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## Should We Have a Flour Mill?

Some of the old timers of Miami may laugh at the idea of a flour mill in Miami, especially those who experienced a nice little loss in the one that was here once. However there is a difference in flour mills and the way they are run. There is a midge mill now being built, capable of turning out a good run of high grade flour, which can be installed for something like about \$6,000.

If such a flouring mill could be handled by local capital, we could save several thousand dollars every year in freight, and besides this, the profit we have to pay between selling the wheat and buying the flour. If a farmer should drive up to a mill with a hundred pound of wheat, and the miller offered him twenty-five pounds of flour for it, there would be no trade, and yet that is what happens when you sell your wheat and buy flour. It appears to us that a small flour mill for Miami, at least enough to supply the home demand would be one of the very best investments we could possibly make. At least in the past few days, several have told us that they were interested in such a proposition, and if some one would take the lead in this, it could soon be found what response the people would give.

### INTERESTING COMPARISONS

The Austin American makes some very interesting comparisons as to the wealth and resources of the various nations now at war, in the following paragraphs:

"The United States, with all its possessions, has a population of 113,000,000, while that of the central powers is 161,000,000.

"The American national wealth is \$230,000,000,000, while that of the central powers is \$133,750,000,000, and \$331,250,000,000 for the allies.

The United States national stock of gold is \$2,900,000,000, as against \$1,321,000,000 for the central powers and \$4,095,000,000 for the allies.

"The iron production of the United States is 39,000,000 tons, as against 15,700,000 tons for the central powers and 19,000,000 tons for the allies.

The United States produces annually 960,000 metric tons of copper, while the total production of the central powers is 40,000 tons and that of the allies 225,000 tons."

A study of the above figures reveals the fact that the United States alone has greater resources for war purposes than the central powers combined, and just how Germany figures out the final winning of this war is beyond imagination.

## Twin Butte Oil & Gas Company.

H. E. Carter, will be in Miami, a few days representing the Twin Butte Oil and Gas Co. of Alamogordo New Mexico of which W. B. Jackson is President. Those who desire to become interested should see H. E. Carter at once, since the block of Treasury stock of ten thousand shares will soon be disposed of at the present price and there will be no more chance to secure stock at 25 cents on the dollar. It is always those who get in early that make big winnings. Remember you are buying interest in 1280 acres of choicest oil grounds as passed on by the best oil experts obtainable.

I believe a long step to Morality will have been taken when sins have been called by their right name.

## HIGHWAY MEETING Odd Fellows Hall Saturday

The following letter is self explanatory, and you are urged to attend this meeting which will be held at the Odd Fellows hall. Be sure and be on hand if you are interested in bringing this highway through Miami. This is the Highway we mentioned something of last week.

Subject: Amarillo-Higgins-Wichita Highway Association.

Mr. C. Coffee, Miami Texas.

Dear Sirs:-

One, Barnes, whose initials I have forgotten, representing the Hockaday National Highway Association came to see me yesterday and they have inspected the road and are making it and are marking it and logging it from Kansas City, Missouri, and are as far now as Woodward, Oklahoma, and are contemplating marking it and logging it from Woodward by way of Higgins, Glazier, Canadain, Miami, Pampa, Panhandle City and Amarillo and from there to Vaughn, New Mexico and from there to El Paso, Texas. He and I have conferred together and we visited Glazier and Canadain yesterday and have concluded that it would be a good deal better to let this Association take over the rights and benefits of our Association and let them mark it with their markers and log it, for the reason that it will connect us up over the same line of road and give us Log Books that will extend all the way from Kansas City to El Paso, whereas our markings would only be and our log books would only be from Amarillo to the State line East of Higgins and for the purpose of considering this question and other matters that would come before the meeting, as Chairman of the Amarillo-Higgins-Wichita Association I call a meeting to meet at Miami, Texas at 8:30 p. m. sharp on Saturday of this week, May 19th. I would be pleased to have you and others from your City present. Please invite them.

Very truly yours,

C. E. Gray, Chairman.

P. S. We want the meeting to be at 8:30 p. m. sharp, so we can get back on the train that reaches Miami, coming East, about 10:30 p. m. If for any reason I could not get there, please take charge of the meeting and take some sort of action on the propositions in the letter contained.

## W.B. Jackson Optimistic

W. B. Jackson of Alamogordo New Mexico came in this week to look after his Roberts county holdings, of which he has several acres. He reports things in New Mexico country to be in fair shape and expressed great surprise to note the splendid prospects our county had for a good crop.

Mr. Jackson is President of the Twin Butte Oil and Gas Company of Alamogordo. This company have several hundred acres of land which they own and propose to dig two or more wells on it in the near future. The field has not yet been tested, but geologists who have gone over it state that it is the very best indication of oil that they have ever found. Mr. Jackson states that people from El Paso and different parts of the country that have heard of this new location are flocking to it very fast, and that many men are taking large blocks of shares in his company. The Twin Butte Company is a stock company and they expect to have all stock sold by July 1st and begin drilling at that time. Geologists have told them that if indications were a sign of oil, that they had the biggest oil field in the world.

Many Miami people have claims in this field, and several are taking stock in Mr. Jackson's Company.

## NEWTON WILLIS ON

### THE D-C-D IN JUNE.

At the Y. M. B. L. Convention recently held in Houston, Newton P. Willis, who is a delegate from Canadain, was introduced by a gentleman of Houston, who exhibited some doubt as to just the exact location of Canadain, where upon Willis responded:

"Mr. President, it is no longer a mooted question, as to the latitude and longitude of Canadain. Col. Roosevelt once said that 'California was not in the West, but West of the West,' Canadain is just East of the West, and just West of the East.

It lies not in the East or West, But like a scroll unfurled, It lies where God hath hug it Down the middle of the world.

"Few of those who visit it ever wish to return, because its atmosphere is like the fabled fruit of the lotus,—those who once taste it forever love to linger there.

"When the Great Creator fashioned the Universe he well knew that some where within its center, like a jewel upon the bosom of beauty, there should be a more delectable land than all the rest which men would name the Panhandle, and he further fore-ordained that in the midst of that lovely land there should be builded a city called Canadain from the river on which it stands. When Columbus assayed his eventful voyage of discovery he must have been awe-struck with the idea he was making Canadain possible; when Coronado, the celebrated adventurer journeyed in search of the fabulous cities of Cibola filled with luxury and wealth, he failed to find the object of his search,—failed to stop at Canadain. When Ponce De Leon made his wonderful 'hike' in quest of the fountain of youth, history records he died a disappointed man; he died without ever reaching Canadain, where youth and beauty live and live forever. I sincerely trust that none of you entertain the thought of dying without having visited Canadain. So hospitable are its people that they have constructed two great highways,

## Seniors Entertained.

On Friday of last week Miss Eyylin Sohns was at home to the Seniors and many of their friends. The home was decorated beautifully in the High School colors and this together with the attractive evenings entertainment Miss Sohns had so carefully arranged, made this one the most pleasant occasions it has been the writers pleasure to attend in some time. After several hours of games and contests, the guests were served delicious refreshments, after which they departed, each declaring the entertainment was second to none they had ever had the pleasure of attending. Miss Sohns was unanimously voted an excellent entertainer.

the D-C-D and the Great Plains highway that all who ride may see Canadain in its glory.

"If you want to see the Panhandle at its best, this June time when your jitney or your twin six is pushing and purring like a trolley car, point it Northwestward and travel over the D-C-D and the Great Plains Highways until you get to the handle of the Pan. Come and survey the silences of its science canyons, the romantic views of its far-flung plains, the mottled gray of its undulating prairies and the unfathomed blue of its unfretted skies. Come and exhilarate in its rippling breezes; come behold the king of the winds hold screepered away while shifting sands cavort; drink in the tonal atmosphere of its bright spring mornings, when the grass is calf-high in the pastures, when the lark is caroling in the meadows, when the blackbird is warbling by the creek-side, when a ruddier iris ornaments the burnished dove, when 'the young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of love,' see the Panhandle when she's knee deep in June.—Canadain Record.

Ivy Black of Wichita, Kansas, a nephew to Mrs. Pursesley is here this week visiting her.

