

# The Miami Chief.

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MIAMI, Roberts County, TEXAS, Thursday, December, 18 1915.

No. 21

## Commissioners Court

The Hon. Commissioners court of Roberts county was in session Monday of this week. allowing the usual run of bills etc. approved the tax collectors report for November, and some other small matters.

There was no road petition presented to them asking for an election. A petition was started asking for a \$30,000 bond issue on the whole county and after getting a good number of signers, some of our best citizens suggested that it would be a better idea to make a district of that part of the county South of the river as to vote a road tax on those north of the river would be an unnecessary burden to them as they do not care for roads—all north of the river be-

## Mobeetie News

### DR. COLE MOVES TO PAMPA

Dr. Archie Cole, for seven years our splendid physician and surgeon left this week for Pampa where he goes to locate. He bought out Dr. Barrett of that place. Dr. Cole is a splendid physician and a fine man.

ing large pastures, accordingly the petition was stopped, and new petitions drawn up asking for the new district election, this however was not circulated and we will be delayed at least another month before anything can be done.

We would like to hear from the people north of the river as to whether they want any road money or not, and whether or not they are in favor of a bond issue.

and while we regret to lose him we wish him and family much success in their new location.

### PARTON-DURHAM

A pretty home wedding was solemnized Sunday just after church at the home of Mrs. Durham when her daughter Miss May was married to Mr. A. T. Parton. Miss Durham is a splendid young lady whom we all love and appreciate, and Mr. Parton is a fine business man, having lived here ten years and has many friends. He is a very successful real estate man and enjoys a very extensive business. Their many friends gave them many nice presents and wished them much happiness. After the ceremony Mrs. Durham spread a bounteous feast. Only relatives were present.

## Over The Plains

The Panhandle Herald showed up well last week under the new manager, Mr. Shatterwhite.

Gustave Foust, a well known citizen of Higgins, died there last week.

Mr. Bob Wilson and Miss Kate Miller of Lipscomb were married there Sunday.

W. S. Kaiser, a former citizen of Canyon and brother of the well known C. O. Kaiser now of that place, died at his home in California last week.

The Randall County News came out a sixteen page home print edition last week.

Hereford defeated Vega in foot ball last Monday.

The Clarendon College put out their first school paper last week, which as spoken of by the News, is a credit to the staff.

Mr. L. L. Heiser and Miss Ida Mae Moulton were married at the home of the brides parents in Claude Thursday.

Mr. J. Faulkner and Mrs. May Thompson of McLean were married there last Friday.

Lockney is boasting of a fine run which she received last week.

Mr. Hopkins who lectures to us tomorrow night is entertaining the Ochiltree people tonight.

## Green Lake Items

Mrs. Pursley went to Miami Wednesday.

J. E. Seitz and family went to Miami Saturday.

Will Christopher is hauling his wheat to town this week.

Claude Carr visited a few days at the Hoskins home this week.

Erve Black and Tom Pursley went to Miami Saturday.

June and Tom Graham went to Miami Saturday.

Mrs. Homer Kitchen was on the sick list last week.

S. E. Fitzgerald, Frank Pursley and wives visited Mrs. Pursley Sunday eve.

Homer Allen is hauling wheat to Codman this week.

Harve Patton and wife went to Miami Tuesday.

Mr. Williams is building a new barn this week.

Mr. Brown and wife are here from Missouri visiting.

The above notes were crowded out last week.

We carry the best of Meats.

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STUDERS BREAD. We are now handling the good full weight, both 5 and 10c loaves.

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Market Subject to change.

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## Program Of Teachers Institute

December 18, 20, 21, 22, 23

SATURDAY FORENOON: 9:00

Call to order  
Invocation  
Address: Judge C. Coffee  
Organization, enrollment, etc.  
Recess.

Moral Training--Necessity of methods to be used in teaching morals. Laura Wallace  
Training the child through the senses. Reading, Writing, Drawing, Geography, History--Sula Cook.

The Recitation--Chief divisions of--Which of the mental powers are most directly appealed to in each division?  
The characteristics of a good question.

Reading--Importance of methods, expression how secured, Relation of pictures to reading Difference in first and second grades, poor reading--Causes. Eura Hudspeth

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

1:00 Roll Call.  
Discipline--Aim, order, disorder, causes, prevention. How to deal with and overcome whispering, absence, tardiness. Rules--Enforcement of--Proper punishment. Lead by G. L. Wren, Discussed by entire institute.

The most difficult problem with which the experienced country school teacher has to deal. Maurice Graves.

Recess  
The necessity on the part of the teacher of showing pupils how to study--Methods. Mable Westbrook

Discuss methods of developing the powers of conception, judgement memory and reasoning showing what subjects are especially adapted to the development of each of these powers. Lettie Rees.

Each teacher is expected to have something from some author on the above subject.

MONDAY FORENOON

9:00 Roll Call  
The two general methods of teaching, showing why both of these are essential, to good teaching and give some subject each method is used almost entirely. Zollie Garrison

Each teacher is expected to give something from some author on the above subject.  
Physiology--Methods of teaching--Purpose of teaching--Results to be expected--Teachers preparation. Kate Allen

Spelling--Methods of teaching--Faculties developed--Causes of so many poor spellers. Pearl Smoot

How you may interest pupils in spelling and keep them interested. Genebeth Wilborn

Writing--Value of--Neglect of, how to avoid this--Difference in teaching primary and grammar grades. The faculty developed. Ida Mae Cecil

MONDAY AFTERNOON

1:00 Roll Call  
Address: Judge L. C. Heare  
The value of Story telling. Grace May King  
Phonics--Importance of--In how many grades to be taught--Why--Devices for teaching. Sula Cook

Diacritic marks--Importance of--When begin--How long continue--Methods of teaching. Estelle Mundell

Physical culture, reasons for, etc. G. I. Lane

Language--Purpose of teaching--What powers are trained by language work--Methods of teaching. Lettie Rees

Grammar--Purpose of teaching--Powers developed, methods of teaching the verb. Zollie Garrison

Methods and object of teaching parts of speech. Mabel Westbrook  
How to teach the correct use of language. Ida May Cecil

TUESDAY FORENOON

9:00 Roll Call  
Address: Hon. Troy Smith  
Drawing, Construction work, etc. Educational value--Material needed--Method of teaching. Eura Hudspeth

History in any grade--Value of--Faculties trained--Assigning lessons--Scope of the lesson. Maurice Graves  
Methods of teaching history in grammar grades. Bessie Simpson.

Methods of teaching history in High School. Laura Wallace  
Why should the teacher understand the laws of child development. Levi Fry  
Number work in primary grade, object of teaching, scope, method. Mrs. A. E. Wilson  
How to teach decimal fractions. Ida May Cecil

TUESDAY AFTERNOON

1:00 Roll Call  
Address: Hon. J. A. Holmes  
Reading stories to pupils--Value of--Abuse of kind of stories to read. Kate Allen

Percentage, how to teach. Grace May King  
The forms of the written work in arithmetic through the grades--Give examples. Bessie Simpson

What subjects may be correlated--Why? Teachers duties. G. L. Wren

WEDNESDAY FORENOON

9:00 Roll Call  
Address: Hon. P. W. Robertson  
What attention should be given to music in the public schools? Lettie Rees

Why agriculture should be taught in public schools. G. I. Lane  
Teaching High School pupils how to study. G. L. Wren

The teaching of English in the grades. Eura Hudspeth

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

1:00 Roll Call  
Control of social entertainments in the high school. Laura Wallace  
Educational value of games. Sula Cook  
School Libraries. Mabel Westbrook  
Is our public school course suited to conditions. Maurice Graves

THURSDAY FORENOON

9:00 Roll Call  
Work of University Interscholastic League. Levi Fry  
Some recent school Legislation and how it will effect Texas. Grace May King  
Methods of handling backward children. Ida May Cecil.

Should we have a joint institute with one or more of our neighbor counties. Pearl Smoot

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

1:00 Roll Call  
Round Table Talks. Institute  
Resolutions etc.

Closing

NOTICE: To Hunters: Hunting is strictly forbidden on my premises, this applies to all. R. L. Morrison

FOR SALE: A fine registered Duroc Jersey boar. Two years old. I will trade or give good time. 4t p D. W. Turner.

Fine line of diamonds and railroad watches to arrive in a few days. Walter Cook.

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TEXAS NEWS BRIEFS

The attorney general's department has approved a \$70,000 bond issue of Burleson county improvement district No. 1.

Fire at Georgetown burned the grain and implement warehouse of the Bedford Lumber company. The origin of the fire is unknown. Loss about \$5,000, insurance \$5,000.

Oil was struck on the Satterfield property, about three miles northwest of Strawn, Monday. The well is good for something like 25 barrels and tested out by experts has a gravity of 43.

A recent canvass of the realty situation in Wichita Falls developed that there are approximately 2,000 dwellings in Wichita Falls, of which almost exactly one-third are rent houses, the remainder being owned by their occupants.

Dallas building permits for the first 11 months of 1915 total \$3,199,343, according to figures compiled by the city building inspector's department. For November permits issued aggregated \$268,488, or a little better than double the figures for the same month last year, when the permits amounted to \$127,850.

The feature of the exports from Galveston transacted during the month of November was the comparatively large amount of metals sent forward from that port. Total exports were valued at \$16,767,905, of which cotton, wheat, corn, rice, hay, lumber and metals formed the principal items.

For the promotion and betterment of the Texas National guard, Gov. Jas. E. Ferguson has appointed a board of seven officers of the state militia to act as the militia council of Texas. This council will act with and assist the adjutant general's department in the government of the movements and actions of the organized militia of this state.

One of the largest artificial lakes in central Texas has been created with the completion of the concrete dam just constructed over Leon river, between Temple and Belton, for the Temple water-works plant. The dam will impound sufficient water to last 200 days at a daily average of 2,000,000 gallons supply per day.

Dr. Ralph C. Bennett, who was formerly a member of the law faculty of the university of Texas and who last year was head of the law department of the state university of Oregon, has been appointed assistant states attorney for Cook county, Illinois, the county that includes the city of Chicago. The position is one of the political "plums" of Chicago and carries with it a salary of \$5,000 a year.

M. Hardin, living northeast of Cleburne, announced that he has thrashed out 2,360 bushels of peanuts, which he is selling at 60 cents per bushel. He sold 1,500 bushels of peanuts to the local peanut factory. He has demonstrated that it pays more money to raise peanuts than cotton. Fourteen acres of his land produced 41 bushels of peanuts per acre. The cotton adjoining did not sell for half as much money as the peanuts.

Actual work of construction on the new \$1,500,000 interurban terminal station in Dallas will begin about Dec. 20 and the building will be completed and in operation before the end of the ensuing year. Positive announcement to this effect has been made by Chas. F. Wallace, president of the Dallas Electric Light and Power company and the Dallas Rapid Transit company.

Buildings valued at \$124,242 were begun in Fort Worth during November, according to the city building inspector. This was \$19,403 above the total of the same month last year.

During the quarter ending Nov. 30 a total of 7.26 accidents was reported to the state industrial accident board. Of this number 25 were fatal accidents. The total number of claims presented was 4,190, which were settled by the insurance companies at a cost of \$116,652.71.

