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WHITE CREST and PEACEMAKER FLOURS

The BEST to be had.
EVERY SACK guaranteed.

Everything in Groceries

PAY CASH AND PAY LESS

Barnes & Hastings
CASH GROCERY CO.

Good Things To Eat

Are always found here in abundance and at moderate prices.

Canned and staple goods of standard advertised brands. Fruits, Vegetables, Country Produce.

Try us with your next order of Groceries. We aim to please.

FURR GROCERY CO.
PHONE 10

Bank Checks ARE CLEAN, CONVENIENT AND BUSINESSLIKE

They add to your security; they form a receipt for bills paid; they obviate the necessity of carrying currency around and of making exact change; they form a written record of expenditures.

This bank offers the convenience of a checking account and of an affiliation with a modern financial institution.

The First State Bank
OF HEDLEY, TEXAS
GUARANTY FUND BANK

THE MOREMAN GIN DESTROYED BY FIRE

The fire fiend visited Hedley Monday afternoon about 2 o'clock, destroying the entire plant of the B. W. Moreman gin, with the exception of the office and scales which were located some little distance from the gin proper.

The fire started in the bollie machine, 'way up in the top of the building, and it was quickly seen that the plant was doomed. Good work was done in getting the many loaded wagons out of danger and in turning out the bale that was in the press.

About 120 tons of cotton seed was destroyed, along with eight bales of seed cotton stored in the gin. Insurance to cover. Loss building and machinery is fully \$15,000.00, with \$9,000.00 insurance.

This is a great loss to Mr. Moreman, to our farmers, and to the business interests of Hedley. Like all calamities, it could not have happened at a more inopportune time. For the balance of the season our farmers will be forced to have their cotton ginned at McKnight, Lelia Lake or Memphis. We understand fuel is a vexatious problem at the McKnight gin, which is probably the most convenient of the three mentioned for the majority of our cotton farmers; but the 18 or 20 tons of coal that were saved from the fire will be sent there, we are told, and will afford relief for a few days. It is certainly up to us to see that this gin gets a goodly portion of the very first coal available.

The gin will be reconstructed and made ready for next season's cotton crop.

NOTICE, CITY TAX PAYERS

The City Tax Rolls are at the First State Bank, and Mr. J. R. Benson will receive and receipt for all taxes paid. Some of these taxes are now delinquent, and you will do well to attend to this before it becomes necessary to make up the list and advertise the delinquents, as that will put you to added expense.

By Order of
The City Council.

METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday School at 10 a. m.
Preaching at 11 a. m.
Preaching at 5:45 p. m.
Come to church.

Cal C. Wright, Pastor.

FOR SALE

For a short time I am offering my farm of 151.83 acres, adjoining the town of Hedley, Texas, on the north, for sale. There is 10 or 12 acres of this land inside the corporate limits of Hedley; would make a fine addition to the town. This is one of the best farms of its size in the county. With a good cash payment down, could give long time on deferred payment. If interested see owner on premises.

R. W. Scales, Owner,
Hedley, Texas.

Ed Gerner of Lelia Lake was here Wednesday and sold a fine flock of bronze turkeys to R. S. Smith, the produce man. There were 22 of the birds, the gobblers averaging 22 lbs, the hens 14 lbs, for which he received \$97.

E. B. Mace was here Monday from Lelia Lake, and left some real coin with us to keep the Informer coming a whole year.

AN APPEAL FOR BETTER HEALTH CONDITIONS

By F. N. REYNOLDS, D. D. S.

"A city, town or community can be no more healthy than its people are healthy in mind and body." In the same sense as the brain is a part of the body, it is controlled by the condition of the body. The condition of the body in many instances is responsible for our different temperaments and actions. Likewise our state or nation can be no healthier than we allow our individual bodies to be. No one organ of the human body can properly functionate unless all other organs are working in harmony. The heart is abnormal when the stomach or liver is abnormal. No food taken into the stomach can be properly digested or assimilated into the different parts of the body when any one organ or secretion is not performing its full duty.

Poison in the stomach causes an abnormal condition of same. Food improperly masticated will cause an abnormal condition like wise. As stated above, if one part of the body is out of commission, all other parts are more or less impaired. The above being true, the mouth which contains important organs of the body, will pass to the stomach food which has been only partially masticated. Such being the case, the stomach is out of harmony with the other machinery. After this it is very plain to see that the body in such cases degenerates, and is on its road to serious complications. Many, many lives have passed from the stage of action, due in the beginning to an abnormal mouth.

The eye has a special duty to perform. Likewise the ear, nose and all other organs of the human machine. The mouth, from many viewpoints, is the most important of all. We can live without many of the others, but we cannot live without the mouth. There are many who live with a half mouth. There is no reason why the organs of the oral cavity should not receive the same, if not better, attention than the other parts of the body. I am confident that there would be less ailment with the oral cavity today if it were possible for the people to know the real facts in the case. "We are prone to put off what we can hide from the public, regardless of the misery that oftentimes follows." The oral cavity and the organs therein are very important ones. Their condition is no less than a leading factor in our health in general.

No human body can properly discharge its duties, and breathe the air of life its allotted time, unless the mouth has received its due treatment. Every tooth in the arch has a duty to perform. Every tooth should be sound and in its place. 'Tis very true that many of us are living without them and are seemingly in perfect health. But in many cases there is a deep seated trouble that has come from the mouth. Gods laws cannot be fulfilled, nor His commandments obeyed until the oral cavity has received its proper and reasonable treatment. It is the entrance of all nourishment. The channel through which many systemic diseases have their entrance into the body. "Cleanliness is next to Godliness." Therefore, I deem it very unwise to go at life in a haphazard way as many intelligent and refined people are doing.

It is far better to never have a
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ANOTHER NEW CAR OF Furniture!

just arrived, including the latest and best in Parlor Suits, Bedroom Suits, Nuofold, Kitchen Cabinets, etc.

Big stock of Auto Casings and Tubes, Queensware, Leather Goods—in fact, everything carried in a first class Hardware and Furniture store.

ALSO CAR OF NEW WAGONS

Moreman & Battle
Everything in Hardware and Furniture

Turkeys Produce

Am still paying the top of the market for All Kinds of Country Produce. Bring them in and get the money.

Come by and get some of these fine Apples to take home with you. They'll soon be gone.

Phone 93

R. S. Smith
The Produce Man

One Man In Five---

Did you know that twenty men out of every twenty-five are unable to save money? Only five succeed.

WHICH ARE YOU GOING TO BE?

Make a New Year's resolution and start an account with a Bank that will help you help yourself.

Guaranty State Bank
HEDLEY, TEXAS
Capital and Surplus \$35,000.00

LET "DANDERINE" BEAUTIFY HAIR

Girls! Have a mass of long,
thick, gleamy hair



Let "Danderine" save your hair and double its beauty. You can have lots of long, thick, strong, lustrous hair. Don't let it stay lifeless, thin, scraggly or fading. Bring back its color, vigor and vitality.

Get a 35-cent bottle of delightful "Danderine" at any drug or toilet counter to freshen your scalp; check dandruff and falling hair. Your hair needs this stimulating tonic, then its life, color, brightness and abundance will return—Hurry!—Adv.

