this week.

Miss Enna Walker has accepted a position in the B. Z. Williams store and began her duties Tuesday.

Miss Lucile Carter is taking a vacation this week and Miss Cora McCluney is clerking in the Seiber store.

Fred Cook and mother left Sunday night for their home at Bay Side. Fred has spent about a month visiting in Miami.

Miss Stella Mundell, one of the teachers in our school this term, came in last week and will be ready to begin duties when school opens.

The Miami Merc. Co. have their name in the pot as traders this week, having traded their delivery horse off for a team of little black mules, and believe us those little mules move about.

Thos. O'Loughlin and wife came in Monday from Colorado Springs, Colo. where they spent the summer. Mr. O'Loughlins health seems to be greatly improved and he looks a great deal better than he did when he left. We are glad to see them both back and looking so much better.

Mrs. C. W. McCluney and children of Kerens, Texas are visiting this week with Miss Cora McCluney.

Mr. A. Wilde came in Tuesday night from his visit down in the state and reports a grand time.

E. M. McCracken left Tuesday for Edid after his wife and children.

Gus Severson and wife left yesterday by auto for a short visit in Oklahoma.

Marriage license were issued on the 4th of this month to J. H. Hughes and Mrs. Alice Jones of Okla. Judge Kinney immediately married them and they went on rejoicing.

F. M. Totty and wife of near Mobeetie were trading in Miami Tuesday.

New automobile registrations are M. F. Reed, Ford, 120, A. B. Kitchen Ford 122, H. L. Gunter Overland, 122, A. B. McVee Studebaker 123, E. G. Gordon King 8 124.

Dr. J. H. Payne, wife and brother Erick of Crawford, Oklahoma brought Miss Eileen Wren home by auto yesterday. Miss Wren has been visiting them for two weeks.

Robt. Farthing is a visitor at the G. L. Wren home.

Ma ter Lewis Hardy, McCuistian, arrived the 8th to visit with Mr. and Mrs. Bud McCuistian, and now take it from us, Bud is somewhat of a tickled man. Mr. and Mrs. Old Man Heare are visiting them this week.

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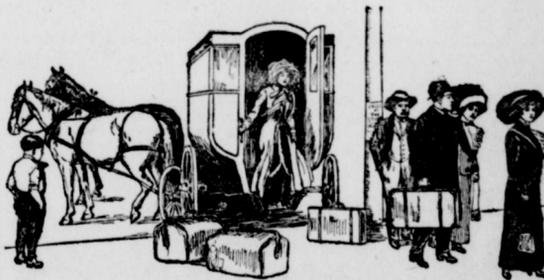
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School Books

**A** Pencils  
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and Misses

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# BEST FORM OF GENERAL BARN

Provision for Cows and Horses in a Plan That Has Been Well Laid Out.

## BOX STALLS ARRANGED FOR

Haymow and All Other Appurtenances Are Provided For as They Should Be—Gambrel Roof One of the Strongest of Its Features.

By WILLIAM A. RADFORD.

Mr. William A. Radford will answer questions and give advice FREE OF COST on all subjects pertaining to the subject of building work on the farm, for the readers of this paper. On account of his wide experience as Editor, Author and Manufacturer, he is, without doubt, the highest authority on all these subjects. Address all inquiries to William A. Radford, No. 187 Prairie Avenue, Chicago, Ill., and only inclose two-cent stamp for reply.

A good general barn is often required on a farm, where it is not advisable to have a big barn separate for the dairy cows and for horses. In the general barn shown in the illustrations, room is provided for 12 cows and 4 horses. In addition to this there are two box stalls that can be used for any kind of stock. The box stalls each have an entrance from the out-



side and are thus well separated from the rest of the barn. It is a very good plan to have at least one box stall in a barn, and it is even better to have two or three. In case valuable stock, such as an expensive herd bull or a stallion is kept, it may be necessary to keep him away from the other animals. Also in case a cow or a horse is sick it can be handled much better if it is away from the other animals.

The haymow is capable of taking care of a large quantity of clover, alfalfa, and straw. The roof is of the gambrel type and is self-supporting, so that there are no columns or posts in the central part of the mow to interfere with the storage of the fodder. The gambrel roof is one of the strongest of roof designs, so there will be no danger of it not standing the strain due to the wind and the snow. The floor under the haymow is made of matched and dressed flooring, so that the dust will not go through and bother the animals that are below. Many men consider that this is a useless expense, but if they have had any experience with a large barn they will

the ground before putting down the concrete floor. It should be thoroughly compacted so that the floor will not sink in some place and thus crack.