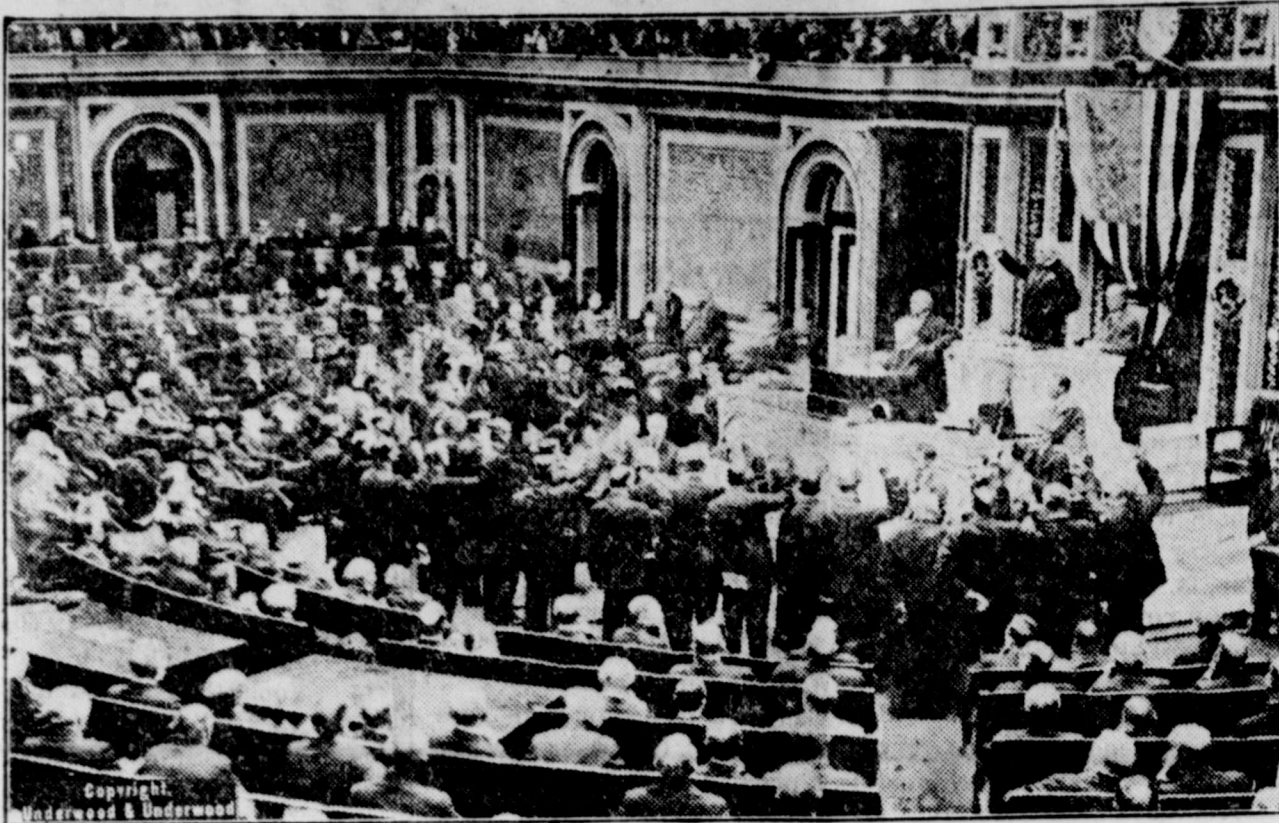
The bank deposits of Coleman county is more than one and one-third million dollars, or \$54 for every man, woman and child in the county. Not more than 70 per cent of the 1915 marketable crops has been sold.

State Treasurer Edwards completed his trial balances as of Nov. 30, showing the condition of various funds in the state treasury at the close of the quarter. The total cash on hand is \$1,523,758, while disbursements were \$2,232,614.

The banks of McAlester, Okla., have on deposit for the period ending Nov. 15, the sum of \$2,538,979, as compared with \$2,093,161 for the same period last year, being an increase of about \$500,000.

The Exline-Reimers Printing company of Fort Worth was bought by John W. Wray, an attorney, for himself and associates. The concern was sold by J. D. Collett, its trustee. The consideration was about \$100,000, Mr. Wray said.

SWEARING IN MEMBERS OF CONGRESS



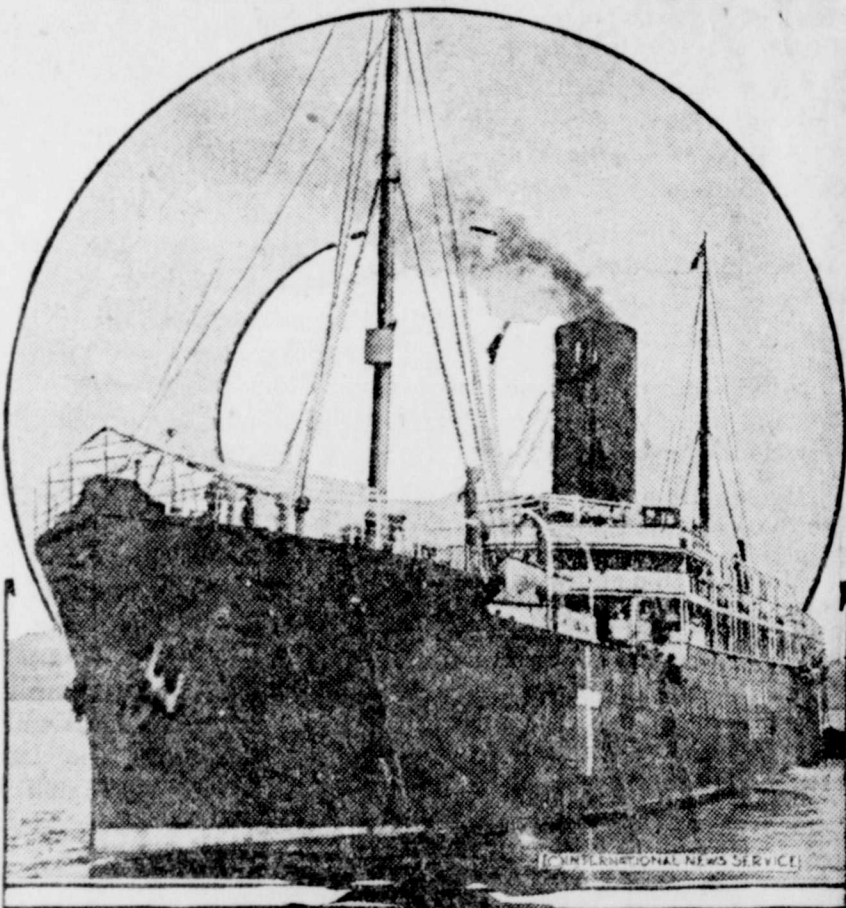
This photograph, taken at the opening session of the Sixty-fourth congress, shows Speaker Clark swearing in the new members, who are standing before him. Among those who attracted popular attention were Representative Schall of Minnesota, the only blind member of the lower house; Meyer London of New York, the only Socialist member, and Representative Martin of Louisiana, a Progressive.

BELGIAN COMMISSION HERE FOR WAR LOAN



Among the notable persons who came to New York the other day on the steamship Adriatic were the members of a Belgian commission sent over to negotiate a loan for King Albert's country. In this photograph from left to right are: John Walter Thorn, Aloys Van de Vyver, the Belgian minister of finance; Mme. Carton de Wiart, who for a number of months was imprisoned by the Germans in Germany; Baron Ernest de Cartier, the Belgian minister to China, and Chevalier Edmond Carton de Wiart, minister of justice for Belgium.

HENRY FORD'S PEACE SHIP OSCAR II



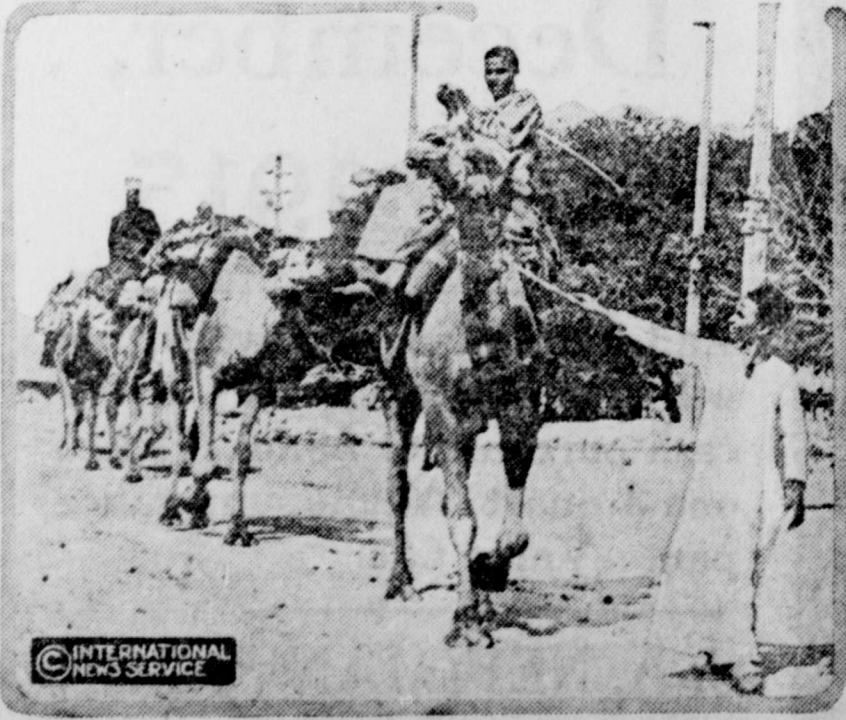
The Scandinavian liner Oscar II, chartered by Henry Ford to carry himself and his band of peace advocates to Europe for the purpose of persuading the warring nations to cease the conflict.

CAPTAIN OF THE ZEALANDIA



This is Captain Devantier of the American steamship Zealandia which was held up and searched by British off Progresso, Yucatan. It had been alleged that the vessel was in reality owned by Germans.

ARAB TRANSPORT IN EGYPT



Transport train of camels driven by Arabs leaving the Australian supply campmen eight miles from Cairo on the way to the city for more loads.

Meteor's Train Photographed.

The most remarkable photograph of a meteor trail that has yet been taken so far as we know, was recently reproduced in L'Astronomie. The meteor was seen from many points in South Africa about 5 p. m. on June 2, 1912 in broad daylight, and the trail that it left behind remained visible until some time after sunset, becoming more and more conspicuous as the daylight faded.

The photograph, which shows the trail as an immense, serpentine ribbon in the western sky, was taken at Temple, Orange Free State, about an hour after the passage of the meteor with a "court train."

Velled Sarcasm.

"Yaws," said young Sappleigh, "that dawg of mine is weally a wondah doncher know. He awctually knows almost as much as I do, bah Jove." "I suppose," rejoined Miss Cutting "that it is in accord with the eterna misfitness of things that he can't express his knowledge in words, and yet is compelled to wear a muzzle."

A BRITISH CRUISER SEEN OFF GALVESTON

BELIEVED WAS WAITING FOR A CHANCE TO SEIZE SHIP IN PORT THERE.

OUTSIDE OF 3-MILE LIMIT

Refuses to Give Name, But Gives Nationality When Called By Marconi Wireless Station.

Galveston, Texas.—A big British battle cruiser steamed slowly along Galveston's gulf front for several hours Sunday morning, remaining just beyond the three-mile limit. Shortly after noon the cruiser put on full steam and disappeared eastward.

The signal corps at Fort San Jacinto signaled the man of war and asked her identity, receiving the reply: "A registered British cruiser." The signal corps asked the name of the cruiser several times, but in each instance received the same reply as quoted. The signal corps then asked if the cruiser would come into Galveston bay and received the reply: "I regret that I am unable to do so."

The Marconi wireless station sent several messages asking the name of the cruiser, but received no reply.

The cruiser was a large one, with four funnels and two fighting tops.