The Hard Heart.

George M. Cohan, during a lull in the theater strike, talked about the callous hearts of chorus girls.

"Oh, they've got callous hearts," he said. "I know a broker who proposed to one of them at a roof garden supper."

"Miss Vavasour—Vivian!" the broker said, "my feelings toward you are so tender, so very, very tender—" "But Vivian Vavasour interrupted him with a hard little laugh.

"Look here, Bill," she said, "it's legal tender I've got to see if we're going to do business."

Thousands Have Kidney Trouble and Never Suspect It

Applicants for Insurance Often Rejected.

Judging from reports from druggists who are constantly in direct touch with the public, there is one preparation that has been very successful in overcoming these conditions. The mild and healing influence of Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root is soon realized. It stands the highest for its remarkable record of success.

An examining physician for one of the prominent Life Insurance Companies, in an interview on the subject, made the astonishing statement that one reason why so many applicants for insurance are rejected is because kidney trouble is so common to the American people, and the large majority of those whose applications are declined do not even suspect that they have the disease. It is on sale at all drug stores in bottles of two sizes, medium and large.

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

Training Women Industrially.

The Leeds (England) education committee has inaugurated a scheme of training women for the wholesale clothing trade of the district. It is hoped to reduce unemployment and enable manufacturers to get back to the prewar capacity of production.

Cuticura for Sore Hands.

Soak hands on retiring in the hot soda of Cuticura Soap, dry and rub in Cuticura Ointment. Remove surplus ointment with tissue paper. This is only one of the things Cuticura will do if Soap, Ointment and Talcum are used for all toilet purposes.—Adv.

Beneath Her Notice.

Cary—"What do you say to a tramp along Beebe lake?" Clarence—"I never speak to the horrid things."—Cornell Widow.

GET READY FOR "FLU"

Keep Your Liver Active, Your
System Purified and Free From
Colds by Taking Calotabs,
the Nauseless Calomel
Tablets, that are De-
lightful, Safe and
Sure.

Physicians and Druggists are advising their friends to keep their systems purified and their organs in perfect working order as a protection against the return of influenza. They know that a clogged up system and a lazy liver favor colds, influenza and serious complications.

To cut short a cold overnight and to prevent serious complications take one Calotab at bedtime with a swallow of water—that's all. No salts, no nausea, no griping, no sickening after effects. Next morning your cold has vanished, your liver is active, your system is purified and refreshed and you are feeling fine with a hearty appetite for breakfast. Eat what you please—no danger. Calotabs are sold only in original sealed packages, price thirty-five cents. Every druggist is authorized to refund your money if you are not perfectly delighted with Calotabs.—(Adv.)

Honest-to-goodness facts are scarcer than pullet-fangs.

48,000 Drug Stores Sell It.

Five million people
use it to KILL COLDS



Standard cold remedy for 25 years
—in tablet form—safe, sure, no
opiates—breaks up a cold in 24
hours—relieves grip in 3 days.
Money back if it fails. The
genuine box has a Red
top with Mr. Hill's
picture.
At All Drug Stores

Rich-Tone Is a Friend of the Weak

"It Has Made Me Strong and Well
Again."—Says J. R. Martinez.

He writes: "Rich-Tone is a wonder-
ful remedy for people who are weak
and lacking in vigor, and all those who
desire to gain strength and energy
should take this truly famous tonic.
It has given me perfect health and
cured me of ailments from which I had
long suffered."

Take RICH-TONE and gain new energy

Rich-Tone makes more red corpuscles,
enriching and purifying the blood. It
contains all of the elements that are
needed most in maintaining strength
and vigor. Rich-Tone rests the tired
nerves, restores appetite, induces
healthful sleep—it gives you all those
things which mean energy and well-
being. Get a bottle today—only \$1.00
at all drug stores.

A. B. Richards Medicine Co., Sherman, Texas

Take Dr. Gunn's Antiseptic, greatest family
tonic known. Write for special terms to
agent, Waco Electric Medicine Co., Waco, Tex.

May Produce Blue Guinea Pigs.

Dr. H. L. Ibsen, professor of genetics
and color heritage at a western
agricultural college is conducting an
experiment to produce blue guinea pigs
for a Chicago dealer in guinea pigs,
rabbits and rats.

Blue rats, rabbits and various other
small animals have been produced, but
the breeding of blue guinea pigs has
never yet been accomplished. Doctor
Ibsen has done work in this field that
ranks high among the breeding genet-
icists of the country.

STOMACH O. K.

Indigestion, Acidity, Sourness
and Gases ended with
"Pape's Diapiesin"

Millions of people know that it is
needless to be bothered with indiges-
tion, dyspepsia or a disordered stom-
ach. A few tablets of Pape's Diapiesin
neutralize acidity and give relief
at once.

When your meals don't fit and you
feel uncomfortable, when you belch
gases, acids or raise sour, undigested
food. When you feel lumps of indiges-
tion pain, heartburn or headache from
acidity, just eat a tablet of Pape's Diapiesin
and the stomach distress is
gone.

The cost is so little. The benefits so
great. You, too, will be a Diapiesin
enthusiast afterwards.—Adv.

Machine for Grain Inspectors.

Grain inspectors must know the ex-
act amount of moisture in specimens
submitted and a machine has been
made to determine this in a thirty-
minute test.

ASPIRIN FOR HEADACHE

Name "Bayer" is on Genuine
Aspirin—say Bayer



Insist on "Bayer Tablets of Aspirin"
in a "Bayer package," containing prop-
er directions for Headache, Colds,
Pain, Neuralgia, Lumbago, and Rheu-
matism. Name "Bayer" means genuine
Aspirin prescribed by physicians for
nineteen years. Handy tin boxes of 22
tablets cost few cents. Aspirin is trade
mark of Bayer Manufacture of Mono-
aceticacidester, of Salicylicacid.—Adv.

Love much and it makes lifting
heavy loads easy.

Important to Mothers

Examine carefully every bottle of
CASTORIA, that famous old remedy
for infants and children, and see that it

Bears the
Signature of *Dr. J. C. Fletcher*
In Use for Over 30 Years
Children Cry for Fletcher's Castoria

Alt happiness is in the mind.

MURINE Night and Morning
Have Strong, Healthy
Eyes. If they Tired, Itch,
Smart or Burn, if Sore,
Irritated, Inflamed or
Gravelled, use Murine
often. Soothes, Refreshes, Safe for
Infant or Adult. At All Drug Stores. Write for
Free Eye Book. Murine Eye Remedy Co., Chicago

WHO IS WHO NOW

JENKINS: KIDNAPED AND RANSOMED

Mexican outrages upon Americans
have become such an old story that
even the kidnapping by bandits of Wil-
liam O. Jenkins, the American con-
sular agent at Puebla, Mexico, did not
create any great excitement. To be
sure, Senator Meyers (Dem.) of Mont-
ana introduced a resolution (S. Res.
220) reciting "that it is the sense of
this body that the president of the
United States and the secretary of
war should at once use all the armed
forces and power of the United States
to recover and have immediately the
said Jenkins alive or his abductors
dead."