The concrete side walls are carried up to grade and the frame is then erected on top of them.

All the doors opening to the outside are of the Dutch type. The Dutch door is one of the best kinds that can be put in a barn. During the warm weather the upper part can be left open so as to provide plenty of air, and the stock can be kept inside if desirable. There is only one precaution that must be made with this kind of a door. The top and bottom parts must be carefully beveled where they meet, so that the door will be stormproof in the wintertime; otherwise the draft through this opening may keep the barn too cold.

The part of the barn occupied by the horses is shut off from the rest of the barn by swinging doors. It is desirable in a combination barn to have the horses and cows separated as completely as possible. In this barn the doors close both the litter alleys and the feed alleys except when they are in use. The box stalls are in the same end of the barn as the horse stalls.

The ventilating system is taken off by two foul-air shafts. These are placed in the partition between the box stalls and the cow stable on each side. These shafts reach from near the floor to the ventilator on the roof. This carries away the foul air from the stable proper and also ventilates the haymow.

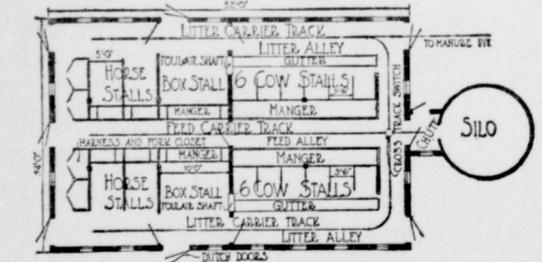
Intake flues are provided which take the air into the stable just below the windows and discharge it near the ceiling over the stock. Good ventilation

is absolutely necessary in a dairy barn if the best of milk is to be produced. The expense of installing a first-class system will be more than made up in the returns from healthy stock.

At the end of the barn in which the cows are kept is a silo which opens into a feed alley running between the mangers. This alley is equipped with a feed carrier running on a track. The work of feeding the stock in such a barn as this is much easier when the feed can be carried on a track running the length of the barn. The carrier runs into the horse part of the stable also. The silage for the cattle and the hay for both the cattle and the horses can be conveniently handled with this apparatus.

In back of the rows of stalls on each side of the barn are litter carriers, which assist in the handling of the manure so that it can be got to the fields before it loses any of its value as a fertilizer.

The stalls in the part of the barn occupied by the cattle are placed on a slant with a gutter behind so that they can be readily flushed out with a hose. The floor where the horses are



know that matched flooring is absolutely necessary under the mow in a good dairy barn.

The foundations and floors are made of concrete, which, of course, is the best material for this purpose. The side walls are carried down four feet to the broad footings that support the walls. Along each side of the feed alley is a row of 5-inch wrought-iron columns. These are supported on concrete piers. Too much care cannot be exercised in making these foundations right. Nearly all the weight of the fodder, straw, etc., in the haymow is carried by these columns. Care must also be exercised in preparing

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### A Disturbing Sound.

"There is no excuse for a man being run down by a motor car. All he has to do is to keep his wits about him."

"Of course," replied the recent victim, in sarcastic tones. "There is nothing more conducive to rational thinking than a loud 'Honk!' heard unexpectedly in one's rear."

Intelligence is the mother of good luck.—Benjamin Franklin.

Find Roosts in Chimneys. Swallows, after a day spent in skimming the air and catching insects, will seek a roosting place at night. The chimney swift soars about until after sunset and then suddenly darts into some chimney. These birds have very sharp-pointed claws and cling on the sides of the sooty flues.

Many Seals Slaughtered. Seals to the number of 250,000 to 500,000 are killed each year off the coasts of Newfoundland.

Not to be Fooled Twice. "We are now," said the passenger in the dripping oilskins, "about to round Cape Horn. Don't you want to come out and see it?" "I should say not," answered the passenger with the novel. "You made me go and look at Sandy Hook, and it wasn't a hook at all. You can't fool me a second time."—New York Sun.

Country Suffers Most. Seventy-five per cent of all lightning losses are in the country.

