

# STERLING CITY NEWS-RECORD

VOL. XIII.

STERLING CITY, TEXAS, FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 1913.

NO. 29

## MEXICAN MATTER VERY ENCOURAGING

SECRETARY OF STATE BRYAN BELIEVES PROSPECTS WILL GROW BRIGHTER DAILY.

## AND STILL IN VERA CRUZ

President Wilson Thinks It Will Be Well to Let America's Attitude "Sink In."

Philadelphia Pa.—"I am glad to say that the Mexican matter looks very encouraging at the present time and believe it is going to grow brighter every day," declared Secretary of State William J. Bryan Friday at Doyle's hotel, where he delivered a lecture. He anticipated no trouble, believing that common sense and judgment on the part of the Mexico will eventually prevail. When asked if it was true that President Huerta had requested John Lind, President Wilson's personal representative, to return to the City of Mexico for the purpose of arranging compromise on the proposals of the United States, Mr. Bryan said: "Mr. Lind is still at Vera Cruz. How long he will remain there and whether he will go to the City of Mexico for other negotiations, I am not prepared to say. That is something that has not been decided."

## Let Attitude "Sink In"

Washington.—President Wilson left Washington Friday for the summer spot at Cornish, N. H., still hopeful of a favorable culmination of the negotiations undertaken by this country to bring about peace in Mexico. Although no affirmative action on the part of the president had been reported up to the time of his departure, encouraging dispatches were received from Nelson O'Shaughnessy, in charge of the American embassy at the City of Mexico, bearing on the general situation. These reached the president a few hours before train time and led him to determine upon a short rest over Labor day. Nothing in the addresses from the City of Mexico gave administration officials cause for particular anxiety and it was the general conviction that a lull in the diplomatic exchanges would be beneficial all concerned. The president, it is known, feels that good may come from an opportunity for the position of this country.

## FIRE SWEEPS SHIP IN HARBOR.

Hundred Thousand Gallons of Oil Cause \$200,000 Loss.

New York.—Fire swept the petroleum-carrying ship *Burkmeister* from the Brooklyn water front, destroying thousands of tons of oil and leaving the vessel in such a mangled condition that it sank. The channel is shallow there and the structure remains above the water. The property loss was about \$200,000. The ship owners, a Hamburg company, had chartered her to an oil company to carry 150,000 tons of refined oil to New Zealand. The vessel was built Thursday.

## DISCOUNT HALDANE ARRIVES.

Great Britain's Chief Justice First to Leave England in 400 Years.

New York.—Viscount Haldane, the Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain, to leave his country since Cardinal Wolsey went to France 400 years ago, arrived Friday on the steamship *Italia* for a flying visit of five days to this country and Canada. The lord high chancellor, whose position in England corresponds to that of chief justice of the supreme court of the United States, is here as a guest of the American Bar association, for which he will deliver an address at its annual meeting in Montreal Monday. His itinerary includes visits to West Point and Albany.

## Give Gas Demonstration.

Bangs, Texas.—A thousand people gathered at the gas field, two and one-half miles west of Bangs, to witness demonstration of the gas. A gas engine and gas light were in operation and coffee was served. The well, which was recently completed by the *Odessa Gas and Oil Company*, is 60 feet deep and has a rock pressure of 500 pounds. Citizens of Bangs are making arrangements to pipe the gas to the field. The development of the field is being pushed rapidly.

## Guards Fire on Strikers.

Steubenville, Ohio.—Six men were shot and two probably fatally wounded in a riot at the Pope tin mill when the guards fired into 2,000 strikers who attempted to rush the mill.

## President Praised in Italy.

Rome.—The energetic but courteous tone of the United States toward Mexico is favorably judged in Italy, according to the *Giornale d'Italia* in an article commenting on the Mexican situation.

## Bill for Armor Plant.

Washington.—Representative Britton introduced in congress a bill to appropriate \$7,000,000 for a permanent armor plate plant to be operated by the navy department.

## TEXAS BREVITIES

Improvements now under construction in Tarrant county and Fort Worth are valued at nearly \$5,000,000.

## The Richland Lumber Company

The Richland Lumber Company recently incorporated for \$25,000 to establish a lumber business.

## Poles for electric lights

Poles for electric lights are being distributed over the town, and Lindale will be lit up by Oct. 1. Current will be supplied from Tyler.

## The taxable values of Terrell,

as shown by the city assessor's report for the present year, are \$3,165,765, showing a gain of \$225,409 over last year.

## Eight cars and steel for seven miles

of track has been purchased for the Tyler street railway line. Everything is ready to begin laying the rails.

## Galveston bankers have decided

to accept the offer of the government to deposit \$500,000 there for the purpose of assisting in the movement of all crops to market.

## Citizens of Bangs are making

preparations to have that place piped for gas; the supply coming from the field about two miles away, where a well 1,100 feet deep with a rock pressure of 500 pounds was recently brought in.

## Vade S. Ball, of Sabine, 20 years

of age, was literally brown to atoms when he fired into a quantity of dynamite in the magazine of historic Fort Dowling. Parts of Ball's body were scattered over a radius of one-fourth of a mile.

## The double track on the interurban

between Fort Worth and Handley is now completed, with the exception of a little ballasting under the new viaduct just west of Handley. The new track will be put in regular service, commencing Sept. 1, when a new time card goes into effect.

## Bohemian day will be designated

at the Cotton Palace which will be held in Waco during November. The Bohemians in this section are in favor of such and are also agitating the erection of a Bohemian building on the grounds.

## The Ninety-Eighth Meridian Bridge

Company closed a contract for a bridge 1,700 feet long across Red river four miles north of Byers. Work will be commenced at once and the bridge completed by Jan. 1. This is to be a three-span suspension bridge and will be one of the finest and most substantial structures spanning Red river.

## T. E. Bailey of Sherman claims

to have the most intelligent flock of geese in this section. Recently, discovering that a hydrant at his horse lot was left open every day, he said he watched and found that an old gander, the leader of the flock, opened the hydrant and then called to his mates to help him splash in the water and mud. The water had to be cut off at the ground to keep the gander from repeating the offense.

## Pieces of a petrified wagon were

discovered on the Pecos river near Cottonwood recently. The parts discovered are a single and double tree and the hind axle of an old tar pole wooden axle wagon. Those who are familiar with Texas history state that the wagon was the point of discovery of this river near the point of discovery in 1849, and this is believed to be part of the wagon they were traveling in.

## Members of the Cattle Raisers' association

of Texas who have cattle interests in Mexico have suffered heavy losses during the last few months as a result of the ravages of the Mexican revolutionists operating along the Rio Grande. Inspectors for the association have captured more than 400 hides of cattle killed by Mexican insurgents. The hides represent a cattle valuation of nearly \$15,000, but the cattle raisers do not limit the extent of losses to the recovered hides, as many cattle have been killed and hides not used.

## The election recently held at Bulard

in Smith county, on the \$30,000 road bond issue carried by a vote of six to one.

## At a recent meeting of the Tarrant

county physicians at Fort Worth a free clinic association was permanently organized. The purpose of this association is to render free treatment to the poor and helpless. A clinic has been established and an attendant put in charge to care for the patients.

## A cotton exchange has been opened

in Terrell. The membership list has already reached 50.

## A site has been purchased in Tebly

by the Temple, Northwestern & Gulf railway for the location of their passenger depot. The old frame depot of the Missouri, Kansas & Texas railroad has also been purchased by them and will be removed to the newly acquired property and several thousand dollars will be spent in remodeling it.

