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HISTORY PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING TEACH PREVENTION, INSTEAD CURE

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING AND NEED OF MORE HEALTH EDUCATION IN THE SCHOOLS—HEALTH LITERATURE OBTAINABLE.

Public health nursing was founded by William Rathbone, of Liverpool in the year 1859, with the help of Florence Nightingale, who was founder of modern general nursing. Owing to illness in his own family, Mr. Rathbone had seen for himself the comfort brought to the sick by a trained worker, he, therefore, asked the nurse who had been in his home to go into the homes of the poor and teach them how to care for the sick. This proved successful, and Mr. Rathbone determined to establish a permanent system of district nursing in Liverpool. On this foundation the structure of the present public health nursing is being built, as the latest development of modern nursing work. Public health nursing basic aim is, to teach prevention of diseases, rather than cure.

Public Health Nursing is divided into eight branches, (1) Maternity nursing, instructions to mothers, (2) Child welfare. This nurse has under supervision the child of preschool age. (3) School nursing. You are all familiar with this. (4) Industrial nursing. Large factories, mines, mills, department stores, and insurance companies, employ a nurse to look after the welfare of their employees. Such as first aid and sanitary inspection of the plant. (5) T. B. nursing. Nurses work in connection with the State T. B. Association. (6) Mental hygiene nursing. (7) Medical Social service. (8) General visiting nursing. These nurses go into the homes of the poor, give bedside care, and instructions. In the large towns they have a nurse or more, for each branch of work. In small towns or counties, public health nursing is usually undertaken by a nurse working under the auspices of state or county health board, or by the county Red Cross chapter. Through the latter I am employed for this county.

A Public Health nurse must be a graduate of three year's training school, and must have a six months course in public health nursing. Nearly all State Universities give this course. Texas University gives a six months course. This course contains dietetics, sanitation, all laws pertaining to health, sociology, and all other studies, or problems, of public health and welfare. The most prevalent branch of public health nursing, is school nursing. France was the first country to make a beginning in the field of medical inspection, passing a Royal ordinance, in 1837, which charged the school authorities with the duty of supervising the health of the school child, and attending the sanitary condition of school houses. United States awakened in 1894, when medical inspection was first started in Boston. As a matter of fact the United States has been one of the last of the civilized nations, to consider the problems of health for the school child, as education will not take, even if we have a compulsory law, if the body is not fit. The best teacher is powerless to teach a child who is not physically fit. United States merely followed the lead of France, Germany, England, Sweden, Russia, Austria Hungary, the Argentine Republic, Chile and Cairo, Egypt, which all preceded her in such efforts.

We have now in the United States over sixteen thousand public health nurses. Some of the forty thousand Red Cross nurses are doing public health work. Texas has nearly one hundred public health nurses. More are needed as there are so many counties that are employing nurses through the Sheppard-Towner bill. This bill furnishes half of the money needed for the health work that the city or county wishes to do, provided the other half is made up by the city or county. The Sheppard-Towner bill was passed because the United States leads seventeen other nations in infant and maternity mortality. The bill asked congress for two millions, only one million was granted, but for the care of the cows and hogs congress was asked for forty millions, and it was granted. They can see the dollar in cattle, however, and are not awakened to the fact that the present physical condition of the human being is the greatest financial loss that exists. Count the number of dependents in our state. In Austin alone, the one asylum has 1800 in-

mates and that many more are waiting to enter. The blind of Texas are several thousand and so are the feeble minded, and thousands and thousands that have to go to the hospitals for treatment and big operations. In most cases to pay the penalty for their ignorance, as most of this can be prevented by more knowledge. The late war was an eye-opener to the physical fitness of the boys, and a two and one-half months' inspection of the school children in this county reveals a sad fact. Out of the fifteen hundred and ten children inspected twelve hundred and twenty-four are defective. A lawyer told me, after having observed my work in the other county, that he had tried to put on a public health nurse in his county. To free the old cow of ticks the county was eighty thousand dollars in debt and not a cent could be spent for the child's welfare, until the cow had her share of care. In the other county they had ten inspectors for the dipping of cattle, and had spent sixty thousand dollars for same, as the law required this. For the care of the children, they had one nurse to eight thousand children. It seems that so far, the cattle have been of more importance to our law makers than the children. We need a law that every child should have a complete physical examination, by a doctor every year, and all adults included.

The eugenic bill was presented last year to the legislature to be passed. Sixty-six men voted against it, fifty-two for it. Prevention is not wanted.

We need to condense the present system of education, so that more material can be put in the lower grades for the child's daily welfare, such as physical exercise, social welfare, sex knowledge, correct foods and hygiene, community sanitation, materia medica, etc. As it is, we have a long drawn out system of teaching. The teachers labor all day, and at night again, over imperfect papers that the imperfect children are only capable to produce. To lighten the teacher's task, we have to also include the mothers. They need more knowledge for their field of the work, and the fathers also must have their share. In the other county at a child health conference a highly educated young mother came and brought her sick baby. She said, I am a graduate of music, expression, art; I have had French and Greek. I have gone to the best colleges and universities to get my education. I spent twenty-three years in school, I finished with great honors. She said, with all the knowledge I have I cannot use it. I am the mother of this baby but I know nothing of the care for it. It only needed a little orange juice in its diet. This is the product our higher institutions of education produce for motherhood care of the family. And the less educated mother rears her family chiefly on methods that have been handed down by their grandmothers from ages to ages. Poor mother. She is to be pitied, and the girls who are to be the future mothers. What education has the schools to offer her for her future field? It is very inadequate. The marriage ceremony will not convey this knowledge upon her. I notice that we have twenty-four cases filed for divorce in our County. The Holy Bonds of Matrimony are being dissolved because of the lack of knowledge

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RANCH PRODUCTS—McCULLOCH COUNTY'S FINEST.

SCHOOL SURVEY OF McCULLOCH TO BE CONSIDERED

That the united and enthusiastic efforts of County Superintendent W. M. Deans and Brady Schools Superintendent J. B. Smith towards having McCulloch county used as a basis of operation in the making of the educational survey of this section of the state, is about to bring fruit, is evidenced in a letter received by Mr. Smith from Dr. G. A. Works, director of the Texas Educational Survey, in which Dr. Works states that McCulloch county will, in all likelihood, be named as one of the counties in which the survey will be undertaken, and in which event a crew of six men will be stationed in Brady for a period of one week.

Both Mr. Deans and Mr. Smith are enthusiastic over the possibility, and in their efforts they have enlisted the full co-operation and endorsement of the McCulloch county commissioners court, the Brady Luncheon club and the Brady Chamber of Commerce. The commissioners have assured hotel accommodations for the crew making the survey, while Mr. Deans, himself, has offered to provide transportation for the investigators, as well as assisting them in the selection of representative schools from which to make investigation and report.

A conference of group leaders, preliminary to the starting of the educational work in Texas, has been announced to be held in Austin, the meeting having been called by Dr. Works. Those attending the conference will be Miss Nina Campbell, Denison; J. H. Hinds, Naogdoches; H. H. Fling, Commerce; O. R. Willett, Canyon. Dr. Works has announced the appointment of 11 group leaders, having charge of county work, collecting data in the various counties. The four named above are included in the group leaders. Another conference of group leaders is scheduled to be held in Austin later.

Dr. Works, in his letter to Mr. Smith, expressed appreciation of the proffered aid and assistance, and stated it would be of material benefit in assisting them make the educational survey.

YOUNG MAN AT DOSS IS VICTIM OF NEW YEAR'S TRAGEDY—INSTANT DEATH

A young man named Ellebracht, living in the Doss community in Gillespie county, was the victim of a New Year's tragedy that cost him his life. While accompanying a party of young folks on a serenading tour on New Year's eve, a stick of dynamite was exploded, a fragment striking him alongside the head, and killing him instantly. Funeral services were held Wednesday.

In Japan, ninety per cent of the people can read.

A flea became entangled in castor oil, and was preserved in a museum. It now reposes in the museum at Cairo and is generally regarded as the only flea mummy in the world.

COUNTIES TO CONTINUE ROAD MAINTENANCE FOR NEXT SEVERAL MONTHS

STATE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT NOT YET READY TO TAKE OVER MAINTENANCE—COMMISSIONERS TO SIGN AGREEMENT TO KEEP UP HIGHWAYS.

Counties in Texas will continue to maintain designated State highways after the first of the year until the State Highway Department finds it convenient to take them over and maintain them as previously arranged, it was stated here yesterday by County Judge Evans J. Adkins. The counties will be reimbursed for the work done.

Agreement to this effect will be presented to the McCulloch County Commissioners when they meet on the 14th of January. It is regarded as certain that the county will accept the proposition, desiring to co-operate with the State Highway Department to the end that the roads may be adequately maintained in the public interest.

Arrangements continue to be rapidly made to place road maintenance under the State Department, according to A. F. Moursund, who represents the State Highway department in the San Angelo district, but it was found practically impossible for them to take over the work the first of the year as planned. Even if the machinery could all have been purchased at once, it would have been practically impossible to have it delivered at the places desired at the specified time. Mr. Moursund said that the agreement to be signed with the counties would be from three to six months, in which time, he thinks, the State organization will have been perfected. Counties will be reimbursed at an acceptable rate for the work they do.

Hire Private Contractors.

In case there are no adequate county roads maintenance organizations, the State department will hire private contractors to do the work until such a time as the State organization is completed. If any counties show a disposition not to co-operate with the State body, the latter will take over the maintenance work at once with their own engineers and equipment, it is understood.

Austin, Texas, Dec. 29.—Maintenance work on designated State highways is expected to cost about \$5,000,000 the first year, according to State Highway department figures. This will come from the retail gasoline tax and from motor registration fees.

Under the new law changes in motor vehicle license fees are expected to bring additional revenue. One change provides that in order to determine the proper license fee for a passenger vehicle, it is necessary to know the weight of the vehicle and the horsepower. For example, a car weighing 2015 pounds, including 100 pounds for fuel and equipment, and having a horsepower rating of 24; this vehicle under the table prescribed by the Legislature will come under the new law, and must pay 50 cents per hundred pounds, or fraction thereof. This would be \$10.50 as a weight fee; 17 1-2 cents per horsepower, would

CITIZENS FAIRVIEW COMMUNITY IMPROVING ROAD

One of the most commendable examples of community enterprise is the work being done on the Santa Anna road by the enterprising citizens of the Fairview community. A stretch of about a quarter mile, at the bend of the road just this side of the E. W. Marshall residence, two miles from town, and which has always been an almost impassable mud hole in rainy weather, is being filled in with crushed rock and converted into a pike road that forever will obliterate this mud hole.

Secretary Wm. D. Cargill of the Brady Chamber of Commerce, with the assistance of a bunch of the leading citizens of Fairview is undertaking this improvement work, and although handicapped by a worn-out tractor, satisfactory progress has been made, and another week's work will see the completion of the task. Those co-operating in the work, several of whom have been almost constantly on the job include Henry Huffman, Omer Pence, Joe Ranne, Irvine Marshall, E. W. Marshall, Clyde Terry, Jess Burk, Henry Davis, Leslie Boyles and son.

To assure the permanency of the work, the crushed rock is being spread 12 inches thick, and 18 feet wide along this quarter mile stretch. Another mud hole closer in will be included in the improvement work, assuring Fairview citizens a road that will be passable at all times of the year, regardless of weather conditions.

The citizens of Fairview have long ago established a reputation for concerted effort and united endeavor that has not only won them approval and warm commendation, but which has secured splendid and substantial returns for the community at large. Although they realize that they are giving their work in addition to paying their full part of the taxes, they have decided it is better to do so and obtain immediate relief and improved roads than to wait for the improvements to come to them in the regular course of events. At any rate, their endeavors have resulted in the offer by citizens on the Brownwood road of like co-operation with Secretary Cargill in his road-building efforts, if he will join them in remedying the mud holes on the Brownwood road, and which will, undoubtedly, be the next community undertaking.

