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MASON : : : TEXAS

15 YEARS AGO

From Mason News, Feb. 24, 1905

Mrs. Kochman, who passed away last week had 7 children four of whom are living; 46 grandchildren; 132 great grandchildren and 6 great grand children living.

Miss Meta and Lawrence Schuessler are able to be out after their long siege of typhoid fever.

Cards are out for the wedding of Miss Cora Koyser and Mr. Henry W. Keller. The wedding is to take place on March 1st.

Boon—Mr. and Mrs. C. Stone a boy on the 17th; Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Loeffler a boy on the 17th; Mr. and Mrs. Tom Kayler a girl on the 17th.

Miss Ruth Hamilton returned a few days ago from a pleasant visit to Miss Kitty Wallace at Llano.

Paul Doole was here a few days last week to visit his parents. He is just home from Memphis, Tenn., where he attended Medical College the past year.

25 YEARS AGO

From Mason News, Mar. 1, 1895-

Will Rogers was here Monday from Llano to purchase fat cows, but found them scarce.

Mrs. Ada Jackson returned last week to her home in Brownwood, after a visit to her parents.

Miss Delia Lindsay is spending a few days at the home of Theo. Schmidt.

Mrs. J. T. Stapleton has been visiting Mrs. Oldham at Rock Springs the past week.

"On last Friday an excursion to Llano took place, it being the occasion of a holiday. Among those present were: Mrs. Ery Hamilton, Misses May and Ruth Hamilton, Lou Martin, Clara Sands Ruby Grandstaff, Lillie Wheeler, Bertha Todd, Nannie Burnam, Ada Garner, Pearl King, Bertie Payne Winnie Murray, Mollie King, Belle Fletcher, Quint Garner, Messrs. Sterling and Manx King, Walter Todd, Otto Schmidt, Orb Stapleton Frank Garner, Seth Gooch, Chas. Stapleton, Ward McMurray, Beno Schmidt, Frank Moody, Ed Broad.

Mrs. Stark died on the 24th at the advanced age of 78, at the home of Mrs. Conrad Schuessler. Mr. Phillip Rode and Miss Ella

CARD OF THANKS

We take this method of thanking our neighbors and friends for assistance rendered us during the illness and at the death of our beloved and father, Wm. Houy, also for the beautiful floral offerings. Your many acts of kindness will ever be a blessed memory with us.

Mrs. Wm. Houy and children.

A. R. Evers, one of the big stock men of the Cherry Springs section was a business visitor in Mason last Saturday. He reported very little sickness in his section.

INCOME TAX MAN COMING

The News has been requested to announce that Mr. Harris, Deputy Income Tax Collector, will be in Mason March 3rd and 4th for the purpose of assisting those desiring help in making their 1919 Income Tax Returns.

Mrs. Jennie Williams is enjoying a visit at the farm home of R. M. McMillan, near Fredonia.

Mrs. Mary Mueller reports the family of Houston Baxter all down with the flu.

For windmill repairing or plumbing work apply to Louis Brockman, Phone 911-F-23. 5-6p

Dudley Price and family were down from near London to attend the Schuessler-Grosse wedding.

We have just received a new lot Diamond casings. All sizes. Star Garage. 9-4

Chas. Hofmann came home Friday from London after finishing painting the new home of Mr. E. H. Kothmann. Chas. says that Mr. Kothmann has one of the prettiest homes he ever saw.

Take in the picture show at the Star Opera House each Saturday night. You'll enjoy it. The show starts promptly at 7:30 o'clock.

Hodges Schroeder was sick a few days the past week.

Henry Schmidt was out of the store a few days last week due to sickness.

Just received a factory shipment of Goodyear Casings. McCollum Auto Co.

Eckert were married last Wednesday morning. Rev. Ziehe performed the ceremony.

MR. WM. HOUY

Mr. Wm. Houy, aged 70 years and 25 days, died at his home near Castell on Monday morning of last week.

In his early days Mr. Houy was a member of the Texas Rangers, and later established himself in business at Castell but a few years ago he retired from business on account of ill health. He had been suffering from paralysis for several years.

The deceased was widely and very favorably known in Mason county and his death will be greatly deplored by the citizenship of this section. Surviving him are his wife two sons and two daughters, three sisters, a brother and a number of other relatives.

Funeral services were held Tuesday morning at ten o'clock and interment made in the Castell cemetery.

EGGS

I must have all the eggs I can get. Will pay good price for them. J. J. Johnson.

Mrs. Will Lomburg and children have returned to their home in San Antonio.

Miss Nell Bierschwale is on the sick list, but not seriously, we trust.

The News is prepared to take care of all kinds of job printing and can handle the big jobs as well as the smaller ones in a manner which is unsurpassed.

A. F. Danheim was here a short time last week from Marlin visiting relatives and friends.

Otto Probst and family were in Mason a short time last week from Brady. While here they sold their home in west end to O. M. Smith

Money to Lend—Runge & Runge

Wear Diamond tires on your auto. They last longer and are moderately priced. Star Garage. 9-4

The News is informed that Grandpa Nanny is quite feeble and in a critical condition at the home of his son, C. T. Nanny.

How about your subscription to the News, have you advanced it for another year?

H. O. Brockman, County Chairman of the Democratic Party, was here Saturday mixing and mingling with friends. He says that he is expecting a warm election this year.

A train of 13 big Government trucks passed through here Saturday going from San Antonio to San Angelo. The man in charge advised us that 45 of these trucks would be sent to San Angelo and from there be distributed among counties of that section to be used in improving the roads. It is said that Mason county will receive two such trucks.

MR. MERCHANT—It is not what YOU know about a certain brand of goods that brings you business, but it depends on what the BUYING PUBLIC knows about those certain brands of merchandise. Use printer's ink in telling the public the good merits of the goods you are handling.