But other senators calmed him.
The resolution induced the state de-
partment, however, to serve notice on
Carranza that he must ransom Jen-
kins, even if he had to pay the \$300,-
000 (Mexican) demanded by Frederico
Cordova, leader of the bandits.

The release of Jenkins was ef-
fected by Mestre, his personal attorney, who met the bandits, paid the ransom,
got a receipt from Cordova and put Jenkins in a hospital at Puebla.

Few details of Jenkins' week of captivity have been learned as he is not
physically able to tell much of his experiences.

Forced to sleep on the wet ground during a week of daily rains, he suffered
a recurrence of rheumatic attacks, which rendered him almost helpless.



THE FIRST CONGRESS OF ITS KIND



cerning employment, child labor, care
in hazardous industries. Each of the
number of delegates present.

Mrs. Raymond Robins of Chicago,
president of the National Woman's
Trade Union league, whose portrait is
given herewith, called together the re-
cent International Congress of Work-
ing Women in Washington, the first
assembly of its kind. It was a most
interesting gathering. Speeches in
four languages and songs in as many
more marked the opening session.
Some 50 of the delegates came from
foreign countries, 11 nations and the
United States being represented, but
with the services of a corps of young
women interpreters all the addresses
made were fully understood. English,
French, Polish and Bohemian generally
sufficed. Italian, Japanese and other
nationalities getting the meaning through
one of these four languages.

The congress had for its purpose
an interchange of ideas and experi-
ences on subjects which most im-
mately affect women—legislation con-
cerning mothers and protection of their sex
countries had ten votes, regardless of
the number of delegates present.

MINOR FREE AND STILL SPELLBINDING

Robert A. Minor, an American
journalist and cartoonist and a "sensational
spellbinder of the soap-box
type," is a storm-center and has been
for some time. He was arrested in
April of 1919 in Paris by the French
at the instigation of the British and
taken to Coblenz, where he was tried
by the Americans on the charge that
he had engaged in a campaign of propa-
ganda to weaken the military power
of the allies. July 5 he was re-
leased from the military prison under
circumstances which the war corre-
spondents endeavored vainly to ex-
plain.

July 31 the senate passed a reso-
lution calling upon the secretary of
war for explanations. October 10 the
senate passed another resolution to
the same effect. Several senators
freed their minds. Senator Poindexter,
comparing Minor to Trotzki, said:
"So it is with Minor, who, by
some authority evidently above General Pershing, was released from the
custody of the courts-martial of the American expeditionary forces, set free,
and allowed to return to America to continue his revolutionary activities here,
with what consequences the future remains to tell."

October 22 the secretary of war reported to the senate on the Minor case.
In brief it amounted to two statements. One was that Minor was guilty as
charged but that it couldn't be proved. The other was that after his discharge
"important additional information" was obtained.

Minor predicts in his public addresses that the soviets in Russia, "the
greatest ruling power in the world," will maintain a government after all the
ruling governments of Europe are overthrown.



BASSLER: ALFALFA KING OF AMERICA



Bassler's steam dryer changes all this. After 20 minutes in it the alfalfa
comes out in its natural color, ready to be put in bags and shipped to the end
of the earth. Also, it is stated to contain 17 per cent of protein, as compared
with 12 per cent.

The United States has another
uncrowned monarch. This time he is
the "Alfalfa King of America." In
private life he is E. M. Bassler of
Milwaukee. King Bassler is an engi-
neer whose specialty is drying things.
He says he can dry anything. He
has built plants for drying grain and
plants for drying hemp. He says that
he can build a plant that will dry the
garbage of a large city and convert it
into the finest kind of feed for hogs.
Now about the "Alfalfa King"
business: It appears that he is en-
titled to the title because he has
patented a process for drying alfalfa.
This process has advanced the price
of alfalfa. It is stated, from \$36 a ton
to \$72 a ton.

It's the drying that does the busi-
ness. It is set forth that under the
old plan of drying alfalfa in the sun
it turns out a dirty brown and the
valuable small leaves drop off. King
Bassler's steam dryer changes all this.

HOME TOWN HELPS

FATAL LACK OF ENTERPRISE

Some Communities Seem to Forget
How Vital Are Business Enter-
prises to City's Growth.

Contrast the intelligent employment
or present opportunities in certain
communities with the lack-of-plan situ-
ation in most cities.

Contrast it, if you will, with the
attitude of an Indiana city which
found not long ago, that one chief in-
dustry of the community, a glass fac-
tory, would likely move because the
supply of natural gas, which had at-
tracted the factory in the first place,
was about to fail.

In the gas-boom days the commu-
nity had sunk gas wells and had in-
vited this factory to come. But the
old spirit soon died, and no effort was
made to get additional gas or the ad-
ditional factories which would have
resulted.

And when the glass manufacturer
found the supply failing, two or three
years ago, he appeared to be about
the only person in the community who
was particularly concerned. There
was some vagrant talk of the possi-
bility of finding some additional nat-
ural gas. But nothing was done about
it until the manufacturer himself de-
cided that rather than move his home,
he would take a chance on a new well.
He found gas and is still there, though
not through the enterprise of the city,
which would apparently have allowed
him to move rather than bestir itself.

And even now there is no movement
for sinking additional wells, though
this experience indicates that such
wells might reasonably be expected
to pay.—From The Nation's Business.

WALKS OF MUCH IMPORTANCE

No Greater Mistake Than Neglecting
Attention to the Needed Pathways
Between Buildings.

Walks between buildings add a good
deal to the ease and comfort with
which the chores can be done, and re-
duce the amount of dirt that is carried
into the house. Concrete is one of the
best materials for making walks, and
when they are properly made the con-
struction is permanent, says the state
college of agriculture at Ithaca, N. Y.

In making the walks it is wise to
excavate from 8 to 10 inches and fill
in with from 4 to 6 inches of cinders
or similar material, well tamped to
make a good base. On top of this
place 3 1/2 inches of concrete tamped
in place and a top coat of 1/2 inch of
cement mixed in the proportions of
one part of cement to two of sand.
The gravel for concrete should be well
graded in sizes from 1/4 inch to 1 inch,
and for this material the proportions
may well be one part cement, three
of sand and six of gravel. Poorer ma-
terials should have a richer mixture.
The top coat should be troweled to
drive it into the concrete base but not
necessarily to make it smooth.

A rough-surface walk may be ad-
visable, in which case a little finer
gravel may be used in the concrete
and the full four inches made of this
material.

Diseased Trees.

Owners of elm and maple trees who
find small reddish or light-colored
bunches on the leaves will have to rest
as easily as possible for a while, says
C. L. Fluke, entomologist at the Wis-
consin experiment station, for no con-
trol measures for this particular
trouble have yet been found. The
bunches are galls caused by small
mites which look like tiny spiders.
They live within the galls and thus
cannot be reached by sprays. Undoubt-
edly there is some point in the life
history of the mites where control
measures can be used, says Mr. Fluke,
but so far there has not been much
study of these insects and this point
has not been found. The injury to the
elms is in the form of small, light-
colored globular bunches. The galls
on the maple leaf are red or black,
and there are sometimes as many as
a hundred on one leaf. Maples are
also subject to blister galls, caused by
the larvae of the flies called gall midges.
These galls are in the form of
spots having a green center surround-
ed by rings of yellow and deep red.