Marine men here believed that this is the same cruiser which has been out in the gulf for several days and which is thought to be waiting for the departure of the steamer Ausable. The Ausable, which was recently changed to American registry, is loaded with cotton, and her owners say she will sail for a Danish port as soon as the department of state guarantees her safe passage. It is said that the British government claims that the Ausable was purchased with German money and has threatened to seize her as soon as she leaves American waters.

The cruiser was so close in that her flag could be plainly distinguished with glasses from the boulevard, and hundreds of Galvestonians went to the sea-wall to watch the maneuvering of the fighting ship.

FORD'S PEACE SHIP LEAVES N. Y.

Salons and Cabins Decorated With National Colors of 17 Nations.

New York.—Henry Ford and more than 80 peace advocates sailed from here Saturday for Christiana, Norway. The party was accompanied by 57 newspaper correspondents and photographers and more than 20 general assistants, secretaries and stenographers.

Just before the gang plank was pulled up a cable messenger rushed on the ship and it was reported that Ford had received word from King Haakon of Norway stating that the Ford party would be courteously received in Norway.

All the salons and many of the cabins on the steamer were decorated with palms, ferns, flowers, flags and streamers representing the national colors of 17 countries. Two large white doves, which had been carefully mounted and bearing olive branches, were suspended from the ceiling of the main salon.

American Oil Steamer Sunk.

Rome.—The American oil steamer Communipaw has been sunk by a submarine in the Mediterranean near Tobruk, Tripoli. No information has been received concerning the crew or the nationality of the submarine. The steamer Communipaw was recently held by the Italian government at Genoa, but was allowed to sail for her destination on Dec. 2 owing to representations made by the American embassy at Rome. The Communipaw was owned by the Standard Oil company of New Jersey and sailed from New York for Egypt Oct. 27.

Forty Cars Settlers Enter State.

Denison, Texas.—The heaviest movement of homeseekers to enter Texas in many months arrived Wednesday, when the Katy handled forty trains of ten cars each for south Texas. The trains entered Texas through Denison during Wednesday, traveling through Dallas to south Texas. This is said to be one of the heaviest movements of homeseekers ever handled to Texas from northern states.

School Apportionment Made.

Austin, Texas.—A state per capita apportionment of 50c was announced by W. W. Doughty, state superintendent of public instruction. The apportionment is based on a scholastic enrollment of 1,135,000 children and amounts to \$567,500. This is the first payment on the 1915-16 apportionment and indications are that another apportionment can be made early in the new year.

Fifty-Nine Hunters Killed.

Chicago.—Fifty-nine persons killed and 65 injured is the hunting toll in 18 states for the season which ended Nov. 30, according to statistics available. Last season 111 persons were killed and 162 wounded. Dragging shotguns through fences and other accidental discharge of guns again claimed a majority of the victims. A score of persons hunting deer were shot by fellow-hunters who mistook them for game. Michigan leads in the number of killed.

WILL SHOW APPARATUS FOR MEN WITHOUT ARMS



Quentin D. Corley

The Armless Judge of Dallas County.

Dallas, Texas.—County Judge Quentin D. Corley will leave about Dec. 22 for Washington and, by invitation, will show the French, German, British, Belgian and Austrian embassies his apparatus for use of armless men. He will place before them also a plan for the establishment in each of the countries of a school for wounded men who lose their arms in the present European struggle. Judge Corley intimates he might consent to go to Europe and take charge of such a school.

TO BUILD INTERURBAN STATION.

Actual Construction of \$1,500,000 Dallas Structure to Start by Dec. 20.

Dallas, Texas.—Actual work of construction on the new \$1,500,000 interurban union terminal station in Dallas will begin about Dec. 20 and the building will be completed and in operation before the end of the ensuing year. Positive announcement to this effect has been made by Charles F. Wallace, president of the Dallas Electric Light and Power company and the Dallas Rapid Transit company.

The terminal station and office building, according to the revised and approved plans, is to be an eight-story structure so constructed that three stories may be added if demands for space justify. The building itself will be 210 feet long by 83 feet wide. The main entrance will be on Jackson street midway between Browder and Lane streets.

The new union terminal station will be used by all interurban lines entering Dallas. According to Mr. Wallace, the building when completed will be the finest interurban terminal station in the south. In fact, it is said that it will equal the interurban terminal station of Indianapolis, Ind., conceded to be the finest in the United States.

Close Evidence in Rate Case Hearing.

Dallas, Texas.—The perpetuity of the entire Texas rate making machinery, as it now exists, is involved in the Dallas-Fort Worth rate case, in which testimony has been concluded, according to the unanimous contention of freight traffic officials of Texas trunk lines. At the same time the handicaps, from a rate standpoint now applied to Dallas and Fort Worth because of the much lower rates prevailing to Shreveport and Texarkana, involve the future of these cities as jobbing and manufacturing centers.

Position of France on Peace Outlined.

Paris.—France will not make peace until Alsace and Lorraine are won, Belgium and Serbia restored and German imperialism and Prussian militarism are put beyond the possibility of resurrection," Albert Thomas, undersecretary of war, said. This declaration is attracting widespread attention, as it is one of the first statements from a responsible cabinet official concerning the attitude of the government in regard to peace. The statements were made in an address in memory of the dead of the war of 1870.

Prosperity Shown in Report of Banks.

Dallas, Texas.—Prosperity, business activity, a free movement of money and a return of confidence is indicated convincingly by the reports of 360 of the largest banks of the United States, which showed gross deposits amounting close to \$2,000,000,000 on Nov. 10, 1915, than on Oct. 31, 1914, according to local bankers. These reports were the official reports rendered to the comptroller of the currency of the United States by the banks with deposits of more than \$5,000,000.

Dallas Party Arrives in Washington.

Washington.—The coming of the Texas delegation to win the Democratic national convention for Dallas, traveling in their special train, bannered and electrically decorated, was a surprise to Washingtonians, who are in the habit of seeing delegations arrive without making an impression, and the event served to put Texas in the forefront of public notice. The trip commanded attention in cities through which it extended.



# THE BATTLE-CRY

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### SYNOPSIS.

Juanita Holland, on her journey into the heart of the Cumberland mountains, faints at the door of Fletch McNash's cabin. She overhears a talk between Bad Anse and one of his henchmen that acquaints her with the Havey-McBriar feud. Cal Douglas is acquitted. Nash Wyatt is killed by the Haveys. Milt McBriar and Bad Anse declare a truce, under pressure from Good Anse Talbot. Juanita thinks she finds that Bad Anse is opposing her efforts to buy land and build a school. Milt McBriar breaks the truce by having Fletch McNash murdered. Juanita and Bad Anse further misunderstand each other. Bad Anse tells Juanita she does not fight women and Juanita gets her land and cabin. Jeb refrains from killing Young Milt McBriar, as he is not sure Young Milt is the murderer. Young Milt and Dawn meet several times, resulting in a demand from Bad Anse that Juanita in the wrong way. She begins to understand Bad Anse's dream of regeneration for his people. Young Milt and Bad Anse lay aside the feud for the time to prevent the burning of the new schoolhouse. Dawn remains with Juanita. Bad Anse finds himself drifting dangerously near Juanita. Roger Malcolm of Philadelphia comes to woo Juanita and to investigate the mineral possibilities of the district. Bad Anse gives him veiled warning. Young Milt comes openly to see Dawn while she is at Jeb's cabin. The two meet on a precedent by fighting with fists and then shaking hands on a personal truce. Milt McBriar kills Bad Anse. Bad Anse agrees to friendship with her though he knows that on his part it is hopeless love.

### CHAPTER XIX.

Once, when Anse Havey had been tramping all afternoon through the wintry woods with Juanita, he had pointed to a squirrel that sat erect on a branch high above them with its tail curled up behind it. He had stopped her with a touch on the arm; then, with a smile of amusement, he handed her his rifle with much the same manner that she might have handed him a novel in Russian, and his eyes said banteringly: "See what you can do with that."

But to his surprise she took the gun and leveled it as one accustomed to its use. Bad Anse Havey forgot the squirrel and saw only the slim figure in its loose sweater; only the stray wisps of curling hair and the softness of the cheek that snuggled against the rifle-stock. Then, at the report, the squirrel dropped.

She turned with a matter-of-fact nod and handed back the gun.

"I'm rather sorry I killed it," she said, but you looked so full of scorn that I had to show you. You know, they do have a few rifles outside the Cumberland mountains."

"Where did you learn to shoot?" he demanded, and she answered casually: "I used to shoot a rifle and pistol, too, quite a good bit."

He took the gun back, and unconsciously his hand caressed the spot where her cheek had laid against its lock. He had fallen into a reverie out of which her voice called him. They had crossed the ridge itself and were overlooking his place.

"Why are they clearing that space behind your house? Are you going to put it in corn?"

"No," he laughed shortly. "Corn would be just about as bad as laurel."

He was instantly sorry he had said that. He had not meant to tell her of the plans he was making—plans of defense and, if need be, of offense. He had not intended to mention his precautions to prevent assassination at his own door or window.

But the girl understood, and her voice was heavy with anxiety as she demanded: "Do you think you're in danger, Anse?"

"There's never a day I'm not in danger," he replied casually. "I've got pretty well used to it."

"But some day," she broke out, "they'll get you."

He shrugged his shoulders. "Maybe," he said.

As Juanita's influence grew with Bad Anse Havey, so it was growing at the school. She had to turn away pupils who had come across the mountains on wearisome journeys because as yet she had only limited room and no teachers save herself and Dawn to care for the youngest.

At the front of the hall which led into the main school building was a rack with notches for rifles and pegs for pistols. She told all who entered that she made only one stipulation, and that was that whoever crossed the threshold must leave his armament at the door.

At first some men turned away again, taking their children with them, but as time went on they grudgingly acquiesced, and at last, with a sense of great victory, she persuaded three heavy fathers, who were coming regularly with their children, to ride back home unarmed.

Disarmament was her idea for the great solution, and when Bad Anse overheard and he came every night to see her she led him with almost breathless eagerness to the rack and showed him two modern rifles and one antiquated squirrel gun.

"What's the idea?" he asked with a skeptical smile. He found it very difficult to listen always to talk about the school in which he felt no inter-

est and to regard his vow of silence as to herself whom he dumbly worshipped.

"Look around you, Anse," she commanded. "Do you see any dirt or dust anywhere? No; we are teaching cleanliness and sanitation, but there is just one place here where the spiders are welcome to come and spin their webs unmolested. It's that rack of guns. Did you ever hear of the shrine at Lourdes?"

"I reckon not," he confessed uneasily. Of late he had become a little ashamed of the things he did not know.

"Well, this is going to be like it, Anse. It is told that when the lame and halt and blind came to Lourdes to pray they went away straight and strong and clear of vision. There hang at the shrine their numberless crutches and canes, discarded because the men who were carried there went away needing them no more. Some day your old order of crippled things here in the mountains is going to become straight and strong, and these guns will be the discarded crutches."

He looked at her, and if no response was elicited by her prophecy, at least he could not contemplate without a stirring of enthusiasm the flushed face and glowing eyes with which she spoke. It was all worth while if it could bring that sparkle of delight to her countenance.

"It's right pretty, but it won't hardly work," he said. "These men will leave their guns just so long as they don't need 'em. I'm glad to see ye pleased—but I don't want to see ye disappointed."

A little before Christmas old Milt McBriar went to Lexington, and there he met a heavily bearded man in rough clothes who had arrived that morning from the West. They conferred in a cheap eating house which bears a ragged and unwholesome appearance and is kept by an exile from the mountains.