J. E. Barber was a business visitor in Mason Saturday from the Long Mountain section and reported lots of sickness in his section and says that the number of sick is not very much on the decrease.

Ab. Simon and wife returned a few days ago from a visit with relatives and friends in Llano and San Marcos. Mrs. Simon's brother returned with them to visit.

Judge Slator, we understand, continues in a very critical condition.

Miss Hilda Lemourg has returned to San Antonio after a visit in Mason.

MONEY TO LEND

On Farms and Ranches
INTEREST PAYABLE AT ANY TIME OF YEAR

No Delays

Runge & Runge

THE INTERSCHOLASTIC SCHUESSLER--GROSSE LEAGUE

The University Interscholastic League was organized in 1910 at a teacher's meeting in Abilene. The first year the League's activities were confined to debates among the high schools affiliated with the University. The second year contests in declamation were added and membership in the League was thrown open to all schools in the State below college rank. The League is now the most highly organized and has the largest membership of any similar organization in the United States, and now offers contests in debate, declamation, extempore speaking, essay writing, spelling and athletics.

The purpose is to organize and direct desirable school activities and thereby assist in preparing pupils for citizenship.

In order to make the League work in Mason county a success, the organization should have the active co-operation of every school in the county. The various schools can co-operate only so far as the patrons will become interested and give their support.

In the past history of the League Mason county has never sent a contestant to the State Meet at Austin; this fact shows that we are behind the other counties in this district in this work.

Some money will be required for suitable prizes for the winners, and for necessary expenses. It is hoped that the public will co-operate with every teacher in the County in securing the amount needed.

The directors of the Interscholastic League will appreciate any donations made by the citizens for this cause.

Executive Committee
Per A. G. Lee, Chairman.

"Cap, it's a boy this time," this is the expression County Agent, Dor W. Brown was compelled to give vent when he met the editor on the street Monday afternoon. The new arrival made HIS appearance Monday morning and we are pleased to state that mother and babe are doing nicely.

W. C. Lehberg was here Saturday from his ranch near Castell. He is just covering from a 3 tussel with him.

George Siengel and family were here from Mead to spend Sunday and Monday with relatives and friends.

This week's issue of the News contains the announcement of C. H. Garrett as a candidate for reelection to the office of County Judge of Mason county. We call our readers' attention to same.

T. A. Embrey has again taken charge of the Mason-Brady mail line. He purchased the Dodge car which Mr. Neill had been using on the line.

Otto Mebs who has been engaged as a census enumerator in Mason county, has gone to Mead to help finish up the census work in that county.

The News regrets to learn of the illness of Misses Reeder and Treble, teachers in the school.

George Todd has gone to Meadville to act as census taker.

Last Friday evening at seven o'clock was solemnized one of the prettiest home weddings of the season in which Miss Edna Grosse became the bride of Mr. Emanuel Schuessler. The wedding was solemnized at the home of the bride's father Mr. R. Grosse. The house was beautifully decorated in pot ferns and ribbon.

The bridal pair was ushered in by Rev. George Schresser, who officiated to the strains of Lohengrin played by Mrs. Wm Spittgarber. R. Schumann's Traumerl was softly played during the impressive ceremony.

The bride wore a lovely dress of mid-night blue satin and georgette with accessories to match, and carried a shower bouquet of brides roses and sweet peas.

The groom wore a suit of dark blue serge.

Both young people were born and reared in Mason and do not need introduction at our hands.

The pretty and lovable bride is an accomplished daughter of Mr. R. Grosse, and has for the past term taught the Behren's school.

The groom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Will Schuessler and has held the position as clerk for the firm of Kothmann & Jordan for the past several years.

Following the ceremony and after congratulations had been extended delicious refreshments of cocoa and cake were served to a host of relatives and friends.

Contributed.

The News is pleased to chronicle this happy event and desires to add its best wishes to those being extended.

NOTICE TO TEACHERS

"Let's not ride on the tail of time and holla, whoa."

The time for our County Meet is approaching. Let's wake up to the fact. Every teacher of the County, who wishes to enter any contestants should send me a complete list with the names of the contestants and the events for which they want to compete.

This must be done a week before the Meet. Nobody will be admitted after this time.

"Uncle Andy is still living, but we just about have him muzzled"

W. D. Pluenneke.

Co Director of Boy's Athletics, Pontotoc, Texas.

In the proper column will be found the name of S. F. Bethel a candidate for County Judge. He asks that the voters give his candidacy consideration.

Ross Wolfe has been in Mason the past week delivering a big lot of fruit trees.

Let me do your windmill repairing or plumbing work Louis Brockman, Phone 911-F-23 5-6p

S. F. Bethel and Miss Meta Loeffler are having a vacation from their school at Long Mountain due to so much sickness among pupils and patrons of the school.

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+ every one who has an Ac-
+ count with us. Are you a
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BRITISH TO DEVELOP ANTARCTIC WEALTH

Imperial Expedition, to Leave in June, Will Seek Scientific Data.