## CLASS PLAY Merchant of Venice UP-TO-DATE HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM MAY 17th, AT 8:15

### CASTE OF CHARACTERS

The Duke of Venice ..... Clyde Gray  
Antonio, a senior, Captain of the H. S. Foot ball team ..... James Kivlehen  
Bassanio, his friend and suitor to Portia ..... Oscar Webster  
Grantiano, another friend ..... Eldon Dyer  
Shylock, a wealthy gambler ..... William Russell  
Tubal, his friend and Captain of the Belmont foot ball team ..... Geo. Mathers  
Launcelot Gobbo, a servant of Shylock ..... Emmett Gatlin  
The Professor, an ex-ray photographer ..... Ollie Duniven  
Policeman ..... Willie George  
Portia, a rich heiress ..... Lucy Talley  
Nerissa, her friend ..... Tennie Severson  
Jessica, Shylock's Ward ..... Hattie Hoffer  
Miss Abbie S. Threedice, a teacher ..... Zula Webster  
Antonio's mother .....  
Polly, Portia's maid ..... Dale Anderson  
Mrs. Gobbo, Launcelot's mother ..... Aurelia Robertson  
Foot Ball players, ..... H. S. Boys

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### SYNOPSIS

ACT I. Scene, a street in Venice—"Seal me there your single bond."  
ACT II. Scene, a room in Portia's house—"Oh, dear, that word choice."  
ACT III. Scene, Shylock's house and yard—"Jump darling, I'll catch you."  
ACT IV. Scene, a room in Portia's house—"Hasn't he won."  
ACT V. Scene I The foot ball field—"Lineup there Belmont."  
Scene II. The court room—"A pound of Antonio's hair is yours"  
NOTE—A pony is an English translation of a latin text.

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The Editor was away for a week according to an exchange, and the office boy answered the inquires. Following were some results.

Please tell me how hash is made. W-M  
Hash is not made it accumulates. Is it all right to fed hogscorn on the ear? G-K.

No. Put it in the trough and let

the trough and let them help themselves.

I am in love with a homely girl who works for us, but she doesn't seem to care for me, while a pretty girl lots of money wants to marry me. What shall I do?—Will M.

Marry the one you love, and send me the name and address of the other one.

Please tell me how to raise a nice fat hog of about 500 lbs.

Get a derajek.  
How can I tell when the water is the right temperature for bathing the baby?—Mother.  
If the kids gets red and hollers the water is too hot; If he gets blue and shivers, its too cold.

I am forty years old, have a nice little farm, and am thinking of taking a wife. What would be your advice?

Old Batch.  
I would advise you to be kerful whose wife you take.—Cotton Oil News.

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ONE DOLLAR PER YEAR IN ADVANCE

L. G. WAGGONER, Editor & Owner,  
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Thos. L. Shields has recently leased the Glazier Reveil and his initial number was a good one. Editor Jones went to Ochiltree and is devoting his entire time to the Times.

The Ochiltree News is running an editorial page that is a close second to the best editorial pages of the Panhandle. We would like to have the initials of the writer.

A fellow remarked to us the other day, that if all the energy that is put into base ball this summer was put into growing a big crop this year, it would feed a regiment of men, and likely he is right. There are several hundred thousand dollars spent annually on base ball.

It is peculiar to note the fellows now that have something real bad the matter them physically. There is lots of fellows with bad eye sights, weak backs, short shoulders and lame legs—since conscription will go into effect. Yes some appear to have gotten a few years' older all in a few weeks too.

Business now a days is being done largely on acquaintance and it is not an uncommon thing to see a train load of business men touring their territory. This week a train load of Oklahoma City business men visited every town between there and Amarillo, spending a day at Amarillo.

Miami has certainly had some hard time trying to get electric lights. Our neighboring town of Shamrock started in after a light plant, at least six months after we did, and last week they turned on the lights. If we ever do get them, we move that the street lights be burned 24 hours a day for the first six months in celebration.

The several hundred thousand dollars in bonus that the Santa Fe road will distribute to their employes on July 1st will gladden the hearts of the employes and make them love their road better. The Santa Fe is a liberal road and it seems are doing their best to give the employes a chance.

"Great deeds are often the result of little words of encouragement." Encouragement has built empires, founded dynasties, erected temples, wrote masterpieces. Let us think on these things and if we are prone to act on a pessimistic impulse, stifle such a habit. Instill in its place a cheerful word and a hearty hope in the noble desire of the soul that touches you.—Ochiltree News.

Speeding your automobile appears to be pastime in our city. The city marshal has a new game, which is speeding the speeders. Therefore several have been speeded lately. A bunch of boys from a neighboring town were fined Saturday, and we understand that several of Miami citizens are before the court lately. We have a speed limit law, and if it a bad law, and you get mad because you have to observe it, better get busy and show it up and have it repealed, but so long as it is a law, it should be enforced.

Out on the South Plains, where wheat has been hit the hardest by dry weather and the farmers, some of them think that there will not be a bushel made, we heard a man offer a fellow ten bushels per acre for his wheat Monday. That does not look like we are going to make a complete failure.

Wheat crops on the north Plains from Miami is really looking first-class so the farmers tell us. It is possible for us to yet get an average crop. There has been in the Panhandle when the seasons came exactly right from the first of June on the harvest.

We remember only about three years ago of hearing people tell with great excitement that flour was \$5. and \$6.00 per sack in Mexico, and then wonder how a set of heathens could live at such prices. Now we are paying the same or bigger prices and go on just the same. It looks like a fellow need not be surprised at anything now.

Half hose for ladies are now coming to the west. It is reported that they have been wearing them in the east for some time, and no one caught on, however when the wind blows in this part of the country, it is acineth that their presence will be found out, unless hobble skirts come back in fashion.

The new linotype dress on the Higgins News has greatly improved the paper and the News man seems to have mastered the machine in a very creditable manner.

We have noted lately that there is much fruit on some of the trees and appears that we may yet have a good fruit crop this year, even if all did think that it was killed two months ago.

Army conscription seems to eliminate the farmer. Now maybe this will be an incentive to some to go back to the soil and help solve the high-cost-of-living.

Don't forget the school commencement exercises this week at the auditorium. They are going to be good and enjoyable, and besides you should lend every possible support to the encouragement of the school.

Some almost unbelievable tales have been coming from Germany stating that they are making soap grease, fertilizer, etc., out of the bodies of their dead soldiers. If such things could possibly be true, then Germany should be wiped from the face of the earth. If it is not true, then the fellow who started it should be boiled into soap grease for telling such lies.

If Miami rifle club succeeds in getting 16 government rifles with some ammunition, and with what private guns the club have, after a little practice, we will have some good insurance against bank robberies. At least a bank robber would have to have Teddy Roosevelt's nerve to enter a town to rob it, who had on duty a few squads of citizens with high powers rifles, all ready for action.

**AN ERROR.**

In last weeks issue our foreman thowed in a fit" something like this: The meetings at the Methodist Church still continue to agitate the minds of the people of Ochiltree for better or worse.

That word "worse" seems to have been put in by mistake and in an awful bad place and seems to have brought forth quite a lecture from Rev. Neal, which was perfectly right that it should.—Ochiltree Times.

An Amarillo man has been called to Washington by the Government to explain a submarine destroyer he has recently invented. He is a truck farmer living near town and after he made a blueprint of the destroyer and sent to the war department he received a message to come, and he is now at the capitol explaining the new invention. We have just as smart men in the Panhandle as there are in the world, and it might prove that it will be up to the Panhandle of Texas to whip Germany.

There is an old saying that people can get used to most anything and we believe it about true. A few years back the motorist would have blowed up worse than dynamite had he been charged 25 cents per gallon for gas. We heard more kicking on the price of sugar when it was \$5 per hundred than we do now at \$12. Some people were more saving with flour when it was \$1.90 per hundred than they are now at \$15. A fellow can stand most anything without grumbling when he gets use to it.

The United States today is preparing for war on a big scale. People today see the need that we should have started three years ago just as we are starting to-day. Had we started three years ago, we would have been in a position now to do something, and chances are, that with three years hard preparation by the United States we would be in a very fine shape for battle, and with our millions of men and money, most any nation on earth would consider for a long time before sinking one of our ships. But the trouble was, three years ago the American people would not have stood for such preparations as they see the need of today. They would at that time have called it militarism. There was some of our statesmen who saw what was coming and strongly advocated preparedness, but the masses hooted at them for the idea, and thought that we were already prepared, but now since the real test has come any common citizen can see that we are not prepared, and further, we have not yet more than started to prepare.