"Now tell me, Milt," suggested Luke Thixton briefly, "what air this thing ye wants me ter do. I'm done with these hyar old fat lands that they talks so much about."

But Milt McBriar's eyes had been vacantly watching the door. It was a glass door, with its lower portion painted red and bearing in black letters the name of the proprietor.

"Damn!" he exclaimed violently, but under his breath.

"What's bitin' ye?" asked his companion, as he bolted his food.

"I jest seed Breck Havey pass by that door," explained the chief. "But I reckon he couldn't hardly recognize you this fur back. I don't want no word of yore comin' ter go ahead of ye."

"What is it I'm a-goin' back ter do?" insisted the exile doggedly.

"Oh," commented Milt McBriar, "we've got ter talk that over at some length. Ye're a-goin' back ter git Anse Havey, but ye hain't a-goin' jest yet."

One morning as he sat over his breakfast at the kitchen table, Anse's cousin, Breck Havey, rode up in hot haste to rouse him out of apathy and remind him that he must not shirk his role as leader of the clan.

The Havey from Peril came quickly to the point while the Havey of the backwoods listened.

"I was down ter Lexin'ton yesterday, an' as I was passin' Jim Freeman's deadfall I happened ter look in. That war old Milt McBriar an' Luke Thixton, that heads as close together as a pair of thieves. Luke has come back from the West, an' I reckon ye kin figger out what that means."

Anse grew suddenly rigid and his face blackened. So his destiny was crowding him!

"What air ye goin' ter do?" demanded Breck with a tone of anxious and impatient pleading. Anse shook his head.

"I don't know—quite yet," he said.

"Let's see, is the high cote in session?"

Breck Havey nodded his head in perplexed assent. He wondered what the court had to do with this exigency.

"All right, Tell Sidering to the grand jury indict Luke for the McNash murder an' Milt McBriar as accessory."

"Good God, Anse!" burst out the other Havey. "Does ye realize what hell ye turns loose when ye tries ter drag Old Milt ter cote in Peril?"

"Yes, I know that. The answer was calm. "I'll give ye a list of witnesses. Tell Sidering to keep these true bills secret. I'll ride over and testify myself, an' I'll tend to keepin' the witnesses quiet. I don't know whether we'll ever try these cases, but it's just as well to be ready along every line."

Breck Havey stood gazing down at the hearth with a troubled face. At last he hazarded a remonstrance.

"Anse," he said, "I hain't never questioned ye. I've always took yore counsel. Ye're the head of the Haveys, but next to you I'm the man they harkens to most. If any man has got ter dispute yer, I reckon ye'd take it most willin'ly from me."

"What is it, Breck? I'm plumb willin' to listen to your counsel."

"Then I'll talk outspoken, ter try ter convict these men in cote means to take a desperate chance. Ye can't hardly succeed, an' if ye falls ye've lost yore hold on the Haveys—ye're plumb, eternally done for."

"I don't aim to fail."

"No; but ye mought, Anse, no man hain't never questioned yore loyalty till now. I mought as well tell ye straight what talkin's goin' round."

Anse stiffened. "What is it?" he demanded.

"Some folks 'low that ther Haveys don't mean as much ter ye now as ther furin' schoolteacher does. Ther furin' schoolteacher thinks ye ain't tryin' ter please them so much as her—if yer attempts this."

Anse stood for a long minute silent, and his bronzed features grew taut. At last he inquired coolly:

"What do you think, Breck?"

"I'd trust ye till hell froze."

"All right. Then do as I tells ye, an' if I falls I reckon you'll be head of the Haveys in my place."

Down at the school there was going to be a Christmas tree that year. Never before had the children of the "branch-water folks" heard of a Christmas tree. The season of Christ's birth had always been celebrated with moonshine jug and revolver. It was dreaded in advance and mourned over in retrospect.

Now in many childish hearts large dreams were brewing. Eager anticipations awaited the marvels. The honored young fir tree which was to bear a fruitage of gifts and lights had been singled out and marked to the ax. Anse Havey and Juanita had explored the woods together, bent on its selection. Perhaps Juanita and Dawn were as much excited as the children, but to Dawn it meant more than to anyone else. She was to accompany Juanita to Lexington to buy gifts and decorations and would have her first wondrous glimpse of the lights and crowds of a city.

Milt was there at college and would be returning about the same time, so the mountain girl secretly wrote him of her coming. And even facing so grave a crisis, Anse Havey thought of that tree and hoped that Luke would not come back before Christmas.

That night, while he was sitting with Juanita and the fire was flashing on her cheeks, he said moodily: "I'm afraid ye'll have to start despisin' me all over again."

She looked up in astonishment.

"Why?" she asked.

"I've got to kill a man."

She rose from her chair, her face pallid.

"Kill a man?" she echoed.

"God knows I hate to do it," he rose, too, and stood before the hearth. "But I reckon it'd better be me than Jeb."

"Do you mean—" she broke off and finished brokenly, "that Fletch's murderer is back?"

"He's comin'. He's comin' to kill somebody else. Most likely me. It's a question of settlin' scores with a murderer that kill Fletch for a ticket West and a hundred dollars—or lettin' young Jeb McNash go crazy an' startin' the feud all over again. I reckon ye sees that I ain't no choice."

She came nearer and stood confronting him so close that he felt her breathing on his face. She broke out in a low, tense voice: "Suppose he kills you?"

"He'll have his chance," said Anse Havey shortly. "I ain't lowin' to shoot him down from ambush."

The girl leaned forward and clutched his hands in both her own. Under the tight pressure of her fingers he felt

quiet tones and his eyes woke to a fire that was convincing.

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The boy stood there, his fingers slowly clenching and opening. Finally he said: "Hilt ain't a-goin' ter satisfy me ter penitentiary that feller. He's got ter die."

"He's goin' to die. If I fall, then—the clansman raised his hands in a gesture of concession—"then he's yours. Will you wait?"

"I don't hardly believe," said Jeb McNash with conviction, "any man livin' kin keep Milt's hired assassin in no jail house long enough ter try an' hang him. But I'm willing ter see. I'll hold my hand that long, Anse, but—"

Once more a spasmodic tautening of muscles convulsed the boy's frame and his voice took on its excited note of shrillness: "But I warns ye, I'm goin' ter die."

"That's the sort of friend I am," she repeated to herself.

### CHAPTER XX.

There still remained the task of winning young Jeb's assent to his plan, and Anse Havey foresaw a stubborn battle there. Jeb had been reading law that winter; reading by the light of a log fire through long and lonely evenings in a smoke-darkened cabin.

When Anse Havey called from the stile one night, the boy laid a battered Blackstone on his thin knee and called out: "Come in, Anse, and pull up a cheer!"

Anse had been rehearsing his arguments as he rode through the sleet-lashed hills, and he was deeply troubled.

The man and the boy sat on either side of the fireplace. Penetrating gusts swept in at the broken chinking and up through the warped floor until old Beardog, lying at their feet, shivered as he slept with his forepaws stretched on the hearth and the two men hitched their chairs nearer to the blaze. By the bed still stood the rifle that had been Fletch's; the rifle upon which the boy's eyes always fell and which to him was the symbol of his duty.

As Bad Anse Havey talked of the future with all the instinctive forcefulness that he could command, the boy's set face relaxed, and into his eyes came a glint of eagerness, because he himself was to play no small part in these affairs.

Into his heart crept the first burning of ambition, the first reaching out after a career. He saw a future opening before him, and his grave eyes were drinking in pictures in the live embers.

Then, when ambition had been kindled, the older man broached the topic which was the crux of his plea.

"The man that can do things for the mountains must be willin' to make a heap of sacrifices, Jeb," he said.

Jeb laughed, looking about the bare room of his cabin.

"Mek sacrifices?" he repeated. "I hain't never knowed nothin' else but that. I reckon I hain't skeered of it."

"I didn't mean that way, Jeb," Anse spoke slowly, holding the boy with his eyes, and something of his meaning sank in so that the lad's lean face again hardened.

"Nothin' kain't stand between me an' what I've got ter do, Anse," he said slowly. He did not speak now with wild passion, but calm finality. "I've done took ther oath."

For a while Anse Havey did not reply. At last he said quietly: "I reckon ye've got rid of the idea that I was aimin' to deceive ye, Jeb. I told ye that when Fletch's assassin came back to the mountains I'd let ye know. I'm goin' to keep my word."

Jeb rose suddenly from his chair and stood with the fire lighting up his ragged trousers and the frayed sleeves of his coat.

"Air he back now?" he demanded.

Anse shook his head.

"Not yet, Jeb; but he's comin'." He saw the twitch that went across the tight-closed lips which made no comment.

"Jeb," he continued, "I want ye to help me. I want ye to be big enough to put by things that it's hard to put by."

The boy shook his head.

"Anse," he replied slowly, "ask me ter do anything else in God Almighty's world, but don't ask me thet, 'cause if ye does I've got ter deny ye."

"I ain't askin' ye to kt the man go unpunished. I'm only askin' ye to let me punish him with the law."

Astonishment was writ large in every feature of Jeb's face. He stood in the wavering circle of light while the shadows swallowed the corners of the cabin, and wondered if he had heard rightly. At last his voice carried a note of deep disappointment, and he spoke as though unwilling to utter such reasonable words.

"I reckon, Anse," he suggested, "ye wouldn't hardly hev asked a thing like thet afore"—there was a hesitating halt before he went on—"afore a furin' woman changed yore fashion of lookin' at things."

Anse Havey felt his face redden, and an angry retort rose to his lips. But the charge was true.

He went on as though Jeb had not spoken.

"All I ask is that when that man comes ye'll hold your hand until the cote has acted."

"Does ye reckon Milt McBriar aims ter let Sidering try kin of his?" was the next incredulous question.

Anse Havey's voice broke out of its

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engine came puffing and wheezing to a tired halt; and the two girls, with Young Milt at their heels, made their way out, burdened with parcels.

On the cinder platform Juanita looked about for Anse Havey, and she saw him standing in a group with Jeb and several other men whom she did not know—but Anse's face was not turned toward her, and it did not wear the look of expectancy there. Jeb's countenance, too, was white and set, and a breathless tenseness seemed to hold the whole group in fixed tautness.

There were several clumps of men standing about, all armed, and every face wore the same expression of waiting sternness.

A gasp of premonition rose to Juanita's lips as she caught the sinister spirit of suspense in the atmosphere. Then Milt McBriar stepped down from the smoker vestibule, followed by another man.

As the two turned in opposite directions on the snow-covered platform, one of the men who had been standing with Bad Anse Havey laid a hand on the shoulder of the clean-shaven arrival and said in a clear voice: "Luke Thixton, I want ye fer ther murder of Fletch McNash."

Old Milt McBriar, for once started out of his case-hardened self-control, wheeled and demanded angrily: "What hell's trick is this?" His eyes were blazing and his face worked with passionate fury.

A deputy answered him: "An' Milt McBriar, I wants you, too, on an indictment fer accessory ter murder."

Juanita felt Dawn's spasmodic fingers clutch her arm and her own knees grow suddenly weak. She heard a clatter of parcels as Young Milt dropped them in the snow and leaped forward, his eyes kindling and his right hand frantically clawing at the buttons of overcoat and coat. But before he could draw, Jeb McNash had wheeled to face him, bending forward to a half crouch. The younger McBriar halted and bent back under the glint of the revolver which Jeb was thrusting into his face.

Haveys, armed and grim of visage, now began drawing close about the captives.

Dawn clung with bloodless lips and white cheeks to Juanita as she watched Jeb holding his weapon in the face of the boy whom she suddenly realized she loved more than her brother.