## TEXAS NEWS BRIEFS

Whitewright business men have organized a \$20,000 stock company and will develop an oil field near Kingston, Okla.

At the election at Jefferson Aug. 17, the bond issue carried by an overwhelming majority. This bond issue is for \$25,000 to build a school building.

The Thompson hotel at Holland, a modern two-story brick structure was destroyed by fire. The building was a total loss, estimated at about \$10,000, partially covered by insurance.

Contracts for the erection of a modern eight-suite apartment-house, to cost approximately \$10,000, has been let at Abilene. The structure will be modern in every respect.

The Santa Fe Railroad company has a large force of hands replacing the 52-pound steel with 75-pound steel rails from Plainview to Lubbock, which will give this road a much better track for heavy trains going north or to the gulf.

Work was begun on the installation of the Mineola city's waterworks system. The city recently purchased the mains, connections, etc., from the private waterworks company and will make extensive improvements at a cost of about \$25,000.

At a meeting of the Cleburne commercial club President Bishop and Secretary Joplin were authorized to send telegrams to the war department officials asking them to locate the army camp of the second division in that city.

The contractors for the new \$20,000 dining hall and kitchen for the state deaf and dumb school, located at Sulphur, Okla., are now making preparations to start the work at a very early date.

Two hundred and fifty thousand dollars worth of Dallas municipal sewage disposal plant bonds which were not put on the market after the bonds were voted two years ago will not be disposed of before next January. The total issue for construction of the plant was \$550,000 and \$200,000 worth of the bonds were disposed of at once.

Grayson county has one of the largest peach and apple orchards in north Texas. It is located near Whitesboro, and the work of gathering and shipping the Elberta peaches for this season has just been completed. Fifty-seven straight carloads of Elberta peaches were shipped. Prior to this four cars of an earlier variety had been shipped out.

Friends of Former United Senator J. W. Bailey in Dallas and many parts of the state gathered at the Oriental hotel in Dallas for a banquet arranged in his honor. In addition to the personal attendance of such numbers that the main dining room was unable to accommodate the crowd letters and telegrams from many others, unable to be present, were read by the toastmaster.

That the Texas National guard will be called out to protect the lives and property in the counties bordering on the Rio Grande in co-operation with federal troops now seems likely. Rumors are persistent that in view of the numerous urgent appeals for the protection of the state that are being received daily by the governor from Texans along the border, especially large ranch owners, some decisive action is expected soon.

The Temple city council has awarded contracts for two brick fire department stations in the city suburbs. Work will start as soon as material can be assembled. The two buildings will cost about \$15,000 complete.

The price of hogs continues to climb on the Fort Worth live stock market each day. Two loads were good enough to bring \$7.50 and the market in general was fully 5c higher. In the cattle section prices were unchanged.

In the event Dallas renews its offer of a \$5,000 bonus, it is probable that the Texas National guard will hold its annual encampment in that city the latter part of September.

The dates of the annual convention of the American Bottlers' association, to be held in Dallas, have been changed from Oct. 8, 9 and 10 to Oct. 14, 15 and 16. The change was made in order to give the delegates an opportunity to see the state fair while they are in the city.

The Wester Bridge company has been awarded the contract to build a 100-foot span over Post Oak creek one and a half miles south of Sherman.

During a thunderstorm in Corsicana lightning struck an oil tank containing 20,000 gallons of naphtha and set it on fire. The thunderstorm was followed by a heavy downpour of rain. A large quantity of the naphtha was saved by pumping it from the bottom of the tank into another tank.

## Backache is Discouraging

Nothing is more discouraging than a constant backache. Lame when you awaken, pains pierce you when you bend or lift. It's hard to work or to rest. Backache often indicates bad kidneys. If the urine is disordered, passages too frequent or scanty, there is further proof. Delay is dangerous. Prompt use of Doan's Kidney Pills now may spare you serious trouble later. Doan's is the world's best-recommended kidney remedy.

### An Oklahoma Case

"Every Picture Tells a Story" T. N. Brock, 130 W. Noble Ave., Oklahoma City, Okla., says: "For years I had spells of kidney complaint. They came on suddenly with sharp shooting pains in my back. I could hardly get around and suffered every minute. Doan's Kidney Pills strengthened my kidneys and rid me of all the pains and aches. When I have used them since, they have always given fine results."

