

SOME MORE USES FOR A BED SHEET

The illustrated Economic lectures announced for the Presbyterian church Sunday evening Nov. 12, were a disappointment and the Anti-Saloon League lectures a surprise.

About 1 o'clock Sunday afternoon Mr. Berg, one of the Economic lecturers called the pastor of the Grace Presbyterian church of Merkel from Abilene and informed him that they would arrive in Merkel at 6-8, on the local and ask that a canvas be stretched to receive the shadows of their illustrated lecture. Though the pastor was reared a Presbyterian and hence taught to do no work on the Sabbath day, nevertheless, inducing his wife to become an accomplice to the crime, they heard the sounds of a hatchet used by their own hands on the Sabbath day and they tacked a bed sheet to the wall of the sanctuary just behind the pulpit.

On arriving home at 4 o'clock Mr. Berg was again at the telephone and having learned that the west bound local was two hours late, which would cause them to arrive too late for the lecture, canceled the date. The pastor returned to the church, took down the sheet, and was preparing to preach to a disappointed audience. At 6:30 however, his good wife came into the study and stated that the Commercial Hotel had just phoned the residence that the lecturers had arrived, having come from Abilene in a car. Immediately, in the presence of a part of the congregation, the sheet was again hoisted and the sounds of a hatchet were again heard in the holy sanctuary.

A splendid congregation of anxious eyes were soon in the auditorium, and a song and devotional service were participated in. At about 7:30 two men, evidently lecturers, entered the room. The pastor met the men, but could not understand their names, since the choir was singing so lovely, and invited them into the study to arrange the program. Looking about he did not see their stereopticon and asked if they had their machine. The big man said "yes." The pastor asked how long it would require to set it up and be ready as the choir had sung long enough; and the big man said, "Oh, just a minute, we are ready right now." "Well," said the pastor, "the sheet is ready." "Why, we don't need a sheet," said the spokesman. "Well, who are you then?" asked the pastor. "Are you not Messrs. Berg and Kahler?" "No, we are Messrs. Bradshaw and Herwig, Anti-Saloon lecturers." "Then," said the pastor, "I thought your lecture had been called in, it was to be at the Methodist church, one block south and one west." After having offered apologies for butting into the wrong place, they went on to the other church to find it in total darkness. In the meantime the pastor saw through the situation and felt sure that it was the temperance lecturers whose arrival had been announced by the Commercial Hotel and that, after all, the Economic lecturers were still in Abilene. So Messrs. Bradshaw and Herwig were found and invited to lecture in the Presbyterian church since the people were there and the Economic lecturers had not arrived.

But in spite of the fact that the Economic lecturers did not come, the audience could not fail to learn one lesson in economy, to

wit: That old bed sheet, whose usefulness is supposed to be confined to the bed, had its possibilities for service extended and became the canvas on the wall to receive the pictures of a stereopticon lecture. But not being needed for this purpose for the time being, had its sphere of usefulness still further extended and served majestically as the white flag of an anti-saloon lecturer. If that is not economy, I don't know what to call it. The pastor will not say whether he slept on a sheet Sunday night or not, but will say that rather than to have again broke the sacred stillness of the sanctuary by the sound of a hatchet taking that one down he would have sit up all night long.

So there was to be an "Economic" lecture but the late train prevented the arrival of the lecturers. The Anti-Saloon League lecture had not been definitely announced and the date was thought to be canceled. But the unannounced lecturers were fortunate enough to catch the unarrived lecturers' audience, and hence the crowd who came to hear Economics heard Prohibition. It seems that no one in particular is responsible for either the disappointment or surprise.

H. E. B.

Dr. Daly of Abilene will be in Merkel Saturday, December 16. Practice confined to diseases and surgery of the eye, ear and throat, and fitting glasses. Office at the Commercial Hotel.

CREW OF U.S. SHIP REACHES MADRID

London, Nov. 12.—The American steamer Columbian was torpedoed. A Lloyd's dispatch late Saturday afternoon said she sank.

The Lloyd dispatch apparently was confirmed in later dispatches from Madrid, which said that the crew, half of whom are Americans, had been landed on the Spanish coast, together with the crews of the Norwegian steamers Fordul and Bulto, and the British Steamer Seatonia, which also were torpedoed, perhaps by the same U boat which attacked the Columbian. The combined crews numbered 163 men.

The Lloyd's dispatch reporting the sinking of the Columbian, an American-Hawaiian line freighter, bound from Boston to Brest, via English ports, was the first news of the ship since she wirelessed to the British admiralty last Tuesday an S. O. S. call that was followed several hours later by another air message saying that two U boats held her up and that one of them shelled her.

No mention is made in any of the dispatches regarding details of the attack. The Madrid message Saturday afternoon merely stated all members of her crew landed there said she had been torpedoed. Whether she was torpedoed without warning or whether she was warned, tried to escape was then shelled, and afterwards destroyed by the torpedo will only be known when the admiralty receives affidavits from members of the ships crew.

Have your friends and neighbors help your child get one of the life-sized dolls at Behrens-McMillen's. Ask them to go in every day and register her name. They won't have to buy any goods, just tell them to register.

The only vegetable refrigerator in town is at E. L. Rogers.

ANCHOR BANQUET FRIDAY EVENING

On Friday evening, Nov. 10th, following a week in which the Anchor Mercantile Co. had been demonstrating their excellent Majestic Range stoves, a banquet was served in the grocery department of the above named firm. This firm and its employees served G. F. West Co and employees and other friends. The occasion was really a very cordial retaliation for a similar courtesy that had been extended the Anchor Co. by the G. F. West Co. some time ago. The table was fairly loaded with a sumptuous business man's dinner, and those tired fellows ate like they relished it, and acted in a way that showed they enjoyed each others company. And no one present could fail to appreciate the fine spirit of the men. Such a spirit is one of the best assets of our town. Let's cultivate it more.

OFF TO MOUNTAINS ON BIG DEER HUNT

Exactly at noon Sunday a party of nimrods, loaded for deer night, and headed in a south-westerly direction, opened the the mufflers of their cars and endeavored to outrun the fresh norther that had been ushered in the day previous. Their wardrobe consisted of khaki, leggings, boots, fur caps, rain coats and slickers. In addition to this they carried a supply of edibles and were armed to the teeth. For instance, they had army guns, long range thirty-three steel jackets, bowie knives, deer foot hunting knives, silver tipped daggers and apt as not they might have had other guns, short vest pocket guns. We learned from an authentic source that they were going to the land of cactus and Villas, beyond the Rio Grande, where the coyote moaneth for its lost and deer go in droves.

The personnel of this hunting party is Jno. Sears, T. L. Grimes, Edgar Britain, Homer Easterwood, R. L. Bland and at Ballinger they will be accompanied by Bob Grimes and his party. They will, if nothing of a serious nature happens make the trip back by next Sunday.

APPOINTMENTS FOR METHODIST PASTORS

The Methodist conference which convened at Stamford the 7th inst made the following appointments for this, the Sweetwater district: Presiding Elder—J. T. Griswold Blackwell—J. W. Watson. Blair Mission—J. C. Moore, Supply. Colorado—W. P. Garvin. Camp Springs—C. A. Duncan. Dunn—H. H. Liles. Fluvanna—S. T. Cherry. Hermleigh—J. R. Plant. Ira—C. C. Taylor. Loraine—C. E. Jameson. Merkel—L. A. Humphries. Post Station—W. C. Hinds. Post Mission—C. F. Carmack. Roscoe—D. B. Doak. Snyder—J. W. Mayne. Sweetwater—G. S. Hardy, G. H. Trammell, Supernumerary. Sweetwater Mission—H. W. Hanks. Trent—F. T. Johnson. Presiding Elder Ferguson of Abilene district was sent to St. John's Church at Stamford.

ANOTHER RECORD BREAKING PIG HERE

Last week Bob Martin of this city sold a pig that has, so far as we know, broke all previous records in west Texas. This pig was six months old and weighed two hundred and five pounds. The first cost of the pig was \$2.50 and Mr. Martin fed the pig two sacks of feed at \$1.50 per sack, making the feed bill \$3.00 which added to the first cost made \$5.50 and when sold brought \$16.40 or \$10.90 profit, or something over 200 per cent gain for six months time, which means better than four hundred per cent.

Now if any other man can boast of anything in the swine line that can compete with this pig, we have some front page space left. We are of the opinion that regardless of the high price of feed stuffs, it still pays to raise the mortgage lifters. Raise more hogs and better hogs.

BOX SUPPER GETS THE LONG GREEN

Mt. Pleasant was the scene of some lively bidding last Friday night, when Misses Toombs and Hogan gave a box supper. Miss Mae Bigham and Miss Annie Lee Roland were the fair contestants at the supper. Bidding for boxes started off with a big jump and gained in speed and momentum from the beginning. Quite a surplus of "long green" extracted from eighteen and nineteen cent cotton was present and was not long in making itself conspicuous. Boxes, keeping apace with cotton, started upward minus a slant, perpendicular, until the zenith was reached.

A total of forty dollars was realized from the boxes. But that was not the only money making proposition at the supper. In fact the boxes were of minor importance compared with a huge cake that was on hand. This cake brought a handsome sum of one one hundred and twenty-eight dollars, making a grand total of one hundred and sixty-eight dollars taken in. In the contest, we understand, Miss Roland wore off the blue ribbon. The proceeds will be expended in making purchases for the school building—seats, blackboards, etc.

WEST TEXAS WANTS A. & M. COLLEGE

The legislative committee appointed at the Fort Worth meeting of the West Texas A & M Association have arranged a conference with a committee from the Board of Directors of the A & M College. Following this conference, this committee will draw up a bill to be submitted to the next legislature which will provide for the establishment of a branch of A & M College at some point in Texas West of the 98th Meridian. This bill will be presented at the next and final meeting of the West Texas A & M Campaign Assn. to be held at Wichita Falls the latter part of November.

Reports from practically every town interested in the establishment of this institution indicate a record breaking attendance at the Wichita Falls meeting. Many of the Senators and Representatives from East and South Texas have signified their inten-

tion of coming to this meeting in order that they may learn definitely what is to be requested of the next legislature.

The Chamber of Commerce of Wichita Falls is making extensive plans for the entertainment of the visitors at the meeting. A "Town Builders Banquet" is being arranged for at one of the leading hotels of the city and it is hoped to have all of the Senators and Representatives from West Texas and many from other sections present. The banquet was planned originally in celebration of the completion of the \$100,000 fund to explore Wichita County for new oil and gas fields, but the idea of combining it with the A & M meeting met with instant favor and has been adopted.

Badges have been ordered for this final Rally which indicates very forcibly the desire of the citizenship of West Texas and the reason therefor. The map of Texas is shown with that portion of Texas West of the 98th Meridian colored red and the remaining portion left white. The location of College Station and the comparatively small area served by the College is thus forcibly compared with the great territory almost inaccessible to this school. The words "We want an A & M College" are shown in large letters across the entire face of the badge.