Then the sheriff spoke again.

"Thar hain't no use in makin' no trouble, Milt. Ther grand jury hes done acted, an' I reckon ye'd better let the law take its course."

"The grand jury didn't indict ye, son," responded the sheriff calmly.

Then the elder McBriar became suddenly quiet again and self-possessed. He turned to his son.

"Milt," he said, sternly, "you keep outen this. Ride over home an' tell every man that calls hisself a McBriar—his voice suddenly rose in the defiant crescendo of a trapped lion—"tell every man that calls hisself a McBriar thet ther Haveys hev got me in ther damned jailhouse—an' ask 'em ef they aims ter let me lay thar."

Young Milt turned and went at a run toward the livery stable. Over his shoulder as he went he flung back at Jeb, who stood looking after him with lowered pistol: "I'm goin' now, but I'll be back ter reckon with you!"

And Jeb shouted, too: "Ye kain't come back none too soon, Milt. I'll be hyar when ye comes."

Then the group started on their tramp toward the courthouse and the little jail that lay at its side.

Juanita suddenly realized that she and Dawn were standing as if rooted to the spot. The older girl heard an inarticulate moan break from the lips of the younger, and then, as though waking out of sleep, she looked absently down at a litter of beribboned parcels which lay about her feet. That message which Old Milt had flung back to his people on the lips of his son would send tumbling to arms every man who could carry a rifle!

And the Haveys were grimly waiting for them. The Haveys were already there. The two girls could not ride across the ridge now. They could only sit in their room at the wretched hotel and wait, too.

Juanita was glad Dawn could cry. She couldn't. She could only look ahead and see a procession of hideous possibilities.

It had been a few minutes after noon when Young Milt had rushed into the livery stable and ordered his horse. In that one instant all his college influences had dropped away from him, and he was following the fierce single star of clan loyalty.

His father, who had never been any man's captive, was back there in the vermin-infested little jailhouse, a prisoner to the Haveys. And when Young Milt came back, the one Havey he had marked for his own was the Havey under whose pistol muzzle he had been forced to give back—young Jeb McNash.

The stroke had taken the McBriars completely by surprise. The boy must reach his own territory and rally them to their fullest numbers, even from the remotest coves. This battle was to be fought in the enemy's own stronghold and against a force which was ready to the last note of preparedness.

So nothing could happen until tomorrow. Nothing would happen in all likelihood, until the day after that, and meanwhile the two girls in the hotel must sit there thinking.

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WHEREAS, by virtue of an order of sale, issued out of the county Court of Hemphill County, Texas, on a judgment rendered in said court on the 11th day of November, A. D. 1915, in favor of the said H. C. Caylor and against the said W. E. Tandy. No. 15 on the docket of said court, I did on the first day of December, A. D. 1915, at 10 o'clock a.m. levy upon the following described tracts of land situated in the county of Roberts, in the State of Texas, and belonging to the said W. E. Tandy, to wit: All of those tracts of land situated in the county of Roberts, in the State of Texas, more particularly described as follows: The North one-half of the North one-half of section No. 188, Certificate No. 26-2941, North one-half of the North one-half of section No. 176, Certificate No. 25-2675, all in Block 12 of the Houston and Texas Central Railway Company and also North one-half of Section No. 212 Certificate No. 25-2693, in Block 12 of said Railway Company survey in Roberts County, Texas, and on the fourth day of January, A. D. 1916, being the first Tuesday of said month, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p.m. on said day at the courthouse door of said county, I will offer for sale and sell at public auction for cash, all the right, title and interest which the said W. E. Tandy had in and to said property on the 11th day of November, A. D. 1915.

O. B. Hardin, Sheriff of Roberts County, Texas

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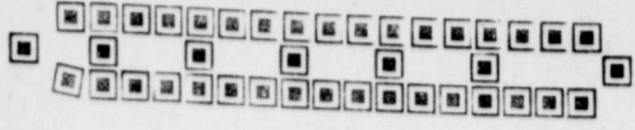
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Court Stenographer E. J. Pickens spent a few days in our city this week visiting with friends. Mr. Pickens says that he is in the race for district attorney and is receiving much encouragement from his friends over the district.

Quarterly Conference of the M. E. Church was held in Miami Saturday and Sunday of this week. Rev. Hall preaching elder preached some fine sermons and other matters that usually come up before the conference was attended to.

D. D. Payne was a business caller in the city Monday. He renewed for the Chief While Here.

Mrs. W. L. Parton of Mobeetie visited Mrs. L. G. Waggoner in Miami Sunday and Monday.

N. S. Locke, John Short, Ed Fisher and ye scribe made the round trip to Amarillo Sunday and Monday.

The High School pupils will give a play at the auditorium Wednesday night to help raise money for their Annual.

A. Converse of Wheeler county was in the city Tuesday hauling off some farm products.

Miss Humphries of Canadian visited Miss Myrtle Severson this week.

M. W. Sullivan came in this week and is back at his old stand in the confectionery.

Windom Allen left Tuesday for North Carolina where he will spend Christmas with relatives.

Tom Smith of Loan Oak is here this week visiting the W. H. Dial home. He will likely locate here.

R. D. Dunnivan is riding around in a new Studebaker this week which he purchased of Dave Stribling.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Stribling were down visiting this week. He informs us that he has sold his garage in Pampa and that they will likely start in January for Arizona to spend the winter.

Walter Cook and Miss Freeman went to Pampa Saturday and sold a nice lot of Xmas presents to those people.

L. H. Miller and wife of Capron, Okla, who have been visiting the W. H. Elliott home, left Tuesday for their home.

Chas. Christopher, W. H. Elliott and L. H. Miller took a Wheeler county hunt Monday and report a good kill.

Judge Cunningham, Dan Kivlehen, John Short, Lee Newman and Ed Fisher were out hunting Tuesday and upon spying a coyote turned the car in his direction. After a short chase and they were about to overtake the coyote they ran over a small lake which came near capsizing the whole bunch. Mr. Kivlehen received a slight wound in the back when he came down across the back of the seat. However he is able to be out now.

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J. E. Martin, Prop.

Little Edward Gething went out home yesterday for the holidays.

O. C. Elliott, J. R. Webster, Earl Hickman and Jack Houser are out taking a hunt today.

Fuel Webster is on the sick list this week with many others.

Miss Mammie Bergman is back from a visit in Hereford with relatives.

Mrs. C. A. Towbridge left Sunday for her home in Washburn, Mo., after a months visit with her son Roy in Miami.

Geo. Walstead, wife and children visited at the Dave Lard home this week while Mr. Walstead was attending official duties as county commissioner.

The Presbyterian Aid met with Mrs. Samuel Edge Wednesday with eight members present. It was decided not to have any meeting next week owing to the holidays. But adjourned to meet with Mrs. C. M. Hockett the 1st. Wed. in Jan. and all members are requested to attend as it is social day and election of officers.

Rev. A. P. Wilsford of Eden, Texas will preach at the Auditorium Sunday Dec. 19th, 1915. BAPTISTS requested to be present. Everybody invited.

Mrs. Katie Jones opens her new Notion Store Monday of next week. Note her ad in another place in the Chief.

The Missionary Society met in the election of officers for the year 1916 with Mrs. B. F. Jackson in the chair. The officers are as follows: Mesdames J. W. Burks Pres., Will Davis vice, P. G. Huffman, 2nd. v. Supt Stralsp. and mission Study Gus Severson, Supt. social service and local work N. S. Locke, Recorder Minnie Olive, Corresponding Sec. B. F. Jackson, Agt. Voice Hod Baird, Publicity Agt. G. L. Wren. Very interesting bible study followed led by Mrs. Baird.

Mrs. Pat Murfee is visiting home folks in Pampa this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Minor are rejoicing over the arrival of a new girl this week.



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# HORSE AND DAIRY BARN WITH SILO

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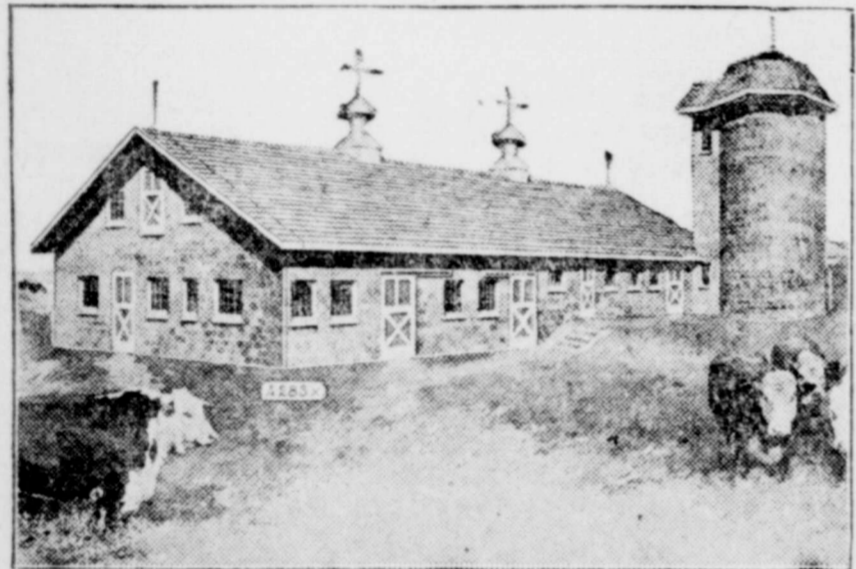
Easy to Keep Such a Structure in Sanitary Condition—Construction of Silos Made a Matter of Thought—Complete Drainage System Provided.

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. 1827 Prairie avenue, Chicago, Ill., and only inclose two-cent stamp for reply.

Permanent buildings are required on the farm more than they are anywhere else. In the city, buildings often become obsolete long before they are in bad condition and they have to be torn down to make room for a building that will be more suited to the uses for which it is intended. Also the price of real estate may become so high that a large building will be required to pay a revenue that will take care of the higher taxes.

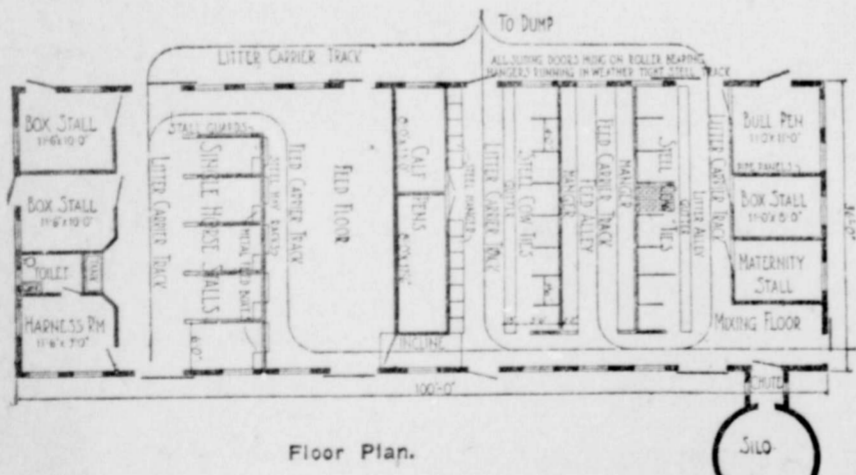
Buildings on the farm are not subjected as much to such conditions. After a good building has been erected it can be used until it becomes broken down and of no further use. It is passed down from generation to generation, and is always of some use.



though it may be made over to be used for a different purpose than was intended at the start.

