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ADJOURNMENT IS SET FOR ABOUT AUGUST 31

GOVERNOR OPPOSES EXTRA SES-SION PLAN.

PRESENT MANY LOCAL BILLS

Governor "Opens Up" to Many Additional Bills of General Nature. Four New Ones.

Austin: It may be put down at pracdeally certain that "legislative rest" will begin on Aug. 30, for the Governor : Il not call another special session of the Legislature; that the inrestigations now in progress will end with that time if not sooner, and that the legislative and Congressional districts of Texas will remain as they tre, for the bills which are being passare almost sure to meet executive disapproval.

It is also pretty certain that many of the measures recommended by the Governor within the last few days will fail of passage. He submitted four new

1. To reduce the minimum price with which the Game, Fish and Oyster Commissioner may sell marl, sand sumption of same.

2. To strengthen the live stock canitary laws.

3. To provide that precincts and counties by a majority vote authorize ticket nominated with Gonzales was the issuance of bonds for good roads, also elected. 4. To provide against the spread of

STATE BANK GUARANTY GOOD

Failed Bank at Houston Upholds Value of System.

Austin: The efficiency of the guaranty fund provision of the State bank law, demonstrated in the liquidation The Memphis, Dallas and Gulf Line the Harris County Bank & Trust pany at Houston, which is now in ess. Depositors are exceedingly

that they may withdraw their deposits from this bank, feeling that their the Graysonia Lumber Co. are invesfunds are perfectly safe and there tors, announced the acquisition of the is no reason to rush. On the other Caddo & Choctak and the Hot Springs, hand those who are now winding up Glenwood & Western. The arrangethe affairs of this bank want to get ments resulting in the purchase by through with the task. The depart- W. H. Wylie, former assistant gen ment a few days ago sent \$75,000 from he guaranty fund here with which to edy depositors.

THE SCHOOL OUSE IN TEXAS

Leads the Union in Material and Financial Progress.

Austin: In an interview State Superintendent of Public Instruction Bralley asserts that during the past from Ashdown to Dallas. two years Texas has made more progian any other State in the Unthe erection and equipment of

shown that during the scholyear ending August 31, 1910, d in common and 127 in indeat school districts, or a little han two during each day of the stic year at an average cost of each. During the same period building or the furniture. ,230 has been expended for nent and \$691,889 in additions. County leads the State-having ded during his period \$123,692 ool houses. Dallas is arranging and \$250,000 for betterments of ermonant school properties.

IS' WOFUL FIRE WASTE

Majority Easily Preventable; Many Inexcusable.

Austin: According to a statement made public recently by the State Insurance Board, out of 5,397 fires reported to August 15, 1921, 2,021 were preventable. The following are the principal classes on which losses have occurred: Dwellings and furniture 2,-282, brick mercantile buildings and contents 158, frame mercan le buildings 457, boarding houses 506, churches and schools 91, special hazards and miscellaneous 866,

Causes of fires are also classified, principal being flues 77 per cent, exsures 16.5 per cent, unknown 14 per cent.

New Postal Banks.

Washington: The following additional postal savings banks are ordered established, effective Sept. 18; Bonham, Hereford, Jacksonville, Mexia and Vernon, Texas; also Anadarko, Okla. Effective Sept. 19: Colorado, manche, Dalhart, Longview and Naota, Texas, also Stillwater and Vini-

GROOMGILMOREFORGOVERNOR ENGLISH RAILWAY

Van Zant Countians Endorse Representative for Governor.

Wills Point: A petition indorsing Hon, Clarence E. Gilmore of Wills Point, representative from the flotorial district composed of Van Zandt, Kaufman and Rains counties, and suggesting him as a candidate for the Democratic nomination for governor in the primary next year, has been circulated in this county and more than 500 signatures secured, the sign ers representing business men, farmers, lawyers, practically all the coun ty officials, the president of the county Farmers' Union, and all classes of citizens from all section of the coun-

The petition gives many reasons why the Democrats of Texas should unite on him as the candidate to oppose Governor Colquitt for re-election and gives him the highest indorsement of his home people. Mr. Gilmore has not yet been advised of this

GONZALES IS ELECTEE.

Signifies Tranquility Is Permanent In Chihuahua.

El Paso: Election day in the State of Chihuahua, Mexico, passed without and shells, so as to encourage con- elected governor, a posietacmfwcmf elected governor, a position he is now disturbance. Abram Gonzales was holding under appointment from Francisco Madero, and the entire State

There was no opposition to the governor, who was the acting secretary of war under Madero when the rebel dero, had been importuned to run, army was in the field. Pascual Orozco, who was chief general for Madero had been importuned to run.

MEMPHIS TO DALLAS - ROAD

Taking Definite Form.

St. Louis: The Memphis, Dallas & in presenting their pass books so Gulf, in which interests identified with the Grayson-McLeod Lumber Co. and eral freight agent of the Wabash, who is now an executive officer of the Memphis. Dallas & Gulf.

> The Memphis, Dallas & Gulf is projected to run from Hot Springs and Memphis to Dallas. With the purchasing of the two short lines and the connecting of the several roads there will be a route owned by the Memphis, Dallas and Gulf from Hot Springs to Ashdown, Ark. Plans are being elaborated for an extension

> > Club House Burned.

Marshall: The big club house of Uncertain ranch burned Sunday night. The club house was located on Caddo lake, about twenty miles from Marwere 643 public school houses shall, and was brand new, having been finished only a short while ago. The club house cost about \$2500 and was owned by a stock company. Not a cent of insurance was carried on the

Waco Preacher Starts Reform.

Waco: Dr. E. E. Ingram, who delivered his sermon in Austin Avenue Presbyterian Church Sunday in his shirt sleeves, after ar nouncing that he would do so a week before hand. found that many of the male members of his flock were present, also coatless. Pastor Ingram said he wanted to be as comfortable as possible and believed the extreme heat of the prevalent torrid wave justified removal of superfluous raiment.

Will Establish Tuberculosis Colony Austin: State Health Officer Steiner, chairman of the Tuberculosis Commission, announces that the Commission will leave for a point near Carlsbad. Tom Green County, about fourteen miles from San Angelo, where the site will be selected for the establishment of one of the two tuberculosis colonies. The contract will be let and work commenced immediately on the erection of one of the colonies, which will cost \$50,000. The site is near the Concho River and contains 500 acres of land.

Sunday morning S. F. Weatherly of Yoakum surprised to find on the back doc sep of his home on East hill a paper box, which upon being opened was found to contain a healthy white baby boy about ten days of

The twenty-eighth annual session of the Laundrymen's National Associan met in St. Paul Monday

STRIKE IS ENDED

A JOINT COMMITTEE WILL INVES-TIGATE AND ARBITRATE.

LOOKS LIKE UNION VICTORY

It Is Estimated that 250,000 Men Were Involved. Food Became Scarce in Many Localities.

London: After a week's unrest all over the kingdom, suffering in many places and violence and death in some the greatest labor strike in the history of the county is brought to an A tremendous wave of relief swept over Englandd Saturday night when at 11 o'clock announcement was made from the Board of Trade that the railway strike had been settled and the men would return to work immediately.

Telegrams were dispatched to all important railroad towns bearing the information. The cabinet had been working night and day since the strike threatened to arrange a compromise. Most of the credit for the ultimate success of their efforts seems to rest on the shoulders of Chancellor Lloyd George, who, in his statements to parliament and in an interview with the managers and the men, worked for conciliation when all other of the interested parties seemed to have abandoned hope of a peaceful settlement.

So far as technical advantage in the compromise goes, it appears to the managers consent to meet their representatives.

The official statement concerning the agreement, say the managers, consented to this scheme in view of certain representations made them by the government, including a promise of of railway rates. The men claim vic- aviation meet here Tuesday. tory for unionism on the point of recognition of unions.

es of the labor unions saying: "The joint committee has settled

Messages were sent to 1800 branch-

will be withdrawn.

TWO NEW AMERICAN STATES

New Mexico and Arizona to Come into Sisterhood.

Washington: Unless the President the new Statehood resolution which an hour later. was passed by the Senate, providing for the admission of New Mexico and DANGER IN DOG'S MOUTH. Arizona after they have voted upon certain prescribed amendments to their Constitutions.

Dallas City and County Scholastics. Dallas: According to the report which Judge Young will make public Dallas County, and the entire population of the county is further shown cinct No. 1, which includes Dallas and outlying districts, there are -8,994 school children. In Dallas proper the report gives 17,764, with 1280 scholastics in the suburbs of the city. The report also shows the population of Dallas proper to be 106,584, while the population of precinct No. 1 is 107,914. The report will be sent to Austin within the next few days.

Populist Leader Boomed for 1912. Lincoln, Neb.: Friends of Robert

G. Ross of Lexington, Neb., self-announced candidate for the nomination of president of the United States on the Populist ticket are beginning an earnest and energetic campaign in his behalf. Ross is pointed to with pride as being successively a ecwboy, ranchman, lawyer, and the "King of Literature" in the West. He is the son of an American Revolutionist, and a direct descendant of George Ross, one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence.

Entertainment Pulled off at Bremond. Bremond: One of the bloodiest fights ever seen in Bremond was pulled off in a saloon at 5 o'clock Saturday afternoon, Six-shooters, knives, chairs and beer bottles were the main weapons. As a result one man will probably dies from gun wounds, another is badly shot, two men are badly cut but not fatally, it is thought,

ATWOOD'S GREAT AERO FEAT GROP OUTLOOK DEPRESSING TWO NEW STATES

York-Many Stops.

Lyons, N. Y .: Nine hundred and thirty miles from his starting point, from all parts of Texas and Oklaho-Harry N. Atwood, the young Boston ma. Almost without exception the aviator who is fast approaching the buyers complain of deterioration of flight from St. Louis to New York, corn crop was a total failure and that landed in a field in Lyons Sunday the cane, millet, milo maize and other afternoon, after flying 104 miles from

Buqalo without a stop. 1,117 miles, or 13 miles more than the the summer and this fall, present record of 1,164 miles, won by European aeronauts in flights over Germany. His flying time, he expects. will be ten days, as compared with

thirty days taken by the present rec-

ord holders. At the finish the Bos-

tonian in distance will have broken the world's record by 101 miles. Atwood intends not to reach Albany before Tuesday night. At Albany he will provide his biplane with pontoons for possible emergency landings in the Hudson of the ocean near New York. Leaving Albany Wednesday morning he hopes to cover the 146 miles from there to New York with one stop, sail-

ney Island in the afternoon. Soon after he will feturn to Boston, Atwood said he would prepare for a transcontinental flight this autumn. probably from Los Angeles to New York. He said he thought he could make the 3,500 miles in fifteen days.

ing over the city and landing at Co-

be in the men's favor, particularly as TWO AVIATORS ARE KILLED

Two Young Men Victims of the Unconquered Elements.

Chicago: Two aviators, William R. Badger of Pittsburg and St. Croix Johnstone of Chicago, both young men. legislation to permit of an increase lost their lives at the international

Death in both cases was due to unexplained accidents, probably the re-

settlement, soldiers posted at strate-field. There had been a flaw in one 5, Sept. 20 and Oct 5, respectively. gic railway points about the country of the paddles of the propeller of the Baldwin machine he drove. Centrifugal force broke the propeller, upset the delicate equilibrium of the ma- G. Lockett Co., as a sales and store chine and Badger dashed 100 feet to room for implements and vehicles was the botto mof the pit. His neck was burned with its contents early Wedbroken.

Johnstone fell 500 feet under his ing and stock amount to about \$12, changes his mind about the sort of engine and was drowned as the relegislation Arizona should have, two sult of an equally unsuspected defect. new stars will shortly be added to Caught under the heavy engine in the the flag as the result of the action Moisant monoplane he was carried of the House Saturday afternoon in deep into Lake Michigan and his body passing practically without opposition was not brought to the surface until

Lead Up to Cases of Violent Hydrophobia and Death.