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One Commandment Broken. Bridget—The new neighbors want to cut their grass, mum, and they sent over to ask the loan of your lawnmower.

Mistress—Lend them our lawnmower to cut grass on the Sabbath! Certainly not! Tell them, Bridget, that we haven't one.—Boston Transcript.

Art Discussion. "I understand the war department is sculpturing an army," remarked the man who likes action.

"I wonder what kind of a model he's using."

"I don't know. I hope it isn't patience on a monument."

Wise Fish. Bill—I see the herring catch of England last year exceeded by far that of any previous season.

Jill—They probably wanted to get in out of the wet before the submarine war started.

The Last of Two. "Your money or your life!" "Take my life; I'm saving me money for me old age."

When It Is. "Pa, is marriage a failure?" "Usually, my boy, if a man marries for money."

The United States imported more than a billion pounds of coffee last year, a record exceeded only twice before, in 1914 and 1909.

It is a painful paradox but true that a man who means everything to a girl may mean nothing.

## LACK OF HATRED IN ALL OUR NEIGHBORHOOD

Fighting Men Have Little Feeling of Enmity.

Soldiers in Opposing Armies in Europe Exhibit Spirit Which Would at First Seem a Little Hard to Comprehend.

Serving his country until wounded by a Cossack's lance at Lemberg, Fritz Kreisler has recorded his experiences as an Austrian lieutenant in a little book. Reaching Lemberg in early September his regiment awaited the Russians, who, he says, were not long in coming.

At last the Russian infantry succeeded in establishing a number of trenches, the one opposite the Austrians being not more than 500 yards away. They were almost within hailing distance and for four days stayed opposite each other, neither side gaining a foot of ground.

After the second day, relates Mr. Kreisler, we had almost grown to know each other. The Russians would laughingly call over to us, and the Austrians would answer. The salient feature of these three days' fighting was the extraordinary lack of hatred. In fact, it is astonishing how little actual hatred exists between fighting men. One fights fiercely and passionately, mass against mass, but as soon as the mass crystallizes itself into human individuals whose features one actually can recognize, hatred almost ceases. Of course, fighting continues, but somehow it loses its fierceness and takes more the form of a sport, each side being eager to get the best of the other. One still shoots at his opponent, but almost regrets when he sees him drop.

By the morning of the third day we knew nearly every member of the opposite trench, the favorite of my men being a giant red-headed Russian whose constant pastime consisted in jumping like a Jack-in-the-box from the trench, crying over to us as he did so. He was frequently shot at, but never hit. Then he grew bolder, showing himself longer and longer, until finally he jumped out of the trench at waving his cap. His good-humored jollity and bravado appealed to our boys and none of them attempted to shoot at him while he presented such a splendid target.

Finally one of the men, who did not want to be second in bravery, jumped out of the trench and presented himself in the full sunlight. Not one attempt was made to shoot at him either, and these two men began to gesticulate at each other, inviting each other to come nearer. All fighting had suddenly ceased, and both opposing parties were looking on laughing like boys at play. Finally the Russian would draw a step nearer, and our man boldly advanced, too. Then the Russians urged on their man with shouts and laughter, and he would make a big leap forward, and so, step by step, they approached until they nearly touched each other.

They had left their rifles behind and we thought they were going to indulge in a fist fight, all of us being sorry for our champion, for he was a small and insignificant-looking man, who looked as if he could be crushed with one blow by his gigantic opponent. But lo, and behold! The big Russian held out his hand, which held a package of tobacco, and our Austrian grasped the hand of the Russian and

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Poland, N.Y.—"In my experience as a nurse I certainly think Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound is a great medicine. I wish all women with female troubles would take it. I took it when passing through the Change of Life with great results and I always recommend the Compound to all my patients if I know of their condition in time. I will gladly do all I can to help others to know of this great medicine."—Mrs. HORACE NEWMAN, Poland, Herkimer Co., N. Y.

If you are ill do not drag along until an operation is necessary, but at once take Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

If you want special advice write Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co., (confidential) Lynn, Mass.

then reaching into his pocket produced a long Austrian cigar, which he ceremoniously presented to the Russian. It was, indeed, a funny sight to see the small, wiry, lean Austrian talking in exaggerated terms of politeness to the blond Russian giant, who listened gravely and attentively, as if he understood every word.