TWELVE-YEAR-OLD LAD HAS THUMB AND FOREFINGER TORN OFF. ACCIDENTAL EXPLOSION

Walter Miller, 12-year-old lad, whose parents live on the Carroll Gray place, nine miles South of Brady, lost part of his left thumb and forefinger Wednesday afternoon at the Davis school by the explosion of a dynamite cap or some similar explosive. The boy was unable to state exactly how the accident occurred. He was standing close to the stove, reading a book, when the explosion took place. Other students at first thought someone had dropped an explosive from the ceiling, or else that some explosive had been placed in the stove, and made a hasty exit from the building.

The boy was brought to the local sanitarium for treatment, and was enabled to return to his home yesterday.

Storing thousands of tons of coal under water the Western Electric Company of Chicago has found an absolute remedy against loss by fire caused by spontaneous combustion.

Roy Chapman Andrews of the Asiatic Expedition in China overruled the Expedition's account with the American Banking Company at Pekin. When the bank asked for more security Andrews offered "two dinosaur eggs ten million years old. The bank refused to consider the eggs as collateral and it was necessary to sell the American made automobiles which brought him the original sum despite the fact that they had traveled 6,000 miles over camel trails of Northern China.

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FIFE FINDINGS.

E. U. Wade and Family Move to Brady—Marketing Movement.

Fife, Texas, Jan. 1, 1924.
Editor Brady Standard:

We, we "took 'em off" Monday morning when we woke up with the thermometer hovering around 24. We hope this spell will keep off the rains for a while so we can farm a while.

Our school will open again Wednesday after being closed since Friday a week.

E. U. Wade and family have purchased a farm near Brady and are moving this week to their new home. We regret to see these good people leave us and commend them to their new neighbors.

Misses Ethel and Nellie Doyle left Monday, Miss Ethel going to Hebron and Miss Nellie to Placid, where they will resume their school work.

S. H. Briacoe, E. B. Kennedy and Ben Chaffin of Waldrip, were here on business Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Finlay visited the lady's mother, Mrs. J. L. Jordan, at Brady Sunday.

Mrs. E. G. Billington is visiting relatives at Mexia during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Tedder and daughter Imogene, returned Saturday from Okakolla where they visited relatives during the holidays.

James R. Rasco left Sunday for Austin, where he is attending school, after spending Christmas with home-folks.

Thos. Mitchell and C. M. Coonrod were business visitors at Brady Saturday.

W. A. Finlay is improving his home by the addition of a couple of more rooms to his dwelling.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Bradley are visiting relatives at Santa Anna this week.

Chas. Collins and family returned this week from Youngsfort where they spent the Christmas holidays with relatives.

Much interest is being manifested in the organization of the "Heart of Texas" Poultry Association in this community. County Agent Geo. Ehlinger accompanied by J. Rockett Hall met the people here last week and explained the proposition to them since which several have signed the selling contract and we predict that practically all will join the movement before long. This movement should interest every poultry producer and from the way the co-operative marketing idea is growing we predict that all the farmers' products will be sold in this way before many years.

JAKE, JR.

NINE NEWS.

Christmas Tree Held Saturday Night—Visitors in Community.

Brady, Texas, Dec. 31.
Editor Brady Standard:

We are having some dry weather which everybody is glad to see.

The Nine folks had a Christmas tree on Saturday night. Old Santa was nice to all.

Miss Alma Cartwright is spending the holidays with home folks in Brownwood.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Newlin of Colorado, spent Christmas with John H. Newlin and family.

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Abernathy and sons, J. B. and Charles, spent Christmas at Christoval.

Misses Ethel Harkrider and Vivian Smith are spending the holidays with home folks.

Mrs. J. T. Franklin and baby of Glen Flora visited Mrs. John Newlin and family last week.

S. A. Mauldin and family moved to Loop in Gaines county, last week. We regret to lose this good neighbor and friend.

Mrs. H. Harkrider is spending the holidays in Brownwood.

John Newlin and family made a trip to the plains last week-end.

We expect Bro. Cooper to preach here next Sunday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock as that is his time, the first Sunday in each month.

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PEAR VALLEY PICKUPS.

Part of Jake Howard Place Purchased.

Pear Valley, Texas, Dec. 29.
Editor Brady Standard:

Pear Valley Young Folks enjoyed Christmas with a number of social gatherings.

Mr. J. E. White gave a singing Sunday night as Bro. Gibbons, the Methodist pastor was unable to be present.

Mr. J. W. Jones and Mr. Charlie Hodge received some very useful presents.

Mr. Leon Browning entertained a large gathering of youngpeople Tuesday night.

Mr. Lum Crowley gave a social Wednesday night.

Mr. C. H. Trewitt and Ward Ludwig bought a part of the Jake Howard place last week.

Mr. Quince Weldon is spending the holidays with homefolks.

Mr. Ralph Schooley, who has been living on J. B. Matlock's place, moved to Salt Gap this week. Mr. John Johnson will live where Mr. Schooley has been living.

Mrs. J. R. Brown and Althea visited relatives in Fish, Texas, the first of the week.

Superintendent J. M. Young is away enjoying Christmas at Denton.

The school children are anxious to get back in school.

Webbie Parker and Thurston McNally, the two seniors, are studying hard as neither of them want to be last in their class.

Miss Mary Deck is reviewing the tenth this year.

We are all glad to have Miss Lona Jones with us once more.

Miss Jessie Stone also was here during the week.

I am sorry this letter was one week late.

BLUE EYES.

Editor's Note—Please sign your real name to all communications.

NOTICE NOTICE NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the trustees of the Fairview School District No. 3 will offer for sale the building known as the Dutton School Building, under the following conditions: Sealed bids to be accompanied with a check amounting to one-fourth of bid. Bids to be filed with the County Superintendent not later than 10:00 o'clock a. m. January 19th, 1924. Checks of the unsuccessful bidders will be returned. Trustees reserve the right to reject any bid.

J. F. JONES,
T. A. DIAL,
J. L. BOYLES, Trustees.
Brady, Texas.

Interfering With The Mail.

A co-ed at a state university recently happened to be standing close to the football coach while practice was on, and heard the official remark that if some of the players did not meet certain requirements he would take their letters away from them. Turning to another co-ed, she remarked that it was the first time she ever knew that a football coach had any right to interfere with the United States mail.—Columbus Dispatch.

Loquacious Nag.

They tell of a young married artist in Washington Square who has a predilection for talking in his sleep. Several times recently he mentioned the name "Irene" and his spouse questioned him about it.

"Oh, that," said he, thinking fast, "is the name of a horse."

Several days later when he came home he asked his wife the news of the day. "Nothing exciting happened," she said, "excepting your horse called you up twice."—Shoe Works Journal.

Horse Sense.

A Kansas school teacher was drilling her composition class in the relative value of words and phrases, says an exchange. The phrase "horse sense" was discussed, and she told one of the boys to write a sentence containing that phrase. The boy laboring for ten minutes, finally produced this: "My father didn't lock the barn door, and he ain't seen the horse sense."

Sale of Tires and Tubes.

For the next 18 days I will sell all tires and tubes at a big discount.

buy your tires and inner tubes. They must be sold.
—A. W. KELLER'S GARAGE.

CALF CREEK NEWS.

Christmas Tree Celebration—Tabernacle Benefit Supper.

Brady, Nine Rt., Texas, Jan. 2.
Editor Brady Standard:

Well, here I come wishing everyone a Happy and Prosperous New Year. Well, we had a Christmas tree here for the first time in four years, and a short program was enjoyed by all.

All of the people enjoyed the pie supper here December 28th. Miss Mary Brown got the cake by being the best looking girl at Calf Creek. Miss Leah Mae Blasdel ran a very close race with her. They will use the money for the benefit of the tabernacle.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Bingham entertained the young people by giving a party last Saturday night.

Miss Fay Childers, who has been going to school at Brady has started to school here. We are all very glad to have Fay come back to school here.

We had an all-day singing here last Sunday and dinner on the ground, and singers from the different parts of the county were here and we organized a singing convention and the convention will meet here next fifth Sunday which will be the 30th of March.

Mrs. Josie Wright and son, Monroe, and wife, of Eden, are here on business and visiting friends this week.

Mr. John Hansard of Port Arthur, visited his grand-parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Attaway, here Christmas week.

Mr. O. A. Whipple and children, Minnie, and Lewis, and Miss Ruby Mae Seale, of Lampasas, spent Christmas with their relatives and friends at Calf Creek.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur McCoy, of Salt Gap, spent Christmas with her mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Attaway.

Miss Odell Smith and Mr. Neff Bingham were quietly married at Brady the 21st of December. We all wish them a happy and prosperous life.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Wren from Ranger, are visiting relatives here.

Mr. C. C. Tucker's son-in-law, Mr. Hugh Herdith, and wife from San Antonio has moved here to live with Mr. Tucker this year. We are all very glad to have them move back to Calf Creek.

Mr. Willie Cude is moving to Voca We all hate to see him leave, for he has been living here so long, but we hope him great success in his new home.

Quite a few of the people took advantage of this cold weather and killed hogs.

Well, as news is scarce I will give space for a better writer.

DAISY.

COW CREEK NEWS.

New Years Greetings and Good Wishes.

Lohn, Texas, Jan. 1, 1924.
Editor Brady Standard:

We wish for our editor and all of the correspondents a bright and happy New Year.

Christmas has passed and in this part was very dull.

Mrs. Dolly Lynch and Mrs. Stewart of Hico, conducted a 10 days' meeting at lower Cow Creek, closing last Sunday night.

Miss Louis and Opal Marshall left Monday evening for Canyon City to attend school. Claude Roberts accompanied them returning Wednesday night.

Mrs. Bessie Tedder spent Friday with Mrs. Killingsworth.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Young visited at Pear Valley Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Hanley also Clarence Petty of near Lamesa visited here during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Driscoll Woods went to Junction Sunday to visit their cousin Mrs. Louie Sides returning Monday.

Miss Mary Plummer and mother, also Mrs. Lora Turner, visited Mrs. Killingsworth Sunday.

Miss Oudeia Hanley spent Saturday night with Miss Gladys Young.

Leonard Dennis is enjoying a visit from his mother this week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Cornill, Sr., visited Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Wyres one day last week.

Miss Louis and Opal Marshall and Mrs. Killingsworth were in Brady last Thursday.

Mrs. Cornill, Sr., and Mrs. Albert Cornill visited Mrs. Young Saturday.

We will again wish our editor a Happy New Year, and may he live to see many more.

WEST WIND.

Sick, All Right.
Employer—"I hear you were away ill yesterday, Snooks."

Snooks—"Yes, sir."
Employer—"You didn't look very ill when I saw you at the races in the third race."

Snooks—"Didn't I sir? You should have seen me after the finish of the third race."—London Mail.

MODERATION IN PRODUCTION OF COTTON URGED

Oklahoma City, Jan. 1.—Moderation in the planting of cotton on the Southland to avoid over-production in 1924 was urged in a statement issued today by Carl Williams, president of the American Cotton Growers' Exchange and editor of the Oklahoma Farmer-Stockman.

"Due to a combination of co-operative marketing and short crop yields the South during 1923 has been the best agricultural trade territory in the United States," he said.

"The boll weevil has no been an unmixed evil. It has caused disaster to individual farmers here and there, but for the South as a whole it has kept the total crop within the limits of buyer demand. This limitation of crop yields, together with the influence wielded by more than 250,000 Southern farmers who have learned to market their crop through a single office, has brought prosperity and heavily increased buying power to the people of the South."

"A single season of over-production might again result in 12 cent cotton and a return to the poverty of former years. To keep the South prosperous for another generation all that is necessary is to exercise moderation in the acreage of cotton that is planted."

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BRIEFLY TOLD.