**Methodist Church.**  
Sunday May 20th. Morning subject—"The Model Layman." There will be no further services at the Methodist Church until the close of the Baptist meeting.  
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Washington, May, 12—Exemptions from draft into military forces of the United States under the army bill as agreed upon in conference, include officers of the United States and any state or territory; ministers or students of theological schools and members of religious organizations whose creeds forbid participation in war. The latter class, however, are not exempt from non-combatant duty.

In addition the following also are exempt: county and municipal officers; postal employes; workmen in employ of the federal government; "persons engaged in industries, including agriculture, found to be necessary to the maintenance of national interest." Those having persons dependant upon them for support and those found to be physically or morally deficient.

The Chief editor and wife will leave this morning for Amarillo where we expect to spend three days mingling with members of the Panhandle Press Association, finding out how the other fellow does things, seeing if our ideas are getting stale and learning the latest and best ways of publishing a newspaper. We have never yet attended a convention that did not give us new ideas and better methods for the country newspaper, and believe that it is a duty every editor owes his people to attend such conventions that he may be capable of living them a better newspaper when he returns. Amarillo has promised us a big dinner down on the Palo Duro Canyon Friday and here is one editor that is going to pass nothing of this kind up.

The United States Government are seeking places where road material may be found. They have asked all who have gravel pits, rock quarries and other natural materials for making roads to write a full description of the article and about the amount to Dr. J. A. Udon, State University, Austin. It is presumed that they may possibly take up the matter of building national highways on a large scale, and in that event will need a great amount of material. If you know of any rock or sand pits, report it.

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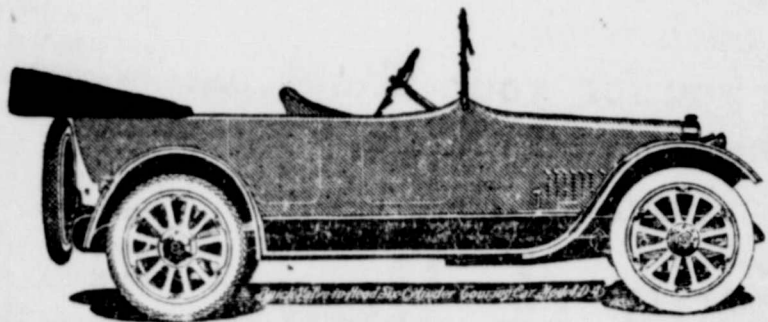


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Senate Joint Resolution No. 12  
Proposing to amend Article 16 of the Constitution of the State of Texas by adding thereto at the end thereof another section to be known as Section 59, declaring the conservation and preservation of all the natural resources of the State of Texas are public rights and duties; providing for the creation of conservation districts, declaring such districts bodies politic and corporate, defining the authority of such districts, and conferring upon the Legislature authority to pass laws with reference thereto; declaring that Legislature shall have authority generally to legislate for the purpose of conserving the resources of the State; fixing the time for the election for the adoption or rejection of said proposed constitutional amendment; making certain provisions for said election and the ballots thereof and the methods thereof; directing the issuance of the proclamation therefor, prescribing certain duties of the Governor of the State and making an appropriation to defray the expenses of said election.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. That Article 16 of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended by adding thereto at the end thereof another section to be known as section 59, and which shall read as follows:

Section 59a. The conservation and development of all the natural resources of this State, including the control, storing, preservation and distribution of its storm and flood waters, the waters of its rivers and streams, for irrigation of its arid, semi-arid and other lands needing irrigation, the reclamation and drainage of its over-flowed lands, and other lands needing drainage, the conservation and development of its fore te, water and hydro-electric power, the navigation of its inland and coastal waters, and the preservation and conservation of all such natural resources of the State are each and all hereby declared public rights and duties; and Legislature shall pass all such laws as may be appropriate thereto.

(b) There may be created within the State of Texas, or the State may be divided into, such number of conservation and reclamation districts as

may be determined to be essential to the accomplishment of the purpose of this amendment to the constitution, which district, shall be governmental agencies and bodies politic and corporate with such powers of government and with authority to exercise such rights, privileges and functions concerning the subject matter of this amendment as may be conferred by law.

(c) The Legislature shall authorize all such indebtedness as may be necessary to provide all improvements and maintenance thereof requisite to the achievement for the purpose of this amendment, and all such indebtedness maybe evidenced by such conversation and reclamation districts, to be issued under such regulations as may be prescribed by law and shall also, authorize the levy and collection within such districts of all such taxes, equitably distributed, as may be necessary for the payment of the interest and the creating of a sinking fund for the payment of such bonds; and also for the maintenance of such districts and improvements, and such indebtedness shall be a lien upon the property assessed for the payment thereof; provided the Legislature shall not authorize the issuance of any bonds or provide for any indebtedness against any proclamation district unless such proposition shall first be submitted to the qualified property taxpaying voters of such district and the proposition adopted.

Sec. 2. The foregoing constitutional amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors for members of the Legislature at an election to be held for such purpose on the Third Tuesday in August, A. D. 1917, the same being the 21st day of August, A. D. 1917; At said election the vote shall be by official ballot which shall have printed or written thereon the words "For the amendment to Article 16 of the constitution of the State of Texas providing for conservation districts, the creation of such districts and their government and regulation," and also the words "Against the amendment to Article 16 of the State of Texas providing for conservation districts, the creation of such districts and their government and regulation." All voters favoring this constitutional amendment shall erase the words "Against the amendment to Article 16 of the constitution of the State of Texas providing for conservation districts, the creation of such districts and their government regulation,"

and those opposing it shall erase the words "For the amendment to Article 16 of the constitution of the State of Texas providing for conservation districts, the creation of such districts and their government and regulation," which said erasures shall be made by making a mark with pencil or pen through said words. All ballots cast as above provided shall be counted as cast for or against this proposed amendment, and if a majority of the voter cast shall be for the amendment it shall be declared adopted; if a majority of the votes cast shall be against the amendment said amendment shall be lost. All the provisions of the general election laws as amended and in force at the time said election is held shall govern in all respects as to the qualifications of electors, the method of holding such election and all other respects as far as such election laws can be made applicable.

Sec. 3. The Governor of this State is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for said election and have the same published as required by the laws of this State.

Sec. 4. The sum of Five Thousand (\$5,000.00) Dollars or so much thereof as maybe necessary is hereby appropriated out of any funds in the State Treasury not otherwise appropriated to defray the expenses of such proclamation, publication and election.

C. J. Barrett,  
Secretary of State

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C. E. PITTS, PASTOR

## Seeing Life

By HAROLD CARTER  
(Copyright, 1916, by W. G. Chapman.)

Frank Leeson heard his landlady's step on the stair, and for the first time in weeks it did not make his heart sink. He waited in his hall bedroom with malicious anticipation of the scene that was to follow.  
"Are you there, Mr. Leeson?" came Mrs. Studd's rasping voice.  
"Did you want to see me, Mrs. Studd?" asked Frank.  
"No, I didn't," retorted the woman. "I want to see the last of you. Your rent's overdue three weeks, and you'll have to get out."  
"Why, I told you I'd pay you today," said Frank.  
"You did, and you've told me that for weeks past. And I've not seen a penny from you. And it's nine dollars I want, or you can go tonight and leave your trunk behind you."  
"I'm sorry you don't seem able to trust me," said Frank, "but here you are. Can you change this?"  
He pulled out his pocketbook, and Mrs. Studd's eyes nearly popped out of her head, for "this" was a hundred-dollar bill.  
"I don't know as I can change it," she bluffed. "But never mind now, Mr. Leeson. Any time, I'm sure." And Mrs. Studd retired in confusion.  
In the hall-room above lived Miss Nancy Walton. The sound of her footsteps upon the stairs made Frank lin-



Hardly Recognized Himself.

ger at the door. She smiled brightly as she saw him. Nancy worked in a department store, and she was always bright and neat and smiling. Frank had thought that the man who got her would be a lucky fellow.  
He did not say anything, however, beyond an ordinary greeting. He went back into his room and sat down and began to think about the unexpected legacy of five hundred dollars which Uncle Jim had left him. Frank earned twenty dollars a week in an office, and he had always been industrious, even saving, until the money arrived.  
"I'm going to see life now," he said to himself.  
And he saw, in anticipation, the enjoyment of Broadway, of late suppers, of shows, all those things that he had longed for all his life and never dreamed of possessing.  
He started the round that night, having obtained a week's leave of absence, to come off his vacation. Business was slack, and Frank's employer offered no objection, though he had no idea how Frank intended to spend that time.  
During the next two days the young man lived in a whirl of excitement. He had never lacked friends, and now that he seemed to be flush they came clustering round him like flies round a honey-pot. On the third morning he awoke in his room with a splitting headache. He looked at himself in the glass and hardly recognized himself. There was a bad taste in his mouth, and he felt generally disgusted. Worst of all, however, was the discovery that he had just three hundred and twelve dollars remaining.  
"I've been a fool," he said to his reflection in the mirror. "I guess I've seen all the life I want to."  
He spent that day in bed. Mrs. Studd, who was really kind-hearted, brought him up some dinner and shook her head; she guessed how things were going.  
"Why don't you put your money into something good?" she asked.  
"What?" asked Frank vaguely.  
"A young man like you ought to get married," replied Mrs. Studd.  
Frank felt irritated at the time, but afterward her words stuck in his memory. That night about seven o'clock a strange thing happened, which, when he looked back afterward, Frank was inclined to regard in the nature of a miracle. There came a gentle tap at the door, and in came Miss Nancy Walton.  
"Mrs. Studd said that you were not feeling well," said the girl timidly, "and I wanted to see if I couldn't do anything for you."