Looking to Business Future.

A manufacturer who finds that there
is a market for a certain product
does not abandon that and turn to
something which his facilities are not
capable of making. He multiplies the
product for the manufacture of which
he has equipped himself. By the same
token, the business man who is inter-
ested in community development needs
to look about him, analyze what he
sees, and while undertaking the im-
provement and further promotion and
enlargement of present factories, seek
new ones in the same or in a similar
line. If it appears that there is room
for them—and there usually is.—Ex-
change.

She Was Optimistic.

"My dear," moaned the patient, as
he tossed restlessly on his bed, "it's the
doctor I'm thinking of. His bill will be
terrible!"
"Never mind, Joseph," said his wife,
consoling. "You know there's the in-
surance money."

SOUTH IS TURNING AGAINST CALOMEL

Mr. Dodson, the "Liver Tone" Man,
Responsible for Change for
the Better.

Every druggist in town has noticed a
great falling off in the sale of calomel.
They all give the same reason. Dod-
son's Liver Tone is taking its place.

"Calomel is dangerous and people
know it," Dodson's Liver Tone is per-
sonally guaranteed by every druggist
who sells it. A large bottle doesn't
cost very much, but if it fails to give
easy relief in every case of liver slug-
gishness and constipation, just ask for
your money back.

Dodson's Liver Tone is a pleasant-
tasting, purely vegetable remedy, harm-
less to both children and adults. Take
a spoonful at night and wake up feel-
ing fine; no biliousness, sick headache,
acid stomach or constipated bowels.
It doesn't gripe or cause inconvenience.
Take a dose of calomel today and to-
morrow you will feel weak, sick and
nauseated. Don't lose a day.—Adv.

The Day of the Australian Artist.

With the coming of the peace there
has been a keen demand for pictures
by Australian artists. An excellent ex-
ample of the increased value shown
at recent auction sales is the purchase
for £150 of a picture, painted by Mr.
Freed McCubbin, which had previously
been sold for £21. In one auction sale,
the Baldwin Spencer collection, £6000
worth of Australian paintings were
eagerly bought.

Nasty Colds

Get instant relief with
"Pape's Cold Compound"

Don't stay stuffed-up! Quit blowing
and snuffling! A dose of "Pape's Cold
Compound" taken every two hours un-
til three doses are taken usually breaks
up a cold and ends all gripe misery.

The very first dose opens your
clogged-up nostrils and the air pas-
sages of the head; stops nose running;
relieves the headache, dullness, fever-
ishness, sneezing, soreness and stiffness.

"Pape's Cold Compound" is the
quickest, surest relief known and costs
only a few cents at drug stores. It acts
without assistance. Tastes nice. Con-
tains no quinine. Insist on Pape's! Ad.

We Overheard It.

"No," said the lady to whom the
clerk was trying to sell a one-piece
bathing suit: "That's a bit too—er—
well, I want something fuller, you
know—a few ruffles—"

"Gee, mother!" interrupted the nine-
year-old boy who accompanied her.
"You'd order see Mrs. Brown's bathing
suit. Ruffles—huh! Her's ain't even
got a wrinkle!"—Cleveland Plain
Dealer.

RASCALS

Biliousness, Headache, Colds,
Constipation, driven out
with "Cascarets"

Why take nasty cathartics, sickening
salts, or stomach-turning oils to drive
these rascals out? Let gentle, harmless
Cascarets remove the liver and bowel
poison which is keeping your head
dizzy, your tongue coated, your skin
sallow, your breath offensive, and your
stomach sour. Get a box of Cascarets
at the drug store and rid your liver,
stomach and bowels of the excess bile,
poisons, and waste which are keeping
you miserable. Cascarets never gripe,
never sicken, never inconvenience.
They cost so little and work while you
sleep.—Adv.

Woman's Right.

Frank and Lucille were playing at
keeping house and soon a disagree-
ment arose over money matters. Lu-
cille appealed to her mother to set-
tle the question. "Mother," she asked,
"we women should always carry the
pocketbook, shouldn't we?"

A BRIGHT, CLEAR COMPLEXION

Is always admired, and it is the laud-
able ambition of every woman to do
all she can to make herself attractive.
Many of our southern women have
found that Tetterine is invaluable for
clearing up blotches, itchy patches,
etc., and making the skin soft and
velvety. The worst cases of eczema
and other torturing skin diseases yield
to Tetterine. Sold by druggists or sent
by mail for 50c. by Shuptrine Co.,
Savannah, Ga.—Adv.

A Curious Case.

"Here's a curious case."
"What's the matter?"
"Young woman of twenty-seven mar-
rying an old man, past seventy!"
"Nothing peculiar about that—the
old man is very rich I presume."
"That's the curious thing about it—
he isn't; he's as poor as a church-
mouse."

Xmas Gift Hints!

WOMEN'S FURS, excellent qualities, just what the ladies want, \$12.50 to \$20.

LADIES' KIMONOS of the fanciest class can be bought for \$12.50 to \$27.50.

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Y. P. M. S. SOCIAL

Thursday evening, Dec. 11th, thirteen members of the Young People's Missionary Society met at the home of Mrs. Benson for a business and social session. The members present were Misses Mattie Eva Lane, Ola Curd, Ila Pool, Cytha Curd, Cloetel Moreman, Ella Kirkpatrick, Dannie Mae Masterson, Dick Kirkpatrick, Faye Moreman, Gladys Adamson, Gladys Hammond, Velma Newman and Florence Curd.

The house was called to order by the president, who read the 13th chapter of Corinthians, this being followed by sentence prayers. Every one decided it was more convenient to have our socials at night than in the afternoon during the winter months.

We intended to elect new officers, but decided the old ones would do for another year. They are: Mattie Eva Lane, president; Ola Curd, first vice president; Cytha Curd, 2nd vice president; Mrs. Wall, corresponding secretary; Ila Pool, recording secretary; Cloetel Moreman, treasurer; Ella Kirkpatrick, Supt of study and publicity; Dannie Mae Masterson, Supt social service; Faye Moreman, Supt supplies.

The social hour was much enjoyed. After many interesting games had been played, the hostess served delightful refreshments of sandwiches, cakes and hot chocolate. We then took our departure, all declaring Mrs. Benson a charming entertainer.

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HEDLEY AFFILIATES WITH THE WEST TEXAS C. OF C.

Mr. F. Farrow, representing the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, headquarters at Stamford, spent Thursday in Hedley for the purpose of getting this city lined up with his organization.

In company with Rev. Cal C. Wright, Dr. J. B. Ozier and others, he called on the business men of the town during the forenoon announced a mass meeting at 2 p. m. at the Guaranty State Bank.

A good size crowd met at the hour named, and after the aims and purposes of the West Texas C. of C. were explained by Mr. Farrow, an organization was perfected with thirteen charter members, as follows: Van Boone, J. P. Pool, Forbis & Stone, Furr Grocery Co., Wooldridge Lumber Co., Moreman & Battle, Thompson Bros., Perrine Field Grain & Elevator Co., Cicero Smith Lumber Co., R. S. Smith, First State Bank, Guaranty State Bank, M. & M. Co.