The income of the American people was about \$66,000,000,000 in 1919, and interest on the national debt is about \$940,000,000 a year. The national debt, at the present rate of reduction, will be extinguished by 1952.

"The crowing fortune of a man is to be born to some pursuit which finds him employment and happiness, whether it be to make baskets or broadswords, or canals, or statutes, or songs."—Emerson.

"The majority of crimes today are committed by boys under twenty-one—seventy-five per cent by youths under twenty-five. The average home is nothing more than a place to eat and sleep. It has ceased to be a shrine for moral and religious training. Jazz life, cheap reading and cheap thinking are the chief characteristics of the modern people."—Judge W. C. Harris, of Emporia, Kansas, president of Kansas State Bar Association.

"Piety is indifferent whether she enters at the eye or at the ear. There is none of the senses at which she does not knock one day or other. The Puritans forgot this and thrust Beauty out of the meetinghouse and slammed the door in her face."—James Russell Lowell.

Horace Greely did not say, "Go West, young man." This expression was first used by John L. Soule in 1851 in the Terre Haute Express. Greely later used the sentence in an editorial entitled "Hints Toward Reform." Later Greely reprinted the article from the Terre Haute Express and explained that he was not the originator of the expression.

The greatest Observatory in the world is being built on Mount Saleve, a peak 4,300 feet high in Savoy, near Mount Blanc, France. The builder is Asan Dina, an East Indian engineer. Fifteen million women and children have died of starvation and disease in Europe and the Near East as a result of the series of wars which begun in 1914.

Wild deer on Long Island ate enough of a five-ton truck load of cauliflower, sunk to the hubs in the soft marshland, to spoil the sale of it. The "arveyor" is a pipe line system which conveys grain from an elevator to a vessel at the water front without the use of the familiar belting. Operated by a hurricane of wind forced through a pipe by giant fans it will load 4,000 bushels an hour.

An adventurous Australian conducted a motor car expedition across Australia for more than 1,500 miles beyond the railway. Following dry river beds the party found lakes and water holes and rich alluvial plains where water can be obtained within a foot or so of the surface.

Senator La Follette calms his nerves after a hot debate by "pulling" on an old seasoned pipe.

Even after a mail order around the grave of Theodore Roosevelt has been made a wild bird sanctuary and shrine for bird lovers.

The Right Name.

"What's de name ob dis infant?" demanded the colored parson who was officiating at the christening of Mandy's latest offspring.

Her name an Opium Bryant," was the solemn reply.

The parson protested: "Opium am no fit name fo a gal!"

"Well, it fits dis gal," said Mandy, "fo dey say dat opium comes from wild poppy and dis chile's poppy suah am wild."—The Argonaut.

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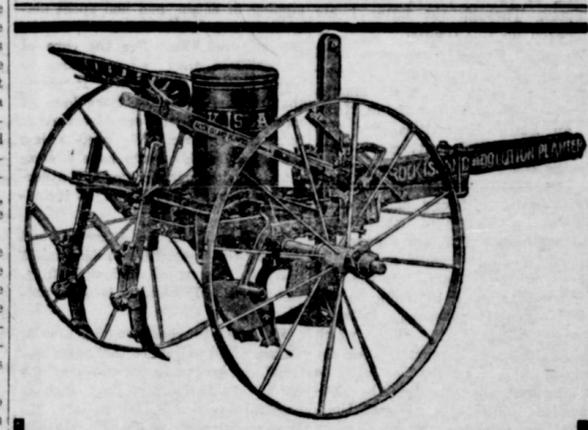
Good Wishes for 1924

To all my good friends I am very grateful for their valued patronage the past year, and trust to have merited a continuance of the same during the year 1924. To one and all I extend wishes for a

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ANNOUNCEMENT TO PATRONS AND FRIENDS:

We are pleased to announce to patrons and friends that with the beginning of the New Year, Mr. Leo Moore has become a member of the firm of Jordan Bros., and will be actively associated with us in the business, which will in future be operated under the name of

JORDAN BROS. & MOORE

Mr. Moore needs no introduction to the general public, whom he has served so efficiently for many years as meat cutter. We believe we can unhesitatingly say that he is a top-notch in this profession, and his services are at your command.

Mr. Chas. Chapman will also continue with this firm, and will be glad to serve old friends and new. This enables us to assure the very best of service at all times, and our constant endeavor will be to provide only the very choicest and most tender of meats, cut by experts, and handled in the most sanitary and attractive manner.

We greatly appreciate the splendid patronage accorded us the past year, and the coming year will find us striving harder than ever to merit your good will and patronage. If you have been a customer of ours, we hope to be favored with a liberal portion of your trade in 1924. If you have not traded with us, we invite a trial, with assurance that we will earnestly endeavor to please.

PHONE 75—We are always at your service.

JORDAN BROS. & MOORE

W. W. Jordan Tom Jordan
Leo Moore
North Bridge St.

BRADY MOTOR SALES CO.
OCCUPIES FORMER HUB
DRY GOODS CO. STAND

Ernest Tetens, genial proprietor of the Brady Motor Sales Co., is smiling very happily these days over the acquisition of his splendid new quarters and show room for the Durant and Star cars, in the former Hub Dry Goods Co. stand. Mr. Tetens completed the move to his present quarters on New Year's day, and the commodious building not only enables him to make a splendid display of his various models of Durant and Star cars, but with ample window display, he is also enabled to feature his line of accessories, as well as enabling a clear view of the show rooms to passersby.

Mr. Tetens is an alert and aggressive salesman, and with the new model Star proving a winner, he feels that the year 1924 is going to go over big for his agency.

A TONIC

Grove's Tasteless chill Tonic restores Energy and Vitality by Purifying and Enriching the Blood. When you feel its strengthening, invigorating effect, see how it brings color to the cheeks and how it improves the appetite, you will then appreciate its true tonic value.

Grove's Tasteless chill Tonic is simply Iron and Quinine suspended in syrup. So pleasant even children like it. The blood needs QUININE to Purify it and IRON to Enrich it. Destroys Malarial germs and Grip germs by its Strengthening, invigorating Effect. 60c.

Lasts a Lifetime
Costs Only 50c

WAHL
EVERSHARP
No. 151
Enameled Pencil

The last word in pencil economy. Carries 18 inches of lead—many months' supply. Extra fillings cost 15 cents a box.

Ideal for use in office, shop or school. The exposed eraser is always ready for service.

Mechanically perfect, just like all EVERSHARPS. Its rifled steel tip grooves the lead and holds it firmly.

Comes in black, blue or red. Three colors—one quality. Step in and get

Special White They Last—40c
THE BRADY STANDARD

PERSONAL MENTION

H. M. Brannum was numbered among the holiday visitors in Brady, visiting here with his family.

Miss Emma Gene McDaniels of Magnolia, Arkansas, is a guest of her cousin, Mrs. J. H. Behrens.

Messrs. S. A. Lyckman of Elgin and E. R. Axell of New Sweden, Travels county, are holiday guests of Messrs. Theo. and John Lyckman.

Mrs. M. J. Campbell of San Saba spent the holidays as a guest of her sons, P. A. and W. E. Campbell, and families.

Miss Marjorie McCall, who has been attending T. W. C. at Fort Worth, left Wednesday for Austin, where she will re-enter State University.

Miss Georgia King, of Sonora, arrived Wednesday from Menard, where she had been attending some New Year's parties, and is a guest of her sister, Mrs. J. B. Granville.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Burrow and daughter, Mary Ed, returned the past week from Leuders, where they spent the Christmas holidays as guests of their daughter, Mrs. Frank Herrick, and family. Mrs. Herrick and little daughter, Joan, accompanied them on the return and will spend several weeks visiting here.

J. F. Schaeg went to Mason for Christmas and was there joined by Mrs. Schaeg, who came up from Austin for a visit with her sister, Mrs. J. W. White. Accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. White, Mr. and Mrs. Schaeg spent the balance of the holidays at San Antonio, as guests of his mother, Mrs. M. Schaeg. Their daughter, Mrs. W. M. Harrison and grand-daughter, Virginia, visited with them there. Mr. Schaeg returned to Brady Tuesday evening.

Sixth Floor, Please.

Recently a traveler entered a hotel in Paris and asked what the charge was for rooms.

"Sixty francs for the first floor, fifty francs for the second, thirty francs for the third, and twenty francs for the fourth floor," replied the hotel proprietor.

"Oh, very well, thank you," said the traveler, as he turned to go away.

"That does not please you," said the proprietor, as he called him back. "Oh, your prices are all right," said the traveler, "but your hotel isn't high enough for me."

Information Desired.

The lecturer had been describing some of the sights he had seen abroad.

"There are some spectacles," he stated "that one never forgets."

"I wish you would tell me where I can get a pair," exclaimed an old lady in the audience. "I am always forgetting mine."—Philadelphia Punch Bowl.

HIS FRIEND.

New York Sun and Globe: Jones (in restaurant)—Has my friend Smith been here.

Waiter—Yes, he has just paid and gone.

Jones—Paid? Then it must have been some one else.

True Courtesy.

Freshman—"You surely are a good dancer."

Co-Ed—"Thank you. I'm sorry I cannot return the compliment."

Freshman—"You could if you were as big a liar as I am."—Mugwump.

Would Be Busy.

Mrs. Jones—And how many evenings will you expect each week? I never have given over two.

New Maid—I am afraid that won't do, ma'am. You see, I am debutante this season.—Brown Jug.

Only in That Sense.

Irate Mother—What do you mean by saying that my boy has some of the characteristics of the German? Teacher—Don't get excited, madam. I merely meant that he has too many bad marks.—Boston Transcript.

Agents Can't Be Trusted.

Agent—When are you going to pay for that sewing machine I sold you?

Mrs. Dearie—Pay for it? Why, you said it would pay for itself in a short time!—Kansas City Star.

Heavenly Twins.

"Well, Pat, do the twins make much noise nights?"

"Praise be to him! Shure, each wan cries so loud yez can't hear the ither wan."—Boston Transcript.

Concise.

Sambo: "Mandy, can I kiss you?"

Mandy: "Piggly Wiggly."

Sambo: "What you all mean?"

Mandy: "Hep yo sef."

Don't wait until the last minute—order now and avoid missing any issues.

THE BRADY STANDARD

LOCAL BRIEFS

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Bauer are happy over the safe arrival of a sturdy little boy on Saturday the 29th. Mother and babe are at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Armstrong, and both are reported doing splendidly.

A dainty little Miss arrived Monday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Dyer—just in time to help the proud parents celebrate the passing of the old year. Mother and babe are doing fine, and are being showered with congratulations and good wishes.

R. K. Finlay, Jr., was here from Fife the first of the week. Mr. Finlay has sold his farm at Fife, and with his family will leave Saturday for Trinidad, Colorado, where he will stop for the present, with a view to locating permanently. Bob has been a native of McCulloch so long, it will be hard to think of him belonging anywhere else, and as he burns no bridges behind him, the many friends of the family confidently hope to see them back among us before many years.

A. R. Hooper, who has conducted a combination racket and grocery store on the West Side, Monday made a voluntary assignment for the benefit of creditors. Mr. Hooper has gone to Austin, where he expects to locate. Mr. Hooper has been engaged in business in Brady for the past six or eight years, and his misfortune is the subject of general regret.

A rather unusual and interesting incident is told by one of our returning citizens. A friend of his decided to market his turkeys and when he rounded up the flock, he noticed a wild turkey in the bunch, which he promptly shooed out of the corral in order not to run afoul of the game laws forbidding the possession of live wild fowls, or the marketing and sale of same. He thereupon took the flock to San Antonio, and as they were being driven into the pens, one of the flock suddenly took wing and alighted on top a three-story building. Of course, no one claimed ownership of the high and mighty flyer, and the bird is still, to all good intents and purposes, as free as nature intended him to be.