## GOOD ITEMS OF NEWS

ENTIRE WEEK'S HAPPENINGS THAT ARE WORTH PASSING NOTICE.

## WHOLE WORLD THE FIELD

Current Domestic and Foreign News Boiled Down to Readable and Small Space.

## A car of beer assigned to Oklahoma,

a dry state, under a bill of lading which named the contents of the car lumber, was seized in Fort Worth last week by the United States revenue officers. The parties making the shipment will be prosecuted.

## The Grayson county commissioners'

court has let the contract for six steel suspension bridges. These bridges will take the place of bridges that were washed away during last spring and will aggregate in cost \$25,000. One of them is to be built over Sister Grove creek, one over Bradford's bridge, two over Pilot Grove creek and one over Clear creek.

## The increase in the valuation of

taxable property in the city of Fort Worth is estimated to be \$1,750,000, compared to valuations for last year. A total of the real estate rolls shows \$45,717,115. If the increase in property valuation is as estimated, the total rolls this year will show \$64,201,780.

## In a letter to W. N. King, secretary

of the Denison chamber of commerce, Senator Morris Sheppard advises that there is at present something in excess of \$90,000 available for the improvement of the upper Red river. Secretary King will endeavor to interest Southern Oklahoma and North Texas towns in the matter of having improvement work on Red river continued.

## More than \$10,000 worth of residence

property is under construction in Hamilton now, several \$5,000 and \$7,000 homes among the lot. During the present year 239 front feet of stone business houses have been completed. Old business houses are having modern fronts put in and the town is taking on a new appearance. A contract has been let for \$5,000 worth of work on the sewerage system and quite a lot of sidewalk is being built.

## Viscount Haldane, the first lord

chancellor of Great Britain to leave that country since Cardinal Wolsey went to France 400 years ago, arrived in New York last week for a five days visit in America. The lord high chancellor in England corresponds to the chief justice of the supreme court in the United States.

## "I would send every United States

soldier into Mexico to protect American women if necessary," declared Gov. O. B. Colquhoun of Texas in a speech at the governors' banquet in Colorado Springs. "I know that I am treading on dangerous grounds, but the United States should not stand idly by while Americans are being murdered and outraged in the rebellious republic."

## Fire, started by lightning, caused

a loss of about \$140,000 to the Texas Company and the Sun Company at Nederland, ten miles from Porth Archa. The Texas Company tank 24, 55,000 barrels capacity, was filled with distillate, and the clogging of pipes made it impossible to pump out the oil. The loss is estimated at \$75,000. The Sun Company suffered a similar loss, lightning having set fire to two tanks with a loss estimated at \$65,000.

## The first cotton gin ever erected in

Zalveson county, ginned its first bale of fleecy staple at Alta Loma a few days ago. The bale weighed 445 pounds.

## The energetic but courteous attitude

of the United States toward Mexico is favorably judged in Italy, according to the *Giornale d'Italia* in an article commenting on the Mexican situation, which said: "President Wilson has given proof of political and diplomatic capacity of the first order."

## Waco city commissioners have

recently let a contract to a Dallas firm for the paving of North Eighteenth street, to cost about \$35,000.

## The Dallas Scoutmasters' Council

has invited the 200 Texas scoutmasters to bring their scouts in fun uniform to join in a monster boy scout parade and maneuver on boy scout grounds, Oct. 25th, at state fair of Texas at Dallas. Information gladly given from Dallas office, 818 Wilson building.

## Malone has recently voted to incorporate.

A record number of tourists visited the Panama canal zone during the first six months of the present year and reports received at the Isthmian steamship offices indicate that the number of visitors during the coming year season will establish still another record. From January until July, 18,972 visitors inspected the great work, which is nearly as many as the entire number of sightseers viewing the canal in 1912.

## Extensive loss of life and property

has been caused throughout Japan by the typhoon which raged there for several days. More than 50 persons were killed and hundreds of bridges and houses were inundated. In the country districts the railroads were heavy losers and the crops were much damaged.

## Dr. William Bayard Hale, personal

friend of President Wilson, who has been in Mexico in a confidential capacity for the last three months, was a passenger on the Ward liner *Morre Castle*, which steamed from Vera Cruz last Thursday. Dr. Hale was en route to Washington.

## A band of 150 gypsies attacked the

inhabitants of the town of Lunel, France, with guns and revolvers. Gendarmes engaged the gypsies and a pitched battle ensued, in which one gendarme was killed and three were badly wounded. The fighting of the gypsies was so fierce that they even held out against a company of soldiers for a time. When they fled they left a large number of wounded. The attack had its origin in a difference of opinion between the gypsies and the townspeople of Lunel.

## The \$400,000 bond issue voted last

April in Dallas for a municipal light plant were declared invalid by the contest court, in which a trial had been in progress for eight days. The decision showed that 54 votes more were cast against the proposition than for it. However, it is claimed more than 300 votes were not counted, as the voters' names did not appear on the 1912 tax list and who would not, or rather didn't, go into court and testify they had a right to vote on the matter.

## Flames swept the steamship *Imperator*

Thursday as it lay at its Hoboken dock with its crew and 1,131 steerage passengers aboard. Before the fire was subdued tons of water had been poured into the vessel's hold and it had listed 15 degrees. Second Officer Gobrecht perished when he led volunteers into the hold to fight the flames. Smoke out of his retreat and he was suffocated. All passengers and the crew of 1,100 were gotten off in safety, with the one exception. The loss is estimated at about \$100,000.

## Fire swept the petroleum-carrying

ship *Burkmeister* from the Brooklyn water front, destroying thousands of tons of oil and leaving the vessel in such a mangled condition that it sank. The channel is shallow there and the structure remains above the water. The property loss was about \$200,000.

## Navy department officials are

greatly incensed over the action of a Maryland state's attorney and deputy sheriff in allowing a youth convicted of theft to escape punishment by enlisting in the navy. Secretary Daniels addressed a letter to Gov. Goldsborough, denouncing the action of state officers and informing the governor that the navy no longer is "a botany bay" for the punishment of culprits.

## Lee and Jacob Shubert and their

three sisters lost by five minutes a race against death to the bedside of their father, David, in Jamaica. Messrs. Shubert and their sisters started for Jamaica from Rockaway in a high-speed automobile when informed that their father was dying and traveled at high speed to his home.

## The United States geological survey

has made public its report on the development of the natural gas industry of Texas. This report shows during the last calendar year natural gas to the extent of nearly 7,500,000,000 cubic feet valued at \$1,405,000 was produced from wells in Texas. This is an increase over the production of 1911 of 1,966,980,000 cubic feet in volume and \$390,132 in value.

## The trustees of the Oklahoma state

confederate home have let the contract for building the home annex at Ardmore, for which the last legislature appropriated \$15,500. The contract calls for \$15,023.

## A proposition was submitted to the

navy department recently by a party of Port Bolivar, Texas, to establish an armor plate factory at that point. Representative Gregg of Texas is taking an active part in favor of locating the plant in Texas.

## Two men in Dallas the other day

received a broken nose each from a crank on the automobile turning backward. The accidents happened at about the same time and were several blocks apart.

## A. C. Eble of Dallas caught a mammoth

tarpon while on his vacation at Port Aransas recently. The fish tipped the scales at 135 pounds and measured 6 feet 4 1/4 inches in length. This is the largest fish of its variety ever caught at that place.