New York: Mrs. Amanda Irwin was admitted to Bellvue Hospital suffering from hydrophobia, the symptoms there are 26,136 school children in of which have been unnoticed for five years. According to neighbors, Mrs. Irwin was bitten by a mad dog in in the report to be 174,816. In pre- 1906. Physicians declared that the inoculation had been slowly working through her system and it had at last emerged in an acute attack. She was found in her home suffering agonies. She attacked the policeman who was sent to take charge of her and the ambulance surgeon found it necessary to use a straight jacket to get her to the hospital. Her case is hopeless.

> Newark, N. J.: Jacob Swenzer, president of the Woodbridge Auto Co., is dead at his home in Woodbridge, N. J., of rabies, after a two days' illness. A pet dog which licked his hand about a month ago went mad a few days later. Swenzer was formerly a well known driver of racing automobiles.

Fatal Pistol Duel.

Sulphur, Okla.: Saturday night Reuhen Marlowe and Jack L. Potts unknown value, and leaving the train engaged in a pistol duel in front of the Crescent drug store of this city, seem to have made a good escape Marlowe fatally wounded Potts, who died from the effects of his wounds about 11:40 o'clock Saturday night. Trouble grew out of a lawsuit in which Potts lost the suit to recover damages from Marlowe in the District Court last week,

First Export Cotton.

Galveston: The first two foreign. vessels to put out from the port of Galveston carrying cotton of the 1911 crop sailed out of the harbor Sunday and eight others are seriously bat-tered up. The fight listed about thir-

Ten Day Air Trip St. Louis to New Corn Practically a Failure and Coston Eadly Hurt.

Dallas: The city is full of buyers world's long distance record in his the cotton. They declared that the forage crops the farmers planted after the summer rains are dead. Most of Atwood will have broken the world's them said that business had been very long distance record when he fles good all summer, and the orders they along the Hudson south of Albany at were placing for goods were such as a point between Greendale and Rhine- to indicate that they expect to trancliff. At Rhinecliff he will have flown sact some business during the rest of

CUBAN PRESIDENT VIGOROSU

Two O.ensive Editors Bundled off to Spain Quickly.

Havana: Jose Maria Villaverde managing editor of the Cuba, and his hephew, Manuel Cillaverde, an editorial writer on the Cuba, were seized at the residence of the former, placed on board a steamer, and deported to

The Cuba has been continuously assailing the government of President Gomez. Acting under a presidential decree, a squad of police visited the residence of Senor Villaverde and demanded admission. This being refused, the police battered down the door, seized the two Villaverdes and without giving them time to make preparation, rushed both on board the steamer Alfonso XIII, which sailed at once for Spanish ports.

A presidential decree issued concerning the deportation denounces the Villaverdes, who are Spaniards, as pernicious foreigners actively hostile to the Cuban government and hence subject to deportation.

Baltimore Gulf Line Assured.

Baltimore: An independent and permanent steamship line operating four vessels between Baltimore and Texas ports, including Galveston, seems to sults of unsuspected defects in the be assured in the Seaboard and Gulf mechanism of the machines, and was Steamship Company, The vessels of in no way caused by carelessness nor the line are the D. N. Luckenbach, the the strike. It is a victory for trade lack of responsibility of the drivers. Honduras, the Jacob Luckenbach and Badger, a wealthy youth, careened the F. J. Luckenbach. The schedule work immediately." As a result of to his death in a pit in the aviation for first sailings will be Aug. 21, Sept.

Second Fire At Abilene.

Abilene: A building occupied by T. nesday morning. The losses os build-

A. \$40,000 Fire Visits Dayton. Dayton: Fire in the business sec

tion which extended to the residence section consumed about twenty-five buildings, mostly small, Friday mornnig, causing a loss of about \$40,000. with insurance nominal.

M. O. & G. to Extend 100 Miles. Shawnee, Okla.: Work has been commenced by surveyors for the Mem-

phis. Oklahoma & Gulf Railway northeast of the city. There are twentyfive men in the party. The line is to be extended from Henryetta to Oklahoma City, a distance of 100 miles.

The Katy General Offices. St. Louis: The following was giv-

en out at the general offices of the Katy: "The Missouri, Kansas & Texas will put up a general office building for its Texas lines in Dallas. The building will be of reinforced concrete throughout, including the floors, seven stories high and strictly fireproof. It will be supplied with a cold water circulating system, a vacuum cleaning system, electric current for light and power and other up-to-date features. It will be located close to the new union passenger station, and will be completed early in 1912."

Masked Men Hold Up Mail Clerk. Houston: Two masked men held up and robbed the mail clerk on the northbound Katy Flyer inside the city limits of Houston Wednesday night. securing nise registered packages of at Eureko, just outside the city, and without leaving a tangible clew.

Puzzling Murder in Galveston Park. Galveston: A most baffling case developed Wednesday morning short ly after 5 o'clock with the finding of Lieut, Arnold, two of the army's corps the dead body in Central Park of Geo. of aviators. The two officers covered H. Jageler, aged 26 years, who arrived in Galveston two week previously from his home in New York. Death was due to a severe blow behind the right ear that crushed the skull. His pockets contained no money, but jewelry upon his person, if the motive was robbery, was not disturbed.

ARE NOW ADMITTED

ARIZONA AND NEW MEXICO COME INTO THE SISTERHOOD.

FORTY-EIGHT STARS SHINING

Resolution Demands Elimination of Recall of Judges Proposed by State of Arizona.

Washington, Aug. 22.-President Taft signed the joint resolution for the admission of New Mexico and Arizona into the Union at 3:08 p. m. Monday.

There was but one resolution, so that the President used three different pens in order that some of the relic hunters might be satisfied.

When the resolution was laid on his desk he looked up at the crowd around him and said:

"Has anybody read this?" Nobody answered, and, to make certain of it, the President read the resolution himself.

"Well, gentlemen, it's done," he said as he put the last stroke on the parchment.

The resolution signed by the President provides that Arizona shall eliminate the judiciary recall clause in its Constitution.

Santa Fe: Immediately upon the receipt of the news that President Taft had signed the Statehood bill, Miss Madeline Mills, daughter of Gov. Mills, hauled up on the Capitol staff a large flag with forty-eight stars. A monster non-partisan statehood celebration took place in the public plaza, while the city was lighted with bonfires and a great fire burned on the top of Fort Marcy, overlooking

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Among the speakers were seven Supreme Court Judges, the Governor and four ex-Governors of New Mexico.

General Storms and Heat in West.

St. Louis: Storus a repa Missouri and Central and Southern Illinois Sunday, while the terrific heat in Oklahoma and Texas, which has stood at 100 degrees and over for ten days, broke records. Ardmore, Ok., reports 100 degrees; McAlester, Ok., 105, and Oklahoma is deteriorating fast in Oklahoma, it is declared. Windstorms did considerable damage to farm property in Central Kansas, Many buildings were unroofed at Wilson and vicinity. An inch and a half of rain fell in Northwest Missouri and a half inch in Central Missouri.

Two Alabama Counties Vote Dry. Birmingham: Three Alabama counties held elections Monday under the new local option laws and each voted for the conditions existing at the time the State-wide law was enacted. Madison County, of which Huntsville is the county seat, voted for dispensarles by a bout 600. Tallapoosa, of which Dadeville is the county seat, went dry by about 700. Covington County, of which Andalusia is the county seat, went dry by a vote of about 2 to 1.

Says Teddy to the Politicians. Pittsburg, Pa.: Former President Theodore Roosevelt, in a letter to Alexander P. Moore, editor of the Pittsburg Leader, made public said: "I must ask not only you, but every friend I have, to see to it that no movement whatever is made to bring me forward for the nomination in 1912. I should esteem it a genuine calamity if such a movement were undertaken."

Uniform Divorce Laws Desired. New York: In response to inquiries sent from New York to the gov ernor of every State in the Union asking their views on the desirability of uniform divorce legislation, twenty governors have replied in favor of uniformity, either by Federal enactment or by general agreement upon

a statute to be adopted by the various legislatures.

Army Aviator's Flight. Frederick, Md.: Dashing though the air at almost a mile a minute, a United States Army aeroplane came into this city Monday from College Park, Md., bearing Capt. Chandler and the forty-two miles between the army aerodrome at College Park, near Washington, and this city in forty-

An order establishing an eight-hour working day in all shops of the Southern Pacific Company became effective Monday.

seven minutes.

COUNTRY CORRESPONDENCE

Shiloh Clippings.

Aug. 14 .- More warm weather its mother found it. out here in the Shiloh district.

Our meeting at Shiloh closed Misses Hales Sunday. Sunday evening at the baptizing. There were ten baptized and sev. her aunt in Abilene this week. eral additions to the church by good sermons delivered by Rev. We wish them much happiness. J. H. Pace of Anson.

turned from a visit to her sister .- poison caused by a cut.

Mrs. Jim Williamson is from friends.

Again Cupid has been casting Miss Blanche Jones to Mr. Hardy been visiting her daughter Mrs Rutledge of Oklahoma. They C. W. Williams. will leave soon for their new to give Mrs. Rutledge up but we homa. wish for them a long and happy life. May they never know proved. She has been confined sorrow.

Miss Odessa Higgins has re- typhoid fever. turned home after a visit of several days with relatives at Shiioh. turned from her visit.

Miss Eva Hightower of Shiloh will move in the fall. stole a march on her parents and went for a visit to her brothers running yet. at Anson, and while there became Mrs. Olan Scott. We wish for them a pleasant journey through life.

badly.

Howells is very ill.

short visit.

ping in Merkel Monday.

Rev. Moore of Merkel will preach his first sermon for the Shiloh people the 4th Sunday in of Modie who has been called to for the week ending Aug. 26, 1911 preach will honor Shiloh with his first sermon.

Good bye till I come again. Happy Hooligan.

August 24-Cotton picking is all the farmers can talk of and quite a lot of the fleecy staple is being gathered.

down and was almost dead when

Miss Florence Code visited the

Miss Mary Green is visiting

Miss Noby Sanders and Valletter. The church was greatly dree Rutlege of Shiloh were revived and much good done, married at Truby by Rev Gentry We were greatly pleased with the of Anson last Sunday at 11 o'clock

Jim Bill Tener has a little boy Mrs. Uldric Wheeler has re- very ill. Has something like blood

Mr. and Mrs. Truitt of Anson home on a visit to relatives and were visiting their daughter Mrs. Joe Dyess this week.

Mrs. J. D. Barnes has returned his darts and took from our midst home from Hamlin where she has

ErnaRutledge is here on a visit home in Oklahoma. We regret to friends. His home is in Okla-

> Little Jeffie Howell is much imto her bed for some time with

Mrs. Jim Williamson has re-

Mr. Sanders will leave Shiloh Wilmer Grayson is at home from college to spend a few days. soon to look for a location. He for the United States.

The Shiloh gin has not begun

Happy Hooligan.

A TEXAS WONDER.

The Texas Wonder cures kid-Farmers are beginning to pick ney and bladder troubles, weak cotton and they are all proud of and lame backs, rheumatism and what crop they have, but the hot all irregularity of the kinneys weather is making it look sick and bladder in both men again and we are needing rain and women, regulates bladder ing her friends now at Noodle, troubles in children. If not sold she is at Parson Jones now. The little daughter of Sam by your druggist, will be sent by mail on receipt of \$1. One small Mrs. William Bayetts sister bottle is two months treatment work and some are thinking of and brother are with her for a and seldom fails to perfect a cure going off to school. Send for Texas testimonials. Dr. Miss Margrett Dyess was shop- E. W. Hall, 2926 Olive St., St. Louis, Mo. Sold by druggists.

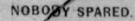
Bead Le ? List.

The following letters remain in August. / Also Brother Will Horn the postoffice at Merkel, Texas,

> Davis, C L Gwyn, Mrs R H Scott, Charley Winkle, Bill

If not called for will be sent to hog last Friday. dead-letter office Sept. 9, 1911. H. W. Derstine, P. M.