Dr. and Mrs. J. B. Granville and children returned Wednesday from a two week's holiday trip, during which they visited relatives and friends in South Texas, stopping over at Hallettsville, Kerrville and other points. They report a most enjoyable visit, and Dr. Granville was enabled to see all but one of his brothers. He reports the towns in the sandy land district as all but drowned out, the roads impassable, and the merchants very gloomy over the resultant poor business all the fall and winter. For the same reason, he says, game was never more plentiful, many a hunting trip having been abandoned on account of the condition of the roads. Deer and turkey on many ranches have become quite tame and wild turkeys not infrequently mix in barnyard flocks.

To Stop a Cough Quick
take HAYES' HEALING HONEY® a cough medicine which stops the cough by healing the inflamed and irritated tissues.

A box of GROVE'S O-PEN-TRATE SALVE for Chest Colds, Head Colds and Croup is enclosed with every bottle of HAYES' HEALING HONEY. The salve should be rubbed on the chest and throat of children suffering from a Cold or Croup.

The healing effect of Hayes' Healing Honey inside the throat combined with the soothing effect of Grove's O-Pen-Trate Salve through the pores of the skin soon stops a cough.

Both remedies are packed in one carton and the cost of the combined treatment is 50c.

Just ask your druggist for HAYES' HEALING HONEY.

—Yard Sticks. The Brady Standard.

Good Only Until January 5th.

BARGAIN RATES

Bargain rates are now on, and we can secure your favorite newspaper for you at a great saving. Note the following:

Daily and Sunday.

Fort Worth Star-Telegram, or Fort Worth Record, one year, \$7.45. With The Semi-Weekly Standard, one year, \$8.70.

Dallas News, one year, \$8.50. With The Semi-Weekly Standard, one year, \$9.75.

Houston Chronicle, one year, \$5.00. With The Semi-Weekly Standard, \$6.25.

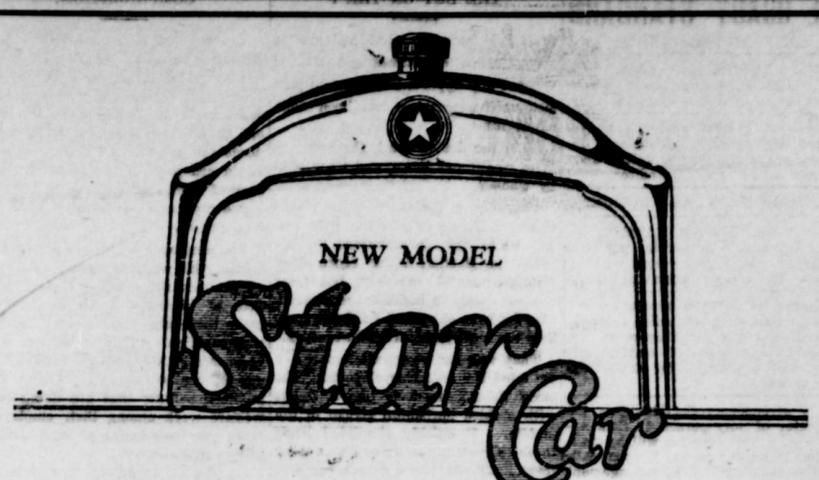
Daily, No Sunday.

Fort Worth Star-Telegram, or Fort Worth Record, one year, \$5.95. With The Semi-Weekly Standard, one year, \$7.20.

Houston Chronicle, one year, \$3.50. With The Semi-Weekly Standard, one year, \$4.75.

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THE BRADY STANDARD



The Star Car is only two years old---yet already 185,000 owners back up your good judgment in the choice of this car---built by Durant.

New models now on display in our new location---former Hub Dry Goods Co. stand, one block East Brady Nat'l Bank.

Brady Motor Sales Company

ERNEST TETENS, Manager
Brady Texas

a finer car



a greater value

Season's Greetings



As we look back over the year now closing, it is with pleasure we recall the many business favors accorded us, and the many evidences of steadfast friendships that have been ours during the years that it has been our pleasure to serve the people of this section.

So we take pleasure in expressing thorough appreciation to friends and patrons; to hope that we may continue to receive your valued patronage; to wish that the Year 1924 may bring greater happiness and prosperity than you have ever known.

Walker-Smith Co.

WHOLESALE GROCERS

THE BRADY STANDARD

H. F. Schwenker, Editor

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OFFICE IN STANDARD BUILDING

ADVERTISING RATES

Local Readers, 7½c per line, per issue
Classified Ads, 1½c per word per issue
Display Rates Given upon Application

Notices of church entertainments where a charge of admission is made, obituaries, cards of thanks, resolutions of respect, and all matters not news, will be charged for at the regular rates.

Any erroneous reflection upon the character of any person or firm appearing in these columns will be gladly and promptly corrected upon calling the attention of the management to the article in question.



BRADY, TEXAS, Jan. 4, 1924.

HONEST INJUN.

Here's up-to-the-minute advice to the girls: Look before you leap.

STOP, LOOK AND LISTEN.

In Texas during the five and a half years, from January 1, 1918, to June 1, 1923, 1779 people were killed and injured at highway grade crossings on railroads. Of this number 389 were killed outright and 1390 were injured. The greatest number of fatal accidents occurred in 1918, there being 367 that year; 1921 comes second with 335, the year 1922, there were 309. During the first six months of 1923 there were 138 killed and injured.

The greatest number of those injured at grade crossings in Texas were in automobiles. For example, in 1922 49 autoists were killed and 211 injured out of a total of 309. Pedestrians are second. In 1922 there were 9 pedestrians killed and 18 injured at grade crossings. Taking the four and one-half years from January 1919 to June 1923, 1412 were killed, 1124 injured. Of this number 1058 were motorists, 119 were pedestrians, 87 were in wagons, 21 were in buggies, seven on motorcycles and five on bicycles.

These figures reveal that the greatest danger at grade crossings is from the collision of automobiles with trains. From the figures cited above, however, it is seen that the number of accidents at grade crossings is decreasing in this state—due perhaps to the wide publicity which grade crossing accidents are receiving, all of which tends to make the motorists be more careful.

The toll is still too heavy. Every grade crossing accident is preventable, with extreme care and precaution being exercised. It may cause some trouble and inconvenience for every automobilist to stop and look for the on-rushing train; but the saving in human lives promised is worth the trouble. Don't be among the victims.—Temple Telegram.

Advertising used to be the spur to the sales; now it's the whole horse.

The advertiser who gets cold feet now will be cold all over two years from now.—The Credit Monthly.

The lady next door says she supposes Lithuania is the place the lithographs come from.—Dallas Journal.

When you think of printing, think of The Standard; it's all one word, anyway.

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| THE BRADY STANDARD | |
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THE DOT ON THE I

Isn't it strange what a train of thought will sometimes get started without any apparent reason and persist until something has been done about it?

Take the dot on the i, for instance. Why was it put there, and when, and by whom?

Pursuing a desire to learn something of it, we find in the New Encyclopedia this information: "Originally the Semitic letter represented the consonantal sound y, but later was also used to indicate the vowel i. The dot over our small i did not come into use until the fourteenth century."

That was not very satisfactory, so we tried Nelson's Encyclopedia: "The early Semitic form is like a Z but with a third horizontal stroke in the middle. It quickly simplified itself in the Greek alphabet to its present form. . . . Since the eleventh century, first an accent, then a dot have been employed to distinguish it from other letters."

Well, we found out something about it, anyway.—The Publishers' Auxiliary.

COMPENSATION.

To be loved one must love. One cannot give away anything without receiving something else in return. Every act of kindness brings its own reward. It is simply impossible for one to lose anything by doing good deeds for others. All things in this world are precisely regulated by the Law of Compensation, and under this law every person is assured of absolute justice.

The employer or proprietor who is treating his workers rightly will have no grounds for complaint—the more acts of kindness which he confers upon them the greater shall be his compensation. This statement may be proven by studying the progress of any of the well-known printing and publishing firms that are doing real welfare work among their employes. Have you ever heard of such a firm failing in business?

On the other hand, the laborer who works earnestly and honestly and faithfully for the advancement of his employer's interest, is bound to acquire substantial compensation. While he is studying and learning to better his master's business he is,

of course, adding to his own store of knowledge, and even were his employer to fail in giving the worker suitable rewards for his faithful service, still the worker would gain in some way.

The great majority of working people seem to be under the impression that the only compensation worthy of consideration is a substantial increase of wages. The raise in pay is all right, and in most cases it is needed, but money is not the only form of compensation. Do your work well and if you do it better than the average fellow you will not find it essential to ask for a "raise."

Says Ralph Waldo Emerson: "What will you have? quoth God; pay for it and take it.—Nothing venture, nothing have.—Thou shalt be paid exactly for what thou hast done, no more, no less."—Printers' Album.

WOMEN WHO WAIT.

Women, from the beginning of time and the beginning of man's life, have been waitresses.

The female savage waited on her husband. The mother waits for the son to be

born, and the waits while the little gasping thing is washed off to give him his first food.

Then waits to put him to bed and get up and send him to school.

Patient waiting is woman's lot—waiting, as a stenographer, for the dictating of the dull, humming and hawing employer; waiting for some man to propose; then waiting for him to come home at night, and perhaps waiting for jury to give her a divorce.

It is a lot of dull waiting, and we say earnestly for women, what Lord Clive said of himself: "We are astonished at her moderation."—Fort Worth Record.

Next August on the snow-covered slope of the Jungfrau, 11,000 feet up in the Alps, scientists will try to signal the planet Mars, using a big lens, with the Alps' white surface as a reflector. Telescopes will watch to see if there is any sign of attention on Mars. Fifteen of the sixteen hundred million human beings on earth will care nothing about that. But the few that count will care a great deal. A baby really isn't finished until it begins to talk to older creatures. This

planet will not count, in the cosmic system, until it begins talking to older planets—and perhaps to the stars that surround it.—New York American.

PUNGENT PARAGRAPHS.

People differ on Henry Ford's fitness to be president of the United States, but all must admit that he is a man of parts.—Little Rock Arkansas Gazette.

Governor Pinchot's settlement of the anthracite coal strike seems to have provided him with something that looks like a steady job.—Indianapolis News.

Don't let's concentrate all of our energies on getting rid of the beer keg. There's the pork barrel.—Philadelphia North American.

It isn't a Supreme Court we need to pass judgment on some of the laws, but an alienist.—San Francisco Chronicle.

Science has a new substitute for tea and coffee, but restaurants have been using one for years.—Allentown Chronicle and News.

The fact that an old fashioned night shirt hangs on the line in a man's back yard isn't positive proof that he belongs to the Ku Klux Klan.—Roanoke Times.

If Mrs. Belmont's expectation of seeing a woman in the White House is realized, there will at least be the chance for mere man to become the first gentleman of the land.—Columbus Dispatch.

A woman who fixes up her husband's den usually manages to put everything in it but her husband.—Harrisburg Telegraph.

A woman's idea of a stunning gown is one whose price shocks her husband.—Detroit News.

Blank Books of all kinds at The Standard office.

TO THE MEN OF AMERICA
You talk of your breed of cattle,
And plan for higher strain,
You double the food of your pasture
You heap up the measure of grain,
You draw on the wits of the nation
To better the barn and the pen
But what are you doing, my brother,
To better the breed of men?

You boast of your Morgans and Herefords,
Of the worth of a calf or a colt;
And scoff at the scrub and the mongrel,
As worthy a fool or a dolt.
You mention the points of your roadster
With many a Wherefor and When,
But Ah, are you counting, my brother,
The worth of the children of men?

You talk of your roan covered filly,
Your heifer so shapely and sleek,
No place shall be filled in your stanchions
By stock that's unworthy or weak.
But what of the stock of your household?
Have the wandered beyond your kin?
O, what is revealed in the round-up
That brands the daughters of men.

And what of your boy,
Have you measured his needs for the growing year?
Does your mark as his sire, in his features,
Mean less than your brand on a steer?
Thoroughbred! That is your watchword
For stable and pasture and pen,
But, what is your word for the home-stead?
Answer, you breeders of men.
—State Grange Bulletin.