We wish to commend our business men on this forward step. At this late hour we cannot discuss the subject at length in this issue, but all men who keep up with current events know of this organization's power and ability to do things quickly and well. Its management is in the hands of some of Texas' ablest business men, and there is no room to doubt that this affiliation will be of great benefit to Hedley.

The Informer will report from time to time.

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Miss Levenia Masterson visited friends in Childress and Kirkland the past week.

Loy Whittington, who is with Uncle Sam's Navy and stationed at San Diego, Cal., was here the past week on a short visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Whittington.

NINETEEN NINETEEN CLUB

The Nineteen Nineteen Study Club spent an interesting and profitable afternoon with Mrs. Penn Dishman Wednesday, Dec. 10th.

Our lesson, the book of Ruth, was very ably led by Mrs. Noel, with all who were present entering heartily into the discussion.

The Club decided not to hold its second meeting in December because of its being Christmas eve. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Boston January 14th, 1920.

During the social hour the hostess served delicious date pudding with whipped cream and chocolate to the following members: Mmes U. J. Boston, Ed Dishman, Dudley Key, Will Noel, Louie Thompson and Hardy Williams.

Press Reporter.

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County Agent P. C. Bennett attended to business in Hedley yesterday.

Bert Whittington was down from Amarillo a few days the past week.

The Devil's Own

A Romance of the Black Hawk War

By RANDALL PARRISH

Author of "Contraband," "Shea of the Irish Brigade," "When Wilderness Was King," etc. Illustrations by Irwin Myers

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"THE WORD OF A SOLDIER AND GENTLEMAN."

Synopsis: In 1832 Lieutenant Knox of the regular army is on duty at Fort Armstrong, Rock Island, Ill., in territory threatened by disaffected Indians. The commandant sends him with dispatches to St. Louis. He takes passage on the steamer *Warrior* and makes the acquaintance of Judge Beauchamp, rich planter, and of Joe Kirby (the Devil's Own), notorious gambler. Knox learns Judge Beauchamp has a daughter, Eloise, and a granddaughter, Rene, offspring of a son whom the judge has disowned. Rene's mother is a negress, and she and her daughter, never having been freed, are slaves under the law, although the girls have been brought up as sisters. Kirby induces the judge to stake his plantation and negro servants on a poker hand unfairly dealt by Joe Carver, Kirby's partner. Kirby accuses the judge of cheating. Beauchamp, infuriated, drops dead. Knox tries to induce Kirby to give up his stolen winnings. Kirby and Carver throw Knox overboard. The lieutenant swims ashore and reaches a hut. Knox lies unconscious for ten days. Recovering, he finds he is in a cabin owned by Pete, a "free nigger," who had shot him, mistaking him for an enemy. His dispatches have been forwarded. Recovering from his wound, Knox sends Pete to bring Haynes, Beauchamp's lawyer, and they arrange, with Pete's help, to get the women to the cabin of an abolitionist, Amos Shunk, before Kirby comes. At the Beauchamp place Kirby overhears a conversation between the sheriff and his deputy, and learns the truth about the situation. He is witness to an interview between Kirby and Rene Beauchamp.

CHAPTER VI—Continued.

"I know," she said distinctly, "I am no longer a free white woman; I am a negro and a slave."

"Oh, you know that, do you? Then you must also be aware that you are my property. Perhaps it will be well for you to remember this in answering my questions. Now tell me who informed you of all this?"

"I cannot answer."

"Cannot! You mean you will not. Well, young woman, I'll find means to make you, for I have handled your kind before. Where is Eloise Beauchamp?"

"Why do you seek to find her? There is no slave blood in her veins."

"To serve the necessary papers, of course."

He spoke incautiously, urged on by his temper, and I marked how quickly her face brightened at this intelligence.

"To serve papers! They must be served, then, before you can take possession? That is what I understood the sheriff to say. Then I am not really your slave—yet?" her voice deepened with earnestness and understanding. "Oh, so that is how it is—even if I am a negro I do not belong to you until those papers have been served. If you touch me now you break the law. I may not be free but I am free from you. I am glad to know that!"

"And if—a little good it is going to do you," he growled. "Sheriff or no sheriff, my beauty, you are going to St. Louis with me tonight; so I advise you to keep a grip on that tongue of yours. Do you think I am going to be fooled altogether by a technical point of law? Possession is the main thing, and I have you where you can't get away. You hear me?"

She had not moved, although her form had straightened and her hand no longer rested on the table. Kirby had stepped close in front of her, his eyes glowing with anger, his evident intention being to thus frighten the girl into compliance with his wishes, but her eyes, defiant and unafraid, looked him squarely in the face.

"I certainly hear," she replied calmly. "Your voice is sufficiently distinct. I am a slave, I suppose, and in your power; but I despise you, hate you—and you are not going to take me to St. Louis tonight."

"What can stop me? The sheriff? Puh! a few dollars will take care of him. The judge is a friend of mine."

"It is not the sheriff—not the judge; I place reliance on no friend of yours."

He grasped at her arm, but she stepped back quickly enough to avoid contact, and the red lips were pressed together in a thin line of determination. Her hand had suddenly disappeared within the folds of her skirt; but the angry man, apparently blinded by the violence of his passion, his eagerness to crush her spirit, thought only that she counted on outside aid for deliverance.

"You silly little fool," he snapped, his mustache bristling. "Why could you do to stop me? I could break your neck with one hand. So you imagine someone is going to save you. Well, who will it be? Those rascals down at the Landing? Haines the lawyer? You have a surprise up your sleeve for me, I suppose! H—! it makes me laugh; but you might as well have your lesson now as any other time. Come here, you wench!"

He caught her arm this time, brutally jerking her toward him, but as instantly staggered backward, grasping at the table, the flash of anger in his eyes changing to a look of startled surprise. A pistol was leveled full in his face, the polished black barrel shining ominously in the light of the overhead lamp.

"Now perhaps you know what I mean," she said. "If you dare to touch me I will kill you like a dog. That is no threat; it is true as God's voice, and the very tone of her voice carried conviction. 'That may be so, but you will never possess me—never! Life means nothing to me any more, and I never expect to go out of this house alive; I do not even care to. So I am not afraid of you. Do not drop your arms, you low-lived cur, for you have never been nearer death

In all your miserable life than you are now. God knows I want to kill you; it is the one desire of my heart at this moment to rid the earth of such a beast. But I'll give you one chance—just one. Don't you dare call out or answer me. Do what I say. Now step back—back along the table; that's it, a step at a time. Oh, I knew you were a cowardly bully. Go on—yes, clear to that window; don't lower those hands an inch until I say you may. I am a slave—yes, but I am also a Beauchamp. Now reach behind you and pull up the sash—pull it up higher than that."

Her eyes dilated with sudden astonishment and terror. She had caught sight of me, emerging from the black shadow just behind her victim. Kirby also perceived the quick change in the face fronting him, read its expression of fright, and sought to twist his head so as to learn the truth. Yet before he could accomplish this or his lips could give utterance to a sound, my hands closed on his throat, crushing him down to the sill, and throttling him into silence between the vise of my fingers.