The scientific exploration and commercial development of the regions traversed will be the main object of the British imperial antarctic expedition, which will leave England in June for five years' exploration in the antarctic, during which an attempt will be made to reach the South pole by airplane. Dr. John L. Cope, the surgeon and biologist in the Ross sea party of the Shackleton expedition, who will command the new expedition, has given the purposes of the journey as follows:

1. To ascertain the position and extent of the mineral and other deposits of economic value already known to exist in Antarctica (through the scientific reports of Bruce, Mawson, Scott and Shackleton) and to obtain data for their practical development as to a further source of imperial wealth.
 2. To obtain further evidence of the localities and migration of whales of economic value, and to create British industries in this trade.
 3. To investigate the meteorological and magnetic conditions in the Ross sea area and at Cape Ann (Enderby land) in connection with their influence in similar conditions in Australasia and South Africa, respectively. That such results are of great economic value has been proven by the station established by the Argentine government for similar purposes in the South Orkneys.
 4. To circumnavigate the antarctic continent.
 5. Generally to extend the knowledge of Antarctica, especially with a view to obtaining further scientific data of economic importance.
- The cost of the expedition is estimated at £150,000.
- Capt. C. H. Wilkins, chief of the scientific staff of the Stefansson expedition, will accompany Doctor Cope as chief of the scientific staff for the new venture.

MADE GARLIC LIKE FLOWERS

Yea, Verily, It Must Have Had Powerful Kick.

Who he is and what he had to drink are unknown.

This much is known: The man, dressed as Adam was supposed to have been, whom Patrolman James Bray of Oakland, Cal., excavated from a garden of garlic at Fifth and Chester streets one night, knew how to dig and how to snore.

Under the influence of strong drink, the man had entered the garlic patch, divested himself of his clothing, folded everything in a neat pile and then had dug a hole deep enough to hold him.

He heaped the dirt about himself until he was firmly packed in with the exception of his head.

Then he went to sleep.

The man's snores directed Bray's attention his way. Bray all but stumbled over the man's head. A few minutes' further digging and he had freed the man.

At the hospital it was said he would live. Bray holds to the theory that the man thought he was sunning himself at the seashore—he was that happy.

RAID BIGGEST STILL

Alabama Moonshine Establishment Found in Full Blast.

The largest "moonshine" establishment ever found in Alabama, composed of seven stills, ranging in capacity from 125 to 250 gallons, was discovered and destroyed by prohibition officers in the hills near Pelham, 20 miles south of Birmingham. The raiding officers destroyed 18,500 gallons of mash and arrested five men.

The stills were in full blast when the raiders ran upon them. The officers said it was from this "plant" that Birmingham's supply of corn liquor has been coming. It brings \$25 a gallon here now.

Fine Bond Papers—News Office.

State of Ohio, City of Toledo, Lucas County, ss.

Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE. FRANK J. CHENEY.

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1935. A. W. GLEASON, (Seal) Notary Public.

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If you'll stop in for a few minutes, we'll show you what a New Edison really is, and how you can have it sent right out to your home.

MASON DRUG CO.

CALF IS 21 INCHES HIGH

Dwarf Hereford Attracts Attention in Colorado.

J. L. McNutt, rancher, living near Hugo, Colo., has visions of a young fortune to be made from a freak calf that is drawing scores of visitors from eastern Colorado to his farm.

The calf of purebred breeding, is ten months old and weighs 250 pounds, but stands only 21 inches high. It has a normal head and perfect markings, but stopped growing when it was seven months old. Its legs are 7 inches in length.

Already McNutt has had several lucrative offers to exhibit the calf in circus sideshows.

Shoe Dealers Fined for Profiteering.

Three Boston men, officers of the F. G. Collins Shoe company of Providence, R. I., were each fined \$1,000 on charges of profiteering. It was alleged that they instructed the salesmen in their store to obtain as much more than the actual sale prices on shoes as they possibly could get.

Austrians Perish in Siberia.

Nearly 375,000 of the 500,000 Austro-Hungarian prisoners of war taken by Russia have perished in Siberia from smallpox and typhus fever, according to information obtained by the Red Cross.

FOR COUNTY JUDGE

I wish to announce my candidacy for the office of County Judge subject to the action of the Democratic Primary, July 24. I invite an investigation by the voters of Mason County as to my qualifications to discharge the duties of both County Judge and Superintendent of public schools.

S. F. Bethel.

SUBSCRIPTIONS PAID

The following have made subscription payments to this great weekly since our last report. Watch the label on your paper and if the date is not changed within two weeks after the list is published we will appreciate your calling our attention to the fact.

Ed Nixon	1.50
E. E. Kinsey	1.50
A. F. Danheim	1.50
Mrs. Wm. M. omborg	1.50
Chas. Gestweid	1.50
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John Ritter	3.00
E. A. Masters	1.50
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Wm. Bauer	1.50
Ernest Leifeste	1.50
Ad Vater	1.50
Rev. Moerner	1.50
S. F. Bethel	1.50
Chester Bethel	.40
G. C. Hubbard	1.50
Mrs. Louis Ellis	1.50
E. E. Somerfeld	.75
W. H. Hanson	1.50
Jesse Brooks	1.00

We thank you Who's next?

The News directs the attention of its readers to the announcement column in which appears the name of John T. Banks as a candidate for County Judge of Mason county. His candidacy deserves your consideration.

Take in the picture show at the Star Opera House each Saturday night. You'll enjoy it. The show starts promptly at 7:30 o'clock.

BIRTHS

Since our last report the following births have been recorded by County Clerk, S. C. Brockman:

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Tart, a boy, Feb. 14; Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hurley, a girl, Feb. 12; Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Eckert, a boy, Feb. 15; Mrs. Maud Hayes, a girl, Feb. 15; Mr. and Mrs. J. J. New, a girl, Feb. 13; Mr. and Mrs. Emil Hoerster, a boy, Feb. 17.

Mrs. Maud Smith, aged 32 years, 10 months and 5 days, died last Saturday night at her home near Long Mountain. The cause of her death was reported to us as being the flu which later developed into meningitis. The interment was made Sunday afternoon at the Long Mountain cemetery.

Marriage license were issued this week as follows:

E. J. Schuessler and Miss Elsie Grosse; Wesley J. Brandenberger and Miss Esther Schulze.

Irvine Eliebracht is reported in bed with a well developed case of that flu stuff.