REBUILT TYPEWRITER BARGAINS
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WE REPRESENT JOHN E. YORK OF DALLAS, TEXAS.

LOOKING FORWARD 1924

1923 is now only a memory, and while there are many things that have come to us for which we feel thankful; still, our mistakes should not be forgotten, for that is our great school of experience, which qualifies us for the great responsibilities of life.

Aside from the commercial phase of life; there must enter our moral responsibilities to our fellow man in our every transaction to round out Right Business Life, and no man can justly ask, or expect, full co-operation from his fellow man, without applying the "Golden Rule," in business as well as all other places in life.

As we lift the veil of 1924, looking forward, we do so, trusting that we can better serve our customers, in every way, than any past year, and can render to them our full part in our business, and moral obligations. The trade will now need our various departments to equip them for 1924, which are complete with dependable merchandise, and we invite your close inspection of our methods of business and goods before buying.

Wishing you a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

O. D. MANN & SONS
21 Years in Brady
MANN BROS. ICE COMPANY
MANN BROS., CLOTHIERS

"We appreciate your good will as well as your trade."

THE BRADY STANDARD
BRADY, TEXAS



SOCIETY

New Year's Eve Dance.

New Year's eve was marked by a delightful dance in the Hotel Brady ball room. About thirty couples were in attendance, and danced until 1:00 o'clock in the New Year, the Brady orchestra furnishing a delightful program of dance numbers.

The ball room was appropriately decorated in Christmas colors and ferns. Visitors from San Saba, Menard, Brownwood, Mason and Coleman were among those participating in the occasion.

Five Hundred Club.

The Five Hundred club had an enjoyable meeting on Tuesday with Mrs. Tom Jones as hostess. Two tables were arranged for the usual series of "500." Christmas decorations were used effectively in the rooms.

Members present included Mesdames B. L. Hughes, J. E. Whiteman, Will Kennerly, A. B. Cox, Ed A. Burrow, R. T. Trail; Miss Mozelle Glenn. Guests included Mesdames Frank Herrick of Luaders, J. P. Jones. Mesdames Clara Marsden, Fannie Jones.

Following the games, the hostess served a salad course with hot tea. Mrs. Kennerly entertains next for the club.

Miss Wegner Hostess.

Miss Norma Wegner was hostess on last Tuesday evening.

The guests were entertained with "42," "500," and dancing, also a most enjoyable reading was given by Miss Edith McShan.

Punch was served throughout the evening.

Those present were Misses Le Mae Jordan, Inez McShan, Edith McShan, Oma Willoughby, Mabel Wilder, Billie Briscoe, Mary Lyle Vincent, Mildred Yantis, Hilma Jordan, Frances White, Arvie Wegner, and Messrs. Earl Dean, Arthur Awalt, Glenn Ricks, James Anderson, Robert Ledbetter, James Maxwell, Ace McShan, Robert McGrew and George Dutton.

Bridge Club.

Mrs. R. W. Turner entertained on Thursday of last week for the Bridge club. Christmas decorations gave added attractiveness to the scene, and three tables of "Bridge" furnished the afternoon's diversion.

Members present included Mesdames Jas. Brook, J. W. Ragsdale, J. G. McCall, Sam McCollum, Wm. D. Cargill, H. B. Ogden, W. D. Crothers, Bailey Jones, D. J. Wood, B. L. Malone. Guests were Mrs. M. C. Wolfe.

ADJUSTMENT MADE ON LOSSES IN MAYHEW FIRE WITH EXCEPTION OF COLD STORAGE PLANT

Satisfactory adjustment of losses resulting from the Mayhew Produce Co. fire on the night of December 14th has been made by the insurance companies, with the exception of that incurred in the Mayhew Company's cold storage plant. Inspection of the plant has been made by insurance representatives, but report on their investigations has not yet been made.

Those included in the insurance adjustments are the following: Mayhew Produce Co., stock and fixtures.

Crothers and Savage, building. Brady Auto Co., plate glass windows.

G. C. Kirk, damage to dry-cleaning plant.

While the Mayhew Company has fully determined to rebuild and to re-establish their business upon a greater and more complete scale than ever, yet their plans have not as yet matured to the point where anything definite can be given out. The plans of Crothers and Savage for replacing the destroyed building are also being held up awaiting decision as to the type and character of building to be constructed. Both companies expect to arrive at a decision within the next few weeks, and Brady is assured of ultimate benefit in the improved business building and business institution arising from the ashes.

Miss Margaret McGhee of Brownwood.

High score and club prize was awarded Mrs. Ogden, and guest prize was received by Miss McGhee.

The hostess served a salad course and candy.

Mrs. Ragsdale entertains at the next club meeting.

Complimenting Miss Vincent.

A party was given in honor of Miss Mary Lyle Vincent at the home of Mrs. I. G. Abney on last Friday evening.

The house was attractively decorated in autumn leaves, mistletoe and tulips.

A series of progressive "42" served as the evening's entertainment.

Refreshments consisting of salad, hot chocolate, sandwiches and olives were served to the guests.

Those present were Misses Rachael Wilkerson, Oma Willoughby, Billie Briscoe, Frances Armstrong, Mildred Yantis, Mary Jo Adkins, Maurine Wolf, Eulalia Gavitt, Mabel Wilder, Dorothy Ogden, Lela Strickland, and Messrs. Robert McGrew, Gerald Adkins, Glenn Ricks, Arthur Awalt, George Meldrum, George Dutton, Lewis McCoy, Bacon Matlock, of Rochelle, and Mr. Cox of Goldthwaite.

Watch Party.

Miss Dorothy Ogden entertained with a very interesting "Watch Party" on New Year's eve. After attending the show, the guests assembled at the Ogden residence.

Different games and contests furnished amusement. The guests were divided into two groups, having as their leaders Miss Rachael Wilkerson and Gerald Adkins.

Two of the most interesting contests were the scramble for red beans which were thrown over the room and the selecting of ones' shoes which had been placed in a dark room.

Refreshments of chilli and crackers were served.

Immediately upon the passing of the old year and the arrival of 1924 each girl wrote a proposal on a slip of paper from which the boys drew. It is still unknown which ones have been accepted.

Those present were Misses Billie Briscoe, Mary Lyle Vincent, Rachael Wilkerson, Mary Jo Adkins, Mabel Wilder, Oma Willoughby, Eulalia Gavitt, Frances Armstrong, Lula Belle Ogden, and Messrs. Robert McGrew, George Dutton, George Meldrum, Ace McShan, Archie Wimberly, Gerald Adkins, Bacon Matlock, Glenn Ricks, Arthur Awalt.

The Quinine That Does Not Affect The Head
Because of its tonic and laxative effect, LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE (Tablets) can be taken by anyone without causing nervousness or ringing in the head. E. W. GROVE'S. Signature on box. 50c.

Pen Staffs, Pen Points. The Brady Standard.

NAMING THE BABY.

She ransacked every novel,
And the dictionary, too,
But nothing ever printed
For her baby's name would do;
She hunted appellations
From the present and the past,
And this is what she named him
When they christened him at last:
Julian Harold Egbert
Ulysses Victor Paul
Algernon Marcus Cecil
Slyvester George McFall.
But after all the trouble
She'd taken for his sake,
His father called him Fatty
And his schoolmates called him Jake.

HISTORY OF PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING—AIM TO TEACH PREVENTION, INSTEAD CURE

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of home-making basis. Some say, well that is what you public health nurses are for, to educate the people in their physical welfare. One or a few teachers are not capable to educate a county, nor is one nurse capable to do so alone. The state, every teacher, mother, father, and child must do their share. It behooves every individual to acquire the knowledge for their well-being. It is just as important to know health as it is grammar and more.

I wish to thank all of the teachers as to their co-operation with my work. I am pleased with the results of my work among the children and the interest that a good many parents take.

Where to get health literature. You pay taxes every year to keep up the state board of health. Are you getting your dividends? Free literature can be obtained from the State Board of Health, Austin, Texas; United States Public Health Service, Washington, D. C.; Extension Loan Library, University of Texas, Austin, Texas. Libraries are loaned for two weeks, the borrower only pays postage both ways. Also the Home Economics Department of the University of Texas, Austin, Texas; and the A. & M. College, College Station, Texas, from which material can be obtained for correct food.

Free Health Library, Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, New York.

Material for physical exercises, The American Physical Education Association, New York.

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Health Training in schools, by Theresa Dansdill, 402 pages, cloth bound, (A hand book of methods for teaching health in all grades) \$1.00 per copy.

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THREE MEN AND A MAID



by P.G. Wodehouse

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P. G. Wodehouse

Almost the first novels in the English language were novels of humor, most conspicuous among them being the works of Henry Fielding, author of "Tom Jones" and "Joseph Andrews," etc. No better plots were ever devised and their humorous attributes gave them an appeal that was irresistible; but since humorists are born to their trade while novelists, through a process of education, can be made, it was soon discovered that there were not enough funny ideas to supply the demand for the new style of literature. The public wanted novels, funny ones if they could get them, but they were falling, the serious ones rather than none at all. So it came about that the fiction which ran to book length gradually became almost monopolized by the more serious or the more romantic writers, while those with the talents of humor turned their talents to shorter works.

Only within comparatively recent years has the movement to get public taste back into its original channel become strong. That taste had been directed into all sorts of serious avenues, into lanes of heavy thinking, into politics, religion, metaphysics and inevitably into a domain of morbidity; all very far from the good intentions of the first creators of fiction. What is considered a hopeful sign of the times is the re-establishment of the humorist in the line in which he first started—a line which carries naturalness of human action and combines the sane and the gay according to the circumstances with which the writer is dealing, and which does not present human beings as something evolved in a scientific laboratory.

The humorous novel started in England and quite appropriately is meeting its most pronounced revival through the writers of that nationality. Fabian Grenville Wodehouse is a transplanted Englishman who has lived and written in the United States since 1909. He is one of the three Englishmen—the big three—who have succeeded in adapting their talents to American ideas of humor, the others being Charles Chaplin and Stephen Leacock. Although master of the best styles of both English and American humor, Wodehouse is now more of an American, at least so far as his methods of writing are concerned. He can build good plots and draw characters along with any of the novelists, while he has an ability to put in droll situations and witty lines that few other writers possess. He is one of the foremost humor radiators of the day.

CHAPTER I

Through the curtained windows of the furnished apartment which Mrs. Horace Hignett had rented for her stay in New York rays of golden sunlight peeped in like the foremost spies of some advancing army. It was exactly eight; and Mrs. Hignett acknowledged the fact by moving her head on the pillow, opening her eyes, and sitting up in bed. She always woke at eight precisely.

Was this Mrs. Hignett THE Mrs. Hignett, the world-famous writer on theosophy, the author of "The Spreading Light," "What of the Morrow," and all the rest of that well-known series? I'm glad you asked me. Yes, she was. She had come over to America on a lecturing tour.

The year 1921, it will be remembered, was a trying one for the inhabitants of the United States. Every boat that arrived from England brought a fresh swarm of British lecturers to the country. Novelists, poets, scientists, philosophers and plain, ordinary bores; some herd instinct seemed to affect them all simultaneously.

Mrs. Hignett had come over with the first batch of immigrants; for, spiritual as her writings were, there was a solid streak of business sense in this woman and she meant to get hers while the getting was good.

She had not left England without a pang, for departure had involved sacrifices. More than anything else in the world she loved her charming home, Windies, in the county of Hampshire, for so many years the seat of the Hignett family. Windies was as the breath of life to her. Its shady walks, its silver lake, its noble elms, the old gray stone of its walls—these were bound up with her very being. She felt that she belonged to Windies, and Windies to her. Unfortunately, as a matter of cold, legal accuracy, it did not. She did not hold it in trust for her son, Eustace, until such time as he should marry and take possession of it himself. There were times when the thought of Eustace marrying and bringing a strange woman to Windies chilled Mrs. Hignett to her very marrow. Happily, her firm policy of keeping her son permanently under her eye at home and never permitting him to have speech with a female below the age of fifty had averted the peril up till now.