CHAPTER VII.

To Save a "Nigger."

It proved to be a short, sharp struggle, from the first the advantage altogether with me. With all the old-time dislike in my heart, all the hatred aroused by what I had overheard, I closed down on his throat, rejoicing to see the purple of his flesh turn into a sickening black, as he fought desperately for breath and as he lost consciousness and ceased from struggle. I was conscious of a pang in my wounded shoulder, yet it seemed to rob me of no strength but only added to my ferocity. The fellow rested limp in my hands. I believed I had killed him, and the belief was a joy as I tossed his helpless body aside on the floor and stepped through the open window into the room.

In my heart I hoped he was dead, and in a sudden feeling of utter contempt I struck the inert body with my foot. Then, as my eyes lifted, they encountered those of the girl. She had drawn back to the table, startled out of all reserve by this sudden apparition, unable to comprehend. The pistol yet remained clamped in her hand, while she stared at me as though a ghost confronted her.

"Who—who are you?" she managed to gasp in a voice which barely reached my ears. "My God! who—who sent you here?"

"It must have been God," I answered, realizing instantly that I needed to make all clear in a word.



My Hands Closed on His Throat, Crushing Him Down to the Sill.

"I came only to help you and was just in time—no doubt God sent me."

"To help me? You came here to help me? But how could that be? I—I never saw you before—who are you?"

I stood straight before her, my eyes meeting her own frankly. I had forgotten the dead body at my feet, the incidents of struggle, the pain of my own wound, comprehending only the supreme importance of compelling her to grasp the truth.

"There is no time now to explain all this, Miss Rene. You must accept the bare facts—will you?"

"Yes—I suppose I must."

"Then listen, for you must know that every moment we waste here in talk only makes escape more difficult. I tell you the simple truth. I am Steven Knox, an officer in the army. It chanced I was a passenger on the boat when Judge Beauchamp lost his life. I witnessed the game of cards this man won, and afterward, when I protested, was attacked and flung overboard into the river by Kirby here and that fellow who is outside guarding the door. They believe me to be dead; but I managed to reach shore and was taken care of by a negro—'Free Pete' he calls himself; do you know him?"

"Yes—oh, yes; he was one of the Carlton slaves." Her face brightened slightly at his bewilderment.

"Well, I knew enough of what was bound to occur to feel an interest, and tonight he brought me here for a purpose of warning you—you, your mother and Eloise Beauchamp. He has his cart and mule out yonder; we intended to transport you across the river, and thus start you safely on the way to Canada."

"Then," she said slowly, seeming to catch at her breath, her voice trembling, "then it must be really true what these men say—Della is my mother? I—I am a slave?"

"You did not really know? You were not warned by anyone before their arrival?"

"No, there was no warning. Did anyone in this neighborhood understand?"

"Haines the lawyer did. He furnished me with much of the information I possess. But I am the one puzzled now. If the truth was not known to any of you how does it happen the others are gone?"

"So far as I am aware that is merely an accident. They walked over to the old Carlton place early this evening; there is sickness in the family, and they hoped to be of help. That is everything I know. They were to return two hours ago, for I was here all alone, except for the negroes in their quarters. I cannot conceive what has occurred—unless they have learned in some way of the trouble here."

"That must be the explanation; they have hidden themselves. And these men told you why they came?"

"The only one I saw at first did. He came in all alone and claimed to be a deputy sheriff. I was terribly frightened at first, and did not at all understand; but I questioned him and the man liked to talk. So he told me all he knew. Perhaps I should have thought he was crazy, only—only some things had occurred of late which led me to half suspect the truth before. I—I wouldn't believe it then, but—but I made him repeat everything he had heard. Horrible as it was I—I wanted to know all."

"And you acknowledged to him that you were Rene Beauchamp?"

Her dark eyes flashed up into my face questioningly.

"Why—why, of course. I—I could not deny that, could I?"

"Perhaps not; yet if none of them knew you, and you had claimed to be Eloise, they would never have dared to hold you prisoner."

"I never once thought of that; the only thing which occurred to me was how I could best protect the others. My plan was to send them warning in some way. Still now I am very glad I said I was Rene."

"Glad! Why?"

"Because it seems it is Eloise they must first find to serve their papers on. They dare not take away the slaves until this is done. As for me, I am nothing—nothing but a slave myself; is that not true?"

"To look into her eyes, her face, and answer was a hard task, yet one I saw no way to evade."

"Yes; I am afraid it is true."

"And—and then Della, the housekeeper, is actually my mother?"

"That is the story as it reached me." She held tightly to the table for support, all the fresh color deserting her face, but the lips were firmly set and her head remained as proudly poised as ever above the round throat. Whatever might be the stain of alien blood in her veins, she was still a Beauchamp. Her eyes, filled with pain as they were, met mine unflinchingly.

"And—and knowing all this, convinced of its truth—that—that I am colored," she faltered, doubtfully, "you came here to help me?"

"I did; that can make no difference now."

"No difference! Why do you say that? Are you from the North, an abolitionist?"

"No; at least I have never been called one or so thought myself. I have never believed in slavery, yet I was born in a southern state. In this case I merely look upon you as a woman—as one of my own class. It does not seem as though I could ever consider you in any other way. You must believe this."

"Believe it! Why, you and I are caught in the same net. I am a slave to be sold to the highest bidder, and you—you have killed a man to save me. Even if I was willing to remain and face my fate I could not now, for that would mean you must suffer.

And—and you have done this for me."

My eyes dropped to the upturned face of Kirby, on which the rays of light rested. The flesh was no longer black and horrid, yet remained ghastly enough to increase my belief that the man was actually dead—had perished under my hand. He was not a pleasant sight to contemplate, flung as he had been in a shapeless heap, and the sight brought home to me anew the necessity of escape before those others of his party could learn what had occurred.

"From whatever reason the deed was done," I said, stealing my voice, "we must now face the consequences. As you say, it is true we both alike have reason to fear the law if caught. Flight is our only recourse. Will you go with me? Will you trust me?"

"Go—go with you? Where?"

"First across the river into Illinois; there is no possible safety here. In a way your danger is even more serious than mine. I have not been seen—even Kirby had no glimpse of my face—and might never be identified with the death of this man. But you will become a fugitive slave and could be hunted down anywhere this side of Canada."

"Then being with me would add to your danger."

"Whether it will or not counts nothing; I shall never let you go alone."

She pressed the palms of both her hands against her forehead as though in a motion of utter bewilderment.

"Oh, I cannot seem to realize," she exclaimed. "Everything is like a dream to me—impossible in its horror. This situation is so terrible; it has come upon me so suddenly I cannot decide; I cannot even comprehend what my duty is. You urge me to go away with you—alone?"

"I do; there is no other way left. You cannot remain here in the hands of these men; the result of such a step is too terrible to even contemplate. There are no means of determining where the others are—Della and Miss Eloise. Perhaps they have had warning and fled already," I urged desperately.

Her eyes were staring down at Kirby's body.