Buy it now. Now is the time to buy A little child of Sanford Calla. a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera han came near being drowned and Diarrhoea Remedy. It is almost certain to be needed before the sum-Saturday. It was wading in the mer is over. This remedy has no supeshallow part of the water and fell rior. For sale by all dealers.



Kidney Troubles Attack Merkel Men and Women, Old and Young.

old. Come quickly with little county last week. warning. Children suffer in their early years-can't control the kidney secretions. Girls are languid, nervous, suffer pain. Women worry, can't do daily Church Saturday night.

Men have lame and aching backs. The cure for man, woman or child. Is to cure the cause-the kidneys. Doan's Kid- Saturday. ney Pills cure sick kidneys-Cure all forms of kidney suffering. The following testimony proves it:

J. C. Smith, cotton buyer, 701 Elm St., Abilene, Texas, says: "Being annoyed considerably by a weakness of my kidneys, and having heard Doan's Kidney Pills highly spoken of, I procured a box. In view of the results of their use, I know them to be a good kidney remedy. My nephew who was staying with me at the time also took Doan's Kidney Pills with benefit."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agents

Remember the name-Doan's and take no other.

Noodle Dots.

Aug. 21-The hot weather is still on and cotton picking is in full blast. Sunday school was well attended Sunday.

Cotton picking is going at 80 and 90 cents per hundred.

Miss Ellen Moore is out visit-

Some of the boys at Noodle are are thinking of going off to hunt

Mrs. O. R. Bird of Valley Mill is visiting her parents here.

Some of the young people were at Sandburr from Noodle Sunday and enjoyed a fine dinner.

Mrs. O. R. Bird was in Merkel Monday

Charlie Jones and Leldon Good will start off to school soon. Everybody hopes to get the

same school teacher they had last year. Charlie Deutschman lost a fine

It has been so hot people could not pick much cotton but hope

it will get cooler weather soon. Cotton will make about fourth

of a bale to the acre some will make more. Feed is very sorry. The Happyman.

Aug 21-It is pleasing to know burn Saturday. that the harvesting time has

Cotton has been turning out night. pick it as it is so low.

Cliford Hill of Hill county and day. Eugene Spurgeon of Compere E. F. Stanley left Friday for were in our community Tuesday. Wilbarger county where he will

J. A. Sosebee made a business here Sunday. trip to Anson Saturday.

Bonnie Church visited Wesley Ely Saturday.

Quite a number attended services at Sandburr Sunday. Miss Ella Moore of Oklahoma

is visiting here this week. ter of Odessa are visiting her sis. Best pile care on earth. Only 25c at H.

ter Mrs. W. W. Beene. Alfred Ely visited Stith folks Sunday.

Our crowd was small at Sunschool on account of hot weather says the London Chronicle. He liked coffee unadulterated. While but we must come out to prayer with the Prussian army in France meeting for it is not hot on Sun-White Dove. day nighte,

ed to do any good, "writes H.M. Young-Ohio. "The first few doses of Cham- of coffee berlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets gave me surprising relief and the second bottle seemed to give me a new stomach and perfectly good health.' For sale by all dealers.

Read the Mail. 1.00 a year. by all dealers.

Nubia News.

Aug. 22-The farmer's are all busy picking cotton.

Watt Blair and family visited Kidney ills seize young and his cousin Geo. West of Fisher

John Deavenport and family visited A. L. Stanley Sunday.

H. L. Deavenport and Bertha Stanley attended church atWhite

Oscar Walker and family, Brown Deavenport and family have moved to Nubia.

Royce Dowdy visited KyleBlair Mrs. Jim Blackburne is some

better at this writing. Miss GertrudeStanley has been

very sick. Quite a number of our younger people enjoyed the singing at

Riney Sunday J. S. Barnes had the misfortune of getting one of his horses

hurt last week. Brown Deavenport and family visited J. W. Dowdy Sunday.

Miss EmmaCampbell will leave Saturday for Roscoe and other

points west. Miss Ruby Reid of Polar who has been visiting her aunt Mrs. Walker for six weeks left for her home Wednesday.

K. Blackburne visited his brother John Sunday.

D. L. Boyd and M. E. Perry, wife and baby attended church at White Church Sunday.

Geo. Hunter and Kelly Dudley called at A. L. Stanley's Saturday night.

John Hendrix and Lela Clark attended the meeting at White Church last week. Lost Dog.

John Hendrix and sister Inis Reynolds visited Mrs. John Tillinghast Friday.

John and Will Toombs spent last week with their parents Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Toombs near

Mrs. A. L. Stanley visited Mrs. Jobn Davenport Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Stanley attended preaching atWhiteChurch Thursday night.

Mrs. A. L. Stanley went to Blair Thursday. John Davenport and family

spent Sunday with A. L. Stanley and family. A. L. Stanley who has been

visiting his brother in Brown county returned home Saturday. Mrs. George Tillinghast, children and Mrs. Ellen Hogan spent

Saturday night and Sunday at White Church. Walter Boden went to Nubia

Tuesday. Mrs. Donie Toombs and Miss

Effie Thornton visited K Black-Ernest Moore attended prayer

meeting at this place Sunday pretty well but is quite a task to D.L Boyd and family attended

preaching at White Church Sun-

Several have been attending spend a few days with his broththe meeting atCompere this week er-in-law Walter Moodie.

Otto Sosebee, Charlie Ely and There will be Sunday School D Know All

Wife Got Tip Top Advice.

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and R. C. Young were in Abilene Judge Mims left Sunday for a

Fresh bakers bread at all times at the Merkel Dry Goods and Grocery Co.

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SYNOPSIS.

Count di Rosini, the Italian ambassador, is at dinner with diplomats when a messenger summons him to the embassy, where a beautiful young woman asks for a ticket to the embassy ball. The ticket is made out in the name of Mias Isabel Thorne. Chief Campbell of the secret service, and Mr. Grimm, his head detective, are warned that a plot is brewing in Washington, and Grimm goes to the state ball for information. His attention is called to Miss Isabel Thorne, who with her companion, disappears. A shot is heard and Senor Alvarez of the Mexican legation, is found wounded. Grimm is assured Miss Thorne did it; he visits her, demanding knowledge of the affair, and arrests Pietro Petrozinni. Miss Thorne visits an old bomb-maker and they liscuss a wonderful experiment. Fifty thousand dollars is stolen from the office of Senor Rodriguez, the minister from Venezuela, and while detectives are investigating the robbery Miss Thorne appears as a guest of the legation. Grimm accuses her of the theft; the money is restored, but a new mystery occurs in the disappearance of Monsteur Boissegur the French ambassador. Elusive Miss Thorne reappears, bearing a letter which states that the ambassador. Elusive Miss Thorne reappears bearing a letter which states that the ambassador. The ambassador returns and again strangely disappears.

CHAPTER XIV .- (Continued.)

"The house is two blocks west, along that street there," he explained, and he indicated an intersecting thor- been said. "One of my agents stopped oughfare just ahead. "It is number ninety-seven. Five minutes after we enter you will drive up in front of the door and wait. If we don't return in fifteen minutes-come in after us!" "Do you anticipate danger?" Miss Thorne queried quickly.

"If I had anticipated danger," replied Mr. Grimm, "I should not have permitted you to come with me."

They entered the house-number ninety-seven-with a key which Mr. Grimm produced, and a minute or so later walked into a room where three men were sitting. One of them was of a coarse, repulsive type, large and heavy; another rather dapper, of sucricial , lisa, evidently a foreigner, and the third—the third was Ambassador Boissegur!

"Good morning, gentlemen!" Mr. Grimm greeted them, then ceremonipusly: "Monsieur Boissegur, your carrisge is at the door."

instantly, and one of them-he of the heavy face-drew a revolver. Gricam faced him placidly.

"Do you know what would happen to you if you killed me?" he inquired. pleasantly. "You wouldn't live three minutes. Do you imagine I came in here blindly? There are a dozen men guarding the entrances to the house-a pistol shot would bring them In. Put down that gun!"

Eyes challenged eyes for one long laid the weapon on the table. Mr. Grimm strolled over and picked it up, after which he glanced inquiringly at the other mau-the ambassador's second guard.

"And you are the gentleman, I dare say, who made the necessary trips to ambassador's house, probably using his latch-key?" he remarked interrogatively. "First for the letters to be signed, and again for the cigarettes?"

There was no answer and Mr. Grimm turned questioningly to Monsleur Boissegur, silent, white of face, motionless

"Yes, Monsieur," the ambassador burst out suddenly. His eyes were fixed unwaveringly on Miss Thorne. "And your escape, Monsieur?" con-

tinued Mr. Grimm. "I did escape, Monsieur, night," the ambassador explained. but they knew it immediately—they pursued me into my own house, these two and another-and dragged me back here! Mon Dieu, Monsieur,

"That's all that's necessary," remarked Mr. Grimm. "You are free to

"But there are others," Monsieur Boissegur interposed desperately, "two more somewhere below, and they

will not allow-they will attack-!" Mr. Grimm's listless eyes narrowed slightly and he turned to Miss Thorne. She was a little white, but he saw

enough in her face to satisfy him. "I shall escort Monsieur Boissegur to his carriage, Miss Thorne," he said, calmly. "These men will remain here until I return. Take the revolver. If either of them so much as wags his ead-shoot! You are not-not

"No." She smiled faintly. "I am not

Mr. Grimm and the ambassador der. ont door. Mr. Grimm was just turning to re-enter the house when from ove came a muffled, venomous steps going up, two at a time. Miss zi until I went to Italy, and I've heard Thorne was leaning against the wall jolly well little of him since, except as if dazed; the revolver lay at her indirectly."

feet. A door in a far corner of the oom stood open; and the clatter of ootsteps echoed through the house. "One of them leaped at me and I fired," she gasped in explanation. "He

struck me, but I'm-I'm not hurt." She stooped quickly, picked up the evolver and made as if to follow the dying footsteps. Mr. Grimm stopped

"It doesn't matter," he said quietly. 'Let them go." And after a while, "If I had dreamed of such earnestly: -such a thing as this I should never have consented to allow you-

"I understand," she interrupted, and for one instant her outstretched hand rested on his arm. "The ambassa-

"Perfectly safe," responded Mr. Grimm. "Two of my men are with

CHAPTER XV.

Master of the Situation.

As the women rose and started out, leaving the gentlemen over their cofee and cigars, Miss Thorne paused at the door and the blue-gray eyes flashed some subtle message to the French ambassador, who, after an instant, nodded comprehendingly, then resumed his conversation. As he left the room a few minutes later he noticed that Mr. Grimm had joined a group of automaniacs of which Mr. Cadwallader was the enthusiastic center. He spoke to his hostess, the wife of the minister from Portugal, for a moment, then went to Miss Thorne and dropped into a seat beside her. She greeted him with a smile and was still smiling as she talked.

"I believe, Monsieur," she said in French, "you sent a code message to the cable office this afternoon?"

His eyes questioned hers quickly. "And please bear in mind that we probably are being watched as we talk," she went on pleasantly. "Mr. Grimm is the man to be afraid of. Smile-don't look so serious!" She laughed outright.

"Yes, I sent a code message," he re-

"It was your resignation?"

"Well, it wasn't sent, of course," she informed him, and her eyes were sparkling as if something amusing had



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it. I may add that it will not be sent." The ambassador's eyes grew steely, then blank again.

"Mademoiselle, what am I to understand from that?" he demanded. "You are to understand that I am

absolute master of the situation in Washington at this moment," she replied positively. The smile on her lips and the tone of her voice were tense instant, and the man carefully strangely at variance. "From the beginning I let you understand that ultimately you would receive your instructions from Paris: now I know they will reach you by cable tomorrow. Within a week the compact will be signed. Whether you approve of it or not it will be signed for your country by a special envoy whose authority is greater than yours-his Highness, the Prince Benedetto ic said: d'Abruzzi."