A card to the Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce of Wichita Falls that you are coming will be appreciated and will mean that a room will be reserved for you in advance.

SIX HURT IN AUTO ACCIDENT FRIDAY

Celebrating the Democratic victory over their long-time and little-beloved opponents—the Republicans—last Friday night Roy Hardwick of Waco was rendered unconscious and Dee Grimes, Harry Bullock, Charlie Rogers, Paul and John West were all more or less injured, when an automobile driven by John West was demolished thirteen miles east of here. The accident occurred on the way to Abilene when West undertook to pass another auto. The driver of the other car no doubt was a Wilson supporter and enthusiast and West's effort to pass him resulted in the serious mishap. There were about fifteen cars in the Wilson Parade and judging from the noise and fuss created they were doing it up in A1 style until the unfortunate accident occurred. Hardwick was carried to a sanitarium in Abilene and was resting well at last reports.

Register your little girl's name early at Behrens-McMillen Furniture Co. and then help her get one of the big life-sized dolls.

BLIZZARD SWEEPS OVER WEST TEXAS

Saturday about noon the wind shifted from the south to the north and immediately turned colder and the thermometer began a gradual decline. By Saturday night the wind had assumed proportions and velocity of a gale. But Sunday came and the mercury had not gained any lost ground, but had steadily went down and continued to do so until Monday morning, at that time she registered fifteen above. But about noon the weather began to moderate and has, at this writing, every indication of returning to its original stand.

PINK BOLL WORM IN NORTH MEXICO

The pink boll worm, the most destructive of all cotton pests, which has caused millions of dollars loss to cotton growers in Egypt, India and other cotton producing countries, has for the first time been discovered on the North American continent. The presence and probable establishment of the important cotton-growing Laguna district of the State of Coahuila, within 200 miles of the Texas-Mexico border has been determined by specialists in the U. S. Department of Agriculture. Amendments to quarantine regulations have been promulgated by the Secretary of Agriculture seeking to prevent the worm from entering the United States and every possible step will be taken by the department to make the prohibitions effective and to safeguard the interests of the cotton producers of the United States in other ways.

The pink boll worm is a comparatively new cotton pest, spreading from India to Egypt about eight years ago. It has already spread to practically all cotton producing countries in the world except the United States. Recognizing the possibility of introducing the pest into this country in cotton seed, seed cotton and cotton seed hulls, the United States has prohibited for several years the importation of these products from all cotton producing territories except six States of northern Mexico. For the same reason cotton lint from such countries has been admitted into the United States only at certain northern ports and after fumigation. The new amendments to quarantine regulations, effective November 4, extend the prohibition against importing seeds, seed cotton, and hulls to the previously excepted Mexican territory, with the exception of that portion of the Imperial Valley south of the Mexico-California line. This area is continuous with the Imperial Valley of California, is devoted to the culture of the same kind of cotton and is largely settled by Americans. In view of the unity of cotton culture in the valley and the entire separation of the Mexican portions of the area from continental Mexico by the Gulf of California and wide expanses of desert country, it is not considered necessary to change the existing regulations there. The growers of this valley on both sides of the international line, however, will be warned of the danger and it is expected naturally will refrain from any traffic, if such exists, in cotton or cotton seed and seed products from those parts of Mexico against which the quarantine has been promulgated.

Some Property Changes

During the past week W. L. Harkrider has moved into his new residence across the street from the old Harkrider home. Following this move several changes will be made by the residents of that immediate neighborhood. The Harkrider residence vacated, has been purchased and will be occupied by Jno. W. Briggs. The Briggs residence recently bought by H. L. Propst will be occupied by the Austin Boyd family while the Boyd residence has been bought by W. P. Browning. These families all plan to move into their new locations this week.

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TRENT WINS OVER SWEETWATER TEAM FOOTBALL GAME IS STAGED HERE TODAY

Sweetwater H. S. girls came to Trent last Friday afternoon to play Trent High School a game of basket ball.

The game was called at 3:00 p. m. and it looked like for ever so long that neither side would score. Finally Trent scored and then you can imagine that "business picked up" at the close of first half the score stood 4 and 4. The last half was played with eager enthusiasm and when time was called the score was 13 and 13. The ball was then tossed to play off the tie. So Maggie Payne as usual flipped the ball through the goal, which made the score 15 to 13 in Trent's favor.

The Merkel Football Team is scheduled to meet the Anson warriors on the local grounds at the school building this afternoon at 3:30. Both teams are members of the high schools at Merkel and Anson, and both teams have a reputation for fast playing. There will, no doubt, be some genuine bull and bear tactics displayed on the field of battle. Go out and give the local boys a send-off.

SUBMARINE BOAT IS BUSY IN GULF

New Orleans, Nov. 12.—Alleged operations of a German submarine in the Gulf of Mexico or on the northern part of the Caribbean sea caused intense excitement Saturday in steamship circles of belligerent nations.

Leading insurance agents here received instructions from their New York offices to withdraw quotations of war risk insurance on all belligerent vessels out of New Orleans and gulf ports.

Turkey Sells for \$5.00

R. A. Reagan, of Route 2, has topped, as far as we know, the market price, with turkeys. Last week he sold one of extraordinary stature for an even five-dollar William. We doff bonnet and plume to the gent who beats it.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Kunze who have been in New Mexico several months for the benefit of Mr. Kunze's health on their way home to Ft. Worth are visiting the family of J. W. Moore.

Mrs. T. M. Johnson of McGregor with her children is visiting her sister Mrs. Ellis Beene.

YARD RECEIPTS ARE OVER 11,000 BALES

The Public and the Gazzaway yards at Merkel had up to Wednesday at noon weighed 11,323 bales of cotton—7,558 for the former and 3,765 for the latter.

The gins, however, we are informed, have ginned none since Saturday of last week, having agreed to gin only on Friday and Saturday of each week until further notice.

J. E. Scott and wife of Dallas and Mrs. J. H. Oglesby of Fort Worth are here visiting Mrs. C. L. Cash and other relatives.

Mrs. H. T. Merritt returned Friday afternoon from Alexander Sanitarium where she has been for the past three weeks. Accompanying Mrs. Merritt was her daughter Mrs. J. C. Baker of Canyon. Mrs. Merritt is recovering in a splendid way from her operation recently performed.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Rose, Wednesday morning at ten o'clock, a girl. The young lady weighed nine and one-half pounds and is, according to her father, about the only girl in town. Congratulations are extended.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Atkins of Lamasco are here visiting their daughter, Mrs. J. Ben Campbell and will remain several days.

Phone W. E. Lowe at the Busy Bee for a service car.

To Cure a Cold in One Day
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ANOTHER WEEK GONE

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CLASSIFIED ADS

FOR SALE—4 room house and 2 lots near school building. Mrs. J. E. Costephens. 1013pd.

WANTED—Plain sewing. Mrs. Deshazo, just west of school building. 1012pd.

STRAYED OR STOLEN—Two Jersey heifers, eleven months old, one dark brown, one light brown. No special marks. Reward for recovery. Write or phone Roy Causeaux. Trent, Texas. 1012p.

FOR SALE—80 acres of land, 12 miles northeast of Merkel, unimproved, 30 acres grubbed. \$2,000, \$500 cash, balance long time, 8 per cent interest. Arthur Cranston, Route 1, Merkel. 31p.

FOR SALE—Good second hand buggy, nearly new and set of harness. Dr. G. M. Williams. 313

HAVE BUYER—For 400 to 700 acres in cultivation in one tract. Write us minute description of city property or farms you have for sale or exchange together with outline of what you desire. Twenty-five years in the land business in Abilene. Comper & Comper, Realty Department, Abilene, Texas. 2714.

FARMS FOR SALE—Well located, and some houses in town. S. F. Haynes. dec22pd

FOR SALE—Henderson Piano. See Mrs. E. M. Rust.

FOR SALE—Five-room house on South Rose Street. Good terms. Robert Hicks. 231f.

Pigs for Sale—Good pigs at \$3 apiece. James West. tf

LOST—32x4 Victor tire and rim. Return to Beasley Bros. for reward. tf

CHEAP MONEY—On good improved land. Large loans preferred. Lowest rate of interest ever known in this territory. Twenty-five years here in the business. Write us.

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FARM LOANS—Best loan contracts in this section; terms to suit and lowest rates; make my own inspections and no delays or uncertainties; ask any Merkel country farmer; no fees or charges to borrowers. Just leave memorandum at either of Merkel banks or drop me a line; I will do the rest. Jno. G. Jackson, Abilene, Texas. 31f

WANTED—Two or three good milk cows. J. B. Walton. Route 1.

FOR SALE—Cheap gasoline lighting outfit. Grimes Drug Store.

MONEY LOANED—On choice improved Merkel properties. 5 years. Describe your property fully, addressing J. F. Wellington, Ft. Worth, Texas. 315p.

MAN TO TRAVEL—For old established line. Salary, commission and expense money to right man. Experience unnecessary. J. E. McBrady, Chicago, Ill.

FOR SALE—Good work mare. Merkel Bakery.

Fresh box chocolates at Grimes Drug Store.

Advertised Letters.

Hamilton, Mrs. Golda.
Harper, J. O. T.
Landrum, Mrs. Nater.
Mangham, Mrs. Leoner.
Roberts, Mrs. M. A. E.

Delgado, Feodora.

These letters will be sent to the dead letter office Nov. 29, 1916.
H. C. Williams, P. M.
Merkel, Texas

No Hunting Here

This is to notify all parties that no hunting will be permitted on my premises. S. A. Coats. 1713pd

No Hunting Allowed

No hunting is permitted on my place. J. G. Broughton. 1713pd

Card of Thanks

I wish to express my appreciation of the quick response of the Fire Department on Saturday night, the 4th inst., when my residence burned. Delay of alarm made it impossible to save the house, but our thanks for the speedy response are just as hearty had they been in time to quench the flames.
H. O. Walker.



WARM WINTER CLOTHES FOR MEN

GENTLEMEN---

YOU WILL NOT BE AFRAID OF THE RUDE, RAW WINDS OF WINTER IF YOU LET US CLOTHE YOU. OUR CLOTHING IS COMFORTABLE AS WELL AS STYLISH.

YOU GET A FIT, TOO, IN OUR STORE. WE HAVE THE GOODS TO DO IT.

WHEN YOU NEED ANYTHING TO WEAR FROM A PAIR OF HOSE TO YOUR HAT--INSIDE OR OUT--COME TO US FOR IT. YOU WILL GET THE "UP QUALITY" AND THE "DOWN PRICE."

ONLY A FEW MORE DAYS OF

THE GREAT TRANSFER SALE

Many new articles have been received this week and we can serve you better in the closing days of this sale than ever before. Visit our store in these closing days and share in the net saving on your fall and winter purchases

THE STAR STORE

William Winter, Jr., Dead

The funeral services over the remains of William Winter, Jr., son of William Winter Sr., was held at the residence of W. T. Winter in Merkel Wednesday afternoon at two o'clock. The body having arrived on the early morning train from Brownsville where the deceased had made his home for some time. Mr. Winter, for the greater part of his life, made his home in the Merkel country and was a member of the Winter family which has been prominently identified with the interests of this section from an early day. This young man too was a character of promise having been very successful in telegraphy.