METHODIST CHURCH

The Church Attendance Revival continues, be sure to mark your card.

Preaching at Mason on the 1st, 2nd and 3rd, 5u days; both morning and evening. Preaching at Pichon's School House the 1st Sunday at 3 p. m., AT Grit on 3rd. Sabbath at 3 p. m., and at Loyal Valley on the 4th. Sunday at 11 a. m., and 3 p. m. Sunday School every Sunday.

The Missionary Society meets on the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd. Sundays of each month.

Roy G. Rader, P. C.

The remains of Paul Valiant, were put to rest in the Grit cemetery Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock, the services being conducted by Rev. Rader.

This young man who was about 18 years of age, died a few days ago of pneumonia at the home of a brother near Brady.

He was a brother to Mrs. Otto Hofmann.

Mr. and Mrs. Eli Jordan expect to move on the ranch of his father near Pichweville in the near future.

Tell the News the news

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ADVERTISING RATES

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

TERMS—Strictly Cash Announcements will be inserted in the order in which fees are paid. 20 lines will be allowed each candidate, but he must compose his own announcement message. Any additional lines charged for at our regular advertising rates.

RATES

Congressional \$15.00
District 10.00
County 8.00
Precinct 5.00

The News is authorized to make the following announcements subject to a majority vote of the Democratic Primary:

For District Attorney 33rd Judicial District—
GEORGE E. CHRISTIAN

For District and County Clerk:—
S. C. BROCKMAN
R. E. L. CLARK

For County Treasurer:—
ALVA TINSLEY

For Sheriff & Tax Collector—
HERMAN SCHUESSLER
G. H. WILLIS

For Tax Assessor:—
WILLIE O. BODE

For County Judge:—
S. F. BETHEL
C. H. GARRETT
JOHN T. BANKS

Mrs. Moerner, of Pehweville, is relieved to be out of danger.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Crosby of San Angelo, are the proud parents of a new baby girl.

We are pleased to learn that C. D. McMillan, who is undergoing medical treatment in Dallas, is getting along nicely.

Mrs. Louis Ellis and daughter returned to Menard Tuesday, after a few days visit here with her mother, Mrs. Leslie.

Mr. Adolph Gieseke and two sons of San Antonio, and Mr. Arthur Gieseke of Ballinger have been in Mason a few days this week.

NO, MUM! THE EDITOR AINT IN NUTHIN' ABOUT IT. IS IT A BOYER A GURL?—WELL, WHY DIDN'T YA PHONE US ABOUT IT? WE DO THE BEST WE KIN, BUT WE AINT NO MIND READERS NER NUTHIN' AN' SOMETIMES WE MISS AN ITEM.—YES'M, WE'RE ALWAYS GLAD TO GIT ITEMS OVER THE PHONE! THANK YOU—G'BY!



RAIDS AND FIGHTS IN WAR ON MOONSHINE

Dry Leader in West Virginia Mountain Districts Has His Hands Full.

The manufacture and sale of moonshine whisky in the mountains of southern West Virginia is claiming the close attention of W. S. Hallahan, prohibition commissioner, who, with a large force of deputies, continues to raid and make arrests almost weekly.

There have been times in the last few weeks when the officers have met determined resistance, and already two men, Preston Mullens, an alleged moonshiner, and John D. Kennedy, a deputy sheriff, have lost their lives in the campaign.

This fight, the most serious in recent years, occurred in the Panther creek section of McDowell county, on the Virginia border. Panther creek, the prohibition authorities say, is one of the most active moonshining districts in the state. There, according to Mr. Hallahan, have been gathered some of the most famous manufacturers of moonshine from Buchanan county, Virginia. They know all that is to be known about the industry, and some of them are famed for the qualities of their "corn liquor." Usually their stills are extremely difficult to locate, but gradually the prohibition officers are hunting them out and destroying them.

There is another kind of moonshiner in that section who is giving the officers much trouble. He makes his moonshine as quickly as possible, markets it with the least delay and then moves his still to some other place.

The country is mountainous and rough, with many fertile valleys. These valleys, the commissioner has discovered, were this year used to a large extent for the growing of sugar cane, the high price of sugar having driven some of the oldtime moonshiners to producing what they needed for domestic and moonshine purposes.

PRINCESSES HUNT JOBS

Hungarian Women of Royal Birth Would Be Governesses.

Several Hungarian princesses, refugees in Switzerland, finding themselves poor through the low exchange rate, are seeking positions as governesses and companions. But the people generally hesitate to employ them, fearing they will instill extravagant ideas in their children.

One Hungarian princess, despairing of failure to obtain a position, departed for Zurich recently to take up employment as a waitress. A number of princely and aristocratic Hungarian families here are awaiting funds to emigrate to America, where they hope to find wealth and happiness.

Turtles Frozen Tightly to Ship Deck.

Twelve sea turtles, averaging in weight from 300 to 500 pounds, arrived in New York city on a vessel coming from Costa Rica. On the way up the turtles were found to be frozen solidly to the deck. They were thawed out and thereafter were subjected to a steam bath every hour or so.

Miss Lizzie Bierschwale is on the sick list this week and has not been able to be at her place in Hofmann Dry Goods Co. the past few days.

Ed Smith is preparing to have a cement sidewalk put down in front of the meat market and J. S. King's jewelry store.

E. W. Schroeder went to Fort Worth Tuesday on business.

ORDER THEM NOW

How many women and young ladies are there in and around Mason who have no engraved visiting cards? Our guess is that there are quite a few.

Why wait? On many occasions you wish for them. They do not cost much, let us show you our samples and take your order so when the next occasion comes up you wont be ashamed for others to see your card as is the case when the name is written.