Eustace had accompanied his mother to America. It was his faint hopes which she could hear in the adjoining room, as, having bathed and dressed, she went down the hall to where breakfast awaited her. She smiled tolerantly. She had never desired to convert her son to her own early rising habits, for, apart from not allowing him to call his soul his own, she was an indulgent mother. Eustace would get up at half-past nine, long after she had finished breakfast,

read her mail, and started her duties for the day.

Breakfast was on the table in the sitting-room. Beside it was a little pile of letters. Mrs. Hignett opened them as she ate. The majority were from disciples and dealt with matters of purely theosophical interest. There was an invitation from the Butterfly Club asking her to be the guest of honor at their weekly dinner. There was a letter from her brother Malabry—Sir Malabry Marlowe, the eminent London lawyer—saying that his son Sam, of whom she had never approved, would be in New York shortly, passing through on his way back to England, and hoping that she would see something of him. Altogether a dull mail. Mrs. Hignett had just risen from the table when there was a sound of voices in the hall, and presently the domestic staff, a gaunt Irish lady of advanced years, entered the room.

"Ma'am, there was a gentleman." Mrs. Hignett was annoyed. Her mornings were sacred.

"Didn't you tell him I was not to be disturbed?"

"I did not. I loosed him into the parlor."

The first remained for a moment in melancholy silence, then resumed. "He says he's your nephew. His name's Marlowe."

Mrs. Hignett experienced no diminution of her annoyance. She had not seen her nephew Sam for ten years and would have been willing to extend the period. She remembered him as an untidy small boy who, once or twice, during his school holidays, had disturbed the cloistral peace of Windies with his beastly presence. However, blood being thicker than water, and all that sort of thing, she supposed she would have to give him five minutes. She went into the sitting-room and found there a young man who looked more or less like all other young men, though perhaps rather fatter than most. He had a brown and amiable face, marred at the moment by an expression of discomfort somewhat akin to that of a cat in a strange alley.

"Hallo, Aunt Adeline!" he said awkwardly.

"Well, Samuel," said Mrs. Hignett. There was a pause. Mrs. Hignett, who was not fond of young men and disliked having her mornings broken into, was thinking that he had not improved in the slightest degree since their last meeting; and Sam, who imagined that he had long since grown to man's estate and put off childish things, was embarrassed to discover that his aunt still affected him as of old. That is to say, she made him feel as if he had omitted to shave, and, in addition to that, had swallowed some drug which had caused him to swell unpleasantly, particularly about the hands and feet.

"Jolly morning," said Sam, perseveringly.

"So I imagine. I have not yet been out."

"Thought I'd look in and see how you were."

"That was very kind of you. The morning is my busy time, but . . . yes, that was very kind of you."

"There was another pause."

"How do you like America?" said Sam.

"I dislike it exceedingly."

"Yes? Well, of course some people do. Prohibition and all that. Personally, it doesn't affect me. I can take it or leave it alone."

"The reason I dislike America—" began Mrs. Hignett bridling.

"I like it, myself," said Sam. "I've had a wonderful time. Everybody's treated me like a rich uncle. I've been in Detroit, you know, and they practically gave me the city and asked me if I'd like another to take home in my pocket. Never saw anything like it. I might have been the missing heir. I think America's the greatest invention on record."

"And what brought you to America?" said Mrs. Hignett, unmoved by this rhapsody.

"Oh, I came over to play golf. In a tournament, you know."

"Surely at your age," said Mrs. Hignett, disapprovingly, "you could be better occupied. Do you spend your whole time playing golf?"

"Oh, no. I hunt a bit and shoot a bit and I swim a good lot, and I still play football occasionally."

"I wonder your father does not insist on your doing some useful work."

"He is beginning to harp on the subject rather. I suppose I shall take a stab at it sooner or later. Father says I ought to get married, too."

"He is perfectly right."

"I suppose old Eustace will be getting hitched up one of these days?" said Sam.

Mrs. Hignett started violently.

"Why do you say that?"

"Eh?"

"What makes you say that?"

"Oh, well, he's a romantic sort of fellow. Writes poetry and all that."

"There is no likelihood of Eustace

marrying. He is of a shy and retiring temperament and sees few women. He is almost a recluse."

Sam was aware of this and had frequently regretted it. He had always been fond of his cousin and in that half-amused and rather patronizing way in which men of thews and sinews are fond of the weaker brethren who run more to pallor and intellect; and he had always felt that if Eustace had not had to retire to Windies to spend his life with a woman whom from his earliest years he always considered the Empress of the Wash-outs much might have been made of him. Both at school and at Oxford, Eustace had been—if not a sport—at least a decidedly cheery old bean. Sam remembered Eustace at school breaking gas globes with a slipper in a positively rollicking manner. He remembered him at Oxford playing up to him manfully at the piano on the occasion when he had done that imitation of Frank Tinney which had been such a hit at the Trinity smoker. Yes, Eustace had had the making of a pretty sound egg, and it was too bad that he had allowed his mother to coop him up down in the country miles away from anywhere.

"Eustace is returning to England on Saturday," said Mrs. Hignett. She spoke a little wistfully. She had not been parted from her son since he had come down from Oxford; and she would have liked to keep him with her till the end of her lecturing tour. That, however, was out of the question. It was imperative that while she was away, he should be at Windies. Nothing would have induced her to leave the place at the mercy of servants who might trample over the flower-beds, scratch the polished floors, and forget to cover up the canary at night. "He sails on the Atlantic."

"That's splendid," said Sam. "I'm sailing on the Atlantic myself. I'll go down to the office and see if we can't have a stateroom together. But where is he going to live when he gets to England?"

"Where is he going to live? Why, at Windies, of course. Where else?"

"But I thought you were letting Windies for the summer?"

Mrs. Hignett stared.

"Letting Windies!" She spoke as one might address a lunatic. "What



"Letting Windies!" She Spoke as One Might Address a Lunatic.

put that extraordinary idea into your head?"

"I thought father said something about your letting the place to some American?"

"Nothing of the kind!"

It seemed to Sam that his aunt spoke somewhat vehemently, even snappishly, in correcting what was a perfectly natural mistake. He could not know that the subject of letting Windies for the summer was one which had long since begun to infuriate Mrs. Hignett. People had certainly asked to let Windies. In fact people had pestered her. There was a rich fat man, an American named Bennett, whom she had met just before sailing at her brother's house in London. Invited down to Windies for the day, Mr. Bennett had fallen in love with the place and had begged her to name her own price. Not content with this, he had pursued her with his pleadings by means of the wireless telegraph while she was on the ocean, and had not given up the struggle even when she reached New York. He had egged on a friend of his, a Mr. Mortimer, to continue the persecution in that city. No wonder, then, that Sam's allusion to the affair had caused the authoress of "The Spreading Light" momentarily to lose her customary calm.

"Nothing will induce me ever to let Windies," she said with finality, and rose significantly. Sam, perceiving that the audience was at an end—and glad of it—also got up.

"Well, I think I'll be going down and seeing about that stateroom," he said.

"Certainly. I am a little busy just now, preparing notes for my next lecture."

"Of course, yes. Mustn't interrupt you. I suppose you're having a great time, gassing away—I mean—well, good-by!"

"Good-by!"

Mrs. Hignett, frowning, for the interview had ruffled her and disturbed that equable frame of mind which is so vital to the preparation of lectures on theosophy, sat down at the writing-table and began to go through the notes which she had made overnight. She had hardly succeeded in concentrating herself when the door opened to admit the daughter of Edith

more.

"Ma'am, there was a gentleman."

"This is intolerable!" cried Mrs. Hignett. "Did you tell him that I was busy?"

"I did not. I loosed him into the dining-room."

"Is he a reporter from one of the newspapers?"

"He is not. He has spats and a tall-shaped hat. His name is Bream Mortimer."

"Bream Mortimer?"

"Yes, ma'am. He handed me a bit of a kyard, but I dropped it, being alippy with the dishes."

Mrs. Hignett strode to the door with a forbidding expression. This, as she had justly remarked, was intolerable. She remembered Bream Mortimer. He was the son of the Mr. Mortimer who was the friend of the Mr. Bennett who wanted Windies. This visit could only have to do with the subject of Windies, and she went into the dining-room in a state of cold fury, determined to squash the Mortimer family once and for all.

Bream Mortimer was tall and thin. He had small, bright eyes and a sharply curving nose. He looked much more like a parrot than most parrots do. It gave strangers a momentary shock of surprise when they saw Bream Mortimer in restaurants eating roast beef. They had the feeling that he would have preferred sunflower seeds.

"Morning, Mrs. Hignett."

"Please sit down."

Bream Mortimer sat down. He looked as though he would rather have hopped onto a perch, but he sat down. He glanced about the room with gleaming, excited eyes.

"Mrs. Hignett, I must have a word with you alone."

"I hardly know how to begin."

"Then let me help you. It is quite impossible. I will never consent."

Bream Mortimer started.

"Then you have heard?"

"I have heard about nothing else since I met Mr. Bennett in London. Mr. Bennett talked about nothing else. Your father talked about nothing else. And now," cried Mrs. Hignett fiercely, "you come and try to reopen the subject. Once and for all, nothing will alter my decision. No money will induce me to let my house."

"But I didn't come about that!"

"You did not come about Windies?"

"Good Lord, no!"

"Then will you kindly tell me why you have come?"

Bream Mortimer looked embarrassed. He wriggled a little and moved his arms as if he were trying to flap them.

"You know," he said, "I'm not a man who butts into other people's affairs."

"No?" said Mrs. Hignett.

"I'm not a man who . . ."

Mrs. Hignett was never a very patient woman.

"Let us take all your negative qualities for granted," she said curtly. "What is it, if you have no objection to concentrating your attention on that for a moment, that you wish to see me about?"

"This marriage."

"What marriage?"

"Your son's marriage."

"My son is not married."

"No, but he's going to be. At eleven o'clock this morning at the Little Church Round the Corner!"

Mrs. Hignett stared.

"Will you please tell me who is the girl my misguided son wishes to marry?"

"I don't know that I'd call him misguided," said Mr. Mortimer, as one desiring to be fair. "I think he's a right smart picker! She's such a corking girl, you know. We were children together, and I've loved her for years. Ten years at least. But you know how it is—somehow one never seems to get in line for a proposal. I thought I saw an opening in the summer of nineteen-twelve, but it blew over. I'm not one of those smooth, dashing guys, you see, with a great line of talk. I'm not . . ."

"If you will kindly," said Mrs. Hignett impatiently, "postpone this essay in psycho-analysis to some future occasion I shall be greatly obliged. I am waiting to hear the name of the girl my son wishes to marry."

"Haven't I told you?" said Mr. Mortimer surprised. "That's odd. I haven't! It's funny how one doesn't do the things one thinks one does. I'm the sort of man . . ."

"What is her name?"

"Bennett."

"Bennett? Wilhelmina Bennett? The daughter of Mr. Rufus Bennett? The red-haired girl I met at lunch one day at your father's house?"

"That's it. You're a great guesser. I think you ought to stop the thing."

"I intend to."

"Fine!"

"The marriage would be unsuitable in every way. Miss Bennett and my son do not vibrate on the same plane. I am much obliged to you for coming and telling me of this. I shall take immediate steps."

"That's good! But what's the procedure? It's getting late. She'll be waiting at the church at eleven. With bells on," said Mr. Mortimer.

"Eustace will not be there."

"You think you can fix it?"

"Eustace will not be there," repeated Mrs. Hignett.

Bream Mortimer hopped down from his chair.

"Well, you've taken a weight off my mind. I'll be going. Haven't had breakfast yet. Too hurried to eat breakfast. Believed now. This is where three eggs and a rasher of ham get cut off in their prime. I feel I can rely on you."