Hollow tile construction is one of the forms that is particularly enduring under all conditions. Its glazed surface will not take up moisture, and is not affected in any way by the weather. The hollow space effectually prevents the interior wall from becoming chilled so that moisture will form on the interior wall. There is nothing to burn, as the tile and the cement that is used to set up the walls are fireproof. The air space will keep the barn warmer in cold weather and cooler in hot because of the insulating value of the dead-air space. Air is one of the best insulators known and is utilized for this purpose in many forms of construction.

Hollow tile is one of the easiest building materials to handle, and buildings to be made of it can be erected in a short time. It is practical for



all classes of building and can be used for the entire wall and foundation of the buildings. It makes an excellent foundation material because of the fact that it is not affected by dampness and will not deteriorate in the presence of it. Its use for sewer construction shows it is proof against water and dampness.

The walls of barns and other farm buildings that are made of this material can be washed down and thus can be kept in an absolutely sanitary condition. There are no cracks or projections to hold germs and dirt, and the tile will not absorb odors of any kind. No painting is required, and the handsome appearance of the buildings will last forever.

The silo at the back of the barn shown here is made of a curved tile that is made particularly for this purpose. Hollow tile makes an excellent wall for silos for various reasons. The material that is put in must be protected against the elements in every possible way. If air can reach the ensilage it will spoil, and soon be

come useless. Excessive moisture will also cause the material to rot, and it will have to be thrown away. Ensilage must also be protected against freezing, and this is where the hollow air space again plays a big part. The protection of the air space will prevent the silage against the walls from freezing and will protect it against all changes in temperature.

The silos are re-enforced so that they will not be blown down in the wind, and so the rows of blocks near the bottom of the silo will be able to withstand the pressure that is brought to bear on them. Each course of blocks is re-enforced with a band of steel that completely encircles the silo. This band is buried in the wall so that it cannot be seen and the handsome appearance of the silo is not spoiled in any way. The bursting pressure on the bottom part of a silo especially is very large, and the steel band will supply plenty of strength to resist it.

Special arrangements are made to provide for the doors, and all the tile companies have systems that will insure a tight fit.

The floor plan gives an idea of the size of the barn. It is 100 by 50 feet. One end of the barn is used for horses and the other is arranged as a dairy and cattle barn. A solid wall separates the two parts of the barn. In the cattle barn the facing-in arrangement is used, with the feed carrier track running between the two rows of stalls. In back of the stalls are the litter carrier tracks. The same track is used in the main passageway through the barn for both the litter and the feed carriers.

This is a type of barn that is very popular in certain parts of the country. No hayrack is built over the barn proper, and the hay is handled in a shed that is built alongside if needed. It can be made a part of the barn by building it with tile in the same way as the rest of the barn.

The floor is made of concrete and in the pens and cow stalls another

floor of cork brick can be placed. This material makes a fine floor for cows or other stock on the farm.

The ceiling above the cow and horse stable can be finished with metal lath that is plastered with three coats.

Along the partition between the cows and the horses are calf pens, while the other end of the cattle section is occupied by a bull pen, a box stall, and a maternity stall. On the horses' side of the stable is a broad feed floor and five single stalls. In back of these along the wall are two box stalls, a harness room, and a toilet.

There is a system of water pipes which extend all over this barn, with hydrants at the ends of the different rows of stalls. This makes it a simple matter to water the animals that are confined in the stables. A complete drainage system is provided that connects with the gutters that are in back of the stalls.

The floor in the horse stable is

# NATIONAL CAPITAL AFFAIRS

## President Wilson's Old Typewriter Cannot Spell

WASHINGTON.—When President Wilson writes a message to congress it looks something like this: "In addition to which the machine's alphabet is badly chewed as to legs and shoulders. The space bar suffers from intermittent paralysis. Some of the letters are virtually mute. Others have bold, black faces. The ribbon is about as fresh and whole as a battle flag in a museum. The mechanism generally is decrepit, and limps heavily through the affairs of state only under the severest presidential goading. Mr. Wilson admits it is far from faultless, but he likes it, and he is very proud of the fact that it has no hidden."

You couldn't get a typewritten line out of the president on any machine but this one—not even with a dark lantern and a jimmy. White House humorists say he has hand-raised the poor old thing so long he has developed a personal attachment for it. If so, that is the only valuable attachment it has.

For years and years the ancient machine has endured professorial, authorial and presidential pecking. And pecking is right, for Mr. Wilson is a disciple of the Hunt system, or forefinger hesitation.

Wherefore it may be said that this is the only typewriter that ever had the distinction of having hesitated with a president.

The low, rakish form of this ancient, rusty friend of the president reposes in his library. They understand each other's idiosyncrasies and eccentricities and they stand together at any time to battle submarines, blockades of neutral ports or a—oh, any darned thing.

## Starting Lively Campaign for Trade in China

AN aggressive campaign to obtain for American business a share in the development of the enormous resources of China has been planned by the departments of state and commerce. The plan contemplates the development of an American vested interest in China that will insure to the United States a fair share of that country's foreign trade and be powerful enough to take care of itself in the complicated political and commercial situation there.

The scheme was developed by Paul S. Reinsch, minister to China; Julian H. Arnold, commercial attaché at Peking, and Dr. Edward E. Pratt, chief of the bureau of foreign and domestic commerce. Mr. Reinsch brought to Washington a program framed by himself and Mr. Arnold, which was submitted to Doctor Pratt, Secretary Lansing, and other officials. It was generally indorsed, and the bureau of foreign and domestic commerce has already begun work along the lines suggested. Mr. Arnold will return to the United States this winter and tour the country to secure capital for investment in China.

State department officials have been watching commercial conditions in China since the recent granting of extensive special privileges demanded by Japan. No political steps have been taken to obtain concessions or privileges for Americans, however, and the policy of the government has been steadfastly against commercial politics such as other nations have employed in China. The plan now proposed will, it is expected, develop an American interest there which will be powerful enough to meet the competition of other nations.

Doctor Pratt pointed out that American capital was piling up as a result of the European war, and that vast sums of idle money are available for investment. The bureau expects to take advantage of every opportunity now offered in China and to have an American interest strongly entrenched there at the close of the war.

Work in the desired direction has already been begun by agents of the commerce bureau in the United States, and several New England business men are now in China closing contracts for the installation of American machinery in cotton mills built under Chinese government supervision.

## White House Social Secretary Must Know a Lot

THE appointment of a new social secretary at the White House has served to direct attention to the important duties of this "official," about whom so little is usually heard and yet who wields a remarkable power in directing the social affairs of the administration.

It is generally acknowledged in Washington that the new social secretary, Miss Edith Benham, a daughter of the late Rear Admiral Benham, has brought to the post qualifications which ought to insure the success of the social regime of the new mistress of the White House.

First, the social secretary at the White House must be a lady born and bred. She must have had experience in Washington society and have learned that it is an unpardonable offense to admit the wife of a United States senator to step in or be seated at a table before the wife of an ambassador. She must know all the rules of precedence down to the dotting of the "i's" and the crossing of the "t's". She must be a woman who will never forget that no one may properly precede an ambassador and his wife except the president of the United States, the vice president and the members of the cabinet and their wives.

Not only must this question of precedence be thoroughly understood by the social secretary in Washington, but she must also know each and every individual in the wealthy resident and unofficial circles. It is necessary for the invitation list maker to know the personal and social standings of all whom her employer may meet or from whom she may receive calls.

The social secretary at the White House has charge of the social mail and the visiting lists. She opens and replies to every formal note, and after conference with the mistress of the White House accepts whatever engagements she thinks should be accepted and sends regrets to those her judgment dictates she should reject. Sometimes it has been said that the White House social secretary stretches her ingenuity a little and manipulates the dates and engagements of the first lady of the land so that she may accept those which are considered especially desirable and turn down the others.

## It Is No Wonder That Guard Jones Exploded

THERE is a man who stands guard near the entrance to the grounds at Mount Vernon, and while his name may not be Jones, still again it may be Jones, so Jones it must be until further information. He was attending strictly to his own business one day not long ago, when an Englishman of most pronounced type entered the gate. Mr. Jones is used to having people thrilled as they set foot upon that sacred soil, but this Englishman did not display the least sign of a thrill. He looked at Jones and asked:

"What is there to be seen here, my man?"

Now, Mr. Jones is exceedingly displeased when spoken to in that fashion, and probably showed it in his reply, which was that some of the hedges of boxwood were very ancient. The burly Briton moved on and looked things over in the garden. It wasn't long before he returned to Mr. Jones, and, fixing his stolid gaze upon that warden of the sacred soil, made free to remark:

"Why, I see Mr. Washington got these box trees from England." Jones exploded:

"Yes, and what's more, he got this whole country from England. Good-by."

## WHEAT ON DRY FARMS

Diagram and Illustrations Given to Help the Farmer.

Results Obtained by the State Agricultural Experiment Stations and the United States Department of Agriculture.

Every spring-wheat grower wants to know whether to grow common or durum wheat on his farm. Farmers' Bulletin No. 680, by means of diagrams and pictures endeavors to help the farmer in the Great Plains area to answer this question satisfactorily.

Fig. 1 is a chart showing wheat yields at 17 different experiment stations in the Great Plains area. These re-

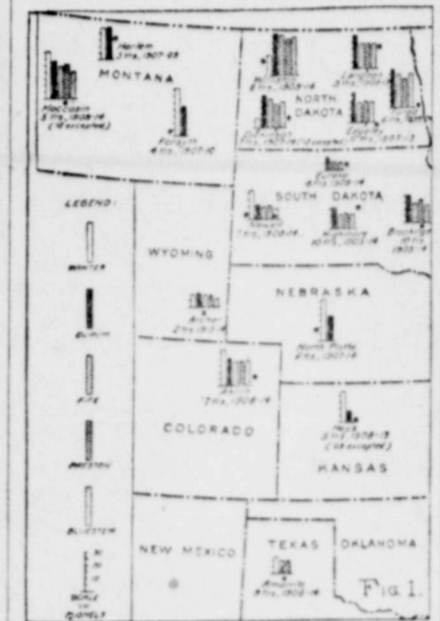


Fig. 1.—Diagram Showing Average Yields, in Certain Periods of Years, of the Leading Variety of the Different Groups of Wheat at 17 Stations in the Great Plains Area. 1. Average of Only Three Years (Bluestem at Moccasin and Akron); 2. Average of Only Four Years (Preston at Langdon, Winter and Preston at Dickinson); 3. Average of Only Six Years (Preston at Edgeley).

sults were obtained partly by the state agricultural experiment stations, partly by the United States department of agriculture, and partly by the two in co-operation.

For each station the chart shows a series of vertical columns, shaded in different ways. The number of columns in each case shows the number of different groups of wheat grown in those years. Each column stands for the best variety of its group, and the height shows the yield in bushels per acre, as explained at the side of the diagram. The groups are hard red winter (white), durum (black), soft (light slanting lines), preston (heavy slanting lines), and bluestem (dotted lines).