"Has he reached Washington?"

"He is in Washington. He has been here for some time, incognito." She was silent a moment. "You have been a source of danger to our plans," she added. "If it had not been for an accident you would still have been comfortably kept out in Alexandria ers. where Mr. Grimm and I found you. Please remember. Monsieur, that we will accomplish what we set out to

Nothing can stop us-nothing." do. At just about the same moment the name of Prince d'Abruzzi had been used in the dining-room, but in a different connection. Mr. Cadwallader was reciting some incident of an automobile trip in Italy when he had been connected with the British embassy

"The prince was driving," he said. "and one of the best I ever saw. Corking chap, the prince; democratic, you know, and all that sort of thing. He was one scion of royalty who didn't mind soiling his hands by diving in under a car and fixing it himself. At that time he was inclined to be wild -that was eight or nine years agobut they say now he has settled down to work, and is one of the real diplomatic powers of Italy. I haven't seen

him for a half dozen years." "How old a man is he?" asked Mr.

Grimm carelessly. "Thirty-five, thirty-eight, perhaps; I don't know," replied Mr. Cadwalla-"It's odd, you know, the number went down the stairs, and out the of princes and blue-bloods and all that sort of thing one can find knocking about in Italy and Germany and Spain. One never hears of half of them. I crassash!-a shot! He took the never had heard of the Prince d'Abruz-

Mr. Cady llader lapsed into silence as he sat staring at a large group photograph which was framed on a wall of the dining-room.

"Isn't that the royal family of Italy?" he asked. He rose and went over to it. "By Jove, it is, and here is the prince in the group. The picture was taken, I should say, about the time I knew him."

Mr. Grimm strolled over idly and stood for a long time staring at the photograph.

"He can drive a motor, you know," said Mr. Cadwallader, admiringly. 'And Italy is the place to drive them. They forget to make any speed laws over there, and if a chap gets in your way and you knock him silly they arrest him for obstructing traffic, you know. Over here if a chap really starts to go any place in a hurry some bally idiot holds him up.

"Have you ever been held up?" queried Mr. Grimm.

"No, but I expect to be every day," was the reply. "Ive got a new motor, you know, and I've never been able to see how fast it is. The other evening I ran up to Baltimore with it in an hour and thirty-seven minutes from Alexandria to Druid Hill Park, and that's better than forty miles. I never did let the motor out, you know, because we ran in the dark most of the

Mr. Grimm was still gazing at the photograph.

"Did you go alone?" he asked. "There's no fun motoring alone, you know. Senorita Rodriguez was with

me. Charming girl, what?" A little while later Mr. Grimm sauntered out into the drawing-room and made his way toward Miss Thorne and the French ambassador. Monsieur Boissegur rose, and offered his

hand cordially. "I hope, Monsieur," said Mr. Grimm, 'that you are no worse off for your-

your unpleasant experience?" "Not at all, thanks to you," was the reply. "I have just thanked Miss Thorne for her part in the affair, and-"

"I'm glad to have been of service," interrupted Mr. Grimm lightly.

The ambassador bowed ceremoniously and moved away. Mr. Grimm dropped into the seat he had just left. "You've left the legation, haven't you?" he asked.

"You drove me out," she laughed. "Drove you out?" he repeated.

'Drove you out?" "Why, it was not only uncomfortable, but it was rather conspicuous because of the constant espionage of your Mr. Blair and your Mr. Johnson and your Mr. Hastings," she explained, still laughing. "So I have moved to the Hotel Hilliard."

Mr. Grimm was twisting the seal ring on his little finger. "I'm sorry if I made it uncomforta-

ble for you," he apologized. "You see it's necessary to-"No explanation," Miss Thorne in-

"I understand." "I'm glad you do," he replied seri-

"How long do you intend to ously. remain in the city?" "Really I don't know-two, three, four weeks, perhaps. Why?"

"I was just wondering." Senorita Rodriguez came toward

said, "and we need you, Isabel, to make the four. Come. I hate to take her away, Mr. Grimm."

Mr. Grimm and Miss Thorne rose together. For an instant her slim white hand rested on Mr. Grimm's sleeve and she stared into his eyes understandingly with a little of melancholy in her own. They left Mr. Grimm there.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

HATED ADVERSE CRITICISM

Actor Retorts to Critic's Opinion With a George Washington Story.

The late Frank Worthing, the wellknown actor, was the subject of a recent discussion at the Pen and Pencil club in Philadelphia. A dramatic crit

"Worthing, though a superb actor, hated adverse criticism-hyper-criticism he always called it. To some adverse criticism of mine he retorted one winter night at the Majestic, with a George Washington story.

"He said I reminded him in my critical remarks of a Scot named Saund-

" 'Saunders,' said an American, 'did you ever read the history of America? "'Aweel, I canna say I hev,' Saund-

ers replied. 'Then I'll lend you the book,' said the American. 'I'd like you to read about George Washington.'

'What about him?' Saunders inquired coldly. "'George Washington," said the American, 'was celebrated in history as the boy who couldn't tell a lie. "'Could he no'?' said Saunders.

'Man, there's no muckle to boast about in that. He couldna lie, ye say? Noo we Scot's hae a higher standard o' veracity. We can lie, but we won't!"

Little Wille Again.

"Pa!" came little Willie's voice from the darkness of the nursery. Pa gave a bad imitation of a snore He was tired and did not wish to be disturbed.

"Pa!" came the little voice again. "What is it, Willie?" replied his father, sleepily.

"Tum in here; I want to ast you sumpin'," said the little voice. So pa rose up from his downy and outting on his bath-robe and slippera

marched into the nursery.
"Well, what is it now?" he asked. "Say, pa," said little Willie, "if you was to feed the cow on soap would she give shaving-cream?"-Harpe

The Importance of Knowing God

By Rev. Alexander S. Taylor Rector of St. Mark's Reformed Episcopal Church, Chicago.

TEXT,—That they might know Thee, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom Thou hast sent.—John 17:3,

In these days when knowledge is spread through the whole earth, while the making of many books goes merrily on and much study is a weariness to the flesh, it may be timely to call attention to the importance of knowing God

While man is in this mundane life there are many things which owing to the limitations of this life he shall never know. It is not for him to know the time and the seasons, but, if he be wise, he may understand the signs of the times. Yet we are expressly told that far away above even the imaginations of the human mind in its ghostic flight in the one great indestructible truth that a man may

-nay, that a man must-know God. If man would cease his molelike ferreting after the mysterious earthworms of philosophy, and come out of his pessimistic darkness, and try to know God and to serve him now. many of his doubts would resolve themselves. If a man does not know God, he has missed the one great, important thing; he has not yet found the key by which he may enter the holy place of his own life

How he came here, why he came here, why, he goes from here and whither he goes-these things he

knows not. The work of God speaks in no uncertain tones on this subject. It tells us that knowledge of God is dependent upon a spiritual awakening and a revelation from God himself. We are told that there was a time when Samuel "did not know the Lord, for the word of the Lord was not yet revealed to him." We are further told that there came a time when Samuel did know the Lord, and all Israel knew that Samuel knew the Lord. And the knowledge of God so impressed itself on the lay mind that the servant of Saul testified of him: "Now, there is a man of God in this A man who knew God; who city." walked with God; who made himself felt in the national and individual life

of Israel. The key which David handed to young Solomon was the key of Divine knowledge. "And thou, Solomon, my son, know thou the God of thy father, and serve him with a perfect heart and a willing mind." Jeremiah told the men of his day that worldly wisdom, might and riches never would bring a man to glory; that if any man would glory, "Let him glory in that he knoweth the Lord."

God's controversy with Israel through his prophets was concerning their lack of knowledge. Isaiah goes so far in his rebuke as to accuse them of the densest stupidity and calls upon the heavens to hear and the earth to give ear. He is astonished that the ox knows his owner, and the ass the place for his fodder, but God's people do not know. The depravity of that day was not on account of the lack of religious observance. The smoke from the morning and evening sacrifice went up as regularly as the days came and went.

It was a time of decent, decorous, esthetic, eye pleasing, ear tickling service; but it had no core: there was no heart in it. It was all external-it was something which the Lord could not get away with; it was abomination to him, and we have no reason to think that God has changed his mind in this year of grace. They offered incense; God wanted clean hearts and pure lives, and these come from knowing God. The apostle Paul denounced the church at Corinth for this very thing, and a strange denunciation it is to come in his matchless argument for the resurrection.

Awake to righteousness and sin not, for some have not the knowledge of God. I speak this to your shame.' Is it any less disgraceful in any Christian community, in any Christian land, not to know God? We trow not!

But the great reason given by the matchless Son of God ought to set all men seeking for God. It is given not to the disciples, though heard by them. It is spoken in the holy place of prayer. Any man, be he a sincere man, is most sincere, is at his best, is approaching his zenith, when in his closet, after shutting the door, he prays to his Father. This is no fitting place for cant, dilettantism or sham. It is the one real moment of his life, and the Son of God tells his Father that: "It is life eternal to know the true God, and Jesus Christ, whom he had tent."

Friends, what an opportunity! To grow in the knowledge of the Father and the Son; this is worth while. To know God experimentally-his purposes in creation and in redeeming grace - this is life eterral "And Jesus Christ." The knowledge is yet one, for there is no saving knowledge apart from him, just as there was without him nothing made that was made. All men know him, but all men do not know him. What does this knowledge mean? If we set before ourselves the high

resolve that, God helping us, we shall know him better, the old hymn, 'Near-er, My God, to Thee." will have a fuller, grander meaning, and when the King himself returns to reign in righteousness and execute judgment m the earth, we shall see him face face and know as we are known.

WAS IT ABSENT-MINDEDNESS?



Mrs. Nelson-My husband is awfully absent-minded.

Mrs. Bilson-In what way? Mrs. Nelson-He went fishing yesterday. When he had finished he threw away the fish and brought home

The Bridegroom's Portion. Miss Elsie Gentsch, who teaches Sunday school, had been reading to her class from the gospel of Matthew, and was examining a promising boy, a newcomer, anent the sbuject matter.

"There were ten virgins," said the young man, "five wise ones and five foolish ones, and the five wise ones filled their lamps and the five foolish ones wasn't in no hurry. And at midnight came the bridegroom. So the five foolish ones went across the street to buy oil and got locked out." "Very good," said the teacher.

"And what did the bridegroom do?" "Why," said the good little student, "he married the five wise ones."-Cleveland Leader.

In Strict Obedience.

Master Gregory Graham, aged three, had been having an ocean bath, and breaking away from his older sister he ran all dripping wet to the door of the living room, where Mrs. Graham was entertaining a caller from the fashionable hotel.

"Why, Greg," his mother greeted him, "you mustn't come in here like that, dear. Go straight upstairs and take off your bathing suit first."

A few minutes later Mrs. Graham turned toward the door in curiosity as to what sight there had sent her visitor's eyebrows up so high, and in the same moment her son's cheerful voice rang out:

"I tooked it off, mother, like you told me to. I'm coming in now for some cake."

LAWYER CURED OF ECZEMA

"While attending school at Lebanon. Ohio, in 1882, I became afflicted with boils, which lasted for about two years, when the affliction assumed the form of an eczema on my face, the lower part of my face being inflamed most of the time. There would be water-blisters rise up and open, and wherever the water would touch it would burn, and cause another one to rise. After the blister would open, ace would scab over, and would burn and itch so as to be almost unbearable at times. In this way the sores would spread from one place to another, back and forth over the whole of my upper lip and chin, and at times the whole lower part of my face would be a solid sore. This condition continued for four or five years, without getting any better, and in fact got worse all the time, so much so that my wife became alarmed lest it

"During all this time of boils and eczema, I doctored with the best physicians of this part of the country, but to no avail. Finally I decided to try Cuticura Remedies, which I did, taking the Cuticura Resolvent, applying the Cuticura Ointment to the sores, and using the Cuticura Soap for washing. In a very short time I began to notice improvement, and continued to use the Cuticura Remedies until I was well again, and have not had a recurrence of the trouble since, which is over twenty years. I have recommended Cuticura Remedies to others ever since, and have great faith in them as remedies for skin diseases." (Signed) A. C. Brandon, Attorney-at-

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We misjudge and distort the normally human nature of the Saviour when we picture him going through life, as Dante did after he had written his "Inferno," with the shadows of perdition on his brow. We may_ gravely question when it was that the cross began to darken our Lord's pathway; there is no hint of such a foreboding until we reach the middle of his ministry. From that on there are occasional tokens that he saw Calvary ahead of him, and was at times pressed down with a dreadful sense of the inevitable agony which awaited him at the end. But all this is very far from affording any reasonable ground for the conclusion that he smiled sometimes, but never laughed.