By this time all precautions and even ideas of fighting had been forgotten, and we were surprised to find ourselves out of the shelter of our trenches and fully exposed to the Russians, who, in turn, leaned out of their trenches and showed their heads in full. This unofficial truce had lasted 20 minutes, and succeeded more in restoring good humor and joy of life among our soldiers than a trainload of provisions would have done. It was one of the incidents that helped to relieve the monotony of trench life, and was heartily welcomed by us all.

The fighting, however, soon was resumed with all its earnestness and fierceness, but from this moment on a certain camaraderie was established between the two opposing trenches. Between skirmishes an unofficial truce would frequently be called for the purpose of removing the wounded. During these times when the stretcher-bearers were busy, no shot would be fired on either side.—Four Weeks in the Trenches.

A genius may anticipate his fame, but only a fool would anticipate his fortune.

There's many a kick concealed in an insulated electric wire.

## Start Children to School Right

After the vacation rest, school children should quickly settle down to the task of learning. Do your part! Parental responsibility does not end by sending them to school. The child must be equipped with mind and body at their best. And here the right food plays a most important part. Growing children need energy; the right kind and lots of it. And energy comes from well-nourished nerves and brain.

## Grape-Nuts

—a food made from wheat and barley, contains the vital mineral salts—Phosphate of Potash, etc. (grown in the grains) which directly act with other food values to build up body, brain and nerves.

Statistics prove that much of the "backwardness" of some children is due to faulty nourishment. A morning dish of Grape-Nuts and cream is good alike for the bright scholar and the backward pupil. The latter needs the nutrition; the former will progress in sounder physical and mental health because of it.

## "There's a Reason" for Grape-Nuts

—sold by Grocers everywhere.

### JAPAN MAY YET TAKE UP BURDEN

IRON HAYASHI HINTS AT EXPECTATION TO DARDENELLES. ANXIOUS TO ASSIST.

### WOULD AID THE RUSSIANS

Japan Has Accomplished Great Deal. Russia Being Nearest Only Natural Ally. Nipponese Should Wish to Aid in Hour of Need.

Paris, Sept. 7.—What appears to be a determination that Japan might cooperate in the campaign to force the Dardanelles is contained in an interview with Baron Hayashi, Japanese ambassador to Italy, sent to the Petit Parisien by its Rome correspondent. "I cannot say much about that," the baron is quoted as saying in reply to a question regarding the Dardanelles, "but we must not allow our enemies to profit by information about the movements of troops."

Discussing the part Japan has played in the war, the ambassador said: "We have not ceased to collaborate with our allies to the extent assigned us. The world will be astonished when it knows what we have done, and what we are doing and what we are willing to do. The Russians are nearest to us and we can be most useful to them. Rest assured it is the greatest desire of Japan to assist every day in the sacred cause of civilization."

### GERMANS CLOSE IN ON POOR RIGAS

London, Sept. 7.—The menace to Riga, an important Russian seaport on the Baltic, is becoming more serious. The Germans still hold the bridgehead at Friedrichstadt, the occupation of which evidently cut off Riga's railway communication to the south, while German air craft are active in the Baltic, perhaps presaging another clash as part of a concerted German movement from land and sea to complete the isolation of the city and force its abandonment by the Russians.

According to an unofficial Berlin dispatch received by way of Copenhagen, the Germans claim possession of the gulf, the Russians having abandoned Dago, the northernmost of the three islands just outside the gulf.

Today's Berlin official communication lays no claim to further progress by Field Marshal Von Hindenburg from the Baltic to Grodno, but there southward the arms of Prince Leopold and Field Marshal Von Mackensen are said to be moving forward, while the Austrian official statement covering the battle line further south and east records nothing but Teutonic gains.

The great artillery duel in the west goes unabated with the French and presumably the British the aggressors. The fact that it has continued for a fortnight unabated leads to the belief in some quarters that it may mean preparation for an allied offensive before the approach of cold weather. The lavish use of shells by the French would seem to indicate immediately great undertakings but the plan is not yet apparent to the general public.

Along the battle fronts the situation is as it has been for weeks past with the Germans and Austrians in Russia and Galicia claiming progress for their armies against the Russians and the big guns of both sides doing the greater part of the work in Belgium and France, and along the Austro-Italian front.