"Look, he—he is not dead," she sobbed excitedly. "Did you see then—one of his limbs moved, and—and—why, he is beginning to gasp for breath."

"All the more reason why we should decide at once. If the fellow regains consciousness and lives, our danger will be all the greater."

"Yes, he would be merciless," her lips parted, her eyes eloquent of disgust and horror as she suddenly lifted them to my face. "I—I must not forget that I—I belong to him; I am his slave; he—he, that hideous thing there, can do anything he wishes with me—the law says he can." The indignant color mounted into her face. "He can sell me, or use me, or rent me; I am his chattel. Good God! think of it! Why, I am as white as he is, better educated, accustomed to every care, brought up to believe myself rich and happy—and now I belong to him; he owns me, body and soul." She paused suddenly, assailed by a new thought, a fresh consideration. "Is it so, is it the law that these men can take possession of nothing here until after Eloise has been found and their papers served upon her?"

"Yes, I believe it is," I said. "She is the legal heiress of Judge Beauchamp; the estate is hers by inheritance, as I am told there was no will. All this property, including the slaves, would legally remain in her possession until proper steps had been taken by others. Serving of the papers would be necessary. There is no doubt as to that."

She drew a deep breath and stepped toward me, gazing straight into my face.

"I believe in you," she said firmly. "And I trust you. You look like a real man. You tell me you serve in the army—an officer?"

"A lieutenant of infantry."

She held out her hand and my own closed over it, the firm, warm clasp of her fingers sending a strange thrill through my whole body. An instant she looked directly into my eyes, down into the very soul of me, and what I read in the depths of her brown orbs could never find expression in words. I have thought of it often since—that great, dimly lighted room, with the guard at the outer door; the inert, almost lifeless body huddled on the floor beside us, and Rene Beauchamp, her hand clasped in mine.

"Lieutenant Knox," she said softly, yet with a note of confidence in the low voice, "I am going to trust you absolutely; there are reasons why I so decide which I cannot explain at this time. I have not known you long enough to venture that far. You must accept me just as I am—a runaway slave and a negress, but also a woman. Can you pledge such as I your word of honor—the word of a soldier and a gentleman?"

"I pledge it to you, Rene Beauchamp," I answered soberly.

"And I accept the pledge in all faith. From now on whatever you say I will do."

I had but one immediate purpose in my mind—to escape from the house as quickly as possible, to attain Pete's cart at the edge of the woods, and be several miles up the river, hidden away in some covert before daylight, leaving no trail behind. It would prove decidedly to our advantage if I was not seen or recognized. The very mystery, the bewilderment as to who had so viciously attacked the gambler and then spirited away the girl, would serve to facilitate our escape.

I stooped and removed a pistol from Kirby's pocket, dropping it, together with such ammunition as I could find, into one of my own. The man by this time was breathing heavily, although his eyes remained closed, and he still lay exactly as he had fallen.

"Keep your own weapon," I commanded her. "Hide it away in your dress. Now come with me."

She obeyed, uttering no word of objection, and stepping after me through the open window onto the narrow balcony without. I reached up and drew down the shade, leaving us in comparative darkness. The night was soundless and our eyes, straining to pierce the black void, were unable to detect any movement.

"You see nothing?" I whispered, touching her hand in encouragement. "No evidence of a guard anywhere?"

"No—the others must still be out in front waiting."

"There were only the four of them, then?"

"So I understood. I was told they came up the river in a small keelboat, operated by an engine, and that they



"Can You Pledge Such as I Your Word of Honor—the Word of a Soldier and a Gentleman?"

anticipated no resistance. The engineer was left to watch the boat and be ready to depart downstream at any moment."

"Good; that leaves us a clear passage. Now I am going to drop to the ground; it is not far below. Can you make it alone?"

"I have done so many a time."

We attained the solid earth almost together and in silence.

"Now let me guide you," she suggested, as I hesitated. "I know every inch of the way about here. Where is the negro waiting?"

"At the edge of the wood where the wagon road ends, beyond the slave quarters."

"Yes, I know; it will be safer for us to go round the garden."

She flitted forward, sure-footed, confident, and I followed as rapidly as possible through the darkness, barely keeping her dim figure in sight. Our feet stumbled over the ruts of a road, and I seemed to vaguely recognize the spot as familiar. Yes, away off under the distant gleam of the river reflecting the stars. This must be the very place where Pete and I had parted, but—where had the fellow gone? "Here is where he was directed to wait," I explained hurriedly. "I am sure I am not mistaken in the spot."

"Yet he is not here, and there is no sign of him. You left no other instructions except for him to remain until your return?"

"I think not—oh, yes, I did tell him if you women came without me he was to drive you at once to the boat and leave me to follow the best way I could. Do you suppose it possible the others reached here and he has gone away with them?"

She stood silent and I strove by peering about to discover some marks of guidance, only to learn the uselessness of the effort. Even a slight advance brought no result, and it was with some difficulty I even succeeded in locating her again in the darkness. Indeed, only the sound of her voice made me aware of her immediate presence.

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WAS ALMOST DISCOURAGED

Constant Headache and Much Soreness and Pain Nearly Got the Best of This Harrisburg Lady, But Cardui Made Her Well and Strong.

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(TO BE CONTINUED.)

Love's Labor Lost.

A young and enthusiastic golfer at a dinner party started to enumerate to his partner the details of a golf match that he had been playing that day. It was not until dessert was brought in that he suddenly bethought himself that he had been talking all the time; indeed, the young lady at his side had not said a single word during the progress of the meal. "I am afraid I have been boring you with this talk," he said in half apology. "Oh, no—not at all!" was the polite response. "Only, what is golf?"

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Frank Smith, who used to work here for W. I. Rains, arrived in Hedley the past week on a visit to the Rains family and other friends. He was a member of the 7th Machine Gun Battalion during the big war, and saw some red hot action on the battle fronts in France. In one engagement he was shot thru and thru five times by machine gun bullets, which injuries kept him in the hospital seventeen months, he having but lately been discharged therefrom. We're glad to see him about, and trust that he steadily regains his former health and strength.

The days are frosty and cold. A good new Overcoat will shut it all out. Let us measure you for one. We can give you quick service. Try us.

O K Tailor.

J. L. Holland was in town Monday from his home on Route 1, and added another Christian act to his long string. He killed two big hogs that day, and presented the Informer family with juicy spare ribs sufficient for several meals. Thanx.

Buy Red Cross CHRISTMAS SEALS. At any store.

NOTICE TO PHONE PATRONS

This is to notify those in arrears for telephone service that they will be expected to pay up by Jan. 1st. Otherwise we shall have to discontinue service to those who fail to do so.

Hedley Telephone Co.

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AN APPEAL FOR BETTER HEALTH CONDITIONS

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tooth in the mouth than to have a part or all of them badly decayed and gums diseased. Any vacancy in the arch of the teeth causes improper mastication of the food. No reasonable being can deny such facts. Any vacancy in the arch will cause the adjoining teeth to be neglected and thereby caused to grow out of line and in many cases become loose and filthy. All teeth should have exercise. All teeth should have the same attention in chewing. Unless the teeth are in such condition to justify equal usage, they are abnormal.