The study of Fig. 1 tells us some things very plainly. Here they are:

(1) Where winter wheat (the white column) can be grown safely it is a

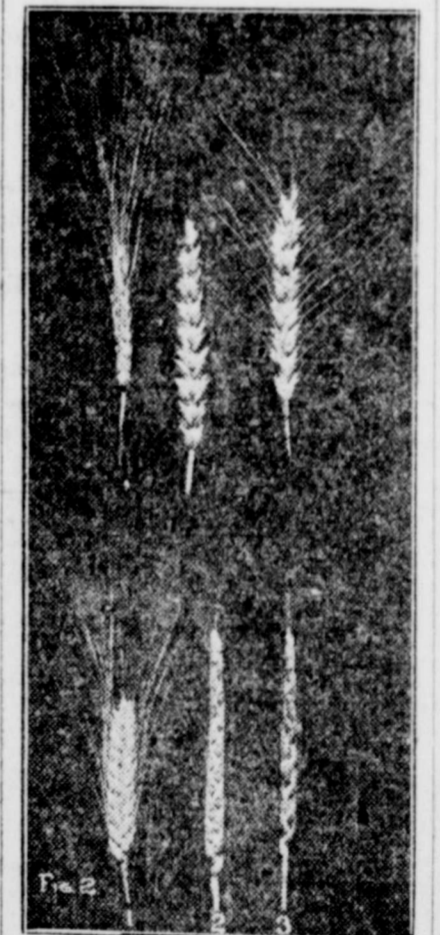


Fig. 2.—Heads of Durum and Common Wheat in Two Positions: On Top, Face View of Spikelets; on Bottom, Edge View of Spikelets. (1) Kurbanka (Durum). (2) Bluestem. (3), Preston.

better yielder, and in many parts a much better yielder, than any spring wheat.

(2) Durum wheat (the black column) has outyielded all other groups of spring wheat at all of the stations named.

(3) Fife wheat (light slanting column) is the highest yielding common wheat in the northern and western parts of North Dakota. It also is well adapted to eastern North Dakota and South Dakota and to Minnesota.

(4) The Preston group (heavy slanting column), as here shown, contains three different varieties. The only important one is the Preston. It gives good yields in central and eastern South Dakota, where it outyields all other groups of common spring wheat.

(5) Bluestem wheat (dotted column) is hardly equal to fife except in eastern North Dakota.

# WESTERN CANADA'S WONDERFUL YIELD

Wheat Yields Reports Extraordinarily Heavy.

When one hears of individual wheat yields of thirty-five to forty bushels per acre, there is considerable incredulity, but when yields, in whole townships extending into districts covering three and four and five hundred square miles in area, of upwards of fifty and some as high as sixty-five bushels per acre are reported, one is led to put his ear to the ground to listen for further rumblings. The writer having heard of these wonderful yields made a trip through the provinces of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, to ascertain first hand their truthfulness. It was remarkable to discover that Dame Rumor was no rumor after all, that modesty was her mantle, that all that had been said of these yields was true, and that yields of over seventy bushels per acre were told of. These were so high that the truthfulness of the story was doubtful and very little was said of them. But such there were, and not in one instance, but in several, not in one locality but scattered in places hundreds of miles apart. Leaving these out altogether, there were large areas in which the average was over fifty bushels per acre, which in all common sense ought to satisfy most people. One hundred and thirty threshers in Alberta have made their returns to the local government; as required by an act of the Legislature, and the average of the wheat threshed was fifty-three bushels to the acre. So immense was the yield that official verification was required before giving it out to the public. Sitting in the smoking compartment of a day coach, where on passing through a farming community, there may be gathered the gossip yarns of the neighborhood, one hears also a lot of news. Just now, the sole topic is that of the crops. A man with more or less of a hirsute appendage, smock, clothes and hands giving the appearance of one working in the field, was asked as to the crops. He had got on at Warner, Alberta. Taking out his pipe, lighting it and then crossing his knees, holding his chin in his hands, possessing an air of supreme contentment, and with an intelligent face, he looked the man who could give some information. And he was just the man. He was a thresher and on his way to Milk River to secure some more help. He was requisitioned for information. "Yes, a good season, I've made a lot of money. As for yields, let's see," and then he began to string them off. "Peterson had 62 bushels of wheat per acre on his five hundred acre farm; from 380 acres Roland got 65 bushels per acre; Bugler had one hundred and ten acres that went 63 bushels; Carr had 65 bushels per acre off an eight hundred acre field." And by gave others running from 58 to 56 bushels per acre. All these people lived east of Warner, Alberta. Looking out of the window and seeing immense fields, still covered with stocks he was asked why they were not threshed, he replied that there were not enough "rigs" in the district, and that they would not get through before Christmas.

An American writing of a trip he made through Western Canada says: "I went as far west as Saskatoon, back to Regina, Moose Jaw, and down on the Soo line, and I must say that I never saw such crops, or ever heard of anything to compare with it in any country on earth. The country is over the hill, and certainly the farmers have a lot to be thankful for. There are very few of them that have done their work and done it properly but what have their debts paid and have bank accounts left."

And he only traveled the skirt of the country. The same story could be written of any part of any of three Provinces.—Advertisement.

## ECZEMAS AND RASHES

Itching and Burning Soothed by Cuticura. Trial Free.

The Soap to cleanse and purify, the Ointment to soothe and heal. Relief, rest and sleep follow the use of these supercreamy emollients and indicate speedy and complete healing in most cases of young and old, even when the usual remedies have utterly failed.

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## Smart!

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He—No; that was twenty-six years ago yesterday.

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is her hair. If yours is streaked with ugly, grizzly, gray hairs, use "La Creole" Hair Dressing and change it in the natural way. Price \$1.00.—Adv.

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Any woman in this condition has good cause to suspect kidney trouble, especially if the kidney action seems disordered.

Doan's Kidney Pills have cured thousands of suffering women. It's the best recommended special kidney remedy.

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Woe Proof. "What a cheerful man he is!" "Yes, indeed. You can't tell him a hard luck story that will rob him of his smile."

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A foolish woman's idea of a stylish hat is one that costs a lot of money, regardless of what it looks like.

Millions of particular women now use and recommend Red Cross Ball Blue. All grocers. Adv.

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Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets are the original little liver pills put up 40 years ago. They regulate liver and bowels.—Adv.

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The fat woman probably doesn't consider life a dreary waist.

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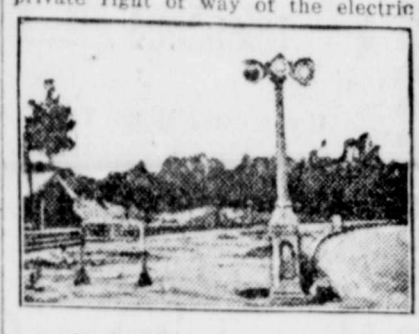
BROOM CORN HAVE YOU ANY? WRITE US. Coyne Brothers 10 W. SOUTH WATER ST., CHICAGO W. N. U., WICHITA, NO. 51-1915.

HOME TOWN HELPS

CITY HAS ARTISTIC LIGHTS

Alhambra, Cal., Sets Example Which Other Places Will Be Likely to Follow.

Instead of the unsightly and often unheeded traffic sign, the city of Alhambra, Cal., has adopted a more striking and ornamental device for warning pedestrians and vehicle drivers. In the accompanying illustration, one of these guideposts is shown on duty at a point where a wide boulevard turns and becomes parallel to the private right of way of the electric



An Architectural Guidepost.

railway. Accidents might be very numerous at this point were it not for the five-light electric sign with both red and white frosted globes, the white lights overlooking the boulevard side, and the red illuminating the electric road. This pleasing device is conspicuous day and night, and a driver is indeed reckless who would overlook this warning.—Popular Science Monthly and World's Advance.

POINT FOR ROAD BUILDERS

Not Always Well to Deviate From Straight Line, Even in an Effort to Get Variety.

The guiding principle in designing the position of roads and walks is utility. Nature forms no roads. They are the work of men and animals, and would undoubtedly always proceed in nearly straight lines from point to point if obstructions of various kinds did not interfere and cause deviations. Necessity will therefore suggest where and how they should be introduced. So far as regards approaches and walks to and from buildings, the object of their introduction is sufficiently apparent; but, in laying out pleasure grounds, it is a too common practice to introduce walks for the mere purpose of variety. This is a very questionable reason at best, and not always successfully accomplished, but even in cases of this kind, they should appear to aim for some definite object, or lead to points of sufficient importance to suggest their utility.

Know Your Garden Flowers.

The true way to enjoy flowers is to get to know intimate terms with them. Know them by name, know their characteristics. Learn to love them and make them a part of your life. Then the flowers breathe their secrets, and you learn little by little that they are living things—hoop companions and friends. Those who work with flowers know of other things than seeds and bulbs—hope and faith and love; strength, inspiration and happiness. They gather in more than the blushing flowers themselves. They gather health and wealth and nature's revealed secrets. How natural it is, then, that those who work with flowers should be big and strong and good and kind. They are very close to the heart of life—and nature.

American Academy of Arborists.

New York city is official headquarters for an organization bearing this title, and a most exclusive membership, for, be it known to all men (we presume women are barred) that "this is not a society to which anyone may belong who contributes a membership fee," but one wherein the members may feel justly proud of their certificate of membership. The ordinary tree-lover will, therefore, be up a tree, figuratively speaking, for which reason we will not ask for a local branch, for here, where the trees of the whole world find a home, we must include in the membership all who will join.

Sulphur in New Zealand.

Sulphur deposits are found on White Island, in the Bay of Plenty, on the coast of the North Island of New Zealand, about 30 miles from the mainland. This island, which covers about 600 acres, attains a height of 900 feet on one side and opens to the sea on the other. Its topography indicates an old crater, and the boiling lake on the island, which is one of the awe-inspiring sights of New Zealand, is a further evidence of volcanism. After the New Zealand Sulphur company had spent \$100,000 in preparation for mining sulphur in this locality a volcanic disturbance wrecked the camp and killed ten men.

Need of Co-Operation.

No town can prosper as it should unless its business men will co-operate with each other in bringing business to the town. Get them here and if you cannot sell them, let the other fellow do so. The man with the hammer has a proper place, but it is in building more houses, not in tearing down.—Kilgore Chronicle.

PRESENT TAX WILL REMAIN

HOUSE DEMOCRATS DON'T FEEL DISPOSED TO SIDETRACK EMERGENCY TAX.

WE NEED THE REVENUE

Will Let It Ride Till December—Free Sugar Can Wait Till Some Other Scheme Is Figured Out to Bear the Burden.

Washington, Dec. 14.—House Democrats in a caucus tonight agreed to support a resolution designated to extend the life of the present emergency tax without change until December 31, 1916, or for one year. The resolutions will be introduced tomorrow. It probably will be voted on Thursday. Democratic leaders tonight predicted its adoption in both houses not later than Saturday, when the Christmas recess will be taken if the measure is out of the way.

Only two of the 150 Democrats who attended the caucus declined to be bound for its rules. Representative Keating of Colorado and Representative Calloway of Texas, said they had promised their constituents to oppose a continuation of the tax and that they intended to keep faith with them. The chairman, Representative Saunders, of Virginia, said the caucus rules would not be binding upon them under the circumstances.

Majority Leader Kitchin, who presented the proposal tonight and who will introduce the resolution, warned the members that they must do their utmost to have all Democratic members on the floor Thursday. Otherwise, he said, grave danger would be ahead of the resolution.

Mr. Kitchin was interrogated extensively on revenue plans generally and was on the floor almost an hour. Several representatives who had threatened a fight on any plan to extend the law indefinitely remained quiet when the limited time proposition was broached.

THE ALLIES ARE BACK IN GREECE

London, Dec. 14.—The British and French troops have successfully carried out their retirement from Serbia across the Greek frontier, and by an arrangement with the Greek government, a clear road has been left for them to fall back on Saloniki, which is being organized as a base. The German official report of today claims that "approximately two English divisions were annihilated" during the retreat, but this is considered here an exaggeration. Accounts from Athens and Saloniki say the retreat was carried out in an orderly manner and without heavy losses. By the destruction of railway bridges and roads and by stubborn rear guard actions, in one of which two companies of the Inniskilling regiment sacrificed themselves to save their comrades, the Bulgarians were kept at a fairly safe distance.