There have been, however, some infantry actions in the latter zone.

Nothing has come through concerning the fighting on the Gallipoli peninsula or with regard to the situation in the straits of the Dardanelles, but there has again been some slight action between the Russians and the Turks in the caucasus region.

The Germans evidently have been unable to follow up to any great extent their successes in driving the Russians across the right bank of the Dvina river near Friedrichstadt, for Berlin asserts that the situation from the Baltic to the east of Grodno remains unchanged. Further south, however, the armies of Field Marshal Von Hindenburg, Prince Leopold of Bavaria and Field Marshal Von Mackensen continue to advance.

The Russians in eastern Galicia are disputing the attempt of the Austrians to push them across the border into Russian territory. To the east of Lutsk the Austrians have finally made their way across the marshy district.

### U. S. Control All But Three.

Washington, Sept. 7.—American control of Haitian customs has been extended to Jeremie. It is the seventh port to be taken over. Only three now remain under Haitian control. Six companies of marines and a navy paymaster are in possession. Rear Admiral Caperton cabled today that General Zamor has agreed to go at once to Cape Haitien to endeavor to persuade revolutionists to release food supplies being held near there.

### CORN ON THE PLAINS

Comparison Is Made of Average Yields and Profits.

Much Importance Is Attached to Fact That Corn Leaves Field in Excellent Condition for the Crop That Is to Follow.

Experience has shown that corn grown for fodder or the silo is at least a safe crop, and perhaps as productive as any that could be grown in the great plains area. The response to the different modes of culture and crop sequence, however, is greater in the southern and central portions of the area than in the northern, according to the new department bulletin, No. 219. Some 14 field stations are situated in the great plains area, which covers ten states: Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, Wyoming, Nebraska, Colorado, Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas and New Mexico. The climate in this area is often classified as semiarid, but as the variations in humidity from season to season are so great, some years have a relatively high precipitation and may be followed by years of drought. Thus climate and the distribution of rainfall play a very important part in determining the size of the corn crop. Necessarily, in a bulletin dealing with such a wide expanse of territory, deductions when not applied to a specific station must be very general.

Corn growing possesses merit as a preparation of the land for a crop of small grain. When these two factors, yield of corn or fodder and the influence of the crop on the soil, are combined in one crop, they make its growth of double importance. Corn is the only crop that at present offers this advantage in the great plains area, and which at the same time lends itself to a large acreage and to a general farming system. Potatoes as a crop may have the same effect as common fallow crop, but do not lend themselves so well to growth on a large acreage.

Such crops as spring wheat, oats and barley in the great plains area, when following corn, have consistently given higher yields as compared with other methods of preparing a seedbed for these crops. Very often these small-grain crops have yielded the highest, or approximately the highest, yield when grown on disked corn land, and when the cost of preparation is considered, this plan was also found to be productive of the greatest profit. Therefore, in the growing of corn much importance is attached to the fact that it leaves the field in excellent condition for the crop following.

A striking point brought out in the bulletin is the uniformity in the amount of stover or fodder produced by all methods at the stations in Montana and North Dakota.

Corn on summer-tilled land, especially at the more southern stations of Garden City, Kan., Dalhart and Amarillo, Tex., showed a marked increase in stover yield over other methods of preparing the soil. The increase, however, was not sufficient to make it the most profitable except at Scottsbluff, Neb.

Corn as a grain crop has not been produced at a profit at eight of the thirteen stations by any method, but when a value of four dollars per ton is assigned to the stover or fodder, corn has been profitably grown by some method at all but one of the stations.

No one method of seedbed preparation stands out as essential to the corn production. Thus the prevailing conditions with relation to farm labor, farm capital, type of soil and weeds to be dealt with are the prime factors in determining differences in practice.

### TO SUCCEED WITH ALFALFA

Rather Particular Crop, Requiring Certain Soil Conditions—Wonderful Feed for Stock.

Almost every farmer is interested in growing alfalfa. Some have tried it and failed. Many have succeeded and are reaping the benefits of this wonderful crop for live stock farms.