The illness which ended in death was of about six weeks duration and its beginning was due to over work, but the principal cause of his death, however, was pneumonia.

The funeral service was conducted by Eld. W. G. Cypert with interment in Rose Hill cemetery. Beside the immediate family, a wide connection and many friends mourn the passing of this young man.

Died

C. W. Witherspoon, aged 34 years, a suffer from tuberculosis, died at his home in the Dora community Friday, Nov. 11. The remains were brought to Merkel Saturday afternoon to the Behrens-McMillen undertaking parlors where they remained until Saturday night. Accompanied by the surviving wife and other relatives the body was shipped to Midlothian for burial on the midnight train Saturday.

If You Kill a Duck

If you kill a wild duck bearing an aluminum band around one leg, numbered on one side and on the other a request that the Biological Survey be notified, you are requested to send the band to the Department at Washington.

This band accompanied by a statement of place and date will be of service in determining the longevity of individual ducks and the routes of migration of the species.

No Hunting Here

This is to notify all parties that no hunting will be permitted on my premises. John Sears. 271f

FOOTBALL

Merkel

VS

Anson

HIGH SCHOOL GROUNDS, FRIDAY, 3:30 P. M.

25---CENTS ADMISSION---25

OUR PUBLIC FORUM

Peter Radford

ON THE AMERICANISM OF WASHINGTON



In these days when men earnestly inquire what true Americanism is, the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution of the United States afford a convenient touchstone for the citizenship. These documents promise the citizens the rights endowed upon them by their Creator and among these rights are mentioned life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. It is God-made and not man-made liberty that our government proposes to give its citizens. Our government denies man the right to create liberty or grant special freedom. We can only define and equally distribute them. Thomas Jefferson in writing the Declaration of Independence was so confident of the unity and patriotism of the people that he uses less than ten per cent of space in laying down principles of government and the remainder is devoted to complaints against King George. Our forefathers in framing government spent almost their entire time in constructing machinery for preserving and distributing liberty to the people and spent very little time in defining it, although we have since added fifteen amendments to the Constitution, each specifically defining human right.

The Declaration of Independence was signed and the Constitution of the United States adopted by men who had dedicated their lives and their property to their country. Patriotism ruled the day and indifference to the public welfare was an unthinkable crime. But in this age, we have become so absorbed in business affairs that we have little time to kiss the bible, salute the flag, read the Declaration of Independence or study the Constitution of the United States. The question uppermost in the minds of the patriots who founded the government was "what can I give to my countrymen?" But the predominant question of this commercial age is "what can I get from my countrymen?" These instruments of government have been compelled to do duty under both regimes. It is true we have had to re-write the Constitution, fought a war interpreting it and have placed fifteen patches upon it and have filled libraries with laws expounding it, but it has stood the test.

The Americanism of Washington places unbounded confidence in the people and trusts them and them alone with government and we elect men to serve, not rule us. The citizen is made the sovereign and we have now almost twenty million kings—and a large number of queens—sitting upon the American throne and the responsibilities of government rest heavily upon their royal shoulders. The conditions now confronting the citizenship of this nation require that the traditions of Washington and Jefferson be fulfilled and that every citizen render allegiance to government, for when rulers abandon the scepter, fools hold court, and when a citizen of this nation neglects his duty to government, he abdicates a throne, surrenders his rights to the blessings of citizenship, mocks the patriots who followed Washington to victory and tramples upon the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution of the United States.

Section For Sale or Trade

Section of level, unbroken land with shallow water five miles north of Stanton. Will sell or trade for improved land in this county or Jones county. S. F. Haynes. 1013.

Get your feed from Allen & Jones at the Boyce Bldg.

No Hunting Allowed

No hunting is permitted on my place. J. W. Teaff. 1013p

No Hunting Allowed

No hunting on the Sam Roberts place north of Trent. Sam Roberts. 313p

Meet your friends at the Skating Rink. A. F. Lee.

Notice

To my friends and patrons: I have secured the services of an expert cleaner, presser and alteration man. When in need of work of this kind I will appreciate you giving us a trial. The Star Store Tailoring Co. Mrs. C. L. Cash, Prop. 1712.

Card of Thanks

We take this method of extending to the many friends who assisted and were so kind to us during the illness and death of our beloved husband and father. May God's richest blessings be showered upon you. You like our departed loved one will ever have a place in our memory. Mrs. Sallie Reid and family.

Same goods for less money more goods for same money at A. L. Jobe's Store.

W. M. Clark of Clovis, N. M., is here visiting his old home and looking after some business matters.

Window glass at Behrens-McMillen Furniture Company.

W. J. Buford and wife have gone to Fort Worth where they will probably make their home in the future.

W. E. Lowe's service cars run day or night. Call the Busy Bee.

Plenty of angel food cake at the Bakery.

Saturday Nov. the eleventh a son was born to Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Gamble of Weatherford in the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Anderson. He will be christened William David. Congratulations are extended by the many friends of this young couple here.

Half a gallon Good Luck Baking Powder for two bits at E. L. Rogers

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Coggin came in from Abilene Monday night. Mr Coggin unable to remain for a long stay went on to El Paso Tuesday morning while Mrs. Coggin remains for a visit with relatives here.

Good Luck Baking Powder only 10 cents per pound. E. L. Rogers

J. Ben Campbell and W. R. Atkins were in Abilene Monday looking after business matters.

Take home a loaf of our fresh bread. The Bakery.

LOCAL NEWS

Two-gallon keg pickles at G. M. Sharps

Geo. T. Vickers of Fort Worth was here on business Friday.

Latest sheet music at Grimes Drug Store.

Ladies all leather hand bags at 89cts at A. L. Jobe's.

P. C. Jones and wife of Rising Star are visiting W. M. Carey of Route 2.

Money saved is money made. You can save by trading at A. L. Jobe's.

Stanford Scott of Collin County was in Merkel the first of the week, prospecting.

Try a \$1.00 bucket of the celebrated Wamba coffee at G. M. Sharps

Miss Lou Sears of Whitewright is visiting in the home of her brother Jno. Sears.

See James West for good pigs at \$3 each. tf

Order your Xmas fruit cake now. Bakery.

Mrs. L. R. Baum of Monette Mo., is visiting her relatives Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Cypert.

Car of fresh Baker Boy flour expected daily. Bob Martin Grocery Co.

Latest Sheet music at Grimes Drug Store.

Dr. and Mrs. G. M. Williams returned Monday morning from Waco where they attended a Medical Convention the week previous.

Everybody come out and skate at the Merkel Shating Rink. A. F. Lee, Prop.

Miss Susie Creath of Abilene returned to her home Sunday afternoon after spending a few days with Merkel friends.

See Allen & Jones in the Boyce Bldg. for any kind of feed you want.

Everybody skates at night at the Skating Rink. A. F. Lee.

Empty lard cans cheap at Bakery.

F. E. Smith, B. H. Moore and Miss Mattie Moore all residents of Merkel and at present members of Abilene's North Park School faculty, are here this week attending the county institute.

Car of fresh Baker Boy flour expected daily. Bob Martin Grocery Co.

Fresh box chocolates at Grimes Drug Store.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Boaz, Misses Mary Kennedy and Lura Orr all of Anson were visitors in Merkel Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Boaz visited in the home of J. E. Boaz while the young ladies were guests of Miss Ruby Smith.

Boys Suits at biggest bargains ever offered, Saturday the 18th. Every boy buying a Suit will receive a nice present. A. L. Jobe.

Dough-nuts, creme puffs and chocolate eclairs on Friday and Saturday at the Bakery.

Mrs. Hood Day of Sweetwater is visiting her sister Mrs. C. V. Bigham.

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THE REPUBLICAN PARTY

The national Democratic victory over the Republicans last week in the presidential election means the greatest political achievement in many years. Of course, the Democrats have won before, several times, but with not the same consequence. Four years ago the Democrats scored a victory, but due, no doubt, to the birth of a new party—the Progressive. But the death knell of this Bull Moose party revived the hopes of the Republicans, in fact, they went into ecstasies of joy, and they dreamed dreams. They saw lovely visions of themselves seated in the Palace of Power. They dreamed of a speedy return to the governmental masthead. The Republicans reigned supreme for many years, and were loath to take a seat in the rear when they were defeated four years ago, but consoled themselves that it was only for a short time—four years. But the Republicans' castle was about three-thirds air and the temperature of this motionless wind became warmer and warmer until last Thursday, at which time it reached the boiling point and then followed an explosion that could be distinctly heard from the Great Lakes to the Gulf of Mexico and from the Everglades of Florida to the sun-kissed shores of California. The explosion occurred about the time California sent in her report of the election, and the combustion was of such a nature as to wake up the astounded Republicans with an astonished start, and peering into the distant future beheld nothing more sublime than a hazy mist with darkness for a background. The Republica leaders, each, no doubt, saw a weird and ghostly nightmare, and astride of this nightmare was Teddy, closely followed by a few roughriders—Teddy with long finger-nails, horns and a tail, with an expression of diabolicalness. Remembering the split of 1912, they then ordered the speedy execution of Teddy, but about this stage of the hallucination they were punctured with another thought—they had no power, and Teddy was left at large, to go South to Africa again. This was more than enough, so they took another drink and went back to sleep—that is, to see some more nightmares—and they then beheld the political carcass of Charles E. Hughes mangled beyond recognition, weighed in the balance and found wanting—some more votes. The Republican party may survive, but they will never amount to a d—.

THE SOUTH IS COMING BACK

Splendid! The South is coming into its own at last. For the first time, the Comptroller's report at Washington shows that the percentage of increase of bank depositors in the Southern States is the largest in the country. This evidences the remarkable growth and progress, industrially and in every other way, of the Southern States. The rapid increase in the number of banks in the South is a surprise to the financial circle of the East and West. Banks mean business and business means prosperity.

The South is no longer confined to its agricultural development. Its enormous supplies of raw materials are giving it a commanding position industrially. Ultimately the South will join the industrial East and West in demanding protection for its factory output. With the growth of the banking business in the South and the large increase in the number of bank depositors, there is marked abatement of the outcry against

bankers as "money sharks and "Shylocks." In one other matter the South is proving its wisdom and sagacity in attracting capital. Florida is inviting a large influx of substantial citizens from every part of the country because it does not levy an oppressive inheritance tax.

New York could take a lesson from Florida. The tendency of legislation in the Empire State even up to last winter was to add to the burden of taxes on both the living and the dead, and it did not reflect credit on the Republican Party which was in control.—Leslie's Magazine.

LET THE PEOPLE RULE

The trouble in Mexico grows worse. Since January 1, there have been 137 homicides in New York City, with 99 arrests and 27 convictions.