## The tax rolls for the city of Ennis

for 1913 have just been enumerated and show a total valuation of \$2,422,768. This is an increase of \$20,000 over 1912.

## Trying to mail a letter in a fire

alarm box at Dallas the other day resulted in the arrest of Horace Plunkett, a farmer living near that city. Mr. Plunkett attempted to put the epistle in the alarm box and caused the fire department to respond to a false notification.

## DESTROY OLD HOUSE

This Ancient Building Erected Before the Revolution.

Saw Continental Troops Both in Victory and Defeat—Is Given Over to Wreckers—Newark Suburb Needs Site for Playground.

## Newark, N. J.—One of the most

ancient landmarks in the vicinity of Newark, N. J., has been ruthlessly destroyed by a wrecking company. The site was one of the first places where a house in the suburb of Irvington, which was old when Washington led his little army past it in his retreat to Morristown, pressed closely by the enemy. Reputed at Springfield, three miles away, the Hessians and British redcoats fled past it on their retreat to New York. It served as a hiding place for the muskets of the patriots when the British temporarily were in possession of the neighborhood. This was learned several years later when the building was converted from a shop into a dwelling house. A number of old flintlock muskets were found hidden away beneath its eaves.

## Originally it was a sawmill, erected

some time prior to 1700 by the early Dutch settlers. It stood upon the bank of the Elizabeth river, and derived its motive power from a wheel turned by the waters of that stream. The site was one of the first places selected by Dutch and English immigrants for a settlement. It is mentioned in a will dated 1588, made by one John Brown, Jr., in which he bequeathed the property to his three sons. This document was executed only sixty-nine years after the landing of the first important group of settlers on the banks of the Hudson.

## The old building was associated

with a famous New York achievement. Ten years before the Civil war one of the wonders of New York city was the Crystal Palace, occupying a site on Sixth avenue between Fortieth and Forty-second streets. It was constructed almost entirely of glass, after the Crystal Palace in Hyde Park, London. In the London structure it was necessary, when the sun was strong, to put up canvas shades to temper the glare and avoid the New York architect determined to correct this defect. They learned that Cyrus W. Durand, who made his headquarters in this old building at Irvington, had discovered a process of enamelling clear glass by a vitrified coating, so as to make it resem-

## ble ground glass. The enamel heat

the glass transparency, but not transparency. So all of the fifteen thousand panes of glass were sent to this small shop to be enamelled before they were fitted into their iron frames in the palace.

## For many years this shop was

Newark what Llewellyn Park is to Orange. Between 1806 and 1860 the building was the laboratory, as well as the factory of Mr. Durand, who was a great mechanical genius. He was an expert in twenty-four different trades. He invented the geometrical lathe now used in the engraving of bank notes. Another of his inventions equally ingenious but of no practical utility, was the "grammatron," a machine in which a sentence can be placed by a process of analytical subdivision each part of speech in that sentence is clearly distinguished.

## The plot on which the building

stood for over 200 years was wanted for a recreation center. Accordingly the Irvington officials sold it to a wrecking company for \$5. Several prominent citizens protested, urging that it be preserved as a museum for the local relics, which abound in the neighborhood, but their protest was ineffective.

## Laborer Falls Heir to \$1,000,000.

Omaha, Neb.—Frederick Gross Ven Alvensteben for forty-two years a day laborer, received notice from the German counsel at Chicago that he had fallen heir to an estate in Germany valued at \$1,000,000. Von Alvensteben became estranged from his family thirty years ago and came to America. He said he had known he would some day receive a large inheritance.

## To Paddle Canoe 7,000 Miles.

New York.—Mr. and Mrs. Walter Green of this city will paddle their own canoe seven thousand miles through inland waters to the Gulf of Mexico. Mrs. Green will fly a "sufrage pennant" en route. The couple will paddle up the Hudson river to the Erie canal and through the great lakes.

## CHARLESTON A HISTORIC CITY

South Carolina to Become a Factor in the Industrial History of Next 25 Years.

Charleston, S. C.—In the development of southern seaports with the opening of the Panama canal and the steady increase of trade with South America, Charleston, S. C., does not merely intend to follow the procession. The historic city, which played an active part in both the Revolutionary and Civil wars, desires to become a factor in the industrial history of the next twenty-five years. Delegates

## Old City Hall, Charleston, S. C.

Birthplace of Independent Government in America.

from Charleston business men are now visiting Cincinnati in an effort to divert a larger portion of our export trade to the magnificent harbor where Fort Sumter and Fort Moultrie still stand as sentries.

There is a sentimental attachment to the old southern city, which has evidently awakened definitely from the pleasing lethargy suggested by Owen Wister in "Lady Baltimore." Sullivan's island, now the location of a resort with a remarkable surf-bathing beach, was the scene of Edgar Allan Poe's "The Gold Bug," a tale that makes the modern analytical detective story a rather pale affair. The government has expended millions of dollars on the harbor and naval yards, but to the imagination the improvements will never supplant the memory of April, 1861. In Charleston they worship in churches built in the eighteenth century and first families trace their genealogy back to the original English colonists, Hugue not refugees, Acadian exiles and French refugees, from Santo Domingo. It is an historic and beautiful city and probably the most "American" of all, in the acceptance of the word fifty years ago, before the great immigration movement had made our centers of population cosmopolitan.

## MACHINES HURT MEN'S MINDS

Dr. Herman Schneider Says Mental Lethargy is Due to Mechanical Devices.

Cincinnati, O.—Dr. Herman Schneider of the University of Cincinnati in a report on New York vocational schools submitted to the board of estimates and apportionment, said that mankind is rapidly dividing into "a staff of mental workers and an army of physical workers," and that the minds of the latter are becoming lethargic. The mental development of those who enter the machine-feeding occupations, he said, is the serious problem that confronts the public schools. "Emerging work is decreasing; enervating work is increasing," he said. "The physical workers are becoming more and more automatic, with the sure result that their minds are becoming more and more lethargic. The real menace lies in the fact that in a self-governing industrial community the minds of the majority are in danger of becoming less capable of sound and serious thought."

He said that work on farms, railroads and in the building trades where the labor is done outdoors, is enervating. The labor of a toolmaker, locomotive assembler and cabinet maker, indoors is also enervating. But the routine of the garment worker, the punch press operator, the paper-box maker and the shoemaker are enervating. Plumbing, blacksmithing and similar work also creates a mental stimulus. Schneider recommends that employers be required to send child employees between fourteen and sixteen to school at least four hours a week in the day time.

## Titanic Sailor Dead.

London.—Reginald Lee, one of the two sailors in the lookout when the White Star liner *Titanic* struck an iceberg on April 14 last year, died at Southampton.

## WOMAN IN TERRIBLE STATE

Finds Help in Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

Belleve, Ohio.—"I was in a terrible state before I took Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. My back ached until I thought it would break, I had pains all over me, nervous feelings and periodic troubles. I was very weak and run down and was losing hope of ever being well and strong. After taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound I improved rapidly and today am a well woman. I cannot tell you how happy I feel and I cannot say too much for your Compound. Would not be without it in the house if it cost three times the amount."—Mrs. CHAS. CHAPMAN, R. F. D. No. 7, Belleve, Ohio.

Because your case is a difficult one, doctors having done you no good, do not continue to suffer without giving Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound a trial. It surely has remedied many cases of female ills, such as inflammation, ulceration, displacements, tumors, irregularities, periodic pains, backache, and it may be exactly what you need.