As a hay crop it excels all others in yields, feeding value, drought resistance, and soil enrichment. Yet it is not advisable to attempt to grow alfalfa under all circumstances. It is a rather particular crop, requiring certain soil conditions and proper treatment. The beginner in alfalfa growing must first of all be a student of alfalfa. He must study the crop and learn its requirements. If he is not willing to pay attention to such important details as inoculation and liming, proper seeding methods and cutting at the proper stage, he had better not try to grow alfalfa.

**Weeds.**  
Weeds use up moisture.  
Weeds use up plant food.  
Weeds crowd the plants.  
Weeds shade the crops.  
Weeds make it difficult for the plant to grow.  
Weeds make it hard to work the land properly.

**To Try Sudan Grass.**  
Sudan grass is to be tried as a forage crop at the Montana experiment station this year. Last year the station there received a yield of four and one-half tons to the acre in a growing period of 98 days.

**Save Needed Moisture.**  
Conserve the soil moisture, it will be needed later.



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A lot of manufacturers call their roofing "Rubber Roofing." "Rubberine," "Rubberoid," "Rubber-bit" and "Rubber-bit." The life is all out of rubber if exposed to the daylight for six months. There is no such thing as "Rubber Roofing" of any kind. There is no rubber in roofing.

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**NOTICE**  
To the 8 boys who came to my water melon patch 3 wks. ago Monday night. If you will come up and pay for the damage done I will let the matter drop. I have all your names and will have to turn them into the Grand Jury if you do not pay for the melons.  
pd It                      A. K. Wilks.

**Announcement**  
We are requested to announce that Eld. A. W. Young of Gainsville will begin a protracted meeting at the Church of Christ in Mobeetie Saturday of this week. Eld. Young is a splendid preacher, and will be remembered as one of the debaters in the Young-Dodson debate at Mobeetie last summer. Everybody is invited to attend.

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### Watch 'Em

Yesterday morning two Houston newspaper men—a poet with just a newspaper man with him—arrived in Quannah in their little old Ford on the way to San Francisco, with the undertaking of making 100000 friends for Texas on the trip. They were Lorin Lyon Baker, and Olliver Allstorm. The latter is the poet, with an appetite for peaches, with or without cream. The former has written and published several novels. Mr. Allstorm is responsible for the widely read poem, "They say that Old Texas ain't got any style", this was the war whoop of the Texas advertising men who attended the national meeting in Boston a year ago.

The two adventuresome travelers visited the Observer office in the absence of the editor, and proceeded to "scoff" some prize peaches that had been brought in and measured 10 inches in circumference.

They have been having the time of their short lives, camping where night overtook them. They have in their "aid box" some sheet tin and hay baling wire for Ford repairs. They left for Clarendon this morning and have no time limit on their trip.—Quannah Observer

A city man recently visited his country cousin. The man from the city wishing to obtain the joys of metropolitan life, said. We have certainly been having fun the last few days. Thursday we autoed to the country club and golfed until night, then trolled back to town and danced until daylight. The cousin was not to be stomped in the least, so he began telling of some of the pleasures of simple life. We have pretty good times here too. One day we buggied out to Uncle Ned's and went out to the back lot, where we baseballled all that afternoon. In the evening we sneaked up in the attic and poked until day light. A sturdy old farmer who was listening, not to be out done, took up the conversation at this point and said, I was having some fun about this time myself. I muled to the cornfield, gee-hawed until sundown. Then I suppered until dark, and piped until 9 o'clock, after which I bedstedded until the clock fived, after which I breakfasted until it was time to go muling again.

The state this year has the highest tax rate it ever has had. This is however not to be blamed on the present administration. Several of our state institutions are needing more money than had been appropriated to them heretofore and the only way to give them all they needed was to raise the taxes.

Billy Sunday says he is going to expose the modern girl. We read in a headline the other day. From hearsay, evidence, we suggest that the girl has beat Billy to the job—and gone just as far with it as the law will allow.—Clarendon News.

**LOST**  
A pair of gold boxed spectacles near the Kitchen bridge. Finder please leave at Chief office.

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Rockvale, Domino and Niggerhead coal in all SIZES. POST, COTTON SEED CAKE AND MEAL. LUMP And crushed Rock Salt  
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**Mrs. M. L. Gunn & Sister**

See or call Harry A. Nelson if you want to buy a pure bread Percheron stallion. He has some good ones and can save you money.  
**Found**  
Bunch of keys      This office

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