In Greater New York 2,500,000 persons responded to the call to attend church on a recent "Go-to-Church" Sunday.

A New York street peddler for selling a sweet potato on Sunday for one cent was fined \$5 for violating the Sunday code.

Out of four hundred Kansas school pupils, at Belle Plain, only seven had ever seen a saloon or intoxicated person.

After keeping a barber shop sixty years in New York a German barber recently retired with \$300,000 to his fine country home.

When Virginia went dry November 1, the eighteenth dry State in the Union, 800 saloons were closed and the church bells were rung.

After working fifty years at a salary of \$900 a year in one of the departments at Washington, a woman has just been rewarded by an increase of \$100 a year.

A burglar arraigned for sentence in a New York court recently asked that he be not sentenced on the 13th of the month as it was unlucky. The judge complied.

The employment secretary of the New York Y. M. C. A. charges the shortage of office boys to the general prosperity which is sending boys to school instead of to work.

A young woman was arrested in New York recently for stealing jewelry worth \$1,000. She was engaged to be married within a month and stole to get a wedding trousseau.

A reporter on a Los Angeles paper committed suicide recently, leaving on his desk the story of his death, at the close of which he wrote the customary indication of "the end," the number "30."

PASTED PARAGRAPHS

TOMMY-BOT

If tomcats really have nine lives
 It's some test of endurance
 For companies which pay their wives
 Their multi life insurance.
 —Youngstown Telegram.

If tomcats had less than nine lives
 And were they fewer in number
 And happily lived with their own wives
 What a boost they'd be to slumber.
 —Ashtabula Star-Beacon.

If tomcats had a life apiece
 And couldn't holler any,
 Use of bad words would largely cease;
 I wouldn't use so many.
 —Houston Post.

If tomcats really have nine lives,
 Or twice as many more,
 The same is true of tommy's wives
 Who have eat fits galore.
 —Memphis Commercial Appeal.

If tomcats live for ages
 And pussycats never die
 We wonder why the sages
 Don't explain the reason why.

Thursday week, or the day previous, the turkey and the axe will meet on the field of battle, and, according to culminations of history, many turkeys will die the death of the violent. Since the days when Capt. Miles Standish fed the colonist, on that memorable Thursday, wild turkey, many tame ones have served as the plate of Thanksgiving.

The End of A Rivalry

By ESTHER VANDEVEER

Josephine Sommers was as a girl from ten to sixteen years an incorrigible tomboy. Everybody called her Joe, and everybody admitted that she was well named, for she might be considered either a boy or a girl. Her most intimate friends were boys, and they always spoke of her as "one of us."

When Joe was fifteen a change came over her—that is, she was passing from childhood to womanhood. This transition was in her case peculiar. A girl of fifteen knows that she can't do those things she did when a child. For instance, she can't climb trees with the same freedom; she can't ride on horse-back straddle without apparel fitted for the purpose; there is not the same freedom in her friendships with boys.

Joe had not quite let go all these juvenile ways, and yet she was reaching for young ladyhood. One thing she had not yet grasped, and that was a proper appreciation of being made love to by a young man. Boys had never thought of making love to her. A boy would no more have made love to her than to another boy. For a boy to make love to her would have sounded ridiculous, and, ten to one, she would have laughed at him.

The first time that anything serious in the way of a love matter occurred to Joe Sommers was when she was fifteen and a half years old. Two boys, Bob Atherton and Johnnie Myers, laid longing eyes upon her. Neither of them made any mention of the fact to her. If one walked home with her from school the other kept out of the way. If one engaged her for a game of tennis the other amused himself in some other way. Joe did not see the rivalry, but the boys were conscious of it, and there was not a day that one did not try to get ahead of the other.

Of course this constant effort was bound in the end to make trouble between the two boys. Every time one saw the other enjoying Joe's society to the exclusion of the other the green monster flapped his wings. An explosion is sure to come in such cases, and this one was no exception.

All three of the parties to this triangular love affair—though the girl had no sentimental part in it at all—were in the same class in the Effingham high school. When a certain baseball game was played between the Effingham and the Waterton high schools Bob Atherton saw on the grand stand Joe Sommers sitting with a vacant place beside her. He joined her and asked if he might occupy it. She gave him permission, saying that she expected another boy to sit with her, but there was room for him on the other side.

Now, the other boy was Johnnie Myers. Before he reached the stand the place on the other side of Joe was occupied, and he saw Bob in his place. He didn't approach the two and make a scene, but there was consternation within him. He did not even claim his right to sit by the girl. He went off to another part of the field, nursing his wrath not against Joe, who was to be blamed if any one was, but against Bob.

When the game was finished and the multitude left the athletic grounds Johnnie saw his rival walking with Joe toward her home. His own route lay in this direction. Indeed, he lived not far from her, and she could look from her window into his back yard. When Bob left her Johnnie joined him and accused him of intentionally occupying his place at the baseball game. Bob was innocent of the charge, but certain words used by Johnnie riled him.

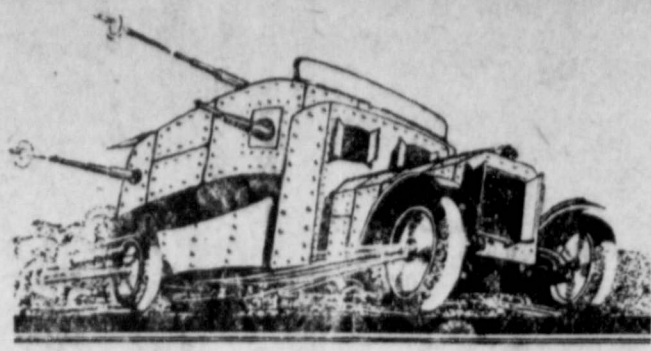
Joe had laid aside her belongings and was sitting by her window when she saw Bob climb the fence in the rear of Johnnie's home and approach Johnnie with apparent hostile intent. The next thing she saw was a battle.

It did not take Joe long to discern the cause of this encounter. Realizing that she had not properly protected the boy she had promised to sit beside at the game, it was plain to her that this disgraceful fight between her two friends was her own fault. Running downstairs and out through a back door, she vaulted all fences that separated her from the combatants, finally alighting in the yard where they were fighting. But so engaged were they with each other that they did not see her.

What predominated in Joe's mind was this: Through her neglect these two boys had been brought to punch each other. She was angry with herself, but still more angry with them for making her fault more glaring. The fact of their rivalry for her did not enter her head. Indeed, she did not know that there was a rivalry.

It happened that the gardener had been using a hose to water some plants and had left it on the ground. Joe seized it, and the first intimation of her presence to the competitors for her favor was a stream of water poured over them. For a few moments, not discerning the cause of the interruption, they continued to maul each other. Then both turned and, seeing the object of their devotion directing the stream, they ceased to fight and stood apart, whereupon Joe dropped the hose and stood looking at them angrily. She was trying to find words to express what was within her, but, failing, she jumped the fence and ran away.

That was the end of the rivalry for Joe Sommers' favor on the part of these two boys, for she turned the cold shoulder on both of them.



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BORDER VOTES FOR HUGHES

First Results of Vote Among Guardsmen Show Strong Republican Sentiment.

Brownsville, Texas.—First figures on the presidential election among federalized guardsmen on the border became known here when figures were issued as follows, the official ballots, it was stated, having already been forwarded to the respective states of the troopers' voting:

Troop A, Kansas cavalry, stationed at Donna, cast 22 ballots—20 for Hughes, and 2 for Wilson.

Several hundred Virginia troops, who voted by mail, practically solid for Wilson. The exact number of votes was not and will not be obtainable on the border.

Fourth South Dakota infantry, stationed at San Benito, votes mailed give Hughes a lead of 6 to 1. Number of men balloting not obtainable.

The North Dakota regiment at Llano Grande has mailed its ballot under seal, and the result will not be announced here. A straw vote of one company, it is stated, was indicative of the vote of the entire regiment. This straw vote shows 29 for Hughes and 8 for Wilson.

Gilmore Injunction Suit is Upheld.

Austin, Texas.—In a majority decision the supreme court affirmed the judgment of the district court and reversed that of the second court of civil appeals at Fort Worth in the case of C. E. Gilmore vs. Paul Waples et al., from Tarrant county, thereby finally upholding Gilmore in his contest with the state Democratic executive committee and holding that the name of Charles H. Hurdleston, the governor's appointee, was unlawfully certified to the secretary of state as the Democratic nominee for railroad commissioner to fill the unexpired term of the late William D. Williams.

GOVERNORS ELECTED.

New York—Charles S. Whitman (Republican), re-elected.

Massachusetts—Samuel W. McCall (Republican), re-elected.

Washington—Ernest Lister (Democrat), re-elected.

Ohio—James M. Cox (Democrat), re-elected.

Missouri—Gardner (Dem.), doubtful.

New Jersey—Walter E. Edge (Republican), re-elected.

Illinois—Frank O. Lowden (Republican), re-elected.

Connecticut—Marcus M. Holcomb (Republican), re-elected.

North Carolina—Thomas W. Bickett (Democrat), re-elected.

South Carolina—Richard I. Manning (Democrat), re-elected.

Rhode Island—R. Livingston Backman (Republican), re-elected.

Tennessee—Tom C. Rye (Democrat), re-elected.

Texas—James E. Ferguson (Democrat), re-elected.

Minnesota—James A. Burnquist (Republican), re-elected.

Florida—W. A. Knott (Democrat), probable.

Georgia—Hugh Dorsey (Democrat), probable.

Delaware—John G. Townsend (Republican), probable.

West Virginia—John G. Cornwell (Democrat), doubtful.

Michigan—Albert E. Sleeper (Republican), probable.

New Hampshire—Harry W. Keys (Republican), probable.

Vermont—Horace F. Graham (Republican), probable.

Wilson Golfs With Result in Doubt.

Asbury Park.—With the result of the election in doubt, President Wilson Wednesday afternoon went out for a golf game. Mrs. Wilson, who throughout the morning had directed the packing of things preparatory to moving back to Washington this week, accompanied the president to the links.

Trick Issues Statement

Nov. 8.—At 3 o'clock morning Vance McCormick, chairman of the Democratic National committee, issued the following statement:

"Wilson's vote is rolling up every minute. He will have close to 300 votes in the electoral college."

Although the metropolitan newspapers which have supported Wilson conceded his defeat, the Democratic managers insisted that complete returns from the West reverse the trend.

"Remember 1892," was the prediction of the Democratic publicity bureau, which pointed out that in that memorable contest the next day's revised returns placed Grover Cleveland in the White House.

Nebraska Goes Dry and For Wilson.

Lincoln, Neb.—Nebraska's majority for Wilson will probably be about 20,000, it is estimated. The state went dry by an overwhelming majority, variously estimated from 30,000 to 50,000.