If God did not intend us to laugh, on occasion, why did he endow us with the capacity to laugh, with a sense of the humorous, with the faculty to see and enjoy wit, fun and the absurd side of life; and, furthermore, why did he produce so many things and people to laugh at?-Zion's Herald.

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supper. Tommy's Papa-Tommy, what do you mean, talking like that?

Tommy-Well, you know, pa, you told ma you'd have to get some chicken feed for her old hen party tomorrow.

The Real Thing. "Say, mister, if you throw three cents up in the air I kin ketch 'em all before they come down every "Hump! That is nothing but a

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An Octogenarian Shows 'Em How to Farm.

Athens: J. M. Pickens of Pickens Spur, on the Texas & New Orleans Railroad, near Athens, on less than when her little boy was suffering fifteen acres of land has raised this from Eczema. She tried everything year and shipped sixteen car loads of without success until she finally hit watermelons, on which he has cleared above all expenses \$1,050. In plant-Cured by Lydia E. Pinkham's ing, growing and marketing these melons he did most of the work (all of the particular work) with his own hands. Besides the sixteen cars shipped he has fed to his stock, given to his neighbors, relatives and friends in the vicinity and in Athens fully three cars more of melons.

Krebs Fire Stopped by Dynamite.

McAlester, Okla.: Saturday midnight a fire of unknown origin in J. Jacobs' general store in Krebs destroyed that building and its contents, the Krebs Hotel, owned by Pete Silva, a barber shop, the Odd Fellows' Hall and Martin Kerr's residence. The total loss is about \$25,000; partly insured. The McAlester fire department sent a chemical company and the Katy Railroad sent a train of fourteen water cars and the opera house and other buildings were saved. Frame buildings burning were dynamited and much plate glass in the town was broken.

Mexican Row Ends in \$50,000 Blaze. Goliad: One man's right eye shot from its socket, another man scraped by a passing ball, about \$50,000 worth of property destroyed by fire, is the result of a fight had at Fannin, Golaid County, Sunday. The trouble began Saturday afternoon, several Mexican altercations having taken place on the streets. The row was resumed Sunday morning, and a pistol shot put out Frank Hall's eye, another grazed Charke Smith's cheek, while a third punctured a gosoline tank starting a fire that dest. yed a number of small buildings, at a loss of me \$50,000.

Sad Double Tragedy.

Gainesville: A. P. Russell, about 85 years of age, early Sunday night shot and killed his 6-year-old son and then killed himself with the same revolver. The double tragedy occurred in the northern part of town, where the Russells resided. No cause is known, unless it was worry over the illness in the family, one of the members having been a patient here in a sanitarium for some time.

"Shot It Out" On a Train.

Cottonplant, Ark .: F. H. Kennedy, postmaster here and prominent banker and planter, was shot and instantly killed on the Rock Island passenger train Saturday at Salsburg, near here, by R. C. Lynch, his brother-in-law. Kennedy was aboard the train when Lynch boarded it at Salsburg, and it is said that both men began shooting. Bad blood had existed between the 'wo men for several years.

A petition is being prepared to present to the Commissioners' Court of | ple. Such is the substance of a state-Freestone at next meeting, asking that it order an election for the issuance of \$40,000 in forty-year bonds for the purpose of building first-class roads in the Fairfield district.

Ennis has raised a fund by sub-scription to build of dewalks around all her ward school suldings. Work was commenced on the new \$75,000 Federal building at Wichita Valls last week.

New York capitalists have recently made an inspection of the proposed Chicago, Weatherford & Brazos Valley Railway from Gainesville to Weatherford, and are reported as being greatly pleased with the route.

The new Pecos High School building has been completed. This building cost \$22,500. The Lipscomb concrete building has also been completed.

The Toyah Valley State Bank has been opened at Saragosa, Texas, the present southern terminus of the Peos Valley Southern Railway.

Plans of Hillsboro postoffice to be 60x80, two stories and basement, and o cost \$60,000, have been received.

Taylor County is building a substantial 128-foot bridge across Lytle creek. When this bridge is completed the road on which it lies will be one of the finest macadam county roads

The total apple crop of the Pecos Valley will reach 1025 cars. The valley also shipped about 35 cars of

in the West.

Ability is a good thing to have conrealed about your person.

An attempt was made last Wednesday night to destroy the Murray County court house at Sulphur, Okla., by dynamite. A luckly misplacement of the explosive made the effort abortive, as only small damage was done.

Miss Minnie Ramsey of Cleburne who has been doing office work for three years, will run for the office of county treasurer.

SEVERE ECZEMA

An Illinois Mother's Case.

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Tuberculosis Patients Neglected. Out of more than 225 public hospitals for the insane, with a population of fully 150,000, only 70, or less than one-third, make any provision for their tuberculous inmates, and percentage of deaths from this disease is very high among this class of peoment made recently by the National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis. Seventy hospitals in 28 states, providing all told about 3,350 beds for tuberculous insane patients, sums up the provision made for this class of sufferers, although the percentage of deaths from tuberculosis among the insane ranges from 50 to 200 per cent. higher than among the general population.

Hard to Find. "Decided where you are going on your vacation yet?"

"No; can't seem to find the right "What sort of a place are you look-

ing for?"

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Is life worth living? I should say that it depends on the liver .- Thomas Gold Appleton.

NO OSLERISM GOES IN TEXAS CURED BABY BOY OF NOT A BRITISH UNIT IN IT

Irishman Would Not for a Minute Allow the Possibility of Such a Thing.

George Mockler has just returned from an investigation of what coal costing some of the other cities. He brought this story from Balti-

An Irishman there inherited a coat mine up in the state. He immediately entered the lists for one of the

big coal contracts and went around to say a good word for his coal. The man who was letting the contract heard him a moment, and then interrupted with:

"That's all right, but how about British thermal units?" The other, being new to the coal business, did not know that coal is rated now according to the British

thermal units in tests. "Phat's that!" he said. "How many British thermal units are there in your coal?"

The Irishman blinked his eye and snorted a bit.

"British thermal units is it?" he said. "Why there ain't wan in it." -St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

Absurd. Among the recent visitors to a metropolitan museum was a woman from a rural district, who was much interested in the ancient pottery ex-

The attendant pointed out one collection of beautiful old vases, say-

"Those were dug up at Herculan-

"What!" exclaimed the woman from the country. "Dug up?"

"Yes, madam." "Out of the ground?"

"Just as they are now. They were cleaned up a bit, but they were found about as you see them." With an expressive toss of the

head, the lady from the country turned to her companion and said: "He's a nice-looking young feller, but I don't believe what he says. They never dug up no ready-made pots out of the ground."-Lippincott's

Remarkable Fish.

Magazine.

"I thought you said there were fish around here," said the disappointed sportsman.

"There are," replied Farmer Corntossel. "But they are experienced fish. Moreover, they're kind and considerate."

"I haven't had a nibble." "Well, you don't think they'd bite at that brand-new fancy tackle, do you? They'd stand off and admire it, but they'd never take a chance on gettin' it mussed up."

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Tuberculosis Among the insane. Autopsies made in New York state hospitals for the insane and elsewhere show that tuberculosis is an active disease in about 20 per cent, of the cases, as compared with about half that percentage in the normal popula-

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A Human Cruet-Stand. Several villagers were discussing a departed sister who had been given to

good deeds, but was rather too fond of dispensing sharp spoken advice. "She was an excellent woman," said the deceased lady's pastor. "She was constantly in the homes of the poor and afflicted. In fact, she was the salt of the earth."

"She was more than that," remarked a villager. "She was the vinegar, the pepper and the mustard as well. She was a perfect cruet stand of virtues." -London Tit-Bits.

A crowd is not company, and faces are but a gallery of pictures, and talk a tinkling cymbal, where there is no love.-Bacon



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B. O. O. M.

The members of the B.O.O.M. club which is composed of young evening for the purpose of adopting a constitution and by-laws. much enthusiasm was shown among the members for the success of the club. At a meeting in the early part of the month the following officers were elected: Robt. Hicks president, Dennis McDonald vice-president, Frank Smith secretary, Ben T. Merritt treasurer, Simpson Christopher critic.

Committees were appointed. The following order of business

will be observed:

Reading of minutes. Report of committees, stand-

ing and special. Unfinished business.

New business, miscellaneous applicants.

Initiation. Social features.

The program for Sept 19 at the club hall.

Debate, subject: Resolved, that the Indians have been mistreated by the whites. Affirmative, Wilbur Whitaker, Roy Adams; negative, Jack Walker, Britain Job.

Vaudeville act-T. D. McDonald.

Parliamentary law-Simpson Christopher.

Closing exercises.

The purpose of this organization is for the advancement of the young men into better and nobler manhood. It is to be hoped that the club will meet with great success.

Wednesday evening of last week the young men of Merkel entertained with a dance at the Elks Trio had been secured for won the favor in a cut with Mesiel, Collins, Hall, Harris of Abi- hostesses. lene, McMurray and Stoneroad of Colorado, Mesdames Hunt, and Davis.

Wednesday evening Aug. 16,

pard, Ruby Jones, Flay Gunn, and Fannie Burroughs; Messrs. Ona Hamblet, Leno Largent, Parker and Roscoe Sharp, Robt. Largent, Taylor Jennings, Parker Snarp, Robert Hicks, Sam Swann, Jessie Ferguson.

class of the Baptist church gave Each little guest brought her doll played better ball. Elliott of Mermen in Merkel met last Tuesday a picnic for the Philathea class. and they had such a good time. kel led in the hitting getting five A float was used to carry the jolly crowd of young people out The attendance was good and to the Stallings tank two miles west of town. The boys were ideal hosts. Besides the regular picnic supper they had provided iced watermelons. The chaperons were Misses Sophia Howard Barney Garrett. and Willie Wheeler. The guests were Misses Gene and Carroll Africa-Flay Gunn. Rister, Ina and Maggie Wheeler, Howard, Barney Garrett, Char- Roberts. ley Lofton, George Musick, Gale Lassiter, Jack Walker, Ben Mer. Africa-Will Joe Largent. ritt, Grady Collins. All report a good time.

> The G.F.F.C. club met with Africa-Mr. Howard. Miss Faye Lowrey Monday af- Closing exercises. ternoon. A delightful afternoon was spent. Needlewook and conversation caused the moments to go by all too soon. The beautiful grassy lawn at the J.A. Cochran home had been supplied with rugs and pillows where the hostess served delicious banana cream to Misses Gene and Carroll Rister, Clara and Margie Saffles, Irene Swann, Pauline Johnson, tine. Jessie Sutphen, Winnie Warren, Fannie Burroughs.

The Rose Philathea class meeting was at the home of their teacher Mrs. G. H. Adams Tuesday afternoon. Several of the members were out of town but those present had several plans under discussion for the fall. Watermelon was served to Misses Pauline Johnson, Venia McNees, Annie Smith, Fannie Burroughs, Faye Lowrey.