The Pinkham record is a proud and peerless one. It is a record of constant victory over the obstinate ills of woman—ills that deal out despair. It is an established fact that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has restored health to thousands of such suffering women. Why don't you try it if you need such a medicine?

Spain has more sunshine than any other country in Europe. The yearly average is 3,000 hours. In England it is 1,400.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for Children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. See bottle label.

The ups and downs of life often consist of keeping up appearances and keeping down expenses.

## FOLEY KIDNEY PILLS

For Backache Rheumatism Kidneys and Bladder

Over Nothing. "My wife and myself quarreled by wireless today."

"That's what I call having a few words over nothing."

When He Answered. Among the employes of an apartment house is a dusky elevator conductor, who would appear to have a "system" similar to that of the maid who announced to the guest at the door that she didn't hear her until she had rung three times.

"If any one calls, Henry, while I am out, tell him to wait. I shall be right back," said a woman to the boy in question.

No answer from the boy. "Didn't you hear me? Why don't you answer?" demanded the woman, angrily.

"I never answers, ma'am," explained Henry, "unless I doesn't hear, and then I says 'What?'"—Magazine of Fun.

LIGHT BREAKS IN Thoughtful Farmer Learns About Coffee.

Many people exist in a more or less hazy condition and it often takes years before they realize that tea and coffee are often the cause of the cloudiness, and that there is a simple way to let the light break in.

A worthy farmer had such an experience, and tells about it, in a letter. He says:

"For about forty years, I have had indigestion and stomach trouble in various forms. During the last 25 years I would not more than get over one spell of bilious colic until another would be upon me.

"The best doctors I could get and all the medicines I could buy, only gave me temporary relief.

"Change of climate was tried with no results. I could not sleep nights had rheumatism and my heart would palpitate at times so that it seemed it would jump out of my body.

"I came



W. F. Kellis, Editor and Proprietor.

Published Nov. 10, 1902, at the Sterling City, Texas, office of the second-class matter.

ISSUED EVERY FRIDAY AT STERLING CITY, TEXAS.

When you see a home adorned with trees, shrubs and flowers, it is a sure sign that there is culture and refinement in that home.

The State taxes this year will be about 45 cents on the \$100. Don't kick, for you know we danced last year, and this year we must pay the fiddler. A few more such stunts as we pulled off over the state last year, and the cry will go up: "Swat the agitator."

Let us not be behind other counties. Let us vote to banish the tick. He is not a native here and would die a natural death if we did not feed him on the life blood of high bred and high priced cattle. Grass and cattle feed are now too costly to feed to ticks. Let us kill him and convert what he feeds on into cash.

Speaking of tick eradication, the burning of rats' nests, which are now scattered over the range, would go a long way toward destroying ticks. If you will examine closely, you will find ticks in most every rat's nest. They breed there by the thousands, and it is a quick and sure way to destroy them. The rats' nests are not only a harboring place for ticks, but they are favorite places for skunks and snakes.

In 1915 it is estimated that an average of 600 people will pass thru Sterling every day, on their way to and from the Panama Exposition. Those who have any pride in their makeups, (and most of us have) are getting anxious to see something done toward making our public plaza a little more sightly. It would be a shame for all those people to see the present mess. They would not us with the savages which they will encounter further west.

It is all right to denounce the "unwritten law" as being dangerous to public justice, but until a law is passed making it a felony for a man to break into another's home and ruin all parties concerned, the unwritten law will be invoked. As the law now is, the shotgun is the only remedy. After the remedy is applied, there is a funeral, a trial and an acquittal, and the curtain falls upon the scene until another fool makes his life into his own hands.

The quartet of burros that hang their heads over the yard fence these nights and sing their cuss-provoking, sleep-murdering songs to this tired editor makes him a mighty strong advocate of the proposed stock law to be voted on here September 20th. We can fence against these daggummed beasts, but their infernal braying would shake the walls of Jericho and almost cause the dead to arise and cuss. These jackasses are going. If the people of this community vote to let these steeds of Balaam run at large and eat up the shrubbery and keep folks awake at night, it is all right to do so, but right now, we are serving notice that they must keep quiet or go elsewhere for amusement after Sept. 20.

FOR SALE

1913 Model, Motor Cycles and Motor Boats at bargain prices, all makes, brand new machines, on easy payment plan. Get our proposition before buying or you will regret it. Also bargains in used Motor Cycles. Write us today. Enclose stamp for reply. Address Lock Box 11 Trenton, Mich.

TRESPASS NOTICE

Any person found hunting, fishing, hauling wood or otherwise trespassing on any lands owned or controlled by us will be prosecuted. Take warning and keep out. 4-29-13 A. C. Pearson R. B. McEntire

School Begins

Last Monday morning a large audience, composed of school children and patrons, as well as many others, assembled in the auditorium of the school building to witness the opening exercises of the 1913-14 session of our public schools.

The program was begun by singing "America," followed by prayer led by Rev. M. Black.

Addresses were then made by Prof. Roberts, Judge B. F. Brown, N. L. Douglas, Mrs. B. F. Brown, W. F. Kellis, Prof. Collins, Mrs. Alice Foster, Mrs. Allen and Miss Pearl Edwards. Miss Winnie Davis, who has charge of the department of expression and physical culture, gave a reading that was most pleasing to the audience. The local orchestra rendered the splendid music.

The speakers aroused much enthusiasm for the school. Everything that was said and done tended to promote harmony and good will, and if there is anything in making a good start, we shall surely have a successful scholastic year.

Judge Brown urged the necessity of affiliating this school with the State and other universities.

Prof. Roberts showed how affiliation could be had, and promised to work to that end during his incumbency as Superintendent. Everybody seemed to be pleased with the idea, and we have no doubt that it will be done soon.

Mrs. B. F. Brown spoke in behalf of the Wimodaughis Club, and showed how this club was doing good for the betterment of mankind. W. F. Kellis spoke of the necessity and propriety of setting the school grounds in trees and shrubs. Mrs. Alice Foster, and others, heartily concurred in the suggestion, and much interest was aroused, and it is not unlikely that a beginning will be made this winter.

Each teacher assured the patrons that they would do all they could to make the school a success.

With perfect harmony prevailing and a strong faculty to steer it, the session of 1913-14 promises to be one of the best schools Sterling ever enjoyed.

Facts About The New York-San Francisco Highway

Now, since the New York & San Francisco Highway has been established through our town, it is in order that we give some local facts about the great highway.

Fort Stockton lies south, about 73 1-2 degrees west, of San Angelo, on a line about 175 miles. But Salt crossing on the Pecos, where the route will cross that stream, is south, 82 degrees west, about 135 miles west of San Angelo.

Merton lies south, 53 degrees west, about 28 miles, or 23 miles west and 15 miles south of San Angelo.

Sterling lies north, 48 degrees west, 42 miles, or 31 miles west and 28 miles north of San Angelo.

The old government road, which was laid out for the use of the U. S. army, ran from Ft. Concho to where Arden now is—a point about 12 miles north of Merton—to Camp Charlotte, a point about 24 miles south of Sterling; thence up Centralia draw, by China Waterhole, Castle Gap, Horse Head crossing on the Pecos, to Fort Stockton. Eliminating Sterling and Merton, this would be the nearest route from San Angelo to Fort Stockton; but not the best, for it would require the expenditure of much money to secure the right-of-way and make the route available. The ground for a road from San Angelo to a few miles west of Stiles is fair, but, from there is "much greasewood country."