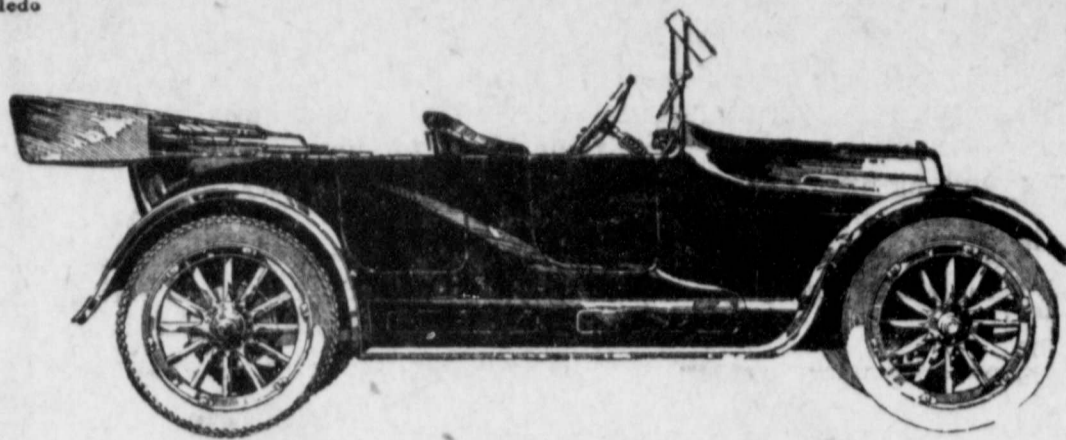
W. O. Davis Elected Ft. Worth Mayor

Fort Worth, Texas.—After one of the warmest contests in the history of the city of Fort Worth, former Mayor W. D. Davis, again a candidate for that position, came back, being elected to the position by a majority of 765 votes over his opponent, Robert W. Harrison. The race was attracted much attention and very much of ground was warmly contested by the partisans of each of the candidates. A heavy vote was polled the city, totalling about 9,000.

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Washington, Nov. 14.—President Wilson tonight blamed middlemen for the high costs of foodstuffs in a speech welcoming to Washington the convention of the National Grange, the first formal speech he has delivered since the election.

Urging that farmers increase their output, the President said: "We ought to raise such big crops that circumstances like the present can never recur—when men can make as if the supply was so short that the middlemen could charge for it what he pleased. It will not do to be niggardly with the rest of the world in respect to its food supply."

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At the last regular meeting of the city council the resignation of Ben A. Walters as city Marshal was accepted. The unexpired term of this incumbent in office will be filled by R. E. Counts, the same having assumed his duties at once.

Mr. Walters, who has been one of Merkel's popular marshals gave up his place in order to enter work more lucrative and not so confining. In the future he will be associated with his brother, V. B. Walters, in the Home Furniture Co.

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SHILOH

W. F. Fry, in company with W. K. Horn of Abilene was here and preached for us Saturday and Sunday.

Grover Tyner of Abilene spent the week end with homefolks at this place.

Mrs. Williamson, Misses Jones and Cade are in attendance at the Teachers institute at Anson.

Mrs. Julia Cotton of Merkel is visiting Mrs. J. H. Grayson.

Ulric Wheeler and family spent Sunday night and Monday with Edgar Wheeler and family of Noodle.

Several of the young people were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Seago Sunday.

Grandma Bennett spent Thursday with Mrs. Beavers.

Will Bond spent a few days last week near Abilene.

Homer Herring of Noodle attended services here Sunday.

Mrs. Atlas Phillips and children of Trent spent Saturday and Sunday with Terrell Winter and family.

Leldon Goode of Noodle attended services here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Conder celebrated their little daughter Thelma's birthday Tuesday, by giving her a nice dinner and invited her Sunday school teacher, Miss Lyda Beavers, and a few of her little friends to take dinner with her. They all report an enjoyable time and left late in the afternoon, wishing Thelma many more happy birthdays.

Mr. Will Bond and family left Wednesday for their new home near Abilene. We regret giving up this good family, but wish them success in their new home.

Several in this community are killing hogs this week.

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Breaks into Jail

Saturday evening Robert Beasley missed his Chambers touring car and suspecting that something was wrong phoned here and to Abilene.

A short time afterward a young man was accosted in Abilene and when questioned as to whose car he was driving, told the officers it was his car. When informed that he was under arrest for theft of the Beasley car, he acknowledged the car belonged to Mr. Beasley but that it was all right with the owner for him to drive it. The officers thought otherwise and escorted the young man to the Hotel de McMahan.

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JUNIUS SENDS IN ANOTHER REPORT

Rev. Charles Seago, Roger and Edgar Grayson, have just returned from an extended tour of the west, all of them looking thin and care worn.

Mrs. Julia Cotton of Merkel is spending a few days with Mrs. J. H. Grayson.

We had the pleasure of meeting S. B. Mayberry at Bill Tiner's recently, an entertaining conversationalist.

The brilliant and versatile correspondent of Nubia will please accept our thanks for complimentary mention in a recent letter. There is evidently a marked strain of congeniality in our natures.

Mr. Tom Green informs us of the death of our William Winter, a nephew of Terrel Winter, the sad intelligence has evoked genuine sorrow and regret for he had numerous friends here who deplore his death.

Mr. Joe Green who has been confined to his bed the past ten days, is able to be up.

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Killed by Horse Fall

Zeb L. Williams, living four miles south of Roscoe, died Monday from injuries received Sunday, when he was thrown from his horse in some manner.

Mr. Williams was found in a semi-conscious condition by his wife Sunday evening after dark and never regained consciousness. He had been riding and on the horse's hips were found dirt, the horn of the saddle showed to have ploughed in dirt and one stirrup was found hanging on a gate post. It is supposed the man rode into the wire gate and sustained fatal injuries when his horse fell.

WILSON'S MAJORITY IN TEXAS 170,000

REPUBLICANS AND PROGRESSIVES GO BACK TOGETHER WITH NO GAIN

HURDLESTON IS SUCCESSFUL

Defeats Gilmore for Railroad Commissioner—Constitutional Amendment Carries

Dallas, Texas, Nov. 8.—In Tuesday's election in Texas only two issues were in doubt. These were as to who would be elected to fill the unexpired term as railroad commissioner and as to whether the school tax amendment to the constitution would be adopted.

The returns received show that C. H. Hurdleston, the governor's appointee, defeated Clarence E. Gilmore for the railroad commissionership and that the Constitutional amendment was adopted.

The entire Democratic ticket was elected. Wilson carried the state by



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a majority that will range over 170,000, which was more than he received two years ago. The indications are that the total vote polled for Hughes is in the neighborhood of 58,000, or about 5 per cent larger than the combined vote of Taft and Roosevelt in 1912. The returns indicated that the prohibitionists polled about twice as many votes as they did in 1912, and that the Socialists polled a good many less than they did in the same year.

Totals of Returns

The totals of the returns received early Wednesday morning were:

For president—Wilson, Democrat, 66,510; Hughes, Republican, 14,889; Hanley, Prohibitionist, 728; Benson, Socialist, 1,849.

Constitutional amendment: For 24,367, against 19,432. This amendment will permit school districts to levy a tax not to exceed \$1 on the \$100 and counties to levy a school tax not to exceed 50c.

For railroad commissioner, unexpired term: C. H. Hurdleston 10,599; Clarence E. Gilmore 7,116; Jack Thorn (Republican) 1,305. And there were scattering votes for Frank Jensen, Prohibitionist; F. J. Penland, Socialist and others.

Ballot Complicated

The election was complicated by reason of the fact that the supreme court declared that the nominating made by the party committees for the railroad commissioner were invalid and for the reason that these names had been printed on the ballots in most of the counties. In many of the counties these names were erased and voters wrote in the names of the men for whom they wanted to vote. But in other counties the printed ballots were used. In San Antonio, for instance, Hurdleston received 1,324 votes, Gilmore none and Thorn 313, Jensen 3 and Penland 18.

At El Paso voters were called back and allowed to "vote again" for railroad commissioner, in view of the fact that Hurdleston's name had been removed from the ballots and voters had not expressed a choice for that office.

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BORDER VOTES FOR HUGHES

First Results of Vote Among Guardsmen Show Strong Republican Sentiment.

Brownsville, Texas.—First figures on the presidential election among federalized guardsmen on the border became known here when figures were issued as follows, the official ballots, it was stated, having already been forwarded to the respective states of the troopers' voting:

Troop A, Kansas cavalry, stationed at Donna, cast 22 ballots—20 for Hughes, and 2 for Wilson.

Several hundred Virginia troops, who voted by mail, practically solid for Wilson. The exact number voting was not and will not be obtainable on the border.

Fourth South Dakota infantry, stationed at San Benito, votes mailed give Hughes a lead of 6 to 1. Number of men balloting not obtainable.

The North Dakota regiment at Llano Grande has mailed its ballot under seal, and the result will not be announced here. A straw vote of one company, it is stated, was indicative of the vote of the entire regiment. This straw vote shows 29 for Hughes and 8 for Wilson.

Gilmore Injunction Suit is Upheld.

Austin, Texas.—In a majority decision the supreme court affirmed the judgment of the district court and reversed that of the second court of civil appeals at Fort Worth in the case of C. E. Gilmore vs. Paul Waples et al., from Tarrant county, thereby finally upholding Gilmore in his contest with the state Democratic executive committee and holding that the name of Charles H. Hurdleston, the governor's appointee, was unlawfully certified to the secretary of state as the Democratic nominee for railroad commissioner to fill the unexpired term of the late William D. Williams.

GOVERNORS ELECTED.

New York—Charles S. Whitman (Republican), re-elected.

Massachusetts—Samuel W. McCall (Republican), re-elected.

Washington—Ernest Lister (Democrat), re-elected.

Ohio—James M. Cox (Democrat).

Missouri—Gardner (Dem.), doubtful.

New Jersey—Walter E. Edge (Republican).

Illinois—Frank O. Lowden (Republican).

Connecticut—Marcus M. Holcomb (Republican), re-elected.

North Carolina—Thomas W. Bickett (Democrat).

South Carolina—Richard I. Manning (Democrat), re-elected.

Rhode Island—R. Livingston Backman (Republican), re-elected.

Tennessee—Tom C. Rye (Democrat), re-elected.

Texas—James E. Ferguson (Democrat), re-elected.

Minnesota—James A. Burnquist (Republican), re-elected.

Florida—W. A. Knott (Democrat), probable.

Georgia—Hugh Dorsey (Democrat).

Delaware—John G. Townsend (Republican).

West Virginia—John G. Cornwell (Democrat), doubtful.

Michigan—Albert E. Sleeper (Republican).

New Hampshire—Harry W. Keys (Republican).

Vermont—Horace F. Graham (Republican).

Wilson Golfs With Result in Doubt.

Asbury Park.—With the result of the election in doubt, President Wilson Wednesday afternoon went out for a golf game. Mrs. Wilson, who throughout the morning had directed the packing of things preparatory to moving back to Washington this week, accompanied the president to the links.