Mrs. J. P. C. Hunt entertained at bridge Wednesday after-Crenshaw Hall in honor of Dr. noon complimentary of Miss Ollie S. L. Davis who left Friday for Kate Harris of Abilene. Five his old home in Carthage. The games were played. Mrs. Daniel the evening and furnished lovely dames Brown and Dickson. An served during the evening, iel, Dickson and Gaither, Misses phen. Those present were Misses Dan- Daniel, Collins, the honoree and

The Woman's Missionary So-Gaither, Daniel, Brown, Bigham, ciety will have a social meeting Clifton of Waco; Messrs. Mc- at the home of Mrs. Mims Thurs-Murray, Balooms, Gambel of day August 31. All members are lin is the guest of her parents Colorado, Ayers of Abilene, An- invited and all who can not at- Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Howard. derson of Trent, Bomer, Walker, tend are requested to invite some Brown and Faucett, Drs. Miller lady interested in missionary work to represent them.

The Rose Phalathea class and Miss Gene Rister entertained a a few friends met at the home of ew friends informally at her Mrs. G. H. Adams Saturday some in South Merkel. Pro- evening for song practice. A ported to us Thursday: L. S. I can now ear things I could not take ressive 42 furnished amusement pleasant evening was passed by Harris a girl on the 24th, E. B. for years. Its surely a grand remedy for stomach trouble." Every bottle for the evening. Among those Misses Ona Hamblet, Pet Sears, Hogg a boy on the 22nd. J. R. guaranteed. Only 50c at H. C. Burpresent were Misses Elma Shep- Elma Sheppard, Wingie Warren Hester a girl on the 22nd.

Mamie, Carrol and Gene Rister; Hicks, Tyre Sublett, Ben T. Mer-Messrs Chock Jones, Will Joe ritt, Jesse Ferguson, Choc Jones. Juniors defeated the Trent team

B. Y. P. U. Program.

Subject, Africa. Leader, Elbert Dean.

Song.

Prayer.

Program of M. & A. Society of Baptist Church.

Monday, August 28. Subject, Africa.

Songs. Prayer.

Africa in the bible, Isa. 45:14-17-by leader.

Ethiopia asking for knowledge of God, Psa. 68;31-Mrs. Valen-

Promise of Africa turning to God, Matt 2:13-15-Mrs. Boring.

Africa a refuge for the child Jesus, Acts 8:26-39-Mrs. Roberts Poem, Light and Darkness-

Roll call answered with quotations from Africa missionaries. Life in Youruba-Mrs. Whita-

The great menace christianity in Africa-Mrs. Howard.

How can a busy housekeeper and mother work for the Lord out

side of her home-Mrs. Teaff. Buddhisms aggressive battle-Mrs. Sharp.

Business.

Mrs. Causseaux.

Dismissed by president.

Mrs. C. N. Tandy of Abilene is music for the dancers. Refresh- ice was served in orange cups to visiting the families of Mesdames Everybody please take notice. ing and delicious punch was Mesdames Bigham, Brown, Dan- H. C. Burroughs and J. P. Sut-

> Little Miss Louise Warren is grand success. having a house party this week. Her three little cousins from Hawley are her guests.

Mrs. Rufus Grisham of Ham-

Merkel Juniors Win.

In a game featured by heavy hitting by both teams the Merkel by the score of 12 to 8 on the Friday afternoon Miss Ima Trent grounds. The Trent boys Sheppard entertained a few little hit the ball hard enough to win girls in honor of her little neice any game but the Merkel lada Tuesday evening the Baraca Lynne Sheppard of Fort Worth. binged the ball much harder and safe hits out of five times at the bat and scoring five runs and with the bases full in the third and two down sent the ball to Scripture reading, Rev. 7:9-17 deep left for two bases and bringing in the three runners. Davis General description of Africa- and Burroughs featured in the field. After the first four frames Name the different missions in the Merkel lads played real baseball and Trent had no show to Quartet-Robert Hicks, Elbert win with the boys playing like Sadie Collins, Edna Roberts of Dean, Grady Collins, Ben Merritt one great baseball machine, not Weatherford; Messrs. Lytton Baptist Mission-Miss Ethel one cog slipping and everything evenly balanced. The score: -Progress of civilization in Innings 123456789 RHE

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Batteries: Trent, Vessels, Man-Some account of our work in gum and Bailey; Merkel, Elliott and Berry. Umpire Howell.

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Rural Carriers Association.

At Merkel, Sept. 4, 1911. Welcome address-Mayor Mims Response-Mr. Thomas, Tve. Rural service compared with other services-Arthur Slater.

The patron as the carrier sees

him-J.A. Brownlee, Cottonwood The carrier as the patron sees him-Patrons on routes.

Good roads-A. B. Chambers

Care of horse-Victor Harris, Merkel.

We are trying to have an address by Hon. W R Smith, also one by Judge T A Bledsoe, As these arrangements are not completed yet we can't make definite announcements concerning these two addresses. A corrected program will appear next week.

Everybody invited to come and help us make this meeting a

> Price Bankhead Victor Harris O. J. Adcock, Program Committee.

Tortued for 15 Years

by a cure-defying stomach trouble that Ollie Cordill, the popular little he tried, Jno. W. Modders, of Moddersphotographer of the Groene Co., ville, Mich., seemed doomed. He had to left this week for a month's va- sell his farm and give up work. His cation. He claims that he is neighbors said "he can't live much longoverworked and must rocuperate. er." "Whatever I ate distressed me," he writes, "till I tried Electric Bitters, The following births were re- which worked such wonders for me that

Pains All Over!

"You are welcome," says Mrs. Nora Guffey, of Broken Arrow, Okla., "to use my letter in any way you want to, if it will induce some suffering woman to try Cardui. I had pains all over, and suffered with an abscess. Three physicians failed to relieve me. Since taking Cardui, I am in better health than ever before, and that means much to me, because I suffered many years with womanly troubles, of different kinds. What other treatments I tried, helped me for a few days only."

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OUR CORRESPONDENCE

Butman Community.

Aug. 21-Cotton picking is the order of the day.

Mr. Woods and family were in White Church Sunday.

W. J. Dulin of Merkel was vising here Sunday.

J.H. Ensminger and family attended preaching atWhiteChurch Sunday.

R N White and family were visiting friends in Shep Saturday night and Sunday.

E. A. Costephen went to Merkel last week.

Adron Phillips, wife and baby took dinner with Pealy West and family Sunday.

Lee White was a caller at Mr. Snow's Sunday.

Milley Burrus accompanied Miss Addie Dulin home Sunday night.

Mrs. J. A. Dulin spent Saturday with Mrs. Riggins. Miss Mary Grider was the guest

Miss Lillie White Saturday night.

Miss Lula Cozart was visiting in Butman one day last week.

Dewitt Phillips spent Saturday night with Lee White. Miss Lillie White took dinner

with Miss Ethel Noel Sunday. E E Patterson transacted business in Merkel last week.

preaching at White Church Sunday night

Well as your subscriber is tired to night, have been picking, had Discovery, which completely cured me. better close for this time, had Now I weigh 187 pounds and have been rather be a poor lost chicken or well and strong for years." Quick, safe those of El Paso county. There tender footed than to be a cotton picker. Dawdrops.

White Church Items.

Misses Emmie Brown, Jewell Franks and Ethel Noel visited ses Jawell and Mary Lee icks Tuesday.

Misses Lillie and Lannie White ere dooks and people?" of Butman took dinner with Miss el Noel Sunday.

itt Phillips and Miss Ludie Sketch took dinner with Misses mie and Addie Dulin Sunday. Ernest Costephens was a caller

at Mr. Watford's Sunday. Vernon Trout visited Luther raised man into the rulership

Franks last week. et week with friends in Abilene liss Nora Bloxom visited Miss

Theresa Watford Sunday. Jasper Tucker visited Luther Geologists tell us that Texas is one Franks Tuesday.

ing with relatives and friends the In minerals. past few days.

Misses Dulin Tuesday.

are visiting J. S. Bickley and throughout the United States. family this week.

Messers. Ezra Norman, Zelmer Snow, Miley Burrus and Misses Our coal fields have never been fully Viola and Hester Snow explored; government geologists have attended the Baptist Association in Jones county last of which 8,000,000,000 is bituminous and week.

B. L. Dulin's Saturday night.

Sunday night.

Miss Mary Tucker visited Misses Mary Lee and Jewell Hicks Friday.

Miss Ruth Pannel visited Miss Jewell Hicks Sunday.

Milard Pannel and sister Ruth visited friends in Eskota last Dewitt Phillips and Miss Ludie

Dulin visited at Mr. Watford's Sunday afternoon.

Miss Mary Tucker visited Miss We have 1,250 miles of pipe line and off Ethel Noel Tuesday.

ClaudeDemere transacted business in Merkel Monday.

Mr. Bickley was in Merkel Monday.

sick for past few days. Mrs. Dulin and children of But- of main pipe line and approximately

man visited at Mr. Riggin's Sat-

Thank Dewdrops for saying the foundation for a great manufacturshe hoped that I would get be country.

home all O K. But I would have liked it better if she had told me the way for I am still a poor

Lost Chicken.

Castle Peak News.

Aug. 22-People are all busy picking cotton this week.

were in Merkel Thursday.

Mr. McGehee is sick.

Rock Crossing Friday night

made a pleasant call at Mrs Baccus Friday night.

call at W P Moore's Saturday.

from Merkel were in our community Sunday

Miss Pearl Baccus was a caller work." at Mr Davis' Sunday.

Sunday night.

Roland Saturday night

Lydie Davis were in Merkel Wed- ty is expending Howard county terson will be. Stranger.

Life Saved at Death's Door.

"I never felt so near my grave," Tex., as when a frightful cough and Marcin Costephens attended lung trouble pulled me down to 100 lbs., H. C. Burroughs.

The Difficulty.

The First Worker-Manner born be blowed! D'joo mean ter say if me an' you come into a bit o' splosh we couldn't keep our ends up with these

His Doubting Friend-Oh, we should be orlright; but our missuses'd give the game away, yer know .- The

Texas Fuel

It was the discovery of fire that world and gave civilization its most Miss Theresa Watford returned useful element in progress. It melts the ome Friday after spending the mineral rock, turns the wheels of commerce, warms the human race and

of the latest additions to the western hemisphere, and the Ruler of the Uni-Misses Gladys Christopher and verse, in creating Texas, gave us an Winnie Sublett have returned to abundant supply of everything on hand their home in Merkel after visit- and was especially generous with us

We have been supplied with a vari-Miss Ada Franke visited the ety and an abundance of fuel. We have wood, coal, oil and gas in commercial Rev. Bickley, wife and baby quantities and after supplying home consumption, ship large quantities

examined a portion of our territory and report a deposit of 31,000,000,000 tons, 23,000,000,000 lignite. We mined last J. A. Dulin and family were at year 1,895,377 tons and employed 4,400 aborers in the mines. The coal taken from the mines was valued at \$3,419,-Kiah Spears and sister Miss 481; to get all the coal out of the Lila attended preaching here ground at the present rate of mining would require 17,000 years.

> It is estimated that four and a half ons of coal used in making steam will produce one horse power one year ten ours per day. The latent forces we have stored beneath the ground suroass human comprehension

Texas oll illuminates the national ireside, lubricates the wheels of comnerce and runs our factories. We have \$100 000,000 invested in the oil industry in Texas and we have taken 15,000,000 barrels of petroleum from the ground. from Oklahoma fields is brought to

Gas.

Natural gas from the Henrietta field is piped to adjoining towns and there used for light and fuel, and the man-Miss Mary Lee Hicks has been ufactured product is used extensively in the larger cities. We have 300 miles 50,000,000 invested in the gas industry.

> Nature has solved the fuel problem in exas for centuries to come and laid

VISITORS ANSPECT

Precinct No. 1's good roads A. H. Barnes and son Clifton tion Saturday by Judge N. H. which has extended over a great roads. What will lower the cost? Mrs. Baccus and children and Commissioner W. J. Farris of formerly assistant postmaster at is the cry from every house .-Eddie Davis were in Merkel Sat- Haskell county and S. M. Wilson Coleman was arrested Tuesday Jacksonville Progress. Miss Pearl Baccus and Hayt Biedsoe also showed the visitors before United States Commis- way stations can the farmers ful- quainted to some extent and the Horton attended preaching at over the city. Following are sioner Masterson.