The route, as adopted by the convention, runs up the left hand valley of the North Concho to where it crosses said stream at a point 45 miles from San Angelo, then up Lacy valley to Garden City. To this point the road is straight and smooth. From Garden City to Upland the road is almost as the crow flies and runs all the way along a chalky ridge, which is as smooth as one could wish. From Upland to the Pecos there is no controversy. There is no sand along this route.

A line drawn from Abilene to Ft. Stockton would pass through Sterling City, leaving San Angelo and Merton about 40 miles south.

It is estimated that, during the Panama Exposition in 1915, that an average of 600 people will pass over the road each day, going to and coming from the exposition.

Election Notice

Whereas, A Petition signed by W. F. Kellis, and more than Fifty other qualified voters and freeholders of Independent School District No. 1, Sterling county, Texas, was filed in the Office of the county clerk of Sterling county, Texas, on the 5th Day of July, 1913, praying the Honorable Commissioners Court of Sterling county, Texas that an Election be held in said Independent School District, for the purpose of determining whether Horses, Mules, Jacks, Jennets and Cattle shall be permitted to run at large within the territory included in said Independent School District No. 1, Sterling county, Texas:

And Whereas, the Honorable Commissioners Court of Sterling County, at the August Term, 1913, of said court, by its order duly entered on the 12th Day of August, 1913, ordered and directed that such election be held in said Independent School District as prayed for in petition.

Now, therefore, I, B. F. Brown, county Judge of Sterling county, Texas, by virtue of the authority vested in me as such county Judge, and pursuant to said order of the commissioners court of Sterling county, do hereby order and direct that an election be held in Independent School District No. 1, Sterling county, Texas, on the 20th Day of September, 1913, by the qualified voters and freeholders of such District, in the District court room of the county court house of Sterling county, in Sterling City, Texas, for the purpose of determining whether horses, mules, jacks, jennets and cattle shall be permitted to run at large within the territory included in said Independent School District No. 1, Sterling county, being described by metes and bounds as follows:

Beginning at the N. E. corner of Section No. 289, in Block No. 2, Houston & Texas Central Ry. Co. Survey.

Thence West 5 miles, to the N. W. corner of Section No. 23, in Block No. 14 Southern Pacific Ry. Co. Survey.

Thence South 5 miles, to the S. W. corner of Section No. 11 Block "T", Texas & Pacific Ry. Co. Survey.

Thence East 5 miles, to the S. E. corner of Section No. 21, in Block No. 12, Southern Pacific Ry. Co. Survey.

Thence North 5 miles, to the place of beginning.

Those favoring the stock law will have written or printed on their ballots: "For the stock law." Those opposed to the stock law will have written or printed on their ballots: "Against the Stock Law."

The following named qualified voters and freeholders of said above described Independent School District No. 1, Sterling county, Texas are hereby named and appointed as Managers of said election, to wit: A. A. Rutherford Presiding Judge; Henry Davis Assistant Judge—who shall select and appoint their own clerks of said election; and such election shall be held in accordance with the laws regulating the holding of General Elections, in so far as applicable.

Witness My Hand, in Sterling City, Texas, This 12th Day of August, A. D. 1913.

B. F. Brown County Judge, Sterling county, Tex. as.

Election Notice

Whereas, a petition signed by J. S. Cole, and seventy-five other land owners, qualified voters of Sterling county, Texas, on the 14th day of August term, 1913, was presented to the Honorable commissioners court of said county, praying said court to order an election for the purpose of determining whether the county shall take up the work of tick eradication in said county.

And whereas, the Honorable commissioners court of Sterling county at the August term, 1913, of said court by its order duly entered on the 14th day of August, 1913, ordered and directed that such election be held in said Sterling county, as prayed for in said petition. Now, therefore, I, B. F. Brown, county Judge of Sterling county, Texas, by virtue of the authority vested in me as county Judge, and pursuant to said order of the commissioners court of Sterling county, do hereby order and direct that an election be held in Sterling county Texas, on the 20th day of September, 1913, by the qualified voters and free holders of said county, at the various voting precincts in said Sterling county. At said election the ballots shall have printed upon them, "For Tick Eradication in Sterling county," and "Against Tick Eradication in Sterling county."

The officers of said election shall hold said election and make return thereof as provided by law in case of other elections as nearly as may be. Said return shall be made returnable to the county Judge of the county.

Given under my hand and seal of office at Sterling City, Texas, this 15 day of August, A. D. 1913.

B. F. Brown, county Judge, of Sterling county, Texas

ANOTHER KICK

A number of our friends who are obliged to travel the Big Springs road, are making some vigorous kicks about the condition of the crossing on Willow creek. They say that for several days past, it has been almost impossible to cross it, and that each rain makes it worse. It is said that travellers, in order to pass the place, are obliged to go through Neel Reed's pasture. Several automobiles have stuck and the drivers have been obliged to secure teams to pull them out.

Material for a bridge at that place has been on the public square for more than a month. The affidavit of the Commissioners Court, as published week before last, showed a balance of \$2637.31. There are a number of men in the county who would like to take such a job, and

and why this matter has not been attended to, we cannot answer. We feel sure that those whose duty it is to have this done, have some good reason for not doing so, and we are not going to criticize them until we are certain they are without excuse.

But the murmuring of these people, who are forced to pay taxes to keep up these things are heard from all sides, and their complaints should be heard and considered.

Automobile vs Locomotive

The automobile is proving itself the greatest competitor the railroads companies have ever had. The automobile, unlike its big brother, the locomotive, does not confine itself to a smooth, steel track; and while it is partial to a smooth surface, it can go over ground that would make a burro wince. The automobile cuts across the country the near way while the locomotive must go around. The auto's passengers can start when they wish, and are entirely independent of the rules of a railroad company; can stop when they wish and go with as much speed as the average passenger train.

The auto has come to bless mankind in many ways. The construction of these machines gives employment and profit to millions of people. The farmer is called on to contribute hides and hair for the upholstery and cotton for tires, as well as sons and daughters to operate these machines. He is also called on to feed the vast throng who have anything to do with automobiles three times a day. Not only this, but the auto has taken thousands out of competition, so that he gets a better price and a more ready market for what he produces.

The miner is called on for steel, copper, nickel, silver, gold, platinum and other metals which go into the construction of automobiles.

The lumberman is called on to furnish lumber, while the painter is called into service at every turn.

The electrician, the mechanic, and almost every line of industry is called into requisition in the construction of these wonderful machines.

Yes, we will admit that millions are spent for automobiles these days, and if we look at it in a certain way, we may grow pessimistic and see financial ruin in this business. But when we view it from the standpoint that the automobile gives pleasure and profit to the people by giving the poor old horse a show, eliminating time and space, as well as putting the happy owners of these wagons on an equal footing with a railroad king—you, it puts them one ahead, because they can go and come when, where and as fast as they please—it is not at all a pessimistic proposition.

The automobile is one of the most efficient means of putting money in the hands of people where it will do the most good of any invention of modern times. Rich men, their wives, sons and daughters, who, before the coming of the automobile, confined their travel to the railroad and waterways, are now touring every nook and cranny of the country—enjoying the freedom which the situation has given, carrying culture and refinement to the secluded inhabitants of out-of-the-way places, and scattering dollars that have been hoarded in other places, among people who will keep them out of the pools of stagnation.