The young man's conscience smote him. Here was this girl, a stranger, offering aid, and of all his friends on whom he had spent his money he knew that no one would come to his assistance if he were in need.  
"That's very kind of you," he answered. "Won't you sit down, Miss Walton?"  
"I don't know that I should, but I will," she answered.

And they fell into a chat, of the kind Frank had not known since he left home, two years before. It was intimate and confidential, and it gave him the feeling that if ever he took Mrs. Studd's advice he could not do better than walk right upstairs into the hall bedroom above him.

Nancy had been raised, like himself, upon a farm, and she had gone to the city six months before, and she worked long hours at the store, and came home as bright as ever.

"You like it?" asked Frank.  
She nodded. "You have no idea how interesting that sort of work is," she said. "And then I was always fond of gayety."

"You call that gayety?"  
"It is in a way. It's seeing life, isn't it?"

Seeing life! The words struck him dumb. His idea of seeing life had been to get away from the humdrum of business and squander money; and life to this girl meant her work on a pittance of eight dollars a week.  
He pondered long after she had gone, and the upshot was that the next day he went back to work. And after that he kept out of Miss Nancy's way out of shame. He had banked his three hundred dollars, and his resolutions never to see that sort of life again was strong enough to hold.

It was about ten days later that Mrs. Studd gave him the news that the girl had lost her position.  
"They're laying 'em off," she said. "My, but business has been dull lately! I guess she won't have an easy time finding another job."

Frank went up the stairs almost with a bound and tapped at Miss Nancy's door. When she opened it she was smiling as well as ever, but her eyes looked a little red.

"I'm sorry," he said awkwardly.  
"Thank you," she answered. "But it doesn't amount to much. I'll get something in a day or two. And, after all, one can see life in one store just as well as in another."

Her pluck confused him, and he was conscious of nothing so strongly as the impulse to take her to himself. Perhaps his feeling was reciprocated enough to make him confident; at any rate, he found himself with Nancy in his arms a moment later, and he was saying:  
"Nancy, dear, will you teach me to see life with you?"

And in her eyes he read the answer that she would.

## NOW IT'S THE ALARM WATCH

British Invention is a Boon for the Business Man, and for Others One Might Name.

"It is all wound up and set. I'll walk away and you listen," said the clerk in a jewelry store, retreating down the carpeted aisle. The other strained his ear. Suddenly there came a sharp, tuneful ringing, very clear and distinct, very much like the bell at one of the crossings of an interurban railroad, though not nearly so loud.  
It is positively the latest—the "alarm" watch. It has a luminous dial, making time easily distinguishable, even in pitchy darkness, and it is the most obedient little tocsin yet devised, so the enraptured clerk declares. It is a British invention, made since the war and very popular in the trenches. It rings uninterruptedly for a full minute.  
Experts on timepieces, wits, men about town, business men and society's grand dames and debutantes saw in it these interesting qualities:  
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What a godsend, too, to the abstract commuter who forgets all those errands Mrs. Suburban had assigned for him!  
And, hush! Young women, why not one for the beau who hangs over the midnight hour?

What He Couldn't Understand.  
In the recently published letter of a Persian envoy to the United Kingdom, written about the year 1820, occurs a description of the writer's visit to a meet of the famous Coaching club of those days which is worth quoting. "One thing I see," he writes, "but I don't understand that thing good or bad. Last Thursday I see some fine carriage. I ask why for, they say me that Gentlemen on Boxes they drive their own carriage. I say why for take so much trouble? They say me, he drive very well. That very good thing. It rain very hard, some Lord, some Gentlemen he got wet. I say, why not go inside? They tell me good coachman not mind get wet every day, will be ashamed to go inside—that I not understand."

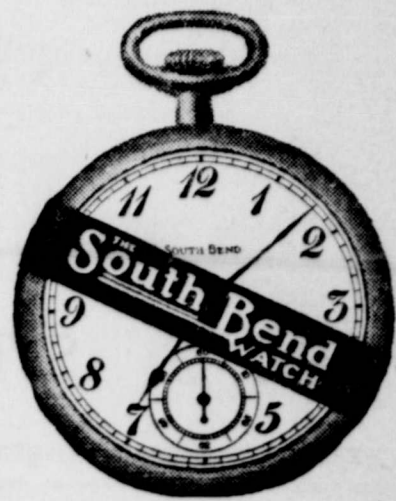
Good Advice Wasted.  
"To keep warm in winter," says a newspaper doctor, "eat plenty of nourishing food." What a pity that the poor can't all know this and thus avoid their annual fuel problem!—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

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FROM THE BAPTIST BULLETIN  
"God likes a little humor, as is evidenced by the fact that He made Monkey, the parrot—and some of you people."

"To see some people you would think that the essential orthodox Christianity is to have a face so long they could eat oatmeal out of the end of a gas pipe."—Billy Sunday.

Going to church doesn't make a man a christian any more than going to a garage makes him an automobile.



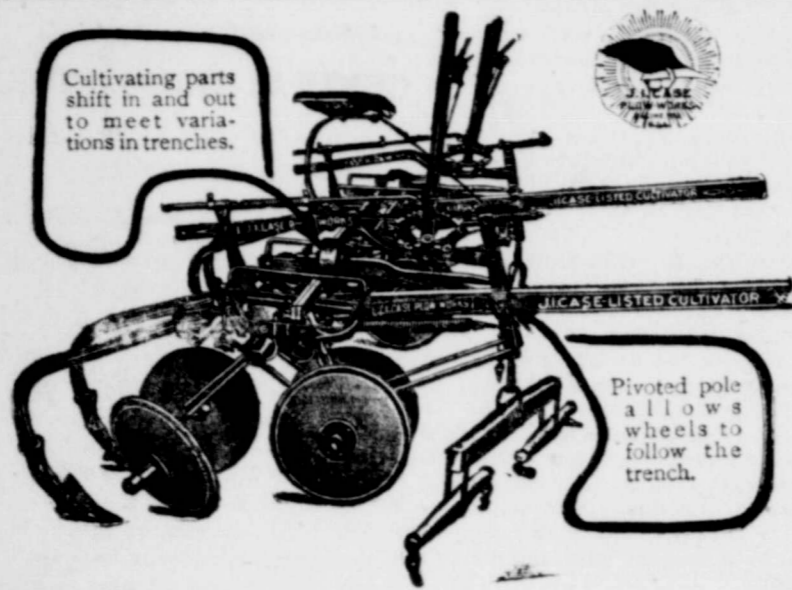
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### WHAT CHRISTIANITY IS. FROM THE BAPTIST BULLETIN BY REV. H. P. WILSFORD

Christianity is not the Book that describes Christian life; Christianity is not a creed that analyzes the Christian life. Christianity is not the sermon on the Mount—that is the architect's plan, of which the Christian is the cathedral. Christianity is a vital force, the living Christ with in the soul, building a ripe character. In the school room you have a map of Main and Florida, but the real thing is the forests of Maine and the orange groves of the South. Handel wrote his musical score; but when that score is translated through the cornet and the violin and the cello and the flute and a hundred other stringed instruments, and a thousand voices unite, then the score of Handel become the music that he describes. In the Kensington Museum in London are cartoons of Raphael. These are charcoal sketches, the outline of Raphael's great masterpiece. From them, as models and skeletons, he painted the angels and seraphs and the Madonna and child. And the sermon on the Mount is an outline sketch of the Christian. It is a verbal description of what Christ was and what his disciples are to be. It is Christ's ideal of a Christian. It is his sketch of what he wants you to become. And you are to translate it into pure thoughts, into holy deeds, into stern resolves, until your intellect is clear and your will strong as iron in its firmness, and your character as white as a cloud and as firm as a mountain.