MASON COUNTY NEWS

Frosts may be lurking in the distance, but they are certainly in the distance, judging by the peach and plum trees in bloom, and by the violets everywhere.

Mrs. Belle Bridges is having several improvements added to her home, especially the tasteful iron fence round the lot.

Money to Lend—Runge & Runge

Saturday afternoon the daughters of Mrs. John Lemburg gave their mother a pleasant birthday surprise by a delightfully informal gathering of a few friends to "break bread" with her, and to hold a "Many Happy>Returns" love feast.

The bare-foot boy appears in the land—and it's only February!

Louis Schlaudt is taking a vacation from the City Market and will visit in Fredericksburg, San Antonio and Austin.

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THIS WEEK'S

PROGRAM AT THE STAR OPERA HOUSE

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GERMAN DRAWS DISMAL PICTURE

Lot of the Educated Classes Is
Sorry One.

SHRINK FROM MANUAL LABOR

Deprived of Offices and With Professions Overcrowded They Balk at Work—An Official Warning Against Studying Medicine Is Issued—Engineers Are Advised to Dig Ditches—Students Find Little Encouragement.

The economic distress of Germany has made the lot of the educated classes a sorry one, and those who are about to begin their studies have little to encourage them to persist along those lines. A dismal picture of the effect of their present disabilities is drawn by Josef Hofmuller in the Sueddeutsche Monatshefte, from which it was summarized in the Frankfurter Zeitung and has been printed in this country in School Life, the official publication of the Bureau of Education.

Three immediate effects of the war are presented as deterrents to the exercise of really ambitious effort. As the higher military career is now out of the question, the military calling ceases to exist for graduates of the higher educational institutions. This makes thousands of positions formerly occupied by officers non-existent. The wiping out of the German navy affects similarly the positions formerly held by naval officers. More than that, many of the young officers who otherwise would have remained in the military service are compelled to resign and look for positions in civil service.

Then there is another factor. Through the annexation of Alsace-Lorraine, the German-Polish, the German-Czechish, and the German-Danish territories, the offices hitherto held by Germans are lost to them. Moreover, the German officials in those provinces become dependent on similar places which must be vacated for them in Germany. This aggravates the outlook of a larger number of young officials, who will thus be placed in subordinate positions under them.

The third element which will affect the educated classes is pointed out to be the impoverishment of Germany which will cause the practice of strictest economy in all branches of state and public organizations, and will affect the number of positions, the salaries, the chances for a pension, and the like. The impoverishment is shown also to be trenching on the so-called free callings. It must find expression in a tremendous deflection of capital and a large emigration of labor. The various technical callings, the large branches of industry, the banks, the insurance agencies, private officials down to the lowest-salaried office clerks, will be thus affected, it is said. Retrenchments are also expected in the luxury, and primarily in the literary and artistic callings like architecture, music, literature, journalism, opera, stage, and various other theatricals, but also in the more expensive and therefore better recompensed house industry.

Professions Are Overcrowded.
"The so-called better professions are already overcrowded as result of the oversupply of labor," says the writer. "This surplus will be increasing in the course of the next few years in the measure as the number of positions will be each month decreasing."

"In the year 1914 the Bavarian kultur-minister, von Kindling, speaking about the prospects of the teaching profession, gave the following official data regarding the length of time it took candidates to be appointed to of-

ices: Philologists, (ancient) 10 years; mathematicians, 18; philologists, (modern) 13; students of German literature, 10; natural scientists, 18; draftsmen, 12. It is surprising how anybody yet finds courage to take up teaching when it is necessary to wait for an appointment till the thirty-fifth birthday. Besides, the salary of an assistant is 15 marks per month and the length of service in that capacity approximately five years. A young person must thus expect to draw 25 marks per month only when he reaches the age of 34. (At the present time a maltster in a brewery draws 300 marks a month.)

"Warnings against the taking up of medical studies issued by the Munich military board of physicians appear in the press at the present time. The prospects of physicians have been most discouraging by a wide extension of health insurance which restricts private practice by the ever-increasing quick treatment, the immigration of German physicians from abroad, and from the endangered territories in the west and east, and by the abolition of the posts of ship physicians. Since the beginning of the war 5,000 physicians were certified in an emergency. Because of a considerable oversupply the physicians suffer materially from financial stress."

The lot of the lawyers, the writer points out, is not a happy one, for young lawyers are already asking for out-of-work donations. The few fortunate receive 300 marks per month, and only recently gymnasium graduates were advertising in the newspapers and were glad to secure secretarial positions in some district court for an annual salary of 2,400 marks. As for the church, many officers have already applied for admission, but the prospects for advancement are unfavorable and will become more so in the future as a result of the heavy taxation and the prospective separation of church and state.

Turned Away Daily.
"Engineers," says the writer, "among whom were some with high attainment, were told by a good authority to whom they applied for advice to try to find work as ditch diggers. An American would do it immediately. But can Germans show so much pluck? Every bank director asserts that he turns off daily dozens of applicants, among them a large number of former officers. We must take into account that in the future the now numerous banks and bank branches will be greatly reduced. There will be in the future fewer banks, as there will be fewer government positions, fewer courts, gymnasia, real schools, factories; for each position in these banks, courts, schools and factories there will be, however, more applicants."

"Nor will houses be erected as before. The cheap houses, so much in need at present, will be built after a certain model; there will be no money for large state, community, or private buildings. Everywhere the same thing will be repeated—workingmen will find rooms easily, but not so the engineers; there will be need for a large number of locksmiths and engine-fitters, also mechanics, but not for men with technical education; bricklayers are desirable, but not architects. These are the conditions that the war did not bring about but that it did accentuate. Considered closely, the outlook is not so very discouraging. The watchword reads 'Hands—not heads!' The Germans will adjust themselves to these conditions with great difficulty, as until very recent times they were bent on developing their minds at the expense of their hands. With an overdeveloped organized system we had too many universities and too many schools of a higher type."