"Then I'll say good-by."

"Good-by."

"I mean really good-by. I'm sailing for England on Saturday on the Atlantic."

"Indeed! My son will be your fellow-traveler."

Bream Mortimer looked somewhat apprehensive.

"You won't tell him that I was the one who spilled the beans?"

"I beg your pardon."

"You won't wise him up that I threw a spanner into the machinery?"

"I do not understand you."

"You won't tell him that I crabbed his net—gave the thing away—gummed the game?"

"I shall not mention your chivalrous intervention."

"Chivalrous?" said Bream Mortimer doubtfully. "I don't know that I'd call it absolutely chivalrous. Of course, all's fair in love and war. Well, I'm glad you're going to keep my share in the business under your hat. It might have been a awkward meeting him on board."

"You are not likely to meet Eustace on board. He is a very indifferent sailor and spends most of his time in his cabin."

"That's good! Saves a lot of awkward meetings. I'll be glad to see you when you get to New York."

"He won't have forgotten you," said Bream Mortimer emphatically. He did not see how it was possibly possible for anyone to forget his woman. She was like a celebrated chessman. The taste lingered.

Mrs. Hignett was a woman of instant and decisive action. Even while her late visitor was speaking, she had begun to form in her mind like bubbles rising to the surface of a rushing river. By the time the door had closed behind Bream Mortimer she had decided behind Bream Mortimer she had at her disposal no fewer than seven all good. It took her but a moment to select the best and sim-

plest. She tiptoed softly to her son's room. Rhythmic snores greeted her listening ears. She opened the door and went noiselessly in.

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Prices Show Little Profit.
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| | 1923 | 1922 | 1919 | 1918 | 1913 |
|-------------------------------|--------|---------|---------|--------|------|
| Beef Steers. | | | | | |
| \$ 9.50 | \$8.75 | \$15.50 | \$16.75 | \$8.75 | |
| Butcher Cows. | | | | | |
| 6.60 | 7.00 | 12.50 | 13.00 | 7.00 | |
| Heifers and Yearlings. | | | | | |
| 10.00 | 9.75 | 16.00 | 16.00 | 8.50 | |
| Bulls. | | | | | |
| 5.50 | 5.50 | 10.00 | 10.55 | 6.65 | |
| Calves. | | | | | |
| 10.00 | 9.50 | 16.00 | 14.50 | 9.50 | |
| Hogs. | | | | | |
| 9.65 | 10.80 | 23.50 | 20.25 | 9.32 | |
| Sheep. | | | | | |
| 9.00 | 9.50 | 14.25 | 15.75 | 7.25 | |

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BRIEFLY TOLD.

From Germany came 100,000 soldiers last week. They were toy soldiers for the Christmas trade.

When a German circus man, about to go to South America with his show, advertised for 300 acrobats and other performers he received applications from 60,000, ranging from former Uhlan officers to day laborers, many offering a bonus in the form of potatoes if they obtained positions.

A military map, used by the British at the battle of Bunker Hill, recently sold at an auction room in London for \$950. The map, eight inches square, bears the signature of Major General Sir Henry Clinton.

Swiss watchmakers can split a hair into 500 strips and measure the thickness, so exact are their tools.

Where there is no violation of treaty stipulation, the individual states have the Constitutional right to pass laws prohibiting the ownership of land by aliens, according to a United States Supreme Court ruling.

Sixty-five per cent of the 219,000,000 acres of forests in private hands are entirely without fire prevention regulations.

Captain Alexander Aaronson, lecturing in Detroit, was asked by an auditor if the troubles of the Jews were not due to their unethical business methods. He replied, "There are about 3,000,000 Jews in the United States and 100,000,000 Christians. Where do you suppose they got their unethical methods if not from the people they live among? So that question is settled. American Christianity is responsible for the business ethics of Jews who in Russia, Poland, Germany and Turkey are models of honor.

One of the two famous Scottish snuff dealers is going out of business as a result of the passing of the habit of taking snuff. O'Conner, "Father of the House of Commons," is the only man at present in public life in London who keeps up the snuff habit.

All United States mail planes are to be equipped with wireless.

It took some persuasion to convince the Mongolian government that the purposes of the Andrews third Asiatic Expedition was purely scientific. An elaborate expedition of twenty-six men, seventy-five camels and motor cars was not believed to be looking for old bones. A quest for gold and oil was thought to be more likely.

IN RELIGIOUS CIRCLES

Christian Church.
"There's a reason" why you should attend the Christian church. It's "The Church of Friendship." Bible school at 9:30. Communion and sermon at 11:00 a. m. Junior Endeavor at 3:00 p. m. Services at night begin at 7:30. Prayer meeting Wednesday night at 7:30. Welcome to all. M. C. JACKSON, Minister.

Intermediate B. Y. P. U. Program.
Sunday afternoon, January 6th, at 3:15 p. m. Song. Prayer. Roll Call—Answered with an event in Peter's life after Pentecost. (Found in book of Acts.) Bees in charge of program. Subject—Peter. Leader—Vera Wooten. Scripture reading, John 21:15-17—Harper Sparks.

An Example in Christian Growth—Vera Wooten. Peter After Pentecost—Gladys Duncan. Peter on The Day of Pentecost—Milton Coalson. Peter After The Day of Pentecost—Ruby Morgan. The Savior's Entreaty—Gladys Lindsey. Special Music—Maurice Mitchell. Song. Closing Prayer. Everyone from the ages of 9 to 16 are cordially invited to this service.

Junior Endeavor Program.
East Sweden Junior Endeavor program for January 6, 1924. Topic, "Our Plans for the New Year."
Leader—Charles Johanson. Scripture Readings. Jas. 4:15—Marjorie Jacobson. Ps. 5:1-3—Leslie Hurd. Heb. 10:25—Marjorie Galoway. Acts 20:35—Harold Engdahl. Isa. 41:6—Grace Engdahl. Acts 9:16—Myrtle Curry. 2 Peter 1:1-8—Charles Johanson. Prayer by Mrs. Wood. Leader's Talk. Recitation, "How Do You Tackle Your Work?"—Paul Jarvis Hurd. Clippings to be read. Piano Solo—Dorothy Salter. A story, "The Man Changed His Mind."—Ceil Nelin. Song. A New Day—Davie Dial. Sentence Prayers. Blackboard Exercise. All repeat the pledge.

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Jones was late again, as usual. When he strolled coolly into the office at 10:30 the "boss" was storming up and down.
"Do you know what time we begin work here?" he asked the late arrival, with deep sarcasm.
Jones took off his coat and hat, hung them up and strolled across to his desk.
"No, sir, I can't say I do exactly," he replied, "but they're always at it when I get here."—Des Moines Register.

The Acid Test of Friendship.
"She isn't a friend of yours, is she?"
"No."
"Then she couldn't have said such a mean thing about you."—Petit Parisian.

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LOST—On San Saba and Brady road a ladies' flowered top hat. Finder will please notify MISS FRANCES SAMUEL, Brady, Texas.

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FOR RENT—Three furnished rooms for light housekeeping. Phone 22.

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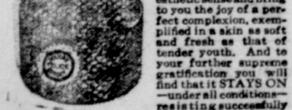
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CITIZENS AID IN CHILD WELFARE AND FLOOD RELIEF

Red Cross Rendered Much Volunteer Assistance in Southwestern Division.

Volunteer work in the Southwestern Division, American Red Cross, has been unusually active during the last year, according to reports which have come into the division office in St. Louis recently. The volunteer committee of the Port Arthur, Texas, chapter is regarded as one of the mainstays of the service which the chapter at Port Arthur renders the community. Through this committee garments are collected, sorted and kept in order to be used whenever needed.

In Independence, Kansas, the volunteer committee of the Red Cross chapter has conducted better baby contests and children's clinics with marked success.

Volunteers in the six towns of Texas County, Oklahoma, also have been holding child welfare clinics and conferences and have been able to accomplish much good towards the better health of the community by calling the parents' attention to slight physical defects of their children, which corrected now amount to nothing but which if permitted to run on might become serious for the child.

In Little Rock, Arkansas, dancers have been able to play an important part in reconstructing the impaired brains and nerves of the patients in the U. S. Veterans' Hospital No. 78 in that city, by teaching them to dance and thus assisting the other occupational therapy work in stimulating the dormant mental faculties of the veterans.

Volunteer members of three chapters in the Southwestern Division also have had ample opportunity to demonstrate their enthusiasm in the administering of flood relief during the last summer and fall. Thirty-four hundred dollars was raised by the Winfield, Kansas, chapter to take care of the recent victims of the floods of the Walnut and Arkansas rivers. At Ft. Smith, Arkansas, the Sebastian County chapter handled the acute needs of the refugees of the floods of last June in the district between the Arkansas and Poteau rivers, and at Tulsa, Oklahoma, volunteer Red Cross workers conducted relief headquarters where 148 persons were fed, clothed and furnished with sleeping quarters for six days until the water subsided sufficiently for them to return to their homes.

RED CROSS SERVES AT INTERNATIONAL AIR MEET

Ambulances, Nurses and Physicians on Duty for First-Aid Work.

That the Red Cross never overlooks an opportunity for service was evidenced in the recent International Air Meet in St. Louis when aviators from all over the world, representing both military and civic organizations, competed for world famous trophies. With a daily attendance of close to 100,000 in the way of spectators, and a literal army of flyers, mechanics, attendants, laborers and the necessary personnel of such a gigantic undertaking, there was real work to be done by the Red Cross.

A first-aid station was established on the field under the direction of one of the Field Directors of the Southwestern Division of the Red Cross, and ambulances with nurses and physicians were on duty all day. A territory of 173 acres had to be covered and ambulances had to be ready on instant call in case of an accident to the flyers, so that a real field service was maintained, with first-aid dressing station and similar activities.

The canteen was under the direction of the Women's Overseas League of St. Louis, and while the service of the First-Aid station and its personnel was free to the public, the canteen charged for its service and the money thus raised was used for the disabled members of the league.

The St. Louis Chapter of the American Red Cross also furnished motor cars and other transportation to bring the World War veterans from local hospitals to the field to witness the flying.

Although the percentage of accidents and other casualties was remarkably small there were enough of them to keep the Red Cross workers constantly busy for the entire week of the meet, and to gain the thanks not only of the individuals who were given attention but of the officials of the meet and the representatives of the United States and other governments taking part in the contest.

ARKANSANS ESTABLISH CORRECT WEIGHT RECORD More than 1,500 men, women and children had been weighed and measured for health at the Red Cross booth at the Washington County fair held at Fayetteville, Arkansas. Best records for proper weight for age and height were found between the ages of 20 and 30, and astonishingly few were found to be over or under weight.

Washington County people made a remarkable showing in the matter of health as indicated by weight and measurement, according to experts who have looked over the records.

were especially satisfactory in their weight and measurement. All persons showing defects in weight were given information as how to correct them.

Was Well Provided For

By H. LOUIS RAYBOLD

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John B. Payson and his spinster daughter sat in their steamer chairs and watched a distant shore line which gradually grew more distinct. Meanwhile they discussed Lester Wells, who, somewhere beyond in the interior, was carrying on the missionary work for which the board of missions, of which Payson was chairman, paid his salary.

And it was of a matter relative to that salary, although belonging to some years past, that they spoke.

"Always a harum-scarum fellow," said Payson. "Remember him, Bertha?"

"Vaguely," replied his daughter, hardly caring to mention the particular memory that sprang to mind. Bertha Payson, who had been born an extremely proper young person, had more than once been considered fair game for the shafts of the harum-scarum Lester.

And it is probable that a certain attempted kiss in the gallery during the darkness of a stereopticon lecture was quite as much the result of premeditated malice as of the impulse of a moment. It had fallen on a chastely averted ear, but it was the only kiss of its kind that had come into Bertha's circumspect life. At times she was inclined to be more sentimental about it than the facts of the case justified.