"The question now arises whether the Bulgarians and Austro-Germans intend to follow the British and French troops into Greece and what action the Greek government will take should they do so. The impression gained from dispatches emanating in Athens is that neither the Bulgarians nor the Turks, who also are reported to have arrived near the frontier, would be welcomed in Greece, and that, therefore, if it has been decided to follow the entente allies, the task will be undertaken by Austrians and Germans.

However, with the railway destroyed, it may be some days before Greece is called upon to take action, and by that time the Anglo-French forces should be safe in the defenses of Saloniki and under the guns of their ships.

The remains of the Serbian army are still resisting the Austrians and Bulgarians in Albania, while the Austrians are making very slow progress in their efforts to overwhelm Montenegro, where heavy fighting continues.

Merchants' and Bankers' Opportunity.

Wichita, Kan., Dec. 14.—At the Masonic Temple, in this city, on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, January 11, 12 and 13, 1916, there will be held a "School of Merchandising and Business Efficiency" that will be of unusual interest to retail merchants and bankers, and will probably be taken advantage of by a large number of them in Kansas and Oklahoma. The object of this school will be to bring about more efficient business methods and will be free to all business men. A large number of prominent business men from the large cities will be present to answer questions and give advice to the best of their ability.

Crude Oil Takes Another Jump.

Independence, Kan., Dec. 14.—An increase of 10 cents a barrel in the price of crude oil, making the price \$1.10, was announced by the Prairie Oil and Gas company today. Continued increase of the demand over the supply was given as the cause.

Tulsa, Okla., Dec. 14.—Oklahoma crude oil advanced 10 cents a barrel here this morning. The price is now \$1.10.

SWAMP-ROOT STOPS SERIOUS BACKACHE

When your back aches, and your bladder and kidneys seem to be disordered, remember it is needless to suffer—go to your nearest drug store and get a bottle of Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root. It is a physician's prescription for diseases of the kidneys and bladder.

It has stood the test of years and has a reputation for quickly and effectively giving results in thousands of cases. This prescription was used by Dr. Kilmer in his private practice and was so very effective that it has been placed on sale everywhere. Get a bottle, 50c and \$1.00, at your nearest druggist.

However, if you wish first to test this great preparation send ten cents to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., for a sample bottle. When writing be sure and mention this paper.—Adv.

Mean. Ethel—Jack proposed three times before I accepted him. Marie—To whom, dear?

Not Gray Hairs but Tired Eyes make us look older than we are. Keep your eyes young and you will look young. After the Movie Murine Your Eyes. Don't tell your age. Murine Eye Remedy Co., Chicago, Sends Eye Book on request.

Heard in an Office. "What is Jones spluttering about now?" "Oh, whenever he gets into hot water he boils over."

Whenever You Need a General Tonic Take Grove's

The Old Standard Grove's Tasteless Tonic is equally valuable as a General Tonic because it contains the well known tonic properties of QUININE and IRON. It acts on the Liver, Drives out Malaria, Enriches the Blood and Builds up the Whole System. 50 cents.—Adv.

Woman's Part in War.

Jenny was sent out to play with her brother Harry and his companions. "Oh, you can't play," said Harry. "Mother said I could," replied Jenny, beginning to cry. "But we are playing war and we are soldiers and we are going to have a battle and you can't play because you can't be a soldier," explained Harry. Jenny sobbed in disappointment. Harry found the way out. "All right," he said to his playmates. "We'll let her hawl as much as she wants to and she can be the widows and orphans."

Pays to Advertise.

Churches in New York realize the great advantages of advertising, and besides using the columns of the daily papers in their soul saving work and electric signs and crosses on their edifices they send out solicitors, men and women, to help swell their congregations and enlarge their Sunday schools. But the most daring church "ad" is that of Rev. Dr. Fred Winslow Adams, pastor of St. Andrew's Methodist Episcopal church. He decided to deliver a series of sermons on "Love Stories From the Bible," for which he had an artist draw a fetching poster of two lovers when the moon drops low. Thousands of copies in blues, browns and orange tints were distributed, and in addition the pictures were printed in the newspapers as "paid matter." Since the minister began to exploit the "Love Stories" his congregations have more than doubled. Which again demonstrates that it pays to advertise.

Where He Got It.

Coach—Jones, you look like the "find" of the season. The way you hammer the line, dodge, slug your man and worm through your opponents is marvelous. You must have played considerable, haven't you?

Candidate for Football Team—No, it's my early training. You see, my mother used to take me shopping with her on bargain days.—Judge.

SOAP IS STRONGLY ALKALINE and constant use will burn out the scalp. Cleanse the scalp by shampooing with "La Creole" Hair Dressing, and darken, in the natural way, those ugly, grizzly hairs. Price, \$1.00.—Adv.

Unhappy. "I wonder why Jinks always insists on getting a table as far away from the music as possible when he goes to a restaurant?" "Probably it spoils his appetite not to be able to hear his own voice."

Always sure to please, Red Cross Ball Blue. All grocers sell it. Adv.

DID IT EVER OCCUR TO YOU

That it might be to your advantage to ship your cattle and hogs? Why? Because we have competent salesmen, because we have good yardmen to handle your stock after arrival here, so you get good service in yarding, watering and weighing. Write us for market letter.

TROWER, CHASE & McCOUN LIVE STOCK COM. CO. LIVE STOCK EXCHANGE, KANSAS CITY, MO.

Easy Money. "Where did Jenkins get all that money he lost speculating in oil?" "He got it from people who speculated in those gold mines of his."

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 Dr. J. C. Fletcher. In Use For Over 30 Years. Children Cry for Fletcher's Castoria

His Sympathy. "Tut, tut, mah brudder!" admonished good old Parson Gagster. "Don't say anything 'o'll be sorry for."

"Done said it 'a'eady, pahson!" replied G. Johnson, the reformed gambling man. "I spoke de name o' Lank Fuller. Well, I'm sorry for po' brudder Lank. Come along and see what happens to him, and yo'll be sorry for him, too."—Kansas City Star.

Why the Price Was Low.

A shabby man entered a small general store in a Scotch village and asked the owner, a genuine Scot who was known far and wide for his "pawky" humor, if he might have an empty soap box. "All right," said the shopkeeper, "ye can have one; but the price is twopence." "Tuppence!" ejaculated the applicant. "That's too much money altogether. I can get them for less than that." "Less than twopence? You're dreaming, man," replied the other, who disliked nothing so much as haggling. "Where can ye get them for less?" "Down at your neighbor's, Tamson's," was the rejoinder. "Oh," replied the man behind the counter, apparently much relieved; "no doubt ye would get them for less there, but I was never fool enough to leave my boxes outside on the pavement all night."—Youth's Companion

Your Health Account

Don't allow it to be "overdrawn" as a result of LOSS OF APPETITE POOR DIGESTION INACTIVE LIVER CONSTIPATED BOWELS

HOSTETTER'S Stomach Bitters may help correct such conditions and improve your general health.

Fortunately the men who claim that the world owes them a living are seldom preferred creditors.

COVETED BY ALL

but possessed by few—a beautiful head of hair. If yours is streaked with gray, or is harsh and stiff, you can restore it to its former beauty and luster by using "La Creole" Hair Dressing. Price \$1.00.—Adv.

Defined. Knicker—How much is he making? Bocker—Between a motorcycle and a car.

Nibbling. To nibble, or not to nibble; that is the question.

Whether it is better to eat three square meals a day or to take arms against a score of little nagging appetites, and by yielding, end them—for the time being.

To bite, to crunch—aye, there's the question—and by a bite to think we end the heartburn and the thousand stomach aches that nibbling is heir to—there's the rub.

Much better were our quietus made with a rare beefsteak.—Life.

Daughter's Idea.

Mrs. Brown was in the habit of introducing her big daughter as, "This is Jane; she is only fifteen—you'd never think it would you?" "At last the girl protested. "It's mean of you to tell everybody how young I am. I could have a lot better time if you didn't." "Perhaps you could. But I don't propose to have people saying, after you've been out in society a couple of seasons, 'Don't tell me Jane Brown is only twenty—why, she was a grown girl years ago.'"

Experts Who Know— The leading Hotel Stewards and Chefs of the World use and recommend Grape-Nuts FOOD This product contains the finest ingredients known to the art of Culinary Science, and we recommend it to the public with our guarantee over the seal of our association. The International Mutual Cooks and Pastry Cooks Association THEODORE M. LA MANNA President ADOLPHE MEYER Secretary E. S. HODGSKIN, M. D. Food Expert This splendid food is made of wheat and barley and contains the entire nutriment of these grains, including the priceless mineral elements so necessary for building and maintaining vigor of body and mind, but which are so often lacking in the usual dietary. A Suggestion—In stuffing your chicken, turkey, duck or goose for the Christmas dinner, try using one quarter Grape-Nuts and three quarters bread crumbs, instead of all bread crumbs. You will be delighted with the crisp, nutty flavour imparted by this wholesome ingredient. Grape-Nuts food comes ready to eat direct from the package; and is nourishing, easily digestible, economical, delicious. "There's a Reason" Sold by Grocers everywhere.



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Will be a success if you have two things on hand  
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**Good Warm clothes,  
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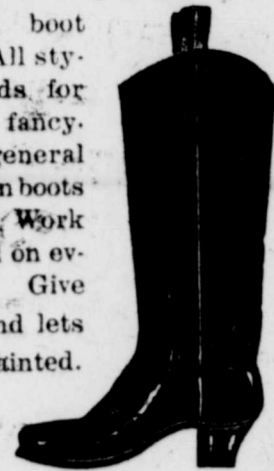
First class work and careful operation. Special attention given to pyorrhea, (disease of the gums) and plate work.

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Finest line of Holiday goods ever shown in Miami will now be ready for your inspection at Cooks Jewelry & Music store in a few days

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See or call Harry A. Nelson if you want to buy pure bread Poland China Pigs He has some good ones and can save you money here.

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HOGS WANTED  
We want your marketable hogs, no matter how many or few any number from one to one hundred. Will buy any day you bring them to town. Want hogs from 100 to 225 pounds that are in marketable condition. Bring them in and get the cash for them.

Central Meat Market.  
C. S. Seiber, Prop.

### Johnnie Weckesser

will be glad to do your dray work satisfaction absolutely guaranteed then patronize him.

\$10.00 Reward \$10.00

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Special Holiday excursion rates to Eastern states. Ask for dates of sale, prices etc.

F. S. BARRON, Agent.

FOR SALE

A few choice early single comb Red Cockerels. Seven years breeding of Reds exclusively.

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### NOTICE

To Trespassers: No hunting, fishing, trapping or trespassing of any kind allowed on the Wright farms or pastures. Any one found doing same will be prosecuted.

Mrs. R. W. Wright.

Mrs. Logan Coffee is very ill today.

DOG LOST: A big full blood stag. Few brown spots, small ear of nose. Return to Chief office and receive reward. He is a young dog and disappeared Saturday.

Be sure and not for get the 2nd number of our Lyceum tomorrow night.

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Make your wife happy by buying her a fine sewing machine for Xmas, see Walter Cook.

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Eat Butter Krust Bread Bread makes a hit every time it comes to the plate, but butter krust makes the best meal, sold at J. W. Stewarts Confectionery.

I offer all the hand painted china on hand at cost to make room for my new Holiday stock.  
Walter Cook.

Come in and hear sweet music at Cooks Store.

## NOTICE

To the tax payers of Roberts County. The law requires a 25c revenue on every order for poll tax.

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A Complete line of everything good to eat, all Fresh and the very best. Particular goods for particular people.

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