"The German people are more inclined to have their fate rationed out rather than to take it into their own hands. The great number of higher institutions simply strengthened this fatal inclination. Incredible things were expected on the strength of a one-year

certificate; in reality these privileges were worth nothing more than mere cards without the corresponding amount of meat. Instead of letting the young persons practice as soon as possible, we lengthened the courses of study wherever we could. There was no end to university studies."

Much sickness in the Grit section has necessitated the trustees of the Grit school to turn out school until conditions improve.

Otis Shearer was here from Rochelle to visit a short time with relatives and friends the first of the week.

Money to Lend—Runge & Runge

Mrs. Todd, who is gradually regaining her strength, has been out for several car rides over our good roads.

Holmes King took sick last Saturday night and for several days has been out of the barber shop.

Use your phone and tell the News the news. Phone 57.



Give Me a Friendly, Natural Hand-shake

an' a friendly natural tobacco. Keep yo' put-on airs an' "sauce-up" tobaccos for the fellow that likes nut sundaes better than home made pie—

So says a friend of ours named Velvet Joe. And he just about hits the nail on the head.

Velvet is made for men who think there's no smoke like real tobacco. If you are that sort of man, listen:

Velvet was born in old Kentucky, where more than one good thing comes from. It was raised as carefully as any other Kentucky thoroughbred. But the real secret of Velvet's friendly qualities is its slow natural ageing in wooden hogsheads. Ageing in the wood never hurt anything—and least of all, tobacco.

And so we say, Velvet is good tobacco—nothing more or less. It runs second to none.

The picture of the pipe on the tin needn't keep you from rolling a jim-dandy cigarette with Velvet.

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Home Treatment by Inhalation for Asthma, Bronchitis, Catarrh and Pulmonary Affections. Write for Brochure. STARKEY & PALEN, Germantown, Philadelphia, Pa.

U. S. WAR FORCE THIRD LARGEST

"Ration Strength" in France Was Nearly 2,000,000.

BRITISH GIVE OUT FIGURES

France Headed the List and Great Britain Came Second, With a Grand Total of 8,654,467—America's Combatant Strength in France on Armistice Day is Set Down at 1,160,000 and Great Britain's at 1,164,790—German Prisoners Total 393,220 in Last Drive.

The United States made the third largest contribution in fighting forces of the allies during the war—namely, approximately 2,000,000 men, according to figures compiled by British statisticians. France headed the list and Great Britain came second, with a grand total of 8,654,467. The ration strength of the American army in France on armistice day, that is, the total number of men who were being fed from army stocks, is placed at 1,924,000. Great Britain's ration strength in this theater on the same date was 1,731,578. This does not take into account prisoners of war or the negro labor employed by England. Near 1,200,000 U. S. Fighters.

America's combatant strength in France on armistice day is set down at 1,160,000, and Great Britain's at 1,164,790. The combatant strength includes all troops whose functions are, in the first place, fighting.

(Major General March, American chief of staff, announced on January 26, 1919, that America had the second largest of the allies' armies on the western front in ration strength when the armistice was signed. The French, he said, had 2,550,000 men, the United States, 1,950,000, and the British, including the Portuguese, who were serving with them, 1,718,000. General March did not give the comparative figures of the national armies showing their combatant strength on armistice day.)

The captures of prisoners and guns in France during the victorious offensive against the German army between July 18 and November 11, 1918, are given as follows:

British armies, 200,000 and 2,500, respectively; French armies, 135,720 and 1,880; American armies, 43,300 and 1,421; Belgian armies, 14,500 and 474. It is pointed out that there were also 80,000 British combatant troops in Italy who co-operated in the final defeat of the Austrian army at Vittorio-Veneto, capturing 30,000 prisoners, and that in the eastern theaters of war—Palestine and Mesopotamia—where on an average about 100,000 British troops were fighting throughout 1918, the complete defeat and destruction of the Turkish army was effected by the British alone, and a total of 85,000 prisoners taken.

British Empire's Contribution. The following figures show the number of troops contributed by the various parts of the British empire during the war: British Isles, 5,704,416; Canada, 640,886; Australia, 416,809; New Zealand, 220,000; South Africa, 136,070; Spain, 1,401,350; other colonies 134,837. The grand total was 8,654,467.

Casualties of the troops of the British empire are stated as follows: British Isles, killed, 662,083; missing or prisoners, 140,312; wounded, 1,044,786. Losses of troops from India, Canada, Australia and other parts of the empire brought the total to: Killed, 851,117; missing and prisoners, 142,057; wounded, 2,667,442. Prisoners repatriated are not included in the foregoing.

PNEUMONIA-FLU KILL 477,467

Deaths in Country for 1918 Are 1,471,367.

The death rate in the United States for 1918 was the highest on record, according to the census bureau's annual mortality statistics, which shows 1,471,367 deaths for the year, representing a rate of 18 per cent for each 1,000 population.

Of the total deaths 477,467, or over 32 per cent were due to influenza and pneumonia, 880,996 having occurred

in the last four months of the year, when an epidemic of these diseases prevailed. The rate for influenza and pneumonia was 583.2 per cent per 100,000. Influenza caused 244,681 deaths and pneumonia 232,786, showing rates of 289.9 and 284.3 per 100,000, respectively, the highest rates which ever appeared for these causes. The rate in 1917 for influenza was 17.2 and for pneumonia 149.8.

The other principal causes of death were organic diseases of the heart, tuberculosis, acute nephritis, Bright's disease and cancer, which together were responsible for 391,391 deaths, or nearly 27 per cent of the total during the year.