County Judge Morrison: "I tended church at Rock Crossing roads until I drove over those in brought to light. this county. They are positively has passed a bond issue of \$100,-000 for good roads and I only hope ours will be like yours."

Mr. Wilson: "I have been writes W.R. Patterson, of Wellington, identified with good roads work since 1904 as county commisdied of consumption and that I am alive meetings of the good roads assotoday is due solely to Dr. King's New ciations. I have seen all the good roads in the state except \$1.00. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by people have certainly got your Family for constipation. money's worth."-Abilene Reporter.

> Oscar Hafley of Dublin is visiting friends in Merkel.





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ROLLINS IS CAUGHT

were given a thorough examina- chase of eight months and one the farm to the station? Bad Morrison of Howard county, part of the state, R. A. Rollins, Good roads. Let us have them, teachers who were in the school

their observations on Precinct Rollins is charged by United the benefits conferred by the school board has arranged for a MasterWhiet and Calep Richey No. 1's improved rural highways: States authorities with having railways upon the country at mass meeting or school rally at Commissioner Farris: "I have systematically robbed the Cole- large. The town man can reach the tabernacle on Friday night seen the good roads of Dallas, man postoffice during his term the depot over cement sidewalks before school begins. A program Hayt Horton made a pleasant Tarrant, Collin, Denton and oth- of service as assistant postmas- or paved streets, but the farmer consisting of short talks, music, er counties in north and east ter. The exact amount of the in most cases must fight his way readings, etc., will be carried out. Misses Tincy and MattieRichey Texas and do not think them the shortage which set the federal to the railroad over rough or It is hoped that all the teachers equal of the Taylor county roads officers on his trial has not been muddy or bridgeless thorough- parents and pupils will be at the You people are doing a great made public but it is thought to fares which inhibit him from meeting and if you can think of operation was continued for along load upon his wagon. The cost create an enthusiasm or in any Quite a number from here at- had never seen any real good time before the first shortage was to the farmer in the way of broken way build up the school interest

Virgil Davis called on Elsey the finest I ever saw. I didn't and it is not known what the out- city man of equal means pays lege and duty to do so. Much dedream such roads could be built come of his examining hearing out in pavement taxes, to say pends on the co-operation of all Mrs. Davis and daughter Mrs. for so little money as your coun- before U. S. Commissioner Mas- nothing of the loss of time and the people in the success of the

How's This.

ward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall,s Catarrh Cure.

F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O. We, the undersigned, have known F in spite of doctor's treatment for two sioner of Limestone county and J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and beyears. My father, mother and two sister have attended nearly all the lieve him perfectly honorable in all busi ness transactions and financially able to carry out any obligations made by his firm. Walding, Kinnan & Marvin,

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Peculiar Attraction That Lures Customer to Particular Restaurant Day After Day.

"A boy who eats jam all over his face from eating is the cause of my taking lunch at the same place every day," said a big man who carries sunburst in his countenance.

"I have never forgotten when I was a boy, and I never see a real boy-I with it respons.....ties which have don't mean one of the fashion plates- weighed heavily upon the colored race school every day about the time I get water and the hewers of stone." The to the cafe for my lunch. His mother is cashier of the place. A lot of sweets are on the counter behind and infirm are his wards. which she sits to take in the cash. When her boy comes in he goes behind the counter and climbs to a high stool. His mother has a lot of sandwiches with jam for fillers ready for Texas, rendered for assessment at him. He loses no time in getting away \$106,688,920, giving an average value with the goods. In his eagerness and per slave all ages of \$672.71. The ashaste some of the jam sticks to his lips and about his mouth. He is the that time was \$122,294,764. The slaves picture of a contented boy when he

gets through "Then his mother applies a damp napkin and removes the overflow jam from his face. After this she kisses the youngster and he is off to school. Maybe I am an old fogy and a bit sentimental, but that boy jam eater and his mother's attention to him have made a regular customer for the little cafe. Just how it happens that for assessment in 1860, and the rate of the boy gets the same amount of jam interest prevailing at that time, we find on his face every day and in the same the negroes of all ages producing a net place I haven't figured out, and I don't revenue of \$100 each per annum. Since care if I never do. We don't see the war the colored race in Texas has enough of this sort of thing in this been able to accumulate approximately busy life of the great city."

June. ing hours out where the breath of rect supervision of the white man. more finds its way to your window and the warbling of feathered songsters is heard at the first gleam o day. Never was there perfume such as God dispenses when he gives us the happiness of another June day.

rose, clambering over the garden wall -all present their portion of sweetness to the breeze.

From distant meadows and forest negroes. land, from green hillside and valley, the fragrance is borne to our senses and all of earth seems to offer its scholastic age in Texas who receive sweet-smelling incense to the birth from our state school fund \$6 per anof a sunny day.

Who would not raise his hand to feel in his heart the wisdom of that cause he loved it well, asked a question we may vainly seek an answer for: "What is so rare as a day in tional purposes. June!"-Haberdasher.

Remember That every added sub-

scriber helps to make this

More Good Roads.

No one will deny the impor- SCHOOL tance of cheap and quick transportation from ocean to ocean, from port to port and from city to city. What is the cause of Houston, Aug. 22-After a this cost of transportation from

representing the William T. Ful- in Willis and brought to Houston | Not until they have good roads strangers to nearly all the people ton Co. of Dallas. County Judge this morning for arraignment from their front gates to the rail- That these new ones may get acly realize their fair proportion of old ones better acquainted the amount to considerable, as the carrying more than half a real anything to say that will help to harness, broken vehicles and right on the very beginning of Rollins is still being held here damaged teams is more than the the session it will be your privithe loss of morals that bad roads school. cost their users. To argue against modern roads in the twentieth We offer One Hundred Dollars Re- century is to argue against religion, education and social progress-Dallas News.

To The Public.

After a two months absence from the city, combining both business and a muchly enjoyed vacation, I am again at my office over Hogue-Hamilton Dry Goods and all throat and lung troubles. 50c & anywhere near as good. You Sold by all Druggists. Take Hall's old clientage as well as any wall as any near the system. Testing and shall be pleased to serve my ones who may desire my services.

W. T. Potter, Attorney-at-law.

The Texas Negro

farmer and the race has made little science and art. Freedom has carried that I don't feel like taking him in my and after a lapse of half a century of arms. This boy I speak of comes from freedom they are still the "drawers of young are dependent upon the white man for their education and the aged

The Slave Negro.

In 1860 there were 158,595 slaves in sessed value of all land in Texas at were almost equal in value to all farm property, constituting 36 per cent of the taxable wealth of the state. The state and county revenues derived from axing slaves annually was approxi-\$1,000,000

Taking into consideration the per cent of true value of property rendered \$75,000,000, which is equivalent to \$2 each per annum while masters of their own destinies against a net production Do you know the joy of early wak- of \$100 per annum when under the di-

The Free Negro.

In 1900 the census shows 620,772 negroes in Texas. They owned 65,536 farms, valued at \$56,239,210. Their Everything that grows-the wee farms averaged fifty-nine acres each buds of humble blossoms and stately although fifty-five negroes owned 1,000 acres and over. Over 86 per cent of our negro farmers raise cotton and 18.6 per cent of all the farmers in Texas are

There are 184,473 negro children of num per scholar. We have 2,471 .egro schoolhouses and the education of the the morning air and be content in the negro costs \$1,000,000 per annum. The loveliness tendered by this beautiful average salary of the teacher in colored month for our delight? And seeing, schools is \$45.88. The school tax paid on property owned by the negro is appoet who also loved rosetime and be proximately \$60,000 per annum, leaving a net amount of \$940,000 per annum given to the negro annually for educa-

> The educational and industrial advantages of the negro in Texas excel those of any other state.

Miss Willie Bigham left Wedplaces.

As published last week the Merkel schools will open Septem. ber 18. While several of the last year will be back this year there will be some new ones-

What is Best for Indigestion.

Mr. A. Robinson of Drumquin, Ontario, has been troubled for years with indigestion, and recommends Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets as "the best medicine I ever used." If troubled with indigestion or constipation give them a trial. They are certain to prove beneficial. They are easy to take and pleasant in effect. Price, 25 cents. Samples free by all dealers.

County Court in Session

Monday morning at 9 o'clock county court was opened for the regular three weeks session of the August term with County Judge T. A. Bledsoe presiding.

Both civil and criminal dockets are unusually light, there being a total of only eighteen new cases on both dockets for disposal. The criminal docket was the first one taken up after the appearance docket had been called. The case of Edd Frederickson, charged with disturbing pub. _ hip, was called and a plea of guilty entered. Judge Bledsce assessed a fine of one hundred dollars and costs in this case.

The jury for the week is as follows: W.J. Faucett, J. C. Burleson, J. D. Fagan, F.E. Hodges, A. W. Nix, D. M. Dye, C.R. Carpenter, H. A. Adams, J. S. Clayton, W. C. Mingus, G. R. Holloway and J. A. Collins.

Falls Victim to Thieves.

S.W. Bends of Coal City, Ala., has a justifiable grievance. Two thieves stole his health for 12 years. They were a liver and kidney trouble. Then Dr. King's New Life Pills throttled them. He's well now. Unrivaled for constipation, malaria, headache, dyspepsia, 25c. H. C. Burroughs.

Notice. Notice is hereby given that the schoolboard of the Independent School District of Merkel, Texas, will receive bids from any resident citizen or domestic corporation of the state of Texas, as the law provides, for custodian of the school funds of said district for the current year beginning Sept. 1, 1911. Said bids to be based on the rate of interest which such persons or corporations so bidding shall pay for said funds based on the daily balances of same.

Said bids may be filed with the secretary, Dr. J. H. Warnick, at any time before 12:00 noon of said date of Sept. 1, 1911. The board reserves the right to reject any and all bids submitted.

All persons desiring any further specific information relative to such treasurership, will confer with the said secretary or I. S. Allen, president of the board.

I. S. Allen, President. Attest: J. H. Warnick, Sec.

A well known Des Moins woman after suffering miserably for two days from bowel complaint, was cured by nesday for a few weeks visit at one dose of Chamberlain, s Colic, Chol-Van Horn, ElPaso and other era and Diarrhoea Remedy. For sale by all dealers.



CRUSADE BETTER HIGHWAYS





spirited activity in the United States which stands out conspicuous above all others because of recent progress it is that which concerns itself with the betterment of our public highways. If anybody had predicted a few years back that the beginning of the second decade of the twentieth century would see so marked and widespread an improvement of the public roads of the United States he would probably have been laughed at by all save those few

laughed at by all save those few enthusiasts who were looked upon until a short

time ago as "cranks."

This is not saying, mind you, that there is not much yet to be done to bring the highway system of this great land to the point where it ought to be and to maintain it there. We are still a rery long way behind most of the countries of the old world—notably our sister republic of France—in the condition of our roads. But that is perfectly natural, not because the foreigners are any better road builders than we are, but





simply because their highways have been in the making for many centuries, whereas we have mighty few turnpikes that are more than one hundred or at most two hundred years old. And furthermore on top of the youth of our country in road building there is the circumstance of the tremendous size of Uncle Sam's domain. No wonder the Europeans have been able to have good roads when half or two-thirds as many people as we have in this whole vast country have been contributing their work and their taxes to) up the roads in a territory no larger than

of our medium size states. ut for ... the lead given by time and the advantage of dense population it looks as though we would overtake our cousins overseas in the matter of the possession of good roads. Indeed, even now in some states, such as sections of Massachusetts, there are roads as fine as any thing of similar character on the other side of the big pond. The secret of this boom in road building in America lies in organization as well as agitation and the country is likely to see new fruits from both during the middle week of September when a "Good Roads Week" will be held throughout the United States. This week of "missionary work" is expected to stir up a goodly share of our people on the question of good roads and it is hoped that some of the new converts and the old will that week practice what they preach to the extent of lending a hand to building here and there of stretches of "model road" that will serve as convincing object

"Good Roads Week" is going to be held in connection with the first annual convention of the American Association for Highway Improvement which will be held at Richmond, Va., and will be addressed by many of the most prominent men in the country. This national organization will, of course, be much in the public eye in this connection, but it is only one of scores of associations great and small that have been helping in this cause. There are state organizations and county organizations and even township organigations all over the country that have been supporting our national, state and municipal governments in what they have been doing for better roads, and the results attained prove what can be accomplished when a large number of people who are very much in earnest set out to all "pull together" toward a desired goal.