McCormick Issues Statement

New York, Nov. 8.—At 3 o'clock Wednesday morning Vance McCormick, chairman of the Democratic National committee, issued the following statement:

"Wilson's vote is rolling up every minute. He will have close to 300 votes in the electoral college."

Although the metropolitan newspapers which have supported Wilson conceded his defeat, the Democratic managers insisted that complete returns from the West reverse the trend.

"Remember 1892," was the prediction of the Democratic publicity bureau, which pointed out that in that memorable contest the next day's revised returns placed Grover Cleveland in the White House.

Nebraska Goes Dry and For Wilson.

Lincoln, Neb.—Nebraska's majority for Wilson will probably be about 20,000, it is estimated. The state went dry by an overwhelming majority, variously estimated from 30,000 to 50,000.

W. O. Davis Elected Ft. Worth Mayor

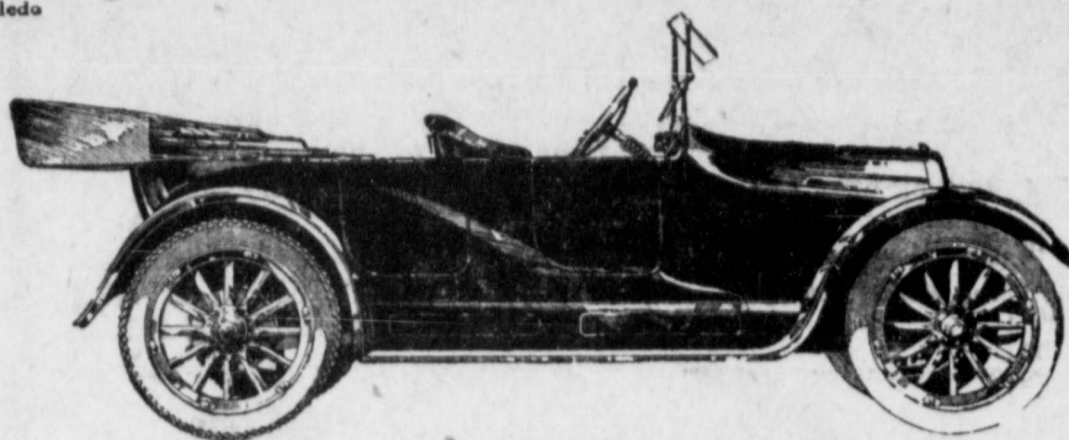
Fort Worth, Texas.—After one of the warmest contests in the history of the city of Fort Worth, former Mayor W. D. Davis, again a candidate for that position, came back, being elected to the position by a majority of 765 votes over his opponent, Robert W. Harrison. The race attracted much attention and very much of ground was warmly contested by the partisans of each of the candidates. A heavy vote was polled the city, totalling about 9,000.

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MIDDLEMEN BLAMED FOR HIGH FOOD COST

Washington, Nov. 14.—President Wilson tonight blamed middlemen for the high costs of foodstuffs in a speech welcoming to Washington the convention of the National Grange, the first formal speech he has delivered since the election.

Urging that farmers increase their output, the President said: "We ought to raise such big crops that circumstances like the present can never reoccur—when men can make as if the supply was so short that the middlemen could charge for it what he pleased. It will not do to be niggardly with the rest of the world in respect to its food supply."

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New City Marshal for Merkel

At the last regular meeting of the city council the resignation of Ben A. Walters as city Marshal was accepted. The unexpired term of this incumbent in office will be filled by R. E. Counts, the same having assumed his duties at once.

Mr. Walters, who has been one of Merkel's popular marshals gave up his place in order to enter work more lucrative and not so confining. In the future he will be associated with his brother, V. B. Walters, in the Home Furniture Co.

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SHILOH

W. F. Fry, in company with W. K. Horn of Abilene was here and preached for us Saturday and Sunday.

Grover Tyner of Abilene spent the week end with homefolks at this place.

Mrs. Williamson, Misses Jones and Cade are in attendance at the Teachers institute at Anson.

Mrs. Julia Cotton of Merkel is visiting Mrs. J. H. Grayson.

Ulric Wheeler and family spent Sunday night and Monday with Edgar Wheeler and family of Noodle.

Several of the young people were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Seago Sunday.

Grandma Bennett spent Thursday with Mrs. Beavers.

Will Bond spent a few days last week near Abilene.

Homer Herring of Noodle attended services here Sunday.

Mrs. Atlas Phillips and children of Trent spent Saturday and Sunday with Terrell Winter and family.

Leldon Goode of Noodle attended services here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Conder celebrated their little daughter Thelma's birthday Tuesday, by giving her a nice dinner and invited her Sunday school teacher, Miss Lyda Beavers, and a few of her little friends to take dinner with her. They all report an enjoyable time and left late in the afternoon, wishing Thelma many more happy birthdays.

Mr. Will Bond and family left Wednesday for their new home near Abilene. We regret giving up this good family, but wish them success in their new home.

Several in this community are killing hogs this week.

JUNIUS SENDS IN ANOTHER REPORT

Rev. Charles Seago, Roger and Edgar Grayson, have just returned from an extended tour of the west, all of them looking thin and care worn.

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We had the pleasure of meeting S. B. Mayberry at Bill Tiner's recently, an entertaining conversationalist.

The brilliant and versatile correspondent of Nubia will please accept our thanks for complimentary mention in a recent letter. There is evidently a marked strain of congeniality in our natures.

Mr. Tom Green informs us of the death of our William Winter, a nephew of Terrel Winter, the sad intelligence has evoked genuine sorrow and regret for he had numerous friends here who deplore his death.

Mr. Joe Green who has been confined to his bed the past ten days, is able to be up.

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Killed by Horse Fall

Zeb L. Williams, living four miles south of Roscoe, died Monday from injuries received Sunday, when he was thrown from his horse in some manner.

Mr. Williams was found in a semi-conscious condition by his wife Sunday evening after dark and never regained consciousness. He had been riding and on the horse's hips were found dirt, the horn of the saddle showed to have ploughed in dirt and one stirrup was found hanging on a gate post. It is supposed the man rode into the wire gate and sustained fatal injuries when his horse fell.

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Breaks into Jail

Saturday evening Robert Beasley missed his Chambers touring car and suspecting that something was wrong phoned here and to Abilene.

A short time afterward a young man was accosted in Abilene and when questioned as to whose car he was driving, told the officers it was his car. When informed that he was under arrest for theft of the Beasley car, he acknowledged the car belonged to Mr. Beasley but that it was all right with the owner for him to drive it. The officers thought otherwise and escorted the young man to the Hotel de McMahan.

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WILSON'S MAJORITY IN TEXAS 170,000

REPUBLICANS AND PROGRESSIVES GO BACK TOGETHER WITH NO GAIN

HURDLESTON IS SUCCESSFUL

Defeats Gilmore for Railroad Commissioner—Constitutional Amendment Carries

Dallas, Texas, Nov. 8.—In Tuesday's election in Texas only two issues were in doubt. These were as to who would be elected to fill the unexpired term as railroad commissioner and as to whether the school tax amendment to the constitution would be adopted.

The returns received show that C. H. Hurdleston, the governor's appointee, defeated Clarence E. Gilmore for the railroad commissionership and that the Constitutional amendment was adopted.

The entire Democratic ticket was elected. Wilson carried the state by



GOV. JAMES E. FERGUSON

a majority that will range over 170,000, which was more than he received two years ago. The indications are that the total vote polled for Hughes is in the neighborhood of 55,000, or about 5 per cent larger than the combined vote of Taft and Roosevelt in 1912. The returns indicated that the prohibitionists polled about twice as many votes as they did in 1912, and that the Socialists polled a good many less than they did in the same year.

Totals of Returns

The totals of the returns received early Wednesday morning were:

For president—Wilson, Democrat, 66,510; Hughes, Republican, 14,569; Hanley, Prohibitionist, 728; Benson, Socialist, 1,849.

Constitutional amendment: For 24,387, against 19,432. This amendment will permit school districts to levy a tax not to exceed \$1 on the \$100 and counties to levy a school tax not to exceed 50c.

For railroad commissioner, unexpired term: C. H. Hurdleston 10,590, Clarence E. Gilmore 7,116, Jack Thorn (Republican) 1,305. And there were scattering votes for Frank Jensen, Prohibitionist; F. J. Penland, Socialist and others.

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MISS EVELYN WILLIAMS, EDITOR

Foster-Patterson

A pretty autumn wedding was solemnized in the country home of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Foster Tuesday evening at five o'clock. Rev. W. G. Cypert was the officiating minister to unite the lives of their eldest daughter, Maggie, and Herbert Patterson of the same neighborhood.

For her wedding the bride was gowned in grey taffeta with all accessories to match. And attending the bride and groom were Misses Emma McCoy and Ernest Duckett of Merkel. Immediately after the ceremony the wedding supper was served to all assembled guests of whom there were almost sixty. The menu was elaborate consisting of turkey, country ham, and all other delicacies to make a perfectly appointed meal. For the table and throughout the house chrysanthemums were used in profusion as decoration.

After this week Mr. and Mrs. Patterson will be at home to their friends in their home near Stith.

An interesting incident of the daughter's wedding was that it occurred on her mother's birthday.

These young people are members of prominent families and a host of friends would wish them happiness together.

Delightful Gathering at Pence Home

Friday evening the Woman's Missionary Societies of the Salem Christian Church and the Shiloh Methodist Church gave a social at the country home of Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Pence, near Napton. There were about two hundred neighbors and friends present, and good cheer, brotherly love and Christian fellowship reigned supreme. The Pence home is one of Saline's elegant and modern residences well adapted to entertain and was in gala dress on Friday evening with decorations of the autumn time. The large, well lighted third story room was turned over to the children and young people and they had a merry time with games contests, etc. Farm Advisor Howatt and Earl Rea were present and made splendid talks with reference to the betterment of the agricultural and social interests of the farming population of Saline. Mr. Smith says this annual community gathering was one of the finest he has attended during his residence in the county and he thinks will continue to be a great promoter of unity and good feeling among the christian people of Saline.

Refreshments of ice cream and a delicious variety of cake were served and the program rendered was entertaining. — Marshall (Mo.) Democrat News.

The above named hostess will be remembered as a member of the H. C. Williams family and a resident of Merkel prior to her marriage several years ago.

Mewshaw Pitzer Entertainment

The program given in the high school auditorium on last Friday was very unusual and entertaining in its idea. The performers were Mrs. Mewshaw and Miss Lyska Pitzer and Manora Mewshaw. Character plays were given by the juvenile performers, while musical numbers, both piano and vocal, were rendered by the two ladies.

Programs well attended were given both matinee and evening. These were for the benefit of the school at this place.

Married

At the home of Rev. A. A. Baker which has been the scene of so many weddings, Miss Irene Patterson and Almer D. Barnes were married Sunday afternoon.

Accompanying the bride and groom were his parents, Mr. and

Mrs. A. H. Barnes, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Barnes, and Miss Edna Patterson, sister of the bride.