All hail to the automobile! It is a road builder, a peace maker among nations, a space and time eliminator, and a money circulator.

FIRST AERIAL COACH.

The first aerial coach has been tried and found successful in Etampes, France. It is an ordinary aeroplane, to which a limousine body, capable of holding four passengers comfortably, has been fitted. The aerial coach made a flight of about an hour across country, but it carried no passengers. The place of passengers was taken by four bags of sand, weighing in all about forty stones, supposed to be the average weight of four tourists. The aerial coach leaves nothing to be desired as to the comfort of future travelers, who will have a vast view of the country over which they travel, and will scarcely feel the motion; but the only drawback as yet is the safety of the machine. Until some improved safety device has been found tourists will prefer a motor car or a railway carriage.—Washington Gazette.

Advertisement for The Marlin Repeating Shotgun, 12 or 16 GAUGE. Price \$21.60. Includes an image of the shotgun and descriptive text about its features and availability.

Advertisement for Baylor College For Women, Four Years Academy Course, Belton, Texas. Lists various courses and faculty.

Advertisement for THE THRICE-A-WEEK EDITION OF THE New York World. Includes a picture of the newspaper and text about its content and price.

Advertisement for TRESPASS NOTICE. Any person hauling wood, fishing, hunting, or in any way trespassing on any lands owned or controlled by us, will be prosecuted.

Advertisement for CONQUEST OF THE EARTH. Achievements of Past Twelve Years Not Equaled in Any Similar Period in History.

Advertisement for TRESPASS NOTICE. Any person hauling wood, fishing, hunting or in any way trespassing on any lands owned or controlled by me, will be prosecuted.

Advertisement for LIVED IN PRIMITIVE TIMES. Sharp Pieces of Flint or Sharks' Teeth Answered in the Early Days for Razors.

Advertisement for IRELAND'S NATIONAL COLOR. Now that the "wearing of the green" is no longer a hanging matter for Irishmen they seem inclined to discard it altogether.

Advertisement for LONG AND USEFUL LIFE. Prof. Goldwin Smith, now in his eighty-sixth year, is still a frequent contributor to the newspapers and magazines.

Large advertisement for Butler Drug Co. School Books and Supplies. We have in stock a complete line of adopted School Books and School Supplies. We are obliged to sell all books for CASH. Don't ask for credit or a ticket--bring the money.



COME IN AND WE  
WILL TAKE TIME TO  
WAIT ON YOU  
**COTTEN & DAVIS**

**Angelo Business College**

For young men and women thoroughly for business. Civil service and all Commercial Branches. Positions paying \$50 or more. GUARANTEED to Graduates of complete Commercial Course for catalog and terms.

**Professional.**  
Dr. R. G. Owen  
Physician and Surgeon  
Butler Drug Company  
Sterling City, Texas.  
and Residence Phone 83

**TRADES**  
**DUNN & PRINE**  
TRANSFER & DRAY LINE  
Prompt and efficient service  
TELEPHONE NO. 70  
STERLING CITY, TEXAS.

**Proctor, M.D.**  
Practice limited to  
EAR, NOSE AND THROAT  
Including the scientific  
FITTING OF GLASSES.  
Building, San Angelo, Texas

**Lyles Brothers**  
Dealers in  
Furniture, Undertakers  
Goods, Farm Implements

**E. Minyard**  
Physician & Surgeon  
OVER COYSON'S DRUGSTORE  
Sterling City, Texas  
to Hunters.—Posted.  
Notice is posted accord-  
ing to law made and provided  
cases and all persons are  
warned and forbidden to  
shoot, or otherwise trespass  
upon the enclosed land-  
ing controlled by me, under  
prosecution to the full  
of the law. J. T. Davis  
5-6-102

**Abstracts**  
Graham Abstract Co.  
WE WANT YOUR BUSINESS  
Office at Court House

**PATENTS**  
TRADE MARKS  
DESIGNS  
COPYRIGHTS & C.  
Scientific American.  
& Co. 361 Broadway, New York

**R. P. BROWN**  
BLACKSMITHING  
AUTO REPAIRING & SUPPLIES  
Sterling people, we specially  
invite you to come to see us. We  
have lots of specials that await  
your coming.  
McDavid-Robertson Co.,  
San Angelo, Texas.

**STEVENS**  
"High Power" Repeating  
No. 425.  
\$20.00  
\$30.00-32 and 35 calibers  
Auto-Loading Cartridges  
No BALKS NO AGES  
Evens Arms  
MOL COMPANY,  
O. Box 5004  
SPEE FALLS,  
MASSACHUSETTS

**Central Hotel**  
D. S. Smith  
Call and see G. C. Potts about  
your laundry. Basket leaves Tues-  
day morning and returns Thursday  
night. If you will call to see me,  
I will show you where you can have  
your washing done cheaper by send-  
ing it to the laundry. Give it a  
trial. Phone No. 21.  
Moon Blindness.  
A naval correspondent of the Lon-  
don Standard has written from Port  
of Spain, Trinidad, stating that in his  
travels he had come across many  
cases of moon blindness, caused by  
men sleeping with the moon shining  
upon them, such cases occurring prin-  
cipally in the tropics and the Mediter-  
ranean.  
Strange to say, adds the Trinidad  
correspondent, men so affected can  
see in daylight, but cannot do so when  
dusk sets in. Mr. Elgie further  
quotes from a communication made by  
a New Zealand correspondent to a  
weekly scientific journal. This cor-  
respondent was, many years ago, an  
apprentice on the Liverpool ship Lang-  
dale, an East India trader.  
Once when the ship was between  
St. Helena and the line some of the  
crew slept on deck, fully exposed to  
the glare of the brilliant moon. When  
they awoke three of them were quite  
moon blind. They had to be led about  
at night and the ropes put into their  
hands.

**GOOD REASON.**  
"Didn't you answer my tele-  
phone this morning?"  
"Yes, while you were calling  
my wife was calling me."

**ITS KIND.**  
"Do you think of your new  
flat?"  
"Literally what my wife calls  
it, suite thing."

**LOCALS**

Best catch rope on earth. — Cum-  
mins.  
Miss Ruth Sparkman is visiting  
in Brownwood.  
Miss Lona Lyles is visiting rela-  
tives at Brady.  
Miss Rose Carver, of San Angelo,  
is visiting friends here.  
W. V. Churchill and family have  
moved back to town.  
Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Gamble visited  
in San Angelo this week.  
Getting in a fresh lot of Hodkins  
California buck gloves.—Cummins.  
Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Lane, of Glass-  
cock county, were here this week.