A good many people who have not looked very deeply into the subject have gained the idea that the motorists are more largely responsible than any other class of people for this dawning era of good roads. Now, it would not be right to disparage what the automobilists have done, which has been considerable in one way or another, but in the interest of the truth it must be pointed out that the one factor supreme in influence for better roads has been the wide-awake farmer. To be sure it is a fact, and a mighty significant one, that the largest and most powerful corporations in the country-business interests such as our biggest railroads and the steel trust and the Standard Oil corporation-are working energetically with the new American Association for Highway Improvement because they realize that anything that will help the condition of the country at large will help their business. At the same time it is the farmer class that are supplying the backbone of this movement just as they are of every other big movement affecting rural conditions and have been from time out of mind.

It is just as well to admit right here, too, that the average farmer who is going in hard for the cause of better roads is not devoting his time and his labor to the project on any fanciful sentimental basis. Of course, it contributes to his pride to see his farm bounded or bisected by a splendid road and he is gratified that the good folk who go past his door pleasure riding should have an ensy pathway, but the great underlying impetus is found in the need of good roads to enable the farmer to market his produce conveniently and economically.

that have been organized all over the country and many of which are, as has been said, doing an excellent work within a more or less local sphere. However, the new national institution is designed to serve as a clearing house that will pass on all good roads schemes wherever they may originate and that will seek to bring together all the various local associations, harmonizing their aims and policies where in the past they have too often been working at

ROAD MAKING IN THE WILD WEST

cross purposes.

MACHINERY

ECAD BUILDING

The United States government is back of this new national organization upon which public attention is now being focused. Indeed, the first president of the body is Uncle Sam's chief expert on good roads—namely, Mr. Logan W. Page, director of the United States office of public roads. And just here it public roads office—a

should be noted that this public roads office—a branch of the United States department of agriculture—is doing a most important work for the cause of road improvement throughout the length and breadth of the land. For one thing, laboratories are maintained at Washington, specially equipped to ascertain which of these are best adapted to use in any specified locality or under any given conditions. Even more important is the work of the government bureau in building stretches of "model"

Under this plan of building model roads to serve as object lessons in the possibilities and benefits of highway improvements Uncle Sam sends his force of engineers and experts into any community which seems to need to be aroused regarding good roads and with their own helpers, or by means of a force of workmen recruited in the neighborhood they construct a mile or two miles of just the sort of road that is ideal for that particular district How beneficial these object lessons are is proven by the fact that thousands of miles of good roads have been built in various parts of the country this past few years with these governmental "sample roads" as patterns. The showing made by rural roads "before and after" treatment by the government road doctors has prompted state legislatures, county commissioners, local boards of trade, farmers' granges and other bodies to appropriate money for a more extensive good roads campaign in localities that have thus had a taste of the benefits, and in some states, notably Delaware, wealthy men have paid out of their own pockets for long stretches of improved public roads for the use of the whole community.

Busy Times in Minnesota

Those in charge of digging the state drainage ditches complain that they cannot keep men because the farmers grab the laborers to work in the harvest fields, says the St. Paul Dispatch. A Minneapolis man with an automobile tells how he was shanghaied by those who wanted a machine in which to ride to and from their work as burgiars. It would seem as though no one is safe in these busy harvest times.



One Woman's Wants for Various Requirements in the "Heart of the Home."

An article in a recent household magazine gives an enthusiastic description of a compact kitchenette, so tiny that it is modeled after a ship's kitchen and takes up almost as little room. The writer tells with what difficulty she stowed herself away, in order to visit with the owner while luncheon was being prepared. At first I felt a pang of envy, contrasting the order and neatness which prevailed there with the somewhat chaotic condition which met my eyes as I looked up from the magazine I had picked up to fill in the moments until the high school boy should arrive in his usual starved condition. When he came, however, I wondered how he would fit into that tiny kitchenette, for the high school boy is long of limb and broad of shoulder and still growing.

I envied no more, for our kitched is the Heart of the House. On the kitchen table the high school boy builds his aeroplanes and telegraph instruments, and solves his algebra problems, and conjugates his Latin verbs; with chemistry and physics, all with mother's sympathetic interest and help. A perfect kitchen companion in the jolly, whistling high school boy, with his slang, his popular songs and his interest in everything, from modern aeronautics and wireless telegraphy back to Alexander the Great and Julius Caesar. You can't lose your hold on very part of your boy's life, if he and his chums are under your feet in the kitchen on holidays and stormy days. Where is there room, play tell, for taffy pulls and popcorn in a kitchenette?

On the fireless cooker in the corner (cooker made by said high school boy) the ten-year-old boy finds subjects and predicates, with mother's help, cons his spelling and "bounds North America." In the chalked ring in the center he "knuckles down tight," and he may even spin his top here, build his kites and mend his sled.

Baby boy gets his first lesson here, too, builds his blocks and runs his choo-choo train, "cranks his auto" with meat grinder and bread mixer, learns his letters from oven door and cereal carton, and his numbers from clock and scale dial and calendar.

Even the master of the house warms his back at the hot water boiler in the corner after his drives, as he answers the "Queen of the Kitchen's" inquiries about different patients he has visited that morning.

There is even room for the high school boy's chum, "the yaller dog." and four-year-old's kitten; yes, there is even a comfortable chair for the neighbor who "ins in "to borrow" and stay to chat.

No, a kitchenette would never do for us.—E. Roberts in Boston Cooking School Magazine.

GOOD IDEA FOR WASH DAY

One Woman's Plan Which Saves Much Time and Labor and Offers Convenience.

The manner in which one house keeper solved her laundry problem may help some other reader. On Monday the clothes were gathered togeth er, sorted and all stains removed; the white clothes were put to soak in the afternoon and after supper were placed on the stove to boil with wash ing powder and soap-they were stirred several times during the boil ing process. After twenty minutes they were taken from the stove, put in a tub, cold water poured over them and left until morning. The tubs of rinse water were now filled for use on the following day. In the morning as soon as breakfast was over, the clothes that had been boiled were rubbed on the board, while the towels and similar articles were put on to boll. The first clothes were soon ready for the line, and the washing was finished in the early morning hours before the heat of the day made the work oppressive. Another point in favor of this plan is that in summer the greater part of the boiling of the clothes is done at night when the kitchen is unoccupied, and as a result the room is not so warm during the remainder of the washing .- The Designer.

Bouillon In Cupe.

Six pounds of beef finely chopped 4 quarts of cold water, 1 pound of bones, cracked, 2 heaping teaspoonfuls of salt, 1 teaspoonful of finely chopped red or green pepper, 1 onion stuck with cloves, 2 stalks of celery cut in dice, 1 chopped carrot, 6 whole peppers, 3 cloves, 1 bay leaf, 1 blade of mace, 1/4 cupful of sherry wine, 3 tablespoonfuls of butter.

Cover the meat and bones with cold water; simmer slowly for 5 hours. Fry vegetables in the butter add to stock with seasonings, except sherry wine. Cook for one hour longer, strain, cool, remove fat and clear. Add sherry and serve in bouillon cups.

Orange Ice Cream.

Beat the yolks of 2 eggs until light, add 1½ cups of sugar and 1 pint of hot milk and stir and cook in a double boiler until the mixture coats the spoon. Chill, add the juice of 3 large oranges and 1 lemon and ½ dozen drops of vanilla and freeze,

Cleaning Fiat Irons.

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HIS BRAVE ACT UNREWARDED

Bestowal of Two Black Eyes Altogether Too Much for Heiress to Overlook.

They were a pleasant party at the country house, and it was only natural that Harvey Hardupp should fall in love with Clarissa Coyne, the heiress.

One afternoon they went for a row on the river, but their boat struck a floating tree and sank, leaving them struggling in the water.

Mad with terror, she threw her arms around his valiant neck, almost strangling him. But he was determined to save her, so raising his fist he struck her twice, making her unconscious, and thus enabling him to save her.

She was carried to her room, and next day, when Harvey called, this note was handed to him;

"Sir—I quite admit hat it was necessary to make me unconscious in order to save me, but you might have been careful not to black both my eyes. We part forever!—"Coyne."

Birds of a Feather.
"What's the bill for fixing my motor

car?" asked the strange patron.
"It figures up to \$110, sir," replies
the garage man.

"Whew! I'll have to give you a check. I left all my money in my drug store."

"Why, are you a druggist?"
"Yes."

"Oh, in that case the bill will be a dollar and a quarter. We fellows ought to stand together."

"Gracious, what is all that crepe

"I had a chance to get it at a bargain, and, you know, my husband goes in for flying."

Wifey Knew Him.

Benham—I can't remember dates.

Mrs. Benham—But you have pretty good memory for peaches.

GET POWER. The Supply Comes From Food.

If we get power from food why not strive to get all the power we can. That is only possible by use of skilfully selected food that exactly fits the requirements of the body.

Poor fuel makes a poor fire and a poor fire is not a good steam producer. "From not knowing how to select the right food to fit my needs, I suffered grievously for a long time from stomach troubles," writes a lady from a little town in Missouri.

"It seemed as if I would never be able to find out the sort of food that was best for me hardly anything that I could eat would stay on my stomach. Every attempt gave me heartburn and filled my stomach with gas. I got thinner and thinner until I literally became a living skeleton, and in time was compelled to keep to my bed.

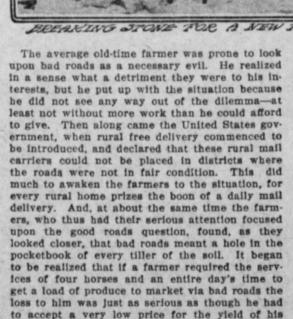
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A few months ago I was persuaded to try Grape-Nuts food, and it had such good effect from the very beginning that I have kept up its use ever sirce. I was surprised at the ease with which I digested it. It proved to be just what I needed,

"All my unpleasant symptoms, the heartburn, the inflated feeling which gave me so much pain disappeared. My weight gradually increased from 98 to 116 pounds, my figure rounded out, my strength came back, and I am now able to do my housework and enjoy it. Grape-Nuts food did it." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

A ten days' trial will show anyone some facts about food.

Read the little book, "The Road to Wellville," in pkgs. "There's a reason." Ever read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. There are genuine, true, and full of human



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farmer in behalf of better roads. One of the best things accomplished for the farmer by good roads is that it has broadened his markets. With rocky or muddy highways enforcing slow progress the average farmer was in the old days restricted to one market town-the one nearest his farm. Now with good roads he can in a shorter interval than was formerly required reach any one of several communities located in different directions. This enables him to attain the market where he can get the best prices. Similarly with good roads the farmer is not likely to be so restricted to one railroad for shipping facilities. If the road nearest his farm will not give him the cars he needs or otherwise play fair he most likely has some redress by driving across the countryside to a rival line. And the very fact that the introduction of good roads is destroying such monopolies has served to render the railroads more obliging to their

acres. Herein is found the supreme incentive

among many that has enlisted the progressive

farmer clients.

The new country-wide Highway Improvement association which is to hold its first annual congress in the near future will not seek to drive out or supplant the various good-roads associations