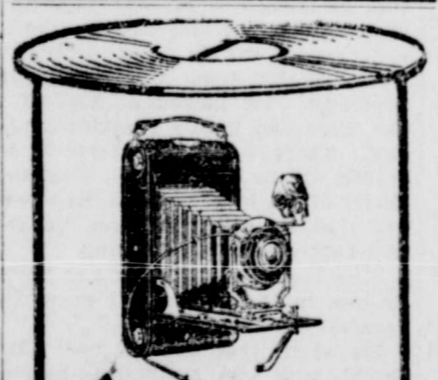
O! for a Church made up of such Christians! O, for a time when these ideals of perfect manhood shall prevail. The power of the Church is only incidentally in the pulpit. It becomes omnipotent through men who incarnate ideal sermons. The living Church is the one in which these living ideals are transforming men. Fortunately, multitudes are being transformed, and these transformations are the most glorious events in life. It is given to the cloed to climb to the grass. It is given to the rose bough to burst into bloom, it is given to the cloud storm to hold the rainbow; to the night is given the star. But the most wonderful thing in creation is the soul, carried up to beauty of character, made wise by the truth, made pure and sweet by Christ's love, made righteous and holy by Gods cleansing grace. In Stratford, lovers of Shakepear have planted in his garden only those flowers which are mentioned in the poet's plays. There you will find the modest pansy, the sweetbriar, all the humble flowers. And Christ hath his garden, and the flowers that bloom in it are the fruits of his spirit; hate is not there, envy, strife, vulgarity and covetousness are expelled, as men expell the bur, the thistle and noxious night shade, but love, joy and peace are there, blooming as sweetly as flowers whose roots are in Heaven, but whose bloom and sweetness and perfume are the glory of earth.

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### Wright Estate Sold

The Wright heirs sold their land holdings which lies near Miami to Alonzo and Henry Gill and Prof. Gum. The estate consists of about four and one half sections and the consideration was \$11.50 per acre. Robt G. Wright administrator was expected here last week but owing to sickness was unable to come. However he is expected to arrive tonight and wind up the deal.

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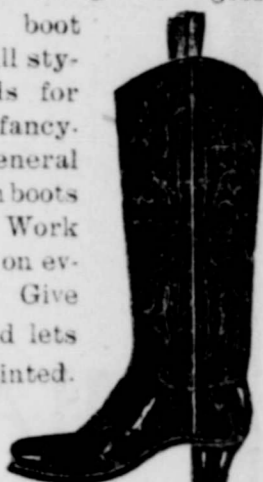
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## J. R. WEBSTER

### OVER THE PLAINS

Walter C. Sikes of Ft. Worth has accepted a position as cashier of the Bank of Ft. Worth and will take up his duties at once. He has been connected with the First National Bank of Ft. Worth.

The Canyon Home guards have purchased wooden guns for drill purposes. They have ordered forty guns and will take up the manual of arms as soon as the guns arrive.

The election at Dalhart recently held on the prohibition question resulted in a tie instead of a majority for the anties. No decision has been reached as to what step will be taken.

George Simms of Panhandle last week sold 1100 bushels of wheat on the cars at that point at \$3.00 per bushel, the highest price ever paid for wheat in that town.

The Panhandle Grain dealers held an interesting meeting at Amarillo last week, and went on record opposing to the government regarding the prices of grain.

John James, age 35 was killed at

Amarillo last Thursday as he turned on an electric light. The lines seem to have been crossed and a short circuit wire killed him instantly.

All sections of the Panhandle have received fine rains the past week, and a good portion of them received a big snow also. But they are all rejoicing and report a wonderful improvement in crops since the rain.

#### J. M. S. PROGRAM

For May 29.  
Subject, Social service.  
Song, "Work For the Night is Comin'."

Bible lesson, 99 Psalm, 17 verse.  
Leader, Jennie Seiber.

Roll Call, Answer with Bible verse.

Business.  
The coming of the King, Ruth Martin.

Recitation, Florence Weckesser.  
A Boy We Like, Sherill Burks.

The House Fly, Elvira Kinney.  
Stay, Eldon Dyer.

Story Hour, Mrs. McCarley.  
Song, by All.  
Closing prayer.

Misses Beulah Lee and Mattie Elliott visited relatives and friends in Miami this week.

Mr. Sparks, the genial linotype operator on the Canadain Record visited the Chief office Monday night between trains and "screwed" our machine up a little to make it act better.

Mrs. Jennie Smoot of White Deer is visiting at the Wells and Osborne homes this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Newman will leave this morning for Amarillo where they are guests of the Panhandle Press Association.

T. L. Certain made the round trip to Amarillo Sunday.

Emory Black went to Amarillo first of the week to report at headquarters of the Panhandle Lumber Company, where he expects to be sent to some other yard than Miami.

Atty. P. W. Robertson was here Tuesday looking after some land loans.

Mrs. J. E. Kinney went to Amarillo Tuesday to visit relatives and attend the graduating exercises of their schools.

J. J. Long passed through Miami Tuesday enroute from Mobeetie to Galveston where he will go to see about selling his last years cotton.

C. F. Powell of the Gageby country took the train Tuesday night for Plainveiw on business.

John Osborne was down from White Deer Monday visiting.

R. D. Duniven left Tuesday night for the Cunningham oil fields in Louisiana. Mr. Duniven is possibly the largest stock holder in the Company and is very much interested in the well. Mr. Cunningham wired Monday that oil was flowing out the top, but since that time nothing has been heard. The Company composed entirely of Miami people may find a very profitable well in their recent investment.

#### JUNIOR CLASS

Subject, The Voyage and Shipwreck of Paul.

Leader, Lucy Talley.  
Scripture, Psalm 46; Responsive.

Reading.  
Song, No. 4.

Paul leaves Caesarea, Roberts Lyons.

From Myra to Crete, Loise Johnston.

Duet, Aline and Eva.  
Gods Message of Hope, Ersel Rhodes.

Selfish Sailors, Alice Lard.  
Song, "God Will Take Care of You."

Reading By a Sunbeam.  
Instrumental music.

Sword Drill.  
Business- Benediction.

Mrs. Joe Smyers left last week for Graham where she will visit relatives.

F. H. Smyers went to Wichita Sunday on business.

Miss Anna Stocker left Sunday afternoon for Kansas where she will be for a week.

Burl Jackson and H E Carter came in first of the week from Almagordo. Mr. Jackson shipped in some cattle and placed them on his ranch.

Mr. and Mrs. Oren Harrah were down Sunday from White Deer visiting relatives.

Mrs. A. E. Davis of Pampa was here last and part of this week visiting friends.

Mrs. Ed Seeliger and daughter, Lydia arrived on No. 21 from Blackwell Oklahoma to visit Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Seeliger. Mrs. Seeliger reports crops looking good in that part of Oklahoma.

Hod Baird left on No. 21 Monday morning for the Bankers Convention at El Paso Texas. We are expecting a big report from H. E. when he returns.

Paul Certain from Panhandle Tex., visited his father and mother Sunday and returned to Panhandle on train No. 21 Monday.

J. A. Coupe shipped two cars cattle from Miami to Kansas City May 11th.

Jack Wilson returned on train 22 Saturday from Waco Texas where he has been attending the Marshall's Convention.

U. S. Strader left on train No. 22 Saturday for Glazier on business.

Miss Simpson left on No. 22 Sunday for Canadain to spend a few hours with friends between trains.

The Baptist will begin their meeting the third Sunday instead of the fourth Sunday. The Pastor will do the preaching. We invite all to co-operate with us who believe in the winning of lost to Christ.

Old people's day will be observed at the Baptist Church the third Sunday in this month. An interesting program will be arranged and carried out at the 11. a. m. hour.

Lee Chisum came in from Louisiana where he has been employed by the Cunningham Oil Co.

W. H. Rhodes arrived on No. 21 Friday morning from Kansas City Mo., where he has been on business.

Tom Graham from Colorado is visiting with Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Stribling this week.