Pittsburgh District Yields Whisky. Internal revenue and government prohibition agents have confiscated 7,500 gallons of whisky, valued at \$100,000, in the Pittsburgh districts. Raids were made in Pittsburgh and Conneville, Pa.

Mexico Has 1,000 Oil Wells. The Mexican state department has reported to President Carranza that there are 1,000 producing oil wells in Mexico, all having been developed during the past ten years.

PLANES TO RACE IN ALASKA

Trail to Be Broken for Mail Service to Seattle.

Landing sites, docks and other facilities, are being sought in Juneau, Ketchikan and other southeastern Alaska cities for seaplanes which will participate in a proposed air race between Seattle and southeastern Alaska next summer.

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The Aero Club of the Northwest, with headquarters in Seattle, is making arrangements for the race. Prizes totaling \$25,000 may be offered, according to advices reaching Juneau.

Already two well-known aviators, Cliff Durant, formerly prominent automobile race driver, and Capt. Sir Arthur Whitten Brown, non-stop trans-Atlantic flyer, have stated they may enter the race.

Alaskans are hoping that the airplane racers will break trail for airplane mail service to Alaska from Seattle. Mail to the States at present is shipped as freight and weeks could be saved in some places if airplanes were used.

HAITIANS STILL SAVAGES

Marine Tells of Hair-Raising Episodes—West Indian Isle.

John Page of Sac City, Ia., declares that savagery and cannibalism are common in the republic of Haiti.

Page served there with the marines and has told relatives and friends here of some hair-raising episodes that marked service for Uncle Sam in the West Indian Isle, indicating that as much excitement was experienced there as anywhere in the world war zone.

Page claims that he discovered that the citizens of the republic are really savages, believing in voodooism, involving witchcraft, snake worship and human sacrifice. Cannibalism and other South Sea Island practices are indulged in in the interior, according to his statements.

How about your subscription to the News, have you advanced it for another year?

GARREY'S STOCK TONIC will prevent stomach worms in sheep. 8-211. Sold by F. Lange.

The News' facilities for doing first class job work is unsurpassed. Bring us your orders.

LIVER DIDN'T ACT DIGESTION WAS BAD

Says 65 year Old Kentucky Lady, Who Tells How She Was Relieved After a Few Doses of Black-Draught.

Meadersville, Ky.—Mrs. Cynthia Higginbotham, of this town, says: "At my age, which is 65, the liver does not act so well as when young. A few years ago, my stomach was all out of fix. I was constipated, my liver didn't act. My digestion was bad, and it took so little to upset me. My appetite was gone. I was very weak... I decided I would give Black-Draught a thorough trial as I knew it was highly recommended for this trouble. I began taking it. I felt better after a few doses. My appetite improved and I became stronger. My bowels acted naturally and the least trouble was soon righted with a few

doses of Black-Draught." Seventy years of successful use has made Thedford's Black-Draught a standard, household remedy. Every member of every family, at times, need the help that Black-Draught can give in cleansing the system and relieving the troubles that come from constipation, indigestion, lazy liver, etc. You cannot keep well unless your stomach, liver and bowels are in good working order. Keep them that way. Try Black-Draught. It acts promptly, gently and in a natural way. If you feel sluggish, take a dose tonight. You will feel fresh tomorrow. Price 25c. a package—One cent a dose. All druggists. J. 69

AFFIDAVIT TO TREASURER'S QUARTERLY REPORT

In the matter of County finances in the hands of Alva Tinsley, Treasurer of Mason County, Texas. Commissioners' Court, Mason County, Texas, in regular quarterly session February Term, 1920. We, the undersigned, as County Commissioners within and for said Mason County, and the Hon. C. H. Garrett, County Judge of said Mason County, constituting the entire Commissioners' Court of said County, and each one of us, do hereby certify that on this the 16th day of Feb. A. D. 1920, at a reg-

ular quarterly term of our said Court, we have compared and examined the quarterly report of Alva Tinsley, Treasurer of Mason County, Texas, for the quarter beginning on the 1st day of Nov. A. D. 1919 and ending on the 31st day of January A. D. 1920, and finding same correct have caused an order to be entered upon the minutes of the Commissioners' Court of Mason County, stating the approval of said Treasurer's report by our said Court, which said order recites separately the amount received and paid out of each fund by said County Treasurer since his report to this Court, and for and during the time covered by his present report, and the balance of each fund remaining in said Treasurer's hands on the said 31st day of Jan. A. D. 1920, and have ordered the proper credits to be made in the accounts of the said County Treasurer, in accordance with said order as required by Article 837, Chapter 1, Title XXV, of the Revised Statutes of Texas, as amended by an act of the Twenty-fifth Legislature of Texas, at its regular session, approved March 20, 1897.

And we, and each of us, further certify that we have actually and fully inspected and counted all the actual cash and assets in hands of the said Treasurer belonging to Mason County at the close of the examination of said Treasurer's Report on this the 16th day of Feb. A. D. 1920 and find the same to be as follows, to wit:

Balance to credit of Jury Fund	\$624.96
Balance to credit of Road and Bridge Fund	\$7,051.65
Balance to credit of General Fund	\$4,912.52
Balance to credit of Court House Fund	\$11,137.43
Balance to credit of Special Road Fund	\$8,011.29
Balance to credit of Highway Fund	\$4,742.58
Balance to credit of State and Federal Aid Fund	\$3,795.14
Total Cash on Hand	\$49,325.57

Assets
In addition to the actual cash as above, we find the following assets belonging to the said County, and to the credit of the following funds, which is also in the possession and custody of the said Treasurer, to wit:

Six No. 26 School District Bonds at \$100	\$600.00
Four No. 27 School District Bonds at \$500	2,000.00
Two Hundred W. S. S. at \$5.00	1,000.00

Bonded Indebtedness
The bonded indebtedness of the said County we find to be as follows, to wit:

Court House Bonds	\$40,000.00
Two Special Warrants at \$1,000.00	\$2,000.00
One Tractor Warrant	1,350.00
Eighteen Special Bridge Warrants \$9,000	162,000.00
Seventeen Special Warrants \$18,500	\$314,500.00

Scrap, Registered, Second Class Fund \$1,797.53
Scrap, Registered, Third Class Fund \$600.00
Witness our hands, officially, this 10th day of Feb. A. D. 1920.