Mr. and Mrs. Barnes are at present in the home of the groom's parents and they will make their home on the Barnes farm.

These two and their families, the bride being a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Patterson, have many friends interested in the wedding. They wish to this young couple a happy life together.

Mrs. A. L. Jobe gave a shower at her home Friday afternoon, in behalf of Mrs. Harry Walker, who suffered the loss of all her household goods by fire on the previous Saturday night and the following ladies favored her with presents: Miss Ora Bradley, the two Mrs. Hancock, Mesdames, Stewart, Elliot, Shelton, Highsmith, Creth, Smith, Davis and Jobe.

Mrs. Walker was also present and expressed her appreciation for the kindness of such good friends.

Merry Wives

Wednesday the Merry Wives had their weekly meeting at Mrs. Luther Woodroof's. The members came at the noon hour with their dinner in their hands, a little later they were joined by their husbands and gentlemen friends. This lunch was eaten picnic style, using paper napkins, plates, etc. For these industrious "fraus" did not wish to lose any valuable time washing dishes, especially before the holidays. This is a task left for the other six days of the week. In the afternoon the time was spent on Xmas gifts.

The Merry Husbands were appreciative enough to wind up the pleasant day by inviting the club to dine with them in the evening. With few exceptions, this invitation was accepted by the members: Mesdames Howard, Woodroof, Burroughs, Graves, Hicks, Misses Sutphen and Warren. Next Wednesday, the Club will meet with Mrs. Lytton Howard.

Dead

Tommie Louise, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mack Buzbee died at their home northeast of Merkel last Friday. Apparently in good health the child was taken with convulsions and only lived a short time. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. J. F. Hendricks and held Saturday afternoon with burial immediately afterward in Rose Hill cemetery.

The sympathy of a wide circle of friends is extended to this young couple in the death of their only child.

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Fashion Uses It on Frocks, Suits and Even Coats. New Forms of The Russian Blouse

New York, Nov. 14. — Little did our grandmothers dream when they sat together and worked and gossiped at their quilting-bees that the quilting they did then would furnish inspiration for dress trimmings for the women of today.



A Satin Dress with Quilting on Belt and Skirt

Certainly, the quilting trimming is a very novel idea from the fertile brain of our modern designer. It is generally used in bands at the lower edges of skirts and suit coats and is also used as a decoration for collars, cuffs and pockets. The work is done in machine stitching and usually the same color silk as the background is used.

The sketch above illustrates the conventional diamond shaped design but other designs of a less conventional character are also utilized. In this attractive one-piece frock of satin, the belt and the lower edge of the skirt are quilted. Some suits of satin and silk have been seen with quilting on the collar, cuffs, and pockets on the dress.

Imitations of the quilting idea have also been carried out in heavier materials. For instance a very good looking full length coat was worked with heavy navy blue silk in the diamond shaped quilted design on a mustard color background. The large square pockets were entirely covered with this work, a touch of it on the cuffs, and the collar also had some of it. Mustard is one of the very popular colors for separate coats. Numbers of them are seen at present some unrelieved by any trimming and others with collars of Hudson seal or other black furs. Some of them also have bands of fur at the edge of the sleeves or of the coat itself.

The Present Styles very Youth-Giving

The woman who has not invested in a one piece frock this season must feel very much out of the swim of fashion. As the days go by, more and more of these frocks are seen in serge, broadcloth, wool jersey, velours, velvet and velveteen. When a top coat is not necessary, a shoulder cape of fur is the usual accompaniment. Straight lines continue to be the most approved in this type of dress, for the fashion these days is to be slim, and no better way of obtaining this effect is to be had than by wearing dresses cut on these lines. Fashion dispenses these

youth-giving styles most liberally at present, and it is no wonder that women have taken so kindly to them for they make them look so very young and slender.

For producing straight effects nothing gives better results than the long unbroken panel and con-



The Panel is Enjoying Popularity These Days

sequently the panel is now enjoying its day of popularity. A smart effect is shown here in the dress of black velvet with a satin panel extending from neck to hem. The bulging pockets add to the style of this dress and do not detract from the slender effect. Panels are not all stitched down like this one. Some of them hang free over the dress and are known as floating panels. A dress which has specially been admired was of dark blue crepe meteor with long straight panels back and front in the form of an overdress. These were in a lighter shade of blue crepe meteor. They extended from shoulder to hem and were confined at the waist by a loosely tied cord. The top of the front panel was embroidered in silver across the front.

New Russian Blouses

Russian blouses are gaining a stronger hold day by day and they have become so universally popular that the name now stands for almost any kind of a blouse that has a plenum. The high collar and side closing which once typified the Russian blouse are no longer symbols of it, for this blouse has taken on manifold new forms. Many of them slip on over the head or are opened in front revealing a contrasting vest; and as to the high collar, it has been quite usurped by the flat rolling collar. Some very dainty models of Georgette in the prevailing suit colors trimmed with gold or silver thread embroideries. The plenums are sometimes finely pleated, sometimes gathered, and very often they are adorned with little fancy pockets. Blouses of this type are made up for dressy wear and they are not only in self toned Georgettes and chiffons but in flowered and Oriental designs in these sheer fabrics. They are worn with suits or separate skirts.

Black satin and black velvet are very smart for separate skirts. Some pretty striped velvets with colored stripes on a black background are also used for skirts and they are wonderfully attractive.

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Matilda Brix, Widow

She Tells How She Got a Second
Husband

By M. QUAD

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I arrived at Jackson's Hollow to find it a town on a hill. It was a quiet hour on a warm day when I arrived. There were a few men on the streets, but they were so busy trying to get up a dog fight that they gave me scant heed.

I don't know to this day why I entered the hotel. I suppose it was fate. The landlord of the place was in the office. He sat in a chair with his feet in another, and he was asleep with his mouth open. He was bareheaded and baldheaded, and a hundred or more flies were running up and down his bald pate trying to find a soft spot.

I took off my hat and sat down and fanned away the insects. After about five minutes and with a lonesome smile on his face the man woke up and whispered: "Oh, mother, that is so nice!" "But I am not your mother," I replied.

"Then who are you?" "I am only the widow Brix, sir." "And what do you want here?" "I want to see your wife." "But you can't unless you can fly. Her soul passed into the beyond about three years ago, and since then I have had to go it alone."

After a look around and seeing the dirt and dust and cobwebs and confusion that prevailed I said: "You seem to have made hard work of it going it alone."

"Yes, it's a little tough to be without a wife when you have had one for twenty years. I do my own cooking, washing, mending and bedmaking."

"This is a tavern, and what about the travelers?" I queried.

"Oh, there are no travelers but me, and I don't travel very much except in my dreams. All the travelers go to Mrs. Carson's boarding house, and I am rather glad of it, as my style of cooking might bring about a tragedy."

"Mebbe you want to bust up Mrs. Carson's boarding house?" I answered. "But how will I do it?" he asked, with a little animation in his voice. "Yes, I believe I would like to bust up her house, because I have asked her three times to marry me, and three times she has thrown me down."

"If you will hire me I'll bust her boarding house within a month," I said. "Lordy me! But how would you do it?" he exclaimed.

"I should begin by dusting, mopping, washing windows and making this old pigpen look like a first class hotel at Newport. I presume there is a week's work in the kitchen setting things to rights, but I am a worker. When I got things cleaned up I should want you to buy some provisions and see that the word went around that the Paradise was ready to entertain all patrons on a scale of unexampled magnificence."

"Great Caesar!" he whispered as he held up his hand. "Say, pal, you are a wonder! What about wages?" "You are too poor to pay any wages for the first month at least."

"Doozoo me if I ain't, but I'll tell you what I'll do, and I never broke my word yet to man, woman or telegraph pole. If you will work for a month and get things shipshape I will marry you—yes, by gosh, I'll marry you! That will be better than wages."

"But I shall have something to say about that," I replied as I rose up.

It was three days before the news got around in Jackson's Hollow that a new move was on foot at the Paradise Hotel. The idlers dropped in to the number of twenty or more, and when they saw me flying from room to room with broom and mop they had many compliments for me. In fact, more than a dozen of them offered me their hands and hearts in marriage. In each case I replied that I was highly flattered, but had no time to fool away.

It will surprise you to learn that in a month's time the old shebang was doing a good tavern business, and Mrs. Carson's boarding house was almost deserted.

When the month was a little more than up the landlord came to me as I was frying pancakes for the breakfast of a dry goods drummer and said: "Matilda, what about our gettin' married?"

I told him to go away until I had fried six or eight more pancakes and thought the matter over, and the result was that we were married that evening, and forty-nine lovers and travelers kissed the blushing bride. All went as happy as the pig in the potato patch for a week or more, and then my husband came into the kitchen one day and found me using kerosene to hurry up the fire. With an impulse, which was very creditable in him, he reached out and cuffed me on the ear. That ear tingles yet, although many years have passed since I got the cuff. He dodged the stove lid which I threw at him, and half an hour later he was as dead as Hannibal the Great. He had died while sitting in his chair. He had used too much energy in cuffing me and had burst a blood vessel. I called in a doctor.

"Would it surprise you to learn that your husband is dead?" he asked of me after he had poked around for awhile.

"Not a bit," I replied. "He was too good for this world anyhow." "My fee is \$2, madam, and you will please pay it in small bills."

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TAYLOR COUNTY
TEACHERS MEET

The Taylor Co., Teachers' Institute, 125 teachers, assembled in a body in Merkel High School auditorium Monday morning at ten o'clock. All members on program responded and did justice to the occasion.

First was the Invocation by Rev. H. E. Bullock; after which we listened to a splendid address of welcome to the teachers by Hon. Thomas Johnson. This was responded to by Jas. E. Clarke of the Bluff Creek School. The institute then listened to "America" sung by the Merkel High School.

Pres. R. B. Cousins not being able to get here, his place was filled by J. A. Hill. He also delivered another very excellent address at three o'clock Monday.

In the afternoon the teachers were divided into sections and the work done was of a noble character.

Tuesday morning at 10:30 the Teachers listened to "The Pride of the South" sung by the Intermediate Department of Merkel school. The devotional exercise was ably conducted by Rev. L. B. Owen of the First Baptist church.

"Old Black Joe" was sung by the Institute, after which we listened to an able address by Pres. Bruce of the North Texas State Normal at Denton. He also addressed the teachers again at three P. M. Dr. Bruce is one of our leading educators of the state and his addresses were very much appreciated by all who heard them.

Wednesday morning at 10:45, the Institute was entertained by the Primary Department of the Merkel schools. The devotional exercises were ably conducted by Elder W. G. Cypert. The Insti-

tute sang "Old Kentucky Home," after which we listened to a splendid address by Dr. Musselman, Editor of the Texas School Magazine.

Dr. Musselman also addressed the Institute together with a number of the citizens of the town at three P. M. and again Wednesday night. This last, "The School and the Boy Problem," was a rare treat and was enjoyed by a number of the town people.

The closing days of the institute will be reported later.