"Generous to a fault, however," her father continued. "Too much so. That was the trouble. You were away somewhere at the time, but you must have heard how he came home on a furlough with his wife—she's died since—and the church couldn't do enough for him. We literally feted them and when they went back we raised a purse and in addition gave him a year's salary outright. Four months later he wrote back requesting a trifling advance on his next year's money. Perfectly open about what he had done with the other. Spent it right and left for what he considered the needs of his flock! In closing he mentioned the fact that the Lord would provide."

Payson paused and speculatively shielded his eyes from the warm China sun and gazed at the queer collection of craft crowding the shore. Bertha waited politely. Then, "Yes?" she encouraged him.

"I played the part of the Lord," said her father modestly, and his daughter nodded in comprehension. As the rich man in the congregation he very frequently reached down in his pocket for this or that emergency.

"I paid him his second year's salary and advised him to hang on to it—for his wife's sake, anyhow."

"And did he?"

"Must have," said Payson. "He certainly hasn't overdrown since. We sent him a little something when his wife died, for which he wrote and thanked us. Have half a mind to look him up, if it isn't too much of a jaunt. Would you care to go?"

"Why—maybe," hesitated Bertha. She felt sure that Lester would have changed.

Changed he had. There certainly was not the remotest resemblance to the Lester of the stolen kiss episode in the sombre little man whom Bertha and her father found at the end of a tedious journey inland.

After supper and a long evening which dragged interminably for Payson, that individual blurted out his estimate of Wells to his daughter. "If I ever saw a shriveled up man, it's Wells," he declared.

Strange to say, Bertha flared. "Should think he would be! Can't see that he is. But suppose you had been spending your years—your best years—under these conditions, what would have happened to you?"

"Why, Bertha," remonstrated her father in astonishment. "Where did you get all that spunk? Little did he realize that he had been slandering the one man who had ever come into his daughter's life."

Almost pathetically their host clung to them, begged them to prolong their stay. And rather as one indulges a child, Payson lingered on from day to day. Bertha, from taking only a perfunctory interest in his work, came really to see a meaning in it all, an underlying purpose beneath what sometimes appeared to be futile efforts.

One afternoon Lester took them to the summit of a slight eminence where a gang of coolies labored at what seemed to be the foundations of a good-sized building.

"Our hospital!" and Lester gestured proudly. "Hospital? But who—how?" "Well, the means are not yet in sight," admitted Lester. "In fact, I may say that at present it is only a vision. But the motto I live by is that sooner or later all will be provided. I might add that my experience bears me out."

The other man regarded him sharply, then realized that, after all, Wells had never known the source of his duplicated salary. "Take considerable provision," he grunted.

"Yes," said Lester cheerfully. "Sixty thousand or so, I figure." With anyone else, Payson would have felt he was being "approached."

It was Bertha who did the approaching on their return, receiving, however, a very definite refusal to sink any of his money in what seemed a chimerical undertaking insufficiently backed.

The matter was not reopened between them, and their visit, which had lasted far longer than contemplated, drew to a close. On the evening before departure, Wells and Bertha walked again to the hospital site at Bertha's request. It lay bathed in moonlight—and Chinese moonlight can be as seductive as any moonlight—and as potent in its effects.

At any rate, whether or not the moonlight was responsible, Lester asked Bertha to marry him and become the sharer of his visions. It must be confessed that Bertha, the prim, had, in her prim way, helped along his proposal.

Open-mouthed, her father received the news when, hand in hand, they confronted him. Then, with a gesture of helplessness, which Lester mistook for a dismissal with the parental blessing, he turned away. Once again he had played the part of the Lord.

TAKE UP AMERICAN PASTIMES

Chinese Schoolboys Beginning to Evince Fondness for the Games of Baseball and Football.

Chinese schoolboys playing baseball on the lot, or lining up for football practice in the school yard, would probably make an unexpected picture with which to replace our American fancies of Oriental children in always staid and decorative poses.

But these are the games which Chinese boys do play more than any others, according to Doctor Hou-Ki-Hu of Nanking, China, who is studying in this country on a fellowship of the International health board of the Rockefeller foundation. As part of his field work toward obtaining the degree of doctor of public health from Johns Hopkins university, Doctor Hu now is engaged in making a study of the work of the American Child Health association, a national organization working for the improvement of methods and standards of child health care, with a staff of health and educational experts engaged in research and practical demonstration throughout the country.

"Before American games came with the Americans into China," Doctor Hu says, "Chinese children did not play—at least not in your sense of play. My grandfather and my father did not play games, and the games I learned when I was a boy in school were American sports."

"Little girls in China used to sew and learn household tasks, but they had no active games. Now Chinese children play like children in this country. They have learned how in the American schools and through American workers who have brought your kind of play to the children of China."

How to Be a Centenarian. The Japanese newspaper Jiji Shimpo recently published the following ten rules, which, according to Oriental philosophy, will make most men centenarians:

- Live in the open air as much as possible.
- Eat meat but once a day.
- Take a warm bath daily.
- Never wear anything but woolen clothes.
- Sleep at least six hours, but never more than seven and a half, in a well-ventilated dark room.
- Rest one day of every seven.
- Avoid losing your temper and excessive mental work.
- A widow or widower should marry again.
- Work with moderation.
- Don't talk too much.

Usual Station Courtesy. Just as the man got to the platform the train began to pull out. He made a dash for it, but he was lugging two heavy grips, and he was fat, to boot—so he just simply couldn't make the grade. He came walking back up the platform, puffing and blowing and dejected in spirit.

"Too bad!" someone commented. "Was you going to leave on that train?" The fat man managed the best withering look he could. Then: "Oh, no. There was a man on that train that I borrowed some money from a couple of years ago, and I wanted to pay him back before he left town!"

Those Whom the Devil Loves. Little Elsie had been particularly trying to her mother that day. She really seemed to find delight in teasing to the height of exasperation.

"If you are so naughty, Elsie, no one will love you," said her mother with a frown. "Yes, mother; I know someone who will love me. The badder I am the more he loves me." "Why, Elsie, what do you mean?" "The devil."—Everybody's Magazine.

The Difference. "He confesses that he does not understand Browning." "Poor fellow! Of course, he admits that it is his own fault!" "On the contrary, he declares it is Browning's fault." "The infernal booby!"—Kansas City Star.

British Building Record. SINCE THE CLOSE of the war nearly 200,000 houses have been built in Great Britain under the various governmental housing projects put into operation in that country.

THOUGHTS WORTH WHILE

Do something; do it soon—with all thy might.—Carlos Wilcox. This I resolved on—to run, when I can; to go when I cannot run; and to creep when I cannot go.—John Bunyan.

The man who is determined to keep others fast and firm, must have one end of the bond about his own breast, sleeping and waking.—W. S. Landor.

Blessed is he who has found his work; let him ask no other blessedness. He has a work, a life purpose. He has found it and will follow it.—Carlyle.

Half the victories of life come from a confident belief that one is going to win. The world has little use for the man who is continually down at the heels.—Anonymous.

The best place to build an enduring monument to one's self is not in the graveyard at the journey's end, but in the hearts of our fellow mortals.—Hengeker Mirror.

Salesmen are harvesters, but their work cannot be accomplished if the crop to be harvested has not been prepared by careful planting and cultivation in the shape of Service and Advertising.—Northern Furniture.

Buffon said that genius was only "an endless patience." (Darwin.) Nietzsche said that genius was "intensity of consciousness." (Napoleon.) Genius in business might be defined as the gift of simplification.—Edward Goldbeck.

The world bestows its big prizes, both in money and honors, for but one thing, and that is initiative. It is doing the right thing without being told. But next to doing the thing without being told is to do it right when told once.—Exchange.

To Cure a Cold in One Day

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STOCKHOLDERS MEETING.

The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the Brady National Bank of Brady, Texas, will be held at its banking house in Brady, Texas, on the second Tuesday in January, the same being the 8th day of January, 1924, at 2 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of electing directors for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of such other business as may be legally brought before it.

E. L. OGDEN, Cashier.

Special prices on Ford Tires—also reductions on larger sizes. F. R. WULFF MOTOR CO.



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BALLINGER TAX OFFICE ROBBED THIEVES GET \$150

Ballinger, Texas, Dec. 31.—Burglars entered the county tax collector's office Sunday night, blew open the safe and secured \$150 in silver and currency, overlooking \$100 in Liberty bonds.

An entrance was first attempted through a fire-proof door in the hall, where a charge was inserted that blew off the knob, but failed to break the door.

Entrance was then made through a window to the customer's room, then into the collector's office by prying open the steel shutters with iron bars.

The burglars would have made a big haul of tax money and auto fees, but the collector had made a bank deposit Saturday afternoon.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING.

The regular annual meeting of the shareholders of the Commercial National Bank of Brady, Texas, will be held in the office of this bank building in Brady, Texas, on the second Tuesday in January, being January 8th, 1924, at 8:30 a. m., for the purpose of electing directors for the ensuing year and for the transaction of any other business that may be legally brought before it.

W. D. CROTHERS, Cashier.

Diplomat.

"Henry," said Friend Wife, "do you spell 'graphic' with one 'f' or two?"

"My dear," was the diplomatic reply, "if you're going to use any, you might as well use two."—Harper's Magazine.

For best Texas Red Rust Proof Seed Oats, testing 34 to 36 lbs. to the bushel, free of Johnson grass, see MACY & Co.

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NOTICE to Contractors—Sealed proposals addressed to Evans J. Adkins for the improvement of certain highways in McCulloch County will be received at the office of Evans J. Adkins, County Judge, at Brady, Texas, until 10 o'clock a. m. Jan. 15, 1924, and then publicly opened and read.

Description of work to be done: 24.38 acres clearing, 25.18 100-foot stations light grading; 24.38 acres grubbing, 25.18, 100-foot stations, light grubbing; 9,090.4 cu. yds. earth borrow, 12,056.9 cu. yds. solid rock excavation, 6,775.6 cu. yds. loose rock excavation, 7,197.3 cu. yds. earth roadway excavation, 200 cu. yds. dry structural excavation, 14,184.1 cu. yds. overhaul excavation per 792 lin. ft. wooden guard fence, furnishing, placing, painting, etc., complete; 19,937 pounds steel bars (reinforcing) complete in place; 225.25 cu. yds. class A concrete, 12,306.4 cu. yds. gravel surfacing, hauled first 1-4 mile, including loading, unloading, spreading, etc.; 660 cu. yds. gravel surfacing hauled second 1-4 mile, 660 cu. yds. surfacing hauled third 1-4 mile, 940.4 cu. yds. gravel surfacing hauled fourth 1-4 mile, 1,320 cu. yds. gravel surfacing hauled fifth 1-4 mile, 1,520 cu. yds. gravel surfacing hauled sixth 1-4 mile, 1,320.0 cu. yds. gravel surfacing hauled seventh 1-4 mile, 5,410.6 cu. yds. gravel surfacing hauled eighth 1-4 mile, 12,939.0 cu. yds. gravel surfacing hauled one additional 1-4 mile above and including the ninth 1-4 mile, 17.0 structural excav. "solid rock." Detailed plans and specifications of the work may be seen for examination and information may be obtained at the office of E. A. Burrow, County Engineer, at Brady, Texas, and at the office of the State Highway Department, State Office Building, Austin, Texas. A certified or cashier's check for 5 per cent of the amount bid, made payable without recourse to the order of Evans J. Adkins, County Judge of McCulloch county, Texas, must accompany each proposal as a guarantee that the bidder, if successful, will enter into contract and make bond in accordance with the requirements of the specifications. The right is reserved by the party of the first part to reject any and all proposals or to waive all technicalities. Proposals shall be submitted in sealed envelopes and marked "Bids for the construction of 4.7 miles of highway No. 9 in McCulloch County." All bids received will be retained by the department and will not be returned to the bidders.