Robert McGregor and M. R. Coffee arrived on train No. 22 Friday. They have been spending a few days in Waco Texas at the State Convention K. of P.

G. B. Kelley left on train 22 Saturday May 12th. Mr. Kelley has been in Miami the past week looking at cattle and has bought six car loads from A. B. McAfee.

We note from the Daily Texan, the official newspaper of the A. and M. College at Austin that W. C. Heare, son of Judge and Mrs. L. C. Heare won in a debate at the college last week in which there was much interest manifested. Young Mr. Heare and another student took the affirmative in "Resolved that capitol and labor should be compelled to settle their disputes in legally established courts of justice."

A. W. Gatton of Ft. Worth, a brother of Mrs. W. S. Tolbert has been here this week visiting.

A letter from Bill Tolbert to his father states that he is now at Norfolk, Va. down with the measles in the Army Hospital. He was on the road to New York, but stopped there with a great many more who took the measles.

Miss Ruth Philpott is spending the week with Miss Lorean Osborne.

J. W. Key returned Friday from White Deer where he has been doing carpenter work for the past six weeks. He reports many new houses going up in that country.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Durham and Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Durham of Mobeetie were Sunday visitors at the W. L. Mathers home.

Doyle Smith received a telegram last week that there was room for him in the citizens training camp and he left Saturday night for Leon Springs to begin training.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmett LeFors made the round trip to Amarillo Thursday and Friday.

The Soldier boys returned this deciding that "catching the Kaiser" was entirely too small a job to demand their attention. The squad that left last week, went to San Antonio to join, but after arriving found that they could not all get in, and some would have to wait two or three weeks, so the whole bunch decided that they would return and so they did.

Commissioners Court was in regular session Monday. All the Commissioners being present. The annual report of the tax collector was accepted, and the quarterly reports of the other officers. The court allowed bounty on eight cyote hides from Mrs. Arch King the first woman in some time who has killed and reported killing cyotes. Mrs. King killed eight and caught one in a very short time one day recently. Shooting most of them.

# Your Last CHANCE

According to the Department of Justice all manufacturers of ties, handkerchiefs and hose will be prohibited by law from placing the American flag on same to promote the sale of goods. Therefore when we have sold all ties and handkerchiefs that we have on hand, (and they are few) there will be no more for sale at our place of business. Better get one while they last. They would make a real nice Graduating present

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Rev. McCarley made a business trip to Amarillo Friday.

J. W. Wells and family left last week for White Deer where they go to make their future home. Mr. Wells has several hundred acres of good land adjoining the town with two sets of improvements and will take possession of the set nearest town. We regret very much to lose these good people. Mr. and Mrs. Wells have always taken a leading part in the betterment of our town and an active interest in many progressive movements. Mrs. Wells is one of the very best musicians in the Panhandle, having a splendid voice and highly accomplished on the piano. The local Baptist church, to which they were very devoted members will also feel their vacancy. But here is wishing them everything good that they desire in their new location and we feel sure that the good people of that town will give them a hearty welcome.

#### BE IN READINESS

As it is only two weeks until our meeting begins, I most earnestly request those who love the cause of Christ, and realize the great power contained in the Gospel to be in readiness to assist in this meeting. Let each and every one of us remember that the success of the meeting depends on our co-operation. Many visitors will be present with us during this meeting so let us be ready to care for them. Brother or sister, don't neglect any duty that will hinder this great work. We have secured the very best talent, both as to singing and preaching and you should be ready when they come.

Yours for the success of the meeting which begins Sunday, May 27th.

Walter Cook

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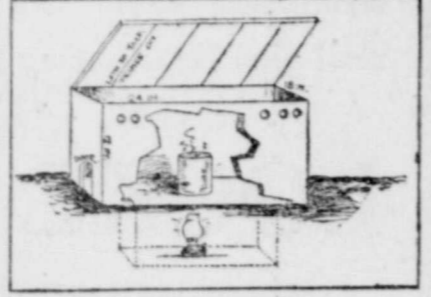


PLAN FOR OUTDOOR BROODER

Farmer, Handy With Hammer and Nails, Can Easily Arrange Device to Accommodate Chicks.

If your men folks are handy with hammer and nails, they can soon make you an outdoor brooder, writes Mrs. E. L. Eddy in Farm Progress.

Put a hinged lid on the box, covering this lid with tarred paper to keep out dampness, and nail laths on the underside of the lid, spacing these three inches apart.



Outdoor Brooder.

have a heavy fringe of old cloth, under which the little chicks can cuddle.

Set the box over a hole four inches smaller in all dimensions than the box. Pack earth around the brooder, place a lantern in the hole for heating purposes.

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Stale bread slightly moistened with water is an excellent food and to this should be added ground beef scraps.

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Feeding ewes that are in strong, thrifty condition in the fall can be carried up to lambing season on good alfalfa, clover or clover hay.

Sheep at Pasture. parts bran and one part oil cake by weight has proved successful.



Sheep at Pasture.

Some native ewes are troubled with "nodular disease." This disease is due to small worms lodging in the tissues of the intestines, and a small tumorous mass is formed around them.

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It's a good thing the child doesn't know that he is father to the man or he might get discouraged and quit.

You cannot measure a man's brains by the spread of his whiskers.

When the pigs are weaned and doing well, separate the boars and sows as soon as possible, for too many pigs in one lot do not do so well as when they are divided into several different lots.

If a pig is grown without very much fat, he will, nine times out of ten, be a better hog on his feet, for if a pig is loaded down with fat and his pasterns are broken down, it is "good-by" as far as good feet are concerned.

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(BY DR. J. H. WATSON)

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# HEART OF THE SUNSET

By REX BEACH

Author of "The Spoilers," "The Iron Trail," "The Silver Horde," Etc.

Copyright by Harper & Brothers CHAPTER VIII.—Continued.

"So do I," Law declared quietly. "He treated me like a hobo—sent me to the kitchen for a hand-out. That sticks. If I hadn't tamed down considerably these late years, I'd have—wounded him up, right there."

From beneath his dropping lids Ellsworth regarded the Ranger curiously. "You have a bad temper, haven't you?"

"Rotten!" "I know. You were a violent boy. I've often wondered how you were getting along. How do you feel when you're—that way?"

It was the younger man's turn to hesitate. "Well, I don't feel anything when I'm mad," he confessed. "I'm plumb crazy, I guess. But I feel plenty bad afterwards."

There was a flicker of the judge's eyelids. "Dave went on musingly: 'I dare say it's inherited. They tell me my father was the same. He was—a killer.'"

"Yes. He was all of that."

Dave lifted an abstracted gaze from the Pillman carpet. "I hardly know what I mean, judge. But you've had hunches, haven't you? Didn't you ever know that something you thought was true wasn't true at all? Well, I never felt as if I had had blood in me. My mother was Mexican—"

"Spanish."

"All right. Am I Spanish? Have I any Spanish blood in me?"

"She didn't look Spanish. She was light-complexioned, for one thing. We both know plenty of people with a Latin strain in them who look like Anglo-Saxons. You were educated in the North, and your boyhood was spent at school and college, away from everything Mexican."

"That probably accounts for it," Law agreed; then his face lit with a slow smile. "By the way, don't tell Mrs. Austin that I'm a sort of college person. She thinks I'm a red-neck, and she sends me books."

Ellsworth laughed silently. "Your talk is to blame, Dave. Has she sent you 'The Swiss Family Robinson'?"

"No. Mostly good, sad romances with an uplift—stories full of lances and rest, and Willie-boys in tin sweaters. The good women were always beautiful, too, and the villains never had a redeeming trait. It's a shame how human nature has got mixed up since then, isn't it?"

"Alaire Austin's romance is sadder than any of those novels."

Dave nodded. "But she doesn't cry about it." "Then he asked gravely: 'Why didn't she pick a real fellow to marry and kiss the hem of her dress and make a man of himself?'"

"That's the matter with you?" queried the judge. "Are you smitten with the girl?"

Dave laughed. "Maybe! Who wouldn't be? Why doesn't she divorce that bum—she could do it easy enough and then marry a chap who could win Las Palmas for her?"

"A man about six feet three or four," he suggested the judge.

"That's the picture I have in mind." "You think you could run Las Palmas for me?"

"I wouldn't mind trying." "You must never marry," firmly declared the older man. "You'd make a bad husband, Dave."

"You ought to know how to get along with a bad husband, by this time."