The teachers feel that the people of Merkel are doing a splendid part by them and they seem to appreciate it to the fullest extent. C. E. Sims, General Secretary

TWO CASES OF TY-
PHUS ON PLAINS

Austin, Nov. 14—Typhus fever has invaded the panhandle, according to Dr. A. L. Lincecum assistant state health officer, who has just returned from Hale county, where he made an investigation. He found two cases, both Mexicans, one of whom had since died.

Dr. Lincecum had the entire bunch of Mexicans quarantined.

Part of the Obligation. Patient—Doc, I owe you my life. Doctor—Yes, and that isn't all.—Minnesota Minnehaha.

Now Lookout When a cold hangs on as often happens, or when you have hardly gotten over one cold before you contract another, lookout, for you are liable to contract some very serious disease. This succession of colds weakens the system and lowers the vitality so that you are much more liable to contract chronic catarrh, pneumonia or consumption. Cure your cold while you can. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has a great reputation. It is relied upon by thousands of people and never disappoints them. Try it. It only costs a quarter. Obtainable everywhere.

Woodrow Wilson Appears to Have Been Re-elected President of the United States

New York, Nov. 8.—With President Wilson leading and gaining in California and Minnesota, two states heretofore reported as doubtful, it is practically safe to assume he has secured enough votes to place him in the presidential chair again for the next four years.

The electoral vote from either of the two states would give the necessary 266 votes to elect in the electoral college.

256 Votes for Wilson. Regarding these two as doubtful with New Hampshire, New Mexico and Oregon, returns showed Wilson to have already acquired 256 votes in the electoral college; Hughes 238.

The president, therefore, required only ten votes for re-election. New Hampshire with four votes is also claimed for Wilson.

At Democratic headquarters the president's managers, regarding the election as won, turned attention to celebrating.

San Francisco, Cal., Nov. 8.—At 10:30 a. m. (coast time) returns from 3,215 out of 5,870 precincts in California gave Wilson a plurality of slightly over 9,000 votes over Hughes.

The totals: Wilson 250,259, Hughes 241,079.

In a great many precincts the figures were not complete. The Democratic state committeeman reiterated claims to California for Wilson, but declined to estimate his plurality. He pointed to the fact that Wilson is showing greater strength than had been anticipated in San Francisco county and it is believed if he carry this county by 20,000 his victory in the state is certain.

Republican State Chairman Chester H. Rowell again claimed California for Hughes, but put the figures at 6,000 to 8,000.

Hughes Leads in Southern California Los Angeles, Cal.—Partial and complete returns from 1,092 precincts in Southern California counties gave Hughes 78,043 and Wilson 65,751.

Farmers Decide Result in Minnesota St. Paul, Minn.—With 691 precincts out of 3,024, Wilson was leading by 8,033, the totals being Wilson 42,172 Hughes 34,139. In the last 11 precincts Wilson had gained 815 net. These were rural precincts.

Wilson Okla. Lead 30,000 to 35,000.

Oklahoma City, Ok.—The estimates from early returns from throughout the state show that Wilson's plurality over Hughes in Oklahoma will be from 30,000 to 35,000. Bert Chandler (Rep.) was running ahead of James Davenport (Dem.) for congress in the Fifth district. All other congressmen have been re-elected. State officers will be equally divided between the Democrats and Republicans, according to the returns. The Indian countries went Republican.

If Wilson finally carries all the states in which the returns show him leading Wednesday morning, he will have a total of 284 electoral votes, or 15 more than enough to re-elect him. If Hughes carries all the votes in which he was reported leading he will have only 247 electoral votes, or 16 less than enough to elect him. Wilson was leading in the following states: Alabama, Arizona, Arkansas,



California, Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Minnesota, Mississippi, Montana, Missouri, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Virginia, Washington and Wyoming. Just before midnight the election returns indicated the election of Hughes and Fairbanks, but the figures were very close.

Illinois Swept by Republicans. Chicago.—The Republicans swept Illinois with pluralities estimated at from 100,000 to 150,000 for Charles E. Hughes for president and Frank O. Lowden for governor. With Hughes and Lowden the entire state Republican ticket was carried into office. Twenty-one Republicans were elected to the house of representatives and six Democrats. A heavy woman's vote was cast, the Republicans candidates receiving approximately the same proportion of the women's vote as of the men's.

Indianapolis, Ind., Nov. 8.—With returns from 1500 precincts, the Democratic central committee at 5 a. m. said Wilson has gone into the lead in Indiana.

Topeka, Kas., Nov. 8.—Wilson's lead in Kansas was increased to more than 1300 votes during the late hours of the night. Latest figures in Kansas gave Wilson 86,996, Hughes 55,178.

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New Dresses

We have on display this week a beautiful line of ladies dresses in charmeuse, satins with combination of georgettes. Newest features in designs and colors. Priced

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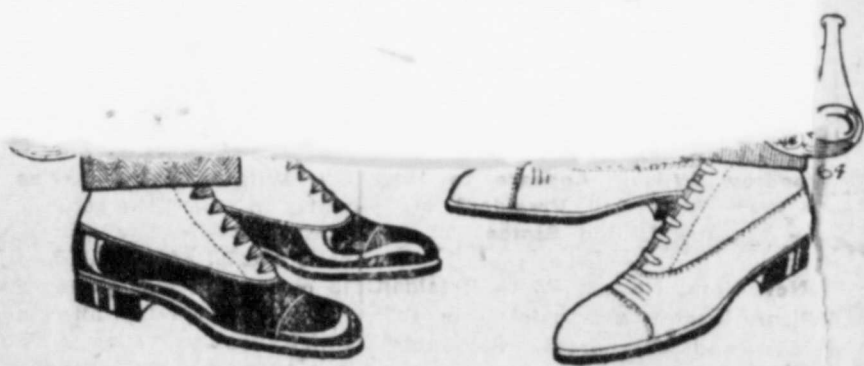
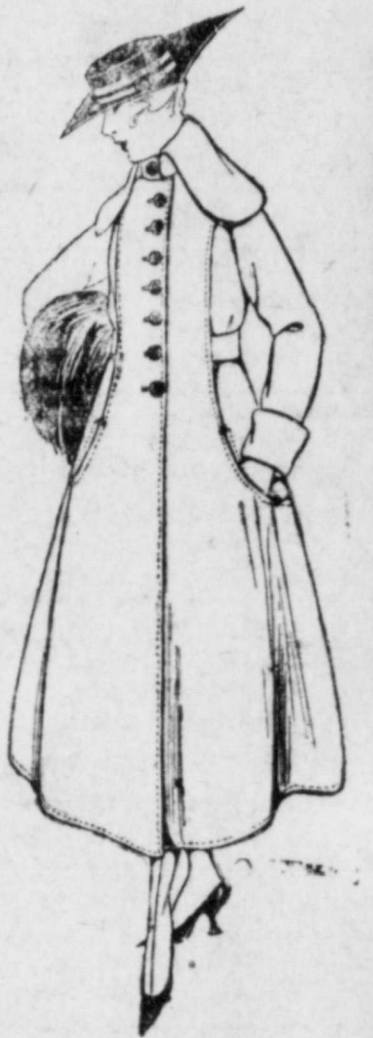
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A splendid showing in ladies coats. We have them in novelty plaids, plain velours, broadcloths and plushes with fur trimmings. Price

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Our clothing business has been unusually good this season. The best we ever had. There is a reason—our Suits are correct in price, style and quality. Drop in and let us dress you up for Thanksgiving. Suits from

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NEW HATS FOR MEN

We received this week a big shipment of the well known Kingsbury hat, known the world over as the King of \$3 hats. If you are hard to please call in and see them as they are here in all the new shapes and colors



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NUBIA

Rigorous Winter, with all its severity and seeming intolerance—marauders of Summer's amenities—is with us once again. We cannot, therefore, sing with the paragon of poets: "Now is the winter of our discontent made glorious summer."

It is now believed that the hog killing season is well ushered in; and that children, after their fashion, will be permitted the membranous bogs, for purposes of inflation.

The entertainment at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Boyds, Saturday night was a pleasant affair to all present. The occasion was interspersed with a variety of music, singing, and games, causing a congenial diversion.

Mr. John Cozart of Loraine, was visiting at the home of Uncle Bill Perry Sunday.

As was predicted, and, as the writer expected, Pres. Wilson was re-elected. And thus the American interest will not be neglected, but will be protected, and all the links in the chain of consistency will be connected, and America, much respected,

will review herself reflected in the mirror which detected nothing that it disrespected in the American force. Anglo-Saxon completed.

Do You Have Sour Stomach?

If you are troubled with sour stomach you should eat slowly and masticate your food thoroughly, then take one of Chamberlains Tablets immediately after supper. Obtainable everywhere.

Preaching at the Christian Church

There will be preaching at the Christian church next Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. by Elder W. G. Cypert.

Her Son Subject to Croup

"My son Edwin is subject to croup," writes Mrs. E. O. Irwin, New Kensington, Pa. "I put in many sleepless hours at night before I learned of Chamberlains Cough Remedy. Mothers need not fear this disease if they keep a bottle of Chamberlains Cough Remedy in the house and use it as directed. It always gave my boy relief." Obtainable everywhere.

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If you want money on your land or to buy a farm it will be to your interest to see me. I represent the best people doing business in Texas. Ask the banks or any farmer. No commissions or fees. Lowest rate of interest. Jno. G. Jackson, Abilene. 3tf

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BURDENS LIFTED

From Merkel Backs — Relief Proved by Lapse of Time.

Bachache is a heavy burden; Nervousness, dizziness, headache. Rheumatic pain; urinary ills; All wear one out. Often effects of kidney weakness. No use to cure the symptoms. Relief is but temporary if the cause remains.

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Read about your neighbors case. Here's Merkel testimony. The kind that can be investigated.

D. J. Dodd, Elm St., Merkel, says: "For a long time I suffered day and night from kidney trouble. The first symptom was the inability to control the kidney secretions and my rest was broken at night. About three months ago Doan's Kidney Pills came to my notice and after using them, my kidneys were restored to normal condition." (Statement given January 15, 1912.)

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NOODLE

Rev. H. E. Speck filled his appointment, at the Christian Church Sunday.

Mrs. A. B. Ely who had a severe attack of paralysis last week is improving.

Mr. Clarence Eoff, and bride were in town last week purchasing household goods, for their new home near Blair.

Mrs. Jim Beene who has been on the sick list is better.

Miss Beulah Jones of Shiloh was visiting friends of this place Saturday night and Sunday.

Miss Ruth Thompson of Avoca is visiting friends and relatives of this place this week.

Homer Herring and Oliver Ely have returned from their cotton picking trip.

Mrs. Juanita Ely of Bradshaw was visiting relatives and friends of this place last week.

Mrs. D. C. Herring is on the sick list this week with tonsillitis.

John Thompson and wife of Avoca were visiting relatives of this place Saturday night and Sunday.

Miss Blondy Huber of Amit is visiting her Aunt Mrs. D. Herring this week.