Statistics show that 85 per cent of the human family have Pyorrhea (gum disease). Of course, some are less affected than others. Here I wish to state that I consider this disease the worst condition that can come to any person's mouth. Think of the amount of pus that is secreted from these diseased gums each day. Think of the amount of pus that is swallowed each day that comes from these pus pockets. Think of the abscesses that form around the teeth due to the diseased gums. Think of the tartar formation that forms on the roots of the teeth at the gums. This tartar in many cases brings about pyorrhea by fertilizing the field for the growth and entrance of the germs into the blood stream. There would seldom be cause for artificial teeth if it were not for this disease. Gums in this condition should have treatment. The longer it is put off the worse they become, and in many cases bring about the loss of every tooth in the arch.

There is no need of an explanation as to the many ill effects that may come from the above described condition. Any one can readily realize that many, many systemic ailments are brought about by this disease, and condition of the mouth. I say we owe it to ourselves, to our families, who are exposed each day, and to our God to wage a campaign in our higher intellect and revolutionize our lives by keeping our mouths in a more sanitary condition. This is not a day of healing; it's a day of prevention; a day of proflaxis and sanitation.

Those who have neglected the teeth until some have been taken out should have them replaced by bridgework. Those who are fortunate enough to have good teeth should employ every possible effort to retain them. To do so they should be examined every six months and cleaned as often. Every person should have their teeth cleaned and thereafter use a tooth brush once each day. It does little good to brush the teeth unless the deposit on them has first been removed. The formation on the roots irritates the gums. The formation between the teeth and in the grooves of the chewing surface causes decay. When a cavity is first discovered is the proper time to have it restored. The longer they go the more pain and expense.

All children's teeth should be guarded. Many permanent teeth have been lost during childhood due to parents neglecting them. Many parents have not taken the interest they should have, thinking the affected teeth were infant teeth. The first permanent teeth erupt at age of six years (approximately) just behind the back baby teeth. This being the case you can easily see why and how the mistake was made. The only remedy for this is to use a tooth brush from infancy and have them examined often. The baby teeth should not be allowed

to remain in the arch too long, as many times the permanent teeth are forced out of line due to same. If there are any front teeth out of line they should be brought to place before the child is too far into the teens, as it is difficult to adjust them after a few years have passed.

In 1918 there were 8338 babies under the age of one year, 6082 children under the age of five, a total of 14,720 lives lost that should have grown into manhood and womanhood. 4651 men, women and children between the ages of 15 and 45 years died in Texas the same year of tuberculosis. 150,000 men and women are buried each year in the U. S. victims of tuberculosis. Every 3 minutes a body is laid to rest in the U. S. whose death is caused by tuberculosis. 480 graves are filled each 24 hours in this Nation with tubercular victims.

The above is due largely to our ignorance of the laws of health. Such facts should bring every sober man and woman to their senses of responsibility. The oral cavity is the main, if not the only, entrance for this dreaded disease. We must know how to prevent such fertile fields for the accumulation of germs and act accordingly.

This article is written only as a partial discharge of my duty. It is an appeal in keeping with my rules, and in keeping with the efforts of every public spirited man and woman. An appeal for the advancement of sanitary conditions at large. LET'S BE ON OUR GUARD. LET PREVENTION BE OUR WATCH WORD.

PIGS! PIGS! PIGS!

I want 500 pigs, just weaned or ready to wean. Call

Frank Clark,
Hedley, Texas.

Mr. Lawrence Nicholson and Miss Artie Ray, a popular young couple of the Ring community, were married last Sunday at noon at the Methodist parsonage in Hedley, Rev. Cal C. Wright officiating. The groom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Nicholson and the bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bud Ray. The Informer joins the many friends of the happy pair in extending congratulations and best wishes.

Buy Red Cross CHRISTMAS SEALS. At any store.

D. W. Williams and wife leave this week for Argenta, Texas, where they will visit relatives. They expect to be gone about two months.

FOR SALE—A few Barred Rock cockerels. These chickens are raised from a pen mated by E. B. Thompson. None better. Price \$5.00 each.

4tp L. A. Dunn.

T. C. Johnson was in Hedley Wednesday from Giles. He reports Mrs. S. M. Bush rapidly recovering from a serious illness.

TERRY COUNTY LAND

is one of the best buys in Texas. I have a number of choice ranches and farms listed with me for sale—at rock bottom prices. If you are interested, see or write me before buying.

K. W. Howell,
Brownfield, Texas.

Dr. F. N. Reynolds, Dentist, is having a neat little office building erected on the east side of Main street, next to Thompson Bros. store.

STRAYED: From Sexauer pasture, east of town, a yellow Jersey cow, about eight years old, hump slipped off right horn. Will pay reward. Van Boone.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Church of Christ meets every Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the Presbyterian church, for communion service and Bible study.

Everybody invited.

All kinds of FARM LOANS.
Geo. A. Ryan, Clarendon.

Carl Boston has been here this week from Altus, Okla., visiting home folks and friends.

LOST—Instrument case, between Hedley and Clarendon. Finder leave with Dr. Webb at Hedley, or Dr. B. L. Jenkins at Clarendon.

Many land sales and trades are being closed in the Hedley country these days. We heard of a three-cornered deal the other day in which W. I. Rains purchased the Mack Sims 50 acres adjoining his place, Mack bought the W. D. Shelton farm near Mc Knight, and Shelton bought from Rains a half section in the Naylor community.

For the convenience of our customers we have a few work trousers, gloves, belts, hosiery, and silk collars of latest colors and styles. Let us know your needs. R. R. Mobley.

Joe M. Warren, Clarendon real estate and oil man, was a visitor in Hedley Monday.

SEE THE BIG BEAR

at Moreman & Battle's store.

We are sorry to learn that our friend, T. E. Bailey, happened to the misfortune of having about thirty tons of kaffir destroyed by fire Monday. Sparks from a passing engine are said to have caused the blaze.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Harris and Will Harris were here this week from Alameda.

GOOD FORD CAR for sale. Will take good milk cow, at reasonable price, as part payment. F. M. Osborn.

W. I. Rains and family visited in Clarendon Wednesday.

Jim Sherman, Member National Collectors' Association, Clarendon, Texas.

W. R. McCarroll, former prominent Hedleyan, was here this week from Wichita Falls.

Hail Insurance, Fire Insurance, Life Insurance—all kinds of Insurance. See Geo. A. Ryan, Clarendon, Texas.

Mrs. J. S. Beach and Graham Brinson were Clarendon visitors Wednesday.

DENTAL OFFICE at Mrs. Crawford's residence, next to Hotel Wayland.

Mr. and Mrs. Graham Brinson are the proud parents of a fine girl baby, born last Sunday.

J. T. Craddock made another trip to Potter and Randall counties this week. We understand he is about to acquire a patch of dirt up that way.

WANTED—Man to clean up and keep up cemetery. Submit bids to Committee, and see them for particulars. J. R. Boston, Chm.

NOTICE—Positively no hunting on Mrs. Perrine's farm, occupied by me. F. M. Osborn.

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NOTICE—All those owing me for scavenger work will please see Judge Hoggard, at the City Meat Market, and settle same. G. W. Evans.

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