The judge's face broadened in a smile. "Thank heaven 'Young Ed' has the wisdom of a steel range, and so my interest is safe from your mercenary schemes for some years."

## CHAPTER IX.

### Longorio Makes Bold.

At La Feria Alaire discovered that the Federal depredations had been even more than she had feared. Not only were the soldiers taken a great many head of cattle, but they had practically cleared the ranch of horses, leaving only enough with which to carry on the work.

In the roomy, fortresslike adobe building was pleasant enough. Alaire seemed the change in her daily life. Thinking about La Feria was resting to her, from the house it was with its bare walls and floors, its empty kitchen arrangements, to the deserted, barefooted Indian woman and their naked children rolling in dust. Even the timberless mountains that rose sheer from the west were a relief, for the purple haze of the Mexican La.

Several miles from the rail station therefore it could not have been a bad thing had it lain in the very heart of Mexico rather than near the border.

Longorio drew from his pocket several photographs of the Austin ranchhouse. "Where did you get those?" Alaire asked in astonishment.

"Ah! My secret. See! They are badly worn already, for I keep them next to my bosom."

# DAVE LAW ADMITS THAT HE IS SMITTEN WITH THE MISTRESS OF LAS PALMAS—MRS. AUSTIN HAS A STRANGE EXPERIENCE.

Synopsis.—Mrs. Alaire Austin, handsome young mistress of Las Palmas ranch, lost in the Texas desert, wanders into the little camp of David Law, state ranger, lying in ambush for a Mexican murderer. She is forced to stay for 24 hours, until Law captures his man, kills another and escorts her home. "Young Ed" Austin, drunken wastrel, betrays his wife and makes insulting insinuations about the ranger. Austin encounters Gen. Luis Longorio, Mexican thief, when she goes to La Feria, her ranch in Mexico, to collect war damages, and Longorio, a bad man, falls in love with her. Dave Law kills a cattle thief and suspects Ed Austin of criminal connections.

became indistinct and unreal. Then all too soon she realized that the purpose of her visit was accomplished, and that she had no excuse for remaining longer. She was not armed with sufficient facts to make a definite demand upon the federal government.

The homeward journey was a repetition of the journey out. Jose, as before, was nowsgatherer. Hour after hour they crept toward the border, until at last they were again laid out on a siding for an indefinite wait.

The occasion for this was made plain when an engine drawing a single car came to a pause, a tall figure in spotless uniform leaped to the ground and strode to the waiting coaches. It was Luis Longorio. He waved a signal to the conductor, then swung aboard the north-bound train.

The general was all smiles as he came down the aisle, and bowed low over Alaire's hand.

Dolores gasped and stiffened in her seat like a woman of stone.

"Heaven be praised! You are safe and well," said the newcomer. "I have blamed myself for allowing you to take this abominable journey! I have been in torment lest something befall you. Every night I have prayed that you might be spared all harm. When I received word that you were coming, I made all speed to meet you."

"Dolores and I are greatly in your debt," Alaire told him.

"But you stayed so long!" "There was more work than I thought. General, you have ruined me," Longorio was pained; his face became ineffably sad. "Please! I beg of you," he entreated. "I have arranged for reparation of that miserable mistake. I shall see that you receive justice. If the government will not pay, I will. All I possess would be too little to buy your happiness."

"You embarrass me. I'm afraid you don't realize what you say," Alaire remained cool under the man's protestations. "I have lost more than a thousand head of cattle."

"We shall say two, three thousand, and the government will pay," Longorio asserted brazenly. "I will vouch for your figures, and no one will question them, for I am a man of honor."

"No! All I want—"

"It is done. Let us say no more about the affair. Senora, I have thought of you every hour; the duties that held me in Nuevo Pueblo were like irksome chains. I was in madness, I would have flown to La Feria, but—I could not."

"My husband will thank you for your great courtesy to me," Alaire managed to say.

But the mention of husbands was not agreeable to one of Longorio's sensitiveness, and his face betrayed a hint of impatience.

"Yes, yes," he agreed carelessly. "Senor Austin and I must know each other better and become friends."

"That is hardly possible at present. When the war is over—"

"Bah! This war is nothing. I go where I please. You would be surprised to greet me at Las Palmas some day."

"You can never know what these two days have been to me," the general said.

day soon, eh? When you tell your husband what a friend I am, he would be glad to see me, would he not?"

"Why—of course. But surely you wouldn't dare—"

"And why not? I have made inquiries, and they tell me Las Palmas is beautiful, heavenly, and that you are the one who transformed it. I believe them. You have the power to transform all things, even a man's heart and soul. No wonder you are called 'The Lone Star.' But wait. You will see how constantly I think of you."

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"Ah! My secret. See! They are badly worn already, for I keep them next to my bosom."

"This morning while we were in the

"We entertain very few guests at Las Palmas," she murmured, uncomfortably.

"I know. I know a great deal." "It would scarcely be safe for you to call; the country is full of Candelarias—"

"Cattle!" said the officer, with a careless shrug. "Did not that great poet Byron swim across an ocean to see a lovely lady? Well, I, too, am a poet. I have beautiful fancies—songs of love run through my mind. Those Englishmen know nothing of passion. Your American men are cold; only a Mexican can love. We have fire in our veins, senora."

To these perferid protestations Dolores listened with growing fright; her eyes were wide, and they were fixed hypnotically upon the speaker; she presented much the appearance of a rabbit charmed by a serpent. But to Longorio she did not exist; she was a chattel, a servant, and therefore devoid of soul or intelligence, or use beyond that of serving her mistress.

Thinking to put an end to these blandishments, Alaire undertook to return the general's ring, with the pretense that she considered it no more than a talisman loaned her for the time being. But it was a task to make Longorio accept it. He was shocked, offended, hurt; he declared the ring to be of no value; it was no more than a trifling evidence of his esteem. But Alaire was firm.

It was an odd, unreal ride, through the blazing heat of the long afternoon. Longorio cast off all pretense and openly laid siege to the red-haired woman's heart—all without offering her the smallest chance to rebuff him, the slightest ground for open resentment, so respectful and guarded were his advances. When the train arrived at its destination, his victim was well-nigh exhausted from the struggle. After a good night's rest, however, she was able to smile at yesterday's adventure. Longorio did not bulk so large now; even these few hours had largely diminished his importance, so that he appeared merely as an impulsive foreigner who had allowed a woman to turn his head.

Once back across the river she discovered that there were obstacles to a prompt adjustment of her claim. The red tape of her own government was as nothing to that of Mexico. There were a thousand formalities, a myriad of maddening details to be observed, and they called for the services of an advocate, a notary, a jefe politico, a jefe de armas—officials without end. All of these worthies were patient and polite, but they displayed a malarial indifference to delay, and responsibility seemed to rest nowhere. During the day Alaire became bewildered, almost lost in the mazes of official procedure, and was half minded to telegraph to Judge Ellisworth.

Longorio by no means shared her disappointment. On the contrary, he assured her they were making splendid progress, and he was delighted with her grasp of detail and her knowledge of business essentials. At his word all Nuevo Pueblo bowed and scraped to her; he arranged for her an elaborate luncheon in his quarters.

"You can never know what these two days have been for me," the general said as he and Alaire lingered over their meal. "They will afford me something to think about all my life. It is a delicious comfort to know that you trust me, that you do not dislike me. And you do not dislike me, eh?"

"Why, of course not. I have a great deal for which to thank you."

General Longorio fingered his wine-glass and stared into it. "I am not like other men. I am a man of iron—yes, an invincible soldier—yet I have a heart, and a woman could rule me."

"You say you have a heart," Alaire studied her vis-a-vis curiously as he met her eyes with his mournful gaze. "How is it that I hear such strange stories about you, general?"

"Lies, all of them!" Longorio asserted.

"For instance, they tell me that you shoot your prisoners?"

"Of course!" Then, at her shocked exclamation, he explained: "It is a necessity of war. Listen, senora! We have two million Indians in Mexico, and a few selfish men who incite them to revolt. To permit the lower classes to rise would result in chaos, black anarchy, indescribable outrages against life and property. There is but one way to pacify such people—exterminate them! Mexico is a civilized nation; but she must be ruled with an iron hand. We shall drive all the traitors into the sea, and Mexico shall have peace. But I am not a bloodthirsty man. No, I am a poet and a lover at heart. As great a patriot as I am, I could be faithless to my country for one smile from the woman I adore."