Born— On the 31th, ult., to Mr.  
and Mrs. E. E. Barbee, a 10 pound  
girl.  
Mrs. S. M. Ray, Jr., of Belton, is  
visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J.  
L. Glass.  
Judge Kellis, who has been seri-  
ously ill for the past week, is much  
improved.  
Floyd Kellis, of Sonora, came in  
Tuesday on a visit to friends and  
relatives.  
Brown & Pearce, last week, sold  
Sterling Foster a five-passenger Ford  
automobile.  
Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Coulson visited  
Mr. Coulson's parents at Robert Lee,  
last week.  
Lost.  
A fountain pen.— Finder please  
return and receive reward.  
R. B. Cummins.  
Paper, pencils, tablets, school books  
and other school supplies.—At Nut-  
ter Drug Co.  
Misses Jessie Wright and Hannah  
and Ollie Hull visited friends at San  
Angelo this week.  
Quite a number of our citizens at-  
tended the singing convention on  
the Divide last Sunday.  
Miss Ludie Gowen, of Christoval,  
came up Saturday to spend a few  
days with her brother, Dr. Gowen.  
Judge B. F. Brown attended a  
meeting of the Royal Arch Chapter,  
at Robert Lee last Saturday night.  
I take orders for S. D. Myers  
famous Sweetwater saddles, and H. J.  
Justin's cowboy boots.—Cummins  
Columbia Disc Graphophone  
machine with 44 double disc record  
for sale, L. H. Penny Jeweler & Opti-  
cian. At Butler Drug Co.  
—PLENTY OF MONEY TO LEND,  
at all times, on land. Five year's  
time. G. B. Harness,  
Colorado, Texas

Miss Pearl Edwards was elected  
to the position recently resigned by  
Miss Billie Gustavus in our public  
school.  
Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Lane, of the  
HS ranch, were down Monday to  
place their son, Master Ray, in  
school here.  
S. S. Millsbaugh, W. H. Sparkman  
and W. F. Cushing completed a tele-  
phone line from their ranches to  
town this week.  
When you buy a pocket knife you  
want quality,—durability,—long ser-  
vice,—blades that stay sharp!—At  
Cummins.  
If you have a watch, clock, sew-  
ing machine, or any kind of jewelry  
in need of repair, bring it in to one.  
L. H. Penny, at Butler Drug Co.'s.  
For Sale: A second hand walnut  
kitchen safe and cook stove, both in  
good condition and almost good as  
new, at a bargain. See R. W. Foster.  
Messdames J. S. Cole and Alice  
Foster returned last Friday from  
Marlin, where they had been for the  
benefit of the mineral waters of that  
place.  
Mrs. J. W. Henderson and daugh-  
ter, Miss Eva, who have been the  
guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Foster,  
returned to their home at Garden  
City yesterday afternoon.  
In 49 years we have eliminated  
all chance,—and to-day we sell rock-  
et cutlery have more genuine qual-  
ity,—for all cutting purposes,—than  
any other line of cutlery!—Sold by  
Cummins.  
For the past several days copious  
rains have fallen in many parts of  
the country. Wednesday morning  
the river came down with a ten-  
foot rise from rains which fell near  
Knoxhammet.

**CENTENARY OF THE TROUSER**

Try those California gloves at  
Cummins.  
Splendid line of Pocket Knives  
just in. Call and see them. — Cum-  
mins.  
Good house and lot, with outhouses  
and well, for \$300. 1-2 cash, bal-  
ance trade. — R. B. Cummins.  
If you want a pocket knife of the  
best cutting quality,—select one of  
the many styles in the UN-X-LD line!  
Sold by R. B. Cummins.  
Don't shave yourself if going off on  
the train. Come by the City Barber  
Shop, and we will be there.  
COAL— I am handling the famo-  
us McAlester and New Mexico  
coal. Those desiring coal will do  
well to see me before buying else-  
where.—A. A. Gamble.  
The entire Commissioners Court  
with an engineer are out on the var-  
ious roads of the county making es-  
timates for bridges that are to be  
erected at an early date.  
Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Kellis and  
children, of Sonora, are the guests  
of relatives here. Mr. Kellis reports  
good rains in the Sonora country  
and the range and stock in fine con-  
dition.  
When we first started making ex-  
posed cutlery way back in 1857, we  
decided that we would, if possible,  
constantly improve the quality, and  
increase the durability, of every  
blade we made.—Sold by R. B. Cum-  
mins.  
W. N. Waddell, of the State Live-  
stock Sanitary Commission, Dr. L. J.  
Allen and Dr. E. M. Nighbert, of the  
U. S. Bureau of Animal Industry,  
met a number of our cattlemen and  
citizens here last night and discus-  
sed the question of tick eradication.  
Much interest was aroused by the  
speakers, and all who listened to  
them went away much wiser than  
when they came.  
Last Sunday afternoon, while re-  
turning from the Divide, a horse  
driven by Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Purves  
became frightened and ran against  
a tree, throwing Mr. Purves out and  
injuring him to such an extent that  
for a day or two, he was thought to  
be dangerously hurt. But, at pres-  
ent, he is getting along nicely, and  
hopes are entertained that he will  
soon be able to be out again.  
PREMIUM OFFERED: With every 5  
cents worth of pencils and tablets  
bought of us after September 1st for  
cash we will give the purchaser a  
ticket. The boy holding the great-  
est number of tickets at a date to  
be named later, will be entitled to  
receive the watch in our show win-  
dow, and the girl holding the great-  
est number of tickets will receive  
the pearl handle manicure set.  
Butler Drug Co.

Mr. Juan Costillo, a gentleman  
from Mexico, got on a drunk here  
last Tuesday night and began to  
make things lively in and around  
the Purves Hotel. Sheriff Dee Day-  
is went over and escorted Juan over  
to a room in the county hotel,  
where he slept in peace and com-  
fort. Next morning, Mr. Costillo  
had an interview with Judge Patter-  
son, who said something about five  
dollars and "trimmings" to which  
Juan said, "buena, me pay him,"  
which was done, and the gent from  
Mexico went hence, "without day."  
Juan is now pursuing the peaceful  
vocation of looking after the com-  
fort of Fred Hodge's lambs.

**A CORRECTION**  
Last week, in reporting the Spark-  
man—Cook wedding, we stated that  
Judge Brown officiated, when we  
should have stated that it was Rev.  
M. Black who officiated.

**Kaiser's Early Rising.**  
William II, emperor of Germany,  
is an early riser and likes to have  
everybody about him follow his good  
example. He is up every day at 6  
o'clock, ready to go to work or to  
take an outing on horseback. His  
high officials complain that they are  
torn too early from the soft delicias  
of sleep. Herr von Bethmann-Holl-  
weg, who is a famous sleeper, ac-  
commodates himself with difficulty  
to this strenuous regimen. He  
only awakens after many calls from  
his valet de chambre, and when  
drawn from his bed makes his toilet  
slowly and always arrives late at  
the palace, to find the emperor await-  
ing him with impatience. Some days  
ago, remarks the Cri de Paris, the  
emperor, after having waited for  
him until half past 8 o'clock, decided  
to go and surprise his chancellor in  
Frederick street. He found him in  
the bath. "I wish to remind you,  
my dear chancellor," said the emperor,  
"that the day begins for you and for  
me at 6 o'clock. It is now going on  
7 and you are not even shaved. An  
hour less each day will make fifteen  
days in a year and in fifteen days my  
grandfather won three victories."