Alaire did not color under the ardent glance that went with this declaration. She deliberately changed the subject.

"This morning while we were in the

office of the jefe de armas," she said. "I saw a poor woman with a baby—she was scarcely more than a child herself—whose husband is in prison. Every day she comes to plead with the jefe de armas for her husband's life. But he will not see her, and the soldiers only laugh at her tears."

"A common story! These women and their babies are very annoying," observed the general.

"She says that her husband is to be shot."

"Very likely! Our prisons are full. Doubtless he is a bad man."

"Can't you do something?" "Eh?" Longorio lifted his brows in the frankest inquiry.

"That poor girl with her little, bare, brown-eyed baby was pitiful." Alaire leaned forward with an earnest appeal in her face, and her host smiled.

"So? That is how it is, eh? What is her name?"

"Inez Garcia. The husband's name is Juan."

"Of course. These peledors are all Juanes. You would like to appear as an angel of mercy, eh? Your heart is touched?"

"Deeply."

"Bastante! There is no more to be said." Longorio rose and went into the next room, where were certain members of his staff. After a time he returned with a paper in his hand, and this he laid before Alaire. It was an

"We Promise!" Eagerly Cried the Pair.

order for the release of Juan Garcia. The salvo conducted which will permit Juan and Inez and their Juanito to return to their farm is being made out," he explained. "Are you satisfied?"

Alaire looked up wonderingly. "I am deeply grateful. You overwhelm me. You are—a strange man."

"Dear lady, I live to serve you. Your wish is my law. How can I prove it further?"

The strained, throbbing silence that followed Longorio's last words did more to frighten the woman than had his most ardent advances. He would have lingered indefinitely over the table, but Alaire soon rose to go, explaining:

"I must finish my disagreeable task now, so that I can go home tomorrow."

"Tomorrow!" her host cried in dismay. "No, no! You must wait—"

"My husband is expecting me."

This statement was a blow; it seemed to crush Longorio, who could only look his keen distress.

As they stepped out into the street in the gutter stood Inez Garcia with her baby in her arms, and beside her the ragged figure of a young man, evidently her Juan. The fellow was emaciated, his face was gaunt and worn and frightened, his feet were bare even of sandals, the huge peaked straw hat which he clutched over his breast was tattered, and yet in his eye there was a light.

They had waited patiently, these Garcias, heedful of Longorio's orders, and now they burst into a torrent of thanks. They flung themselves to their knees and kissed the edge of Alaire's dress. General Longorio enjoyed this scene tremendously, and his beaming eyes expressed the hope that Alaire was fully satisfied with the moment.

"They look very poor," said Alaire, and opened her purse; but Longorio would not permit her to give. Extracting a large roll of paper money from his own pocket, he tossed it, without counting, to Juan, and then when the onlookers applauded, he loudly called to one of his officers, saying:

"Olga! Give these good friends of mine two horses, and see that they are well cared for. Now, Juan," he addressed the dazed countryman. "I have one order for you: Every night of your life you and your pretty wife must say a prayer for the safety and happiness of this beautiful lady who has induced me to spare you. Do you promise?"

"We promise!" eagerly cried the pair.

"Good! See that you keep your word. On the day that you forget for the first time Luis Longorio will come to see you. And then what!" He scowled at them fiercely.

"We will not forget," the Garcias chorused.

The next installment covers further exciting and extremely distasteful advances on the part of General Longorio. Alaire begins to fear the Mexican.

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#### Selfishness.

We have long contemplated writing an article on the above subject but when taking stock of our own lives we hesitated to do so, for we as others that we come in contact with have a taint of selfishness.

What is selfishness? We would answer in short that it is a violation of that great rule laid down by the giver of all law, when he said, "do unto others as you would have them do unto you."

There are many kinds of selfishness. Or rather we should say that it crops out in many different places in life.

There is social selfishness, political selfishness, business selfishness, family selfishness, and to cap it all off there is church selfishness.

**Social Selfishness.**— There are those that are jealous of their standing in society that they are afraid to extend the proper courtesies to another for fear that he or she might become more popular than they, and then their social standing would be absolutely ruined. This however is not true, and had we the broadmindedness to see it, there is nothing that would build up our social standing like absolute selfishness. Many are the hearts that have ached on account of some one ignoring them, when by a kind word or unselfish act, they could have caused

gladness instead of pain.

**POLITICAL SELFISHNESS.** We often meet the candidate, who is willing to sacrifice himself for the dear people, who after we have torn our old shirt for him, have made many enemies of our best friends, have given him space ungrudgingly in our valuable sheet, and have succeeded in helping him into the office, who, when he has succeeded in landing the "pie", forgets entirely, and in some cases we have known them to have their printing work done by a foreign house, because their price was only \$2.98 when ours was all of \$3.00. Not only have we suffered this inconvenience, but our fellow-townsmen have suffered likewise, and for the price of only a two-cent postage stamp. If we could be the same warm friends of a man after he succeeds as we are, (let him tell it) before the election, the thing is, the motive that urges most of us to offer ourselves as a sacrifice for the "dear people" is a selfish motive, and not a real unselfish service. However let us say that there are many who are real servants of the people and need to be commended for their service.

**Business Selfishness.**— This kind of selfishness is abroad in the land and is a menace to good business. Why is it that business men will not give their competitors a fair show? Or why is it that they are invariably landing on their competitor, selfish-

ness that is all.

So long as that kind of relation exists among business men, we are doomed to small business, and can never hope to build up our town to the proportion that it should attain. Unselfish spirit existing among the business men of any town, and each of them want to see the other succeed and is willing to lend a helping hand if necessary, there is nothing that can keep any town from coming to the front.

This is not confined to the merchants alone, but should include all classes of people including the lawyers, doctors, farmers, ranchmen, preachers, etc. In fact if we lay aside our selfishness and show to one another an unselfish spirit, we will work together for the betterment of our country.

**Family Selfishness.**— Well the less that we say about this form of selfishness the better. Above all places where there should be an unselfish spirit shown it should be around the hearthstones. Therefore strive to show yourself at your best when in the home. Selfishness in the home makes all the inhabitants unhappy. Keep the home happy by being unselfish.

But we come to the worst form of selfishness that we know of which is Church selfishness. We have heard it called religious selfishness, but we do not believe that the word religion or religious should be polluted by affixing selfishness to it, so in dealing with the form we will say church.

While we have our own belief about what church we prefer, yet we do not want to force our belief upon anyone, and want to give to all the same privilege that we take ourselves.

Surely the time will be here when we will have meetings, and then will be the sifting time for the selfish, for then will that spirit show up. If we understand it we are all working for the same place at the end of life. If this be the case why do we want to be selfish here below? Do we not all agree that what we hear preached even by the ministers of our own church is sometimes a little selfish, but we are not forced to believe everything the preacher says. If we go to hear any man preach regardless of our denominational belief we will receive good.

Why not lay aside this petty selfishness and work together for the good of humanity. We are sure that our work would be more acceptable to the great redeemer. Let's band ourselves together for a bigger and better service and a more unselfish one. Don't envy a person a place in heaven.

If selfishness could only be blotted out of society, of politics, of business, of the home and of the church, what a great town and community could be made of not only Miami, but any other town. Resolve at once never to be selfish again on anything, and thereby make the world that much better.

#### THE PUBLICITY LAW

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS.

Section 1. That whenever by law notice is required to be given of any act or proceeding, whether public or private, or relating to a judicial, executive, or legislative matter, which notice is now authorized by law or by contract, to be made by posting notices in one or more public places, such notices shall hereafter be given by publication thereof, in a newspaper of general circulation, which has been continuously and regularly published for a period of not less than one year, in the county in which said act or proceeding is to occur; provide that nothing in this act shall be construed to require the publication of any general election notice, public road notices nor probate notices, when the appraised value of the estate in which same is issued is less than one thousand dollars, (1,000) and provided further, that the provisions of this Act shall not apply to sales made under a written contract wherein it is provided that notice of sale thereof may be posted.

Section 2. All notices published under the provisions of this act shall be printed at least once a week, for the period of time required for posting such notices.

Sec. 3. In the event no paper should be published in the county where such notice is required to be given, then such notices may be posted as now provided by law.

Sec. 4. The price to be paid for all publications required by this Act shall be not more than one dollar (1.00) per square of one hundred (100) words for first insertion, and not more than fifty cents per hundred (100) words for each subsequent insertion, said publication fee to be taxed as other costs in the case.

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