**It Was Napoleon's Victorious Legions  
Who Brought That Garment  
Into Fashion.**

As nearly as can be ascertained it  
is a hundred years since Napoleon  
Bonaparte's soldiers introduced the  
old-new style of leg wear which speed-  
ily secured recognition as the distinc-  
tively masculine garment of civilians  
throughout two continents.  
In 1814—the year before Waterloo  
—it was related as a current news  
item of some importance that the  
great duke of Wellington had been re-  
fused admittance to Almack's in Lon-  
don, because he presented himself  
wearing trousers instead of the con-  
ventional breeches which the dress  
regulations then in vogue demanded.  
As a matter of historical fact trou-  
sers have been worn by various races  
and by both sexes in all the ages of  
which any authentic records exist.  
Generally speaking, trousers were re-  
garded in ancient times as symbolical  
of inferiority or effeminacy. In the  
triumphal processions of the Caesars,  
for example, prisoners of war were  
them as a sign of defeat, while the dis-  
tinctive legions of Roman's victorious  
legions were bare below the bottom of  
the skirted or kilted coat of mail.  
For the last hundred years or there-  
about trousers have been widely re-  
cognized as the garments of authority,  
the outward and visible sign of the  
stronger sex, says the American Tail-  
or and Cutter. But that position has  
not been won or maintained without a  
struggle. Many attempts have been  
made to trample down the tyranny of  
trousers, as their rule has been called;  
many times has their superiority been  
challenged. But so far their position  
remains secure.  
"The way they have in the army" of  
getting across country, despite fire,  
hail, snow and vapor, was illustrated  
by a fine piece of handy-man work  
during field training at Aldershot, Eng-  
land, recently.  
The Third Infantry brigade found it-  
self obliged to retire. The enemy  
was too strong in front. Unfortu-  
nately, however, the Basingstoke canal  
stretched behind them.  
This was the chance the Second  
Essex had been looking for. They  
commandeered hay from a neighbor-  
ing stack, lashed it into five-foot  
square bales, wrapped these in tar-  
paulin wagon covers, and moored the  
completed articles like rafts in the wa-  
ter. Planks stretched from one to the  
other enabled the whole battalion to  
cross over in single file.  
Meanwhile the Second Middlesex,  
not to be beaten, borrowed half a dozen  
empty beer barrels from an inn and  
made a light foot bridge.  
The Somerset Light Infantry find-  
ing plenty of cut timber in Pyesstock  
wood, made a fairly substantial tree-  
trunk bridge in less than two hours,  
across which all the vehicles of the  
brigade were passed, the battalion fol-  
lowing in four.

**BEER BARRELS IN WARFARE**  
Used in English Army Maneuvers for  
the Construction of a  
Foot Bridge.  
The Second Border regiment also  
constructed a light barrel bridge, and  
the whole brigade crossed the canal,  
thanks to their handy men, without  
misstep, the rear guard destroying the  
bridges.  
Maine's Greatest Crop.  
The total sale of the Aroostock po-  
tato crop of 1911 is estimated at be-  
tween 14,000,000 and 15,000,000 bush-  
els, leaving between 2,000,000 and 3,  
000,000 bushels that were sent to the  
starch factories, used for seed and  
food purposes here in the country  
or lost. It is figured that for crops  
sold the average price was over \$2 a  
barrel.  
This means that Aroostock received  
for the crop of potatoes which it  
raised in 1911 between \$1,500,000  
and \$1,800,000. The exceptionally  
good year has encouraged the farm-  
ers, and their plans show that there  
will be no shrinkage of the acreage  
this season. It will not be increased,  
however, to any appreciable extent.  
Most of the Aroostock farmers be-  
lieve that the time has come to stop  
increasing the acreage and to devote  
themselves to the problem of secur-  
ing further increase of the yield an  
acre.

**Motor in Arabia.**  
Aden, Arabia, is five miles from  
Steamer Point, the shipping junction  
of that region. Heretofore camel  
carts have conveyed merchandise for  
export and import. But camels are  
slow and the carts are unwieldy. The  
camels could, at their best, make only  
two round trips a day between the  
town and the wharf. The road is  
steep and full of gravel and flint. But  
this did not deter business men from  
employing automobiles as substitutes  
for camels, says an exchange. One  
skin exporter paid \$4,000 for a three  
and one-half ton, twenty-two horse  
power French truck, which he used  
in lieu of the camel carts. It carries  
fifteen bales of skins and makes six  
round trips daily. The Aden-Steamer  
Point automobile service will shortly  
test a steam car that has been rebuilt  
into a gasoline car. The intention is  
to revive the passenger service. It  
cost \$1,300 to convert the car, which  
originally cost \$2,516. A chauffeur  
has been obtained from England to  
make the tests. The owners declare  
that if the car is a success they will  
have five others placed in service.

**Torpedoes Guided by Aircraft.**  
A patent has been issued to Brad-  
ley A. Fiske, United States navy, for  
a device that guides submarine torpe-  
des from an aircraft. The torpedo is  
the first transported through the air  
to a point of desired proximity to a  
target by means of an aircraft, after  
which the propelling mechanism of  
the torpedo is started and then the  
torpedo is released to fall by gravity  
to the water. In the apparatus, a  
strap is employed for retaining the  
torpedo below the aircraft and a man-  
ually controlled lever releases a latch  
for the strap the lever also actuating  
transmitting mechanism to operate  
the starting device for the propelling  
mechanism of the torpedo.

**If it's right why change it?  
A multiplicity of models is  
evidence that the maker is  
still experimenting. There  
is but one Ford model. And  
for five years our rapidly  
growing factories haven't  
been able to make all we  
could sell—because it is right.**

More than a quarter of million Fords now in service—  
convincing evidence of their wonderful merit. Runabout  
\$525; Touring Car, \$600; Town Car, \$800—f. o. b. Detroit,  
with all equipment. Get interesting "Ford Times" from  
Dept. F, Detroit; Ford Motor Company; Brown & Pearce,  
local dealers.

W. L. FOSTER, PRES. J. S. JOHNSTON, VICE-PRES. J. T. DAVIS 2nd V. P.  
J. S. COLE, CASHIER SAM MAHAFFEY, ASS'T. CASHIER

**FIRST NATIONAL BANK  
OF STERLING CITY**  
Capital \$50,000.00

Accounts are solicited from individuals, who may  
rely upon courteous consideration and the very  
best terms that are consistent with good  
business methods

**FOR SALE AT**




**AMERICAN  
BEAUTY  
FLOUR**

**N A AUSTIN'S**

BOOKKEEPING—SHORTHAND.  
And allied subjects, the latest and  
best. Satisfaction guaranteed or  
tuition refunded.  
SAN ANGELO BUSINESS COLLEGE  
San Angelo, Texas.

NOTICE—KEEP OUT.  
Notice is hereby given that any  
person who shall hunt, fish, use  
or haul wood or otherwise tres-  
passes on any of the lands owned  
or controlled by me will be pro-  
secuted by the full extent of the  
law.  
G. W. Allard

**JUST THINK OF IT**



Lazy—It says in his paper, that  
Mars is 38,000,000 miles from the  
earth, partner.  
Hazy—Great holes! Think of  
tramping that distance an' den get-  
ting chased by de old Dog star.

**Indicate the Diving Rod.**  
Official experiments made in Ger-  
man South Africa with the diving  
rod as a means of detecting hidden  
water seems to vindicate the efficiency  
of the witch hazel stick. About 800  
trials were made and the rod was  
successful in 80 per cent. of them. It  
has also been made use of in Han-  
over with some success in the loca-  
tion of veins of the salts of potash.  
These results have attracted so much  
attention that the French minister of  
agriculture has appointed a committee  
to make similar investigations.

**MORTALITY IN WAR.**  
War, called by the great Erasmus,  
"the malady of princes," has had so  
many victims we will never be able  
to reckon them up. However, it is  
computed that up to the middle of  
the nineteenth century no less than  
6,860,000 men perished on the  
field of battle. In all probability  
the estimate is under, rather than  
over, the mark. You may be carped  
in thinking that "wars are practical-  
ly over" among civilized people, but  
from the present-day armaments of  
the so-called civilized peoples it  
would look as though those in au-  
thority had not yet gotten over the  
fear of the old terror.