C. H. Garrett, County Judge.
John W. Leslie, Com. Pre. No. 1.
M. L. Webster, Com. Pre. No. 2.
N. Z. Bethel, Com. Pre. No. 3.
H. Hoerster, Com. Pre. No. 4.
Sworn to and subscribed before me, by C. H. Garrett County Judge and John W. Leslie and M. L. Webster and N. Z. Bethel and H. Hoerster, County Commissioners of said Mason County, each respectively on this, the 10th day of February, A. D. 1920.
S. C. Brockman, County Clerk Mason County Texas.
By J. H. King, Deputy.

MASON'S LARGEST



BEST STORE



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WIRELESS PHONE GAINS IN REACH

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TALK MORE THAN 900 MILES

Conversation Carried on Between Chicago and Ossining, N. Y., With Use of Small Aerial, Low Wave Length, and Power of Only One-Third of One Kilowatt—Points to Elimination of Expensive, High-Powered Generators.

The De Forest laboratories of High Bridge, N. Y., announced that during the last thirty days wireless telephone conversations have been carried on between Ossining and Chicago, a distance of some 900 miles, as well as with cities and towns in Indiana, Ohio, western New York, and South Carolina, with the use of a small aerial, a low wave length, and power of only one-third of one kilowatt.

Robert F. Gowen, engineer in charge of the De Forest Radio company station at Ossining, said that the success during the last month, in the face of all sorts of weather difficulties, was ascribable to a new type of modulating circuit and the use of a new glass in the De Forest audion—a device which earned for that particular kind of apparatus the term of "bottled wireless."

Claims Saving of Expense. After asserting that the experiments pointed to the elimination of expensive, high-powered generators and telling how he had worked entirely on the 375 meter amateur wave length, Mr. Gowen said:

"The effect of the new circuit is to render the voice transmission much clearer, while the use of a new type of glass permits of much greater input current in the development of wireless power.

"It is further interesting to note that all my experiments are being conducted on a comparatively low wave length—that is to say, the special amateur wave lengths permitted by the government regulations. In addition, the experiments show that the distance between Ossining and Chicago is covered by using one-third of the energy of which the De Forest oscillation or oscillating audion is capable of developing. In other words, with only one-third kilowatt of input energy in a single tube, we are enabled to talk without wires from New York to Chicago.

Profited by War Experiments. "The new apparatus is a development, in large part, of the splendid improvements made on radio apparatus during the war. At that time radio experts were able to talk from airplane to the ground and from ship to ship for only a few miles.

"We have been able to talk over a distance of 900 miles, but we have today reached the commercial development of the wireless telephone under all conditions."

Mr. Gowen, who is one of the engineers of the De Forest laboratories at New York, is a member of the Institute of Radio Engineers.

\$15 CONSCIENCE MONEY

Returned by Man Who Found It but Did Not Answer "Ad."

Fifteen dollars which Miss Coonle Frank of Racine, Wis., lost August 22, 1915, was returned to her recently by the man who found it but failed to answer an advertisement relative to the loss.

A newspaper publisher received from a man who signed the letter "Conscience," a letter stating that he had found a pocketbook containing a

sum of money, but that being in financial straits did not return it, although he read an advertisement of the loss. He requested the publisher to obtain the name and residence of the loser, as he wished to return the money as he saved considerable money during the year, because of large wages received.

He urged quick action, as he wished to clear his conscience before Christmas day, which was accomplished.

MEET AFTER SIXTY YEARS

Negro Brothers, Sold into Slavery When Pickaninnies, Hold Reunion.

On Christmas eve, 1859, three negro babies were offered for sale on a slave block at New Orleans. Two were purchased by a Louisianan and the other by a Tennessean.

Time passed, emancipation came, but the negroes remained with their masters and learned to read and write a little. In this way they learned of the whereabouts of their mother who, too, had remained with her old master.

Recently three negroes, bent with age, their white, kinky locks like snow, met in Louisville, Ky. George crowded delightedly as his brothers, Phil and Charley, chorused, "De great day's cum." They went from Louisville to Lettchfield, where their mother, 100 years old, lives.

Rents Apartment in Poorhouse.

Unable to find lodgings, J. Oliver, a former English soldier, appeared before the overseers of the poor in Barnet, England, and asked that he be allowed to pay rent for an apartment in the almshouse. His request was granted.

CALL FOR "NIGHTCAP" CONFOUNDS HOTEL MAN

Official Relieved, Though, When the Guest Wants It On, Not In, the Head.

Eugene D. Miller, secretary and treasurer of the Pershing Square group of hotels, was finishing a busy day in the Biltmore in New York when his telephone rang and a man asked if the hotel could furnish a nightcap.

"It's not for me," he explained. "My wife wants it. She's subject to colds and wishes to take every precaution against this 'flu' epidemic."

Mr. Miller asked his married guest to hold the wire while he cast about for some means of providing the accommodations. Reluctantly he picked up the phone and said:

"I'm sorry, sir; there isn't drop in the house."

"But, I don't want—" "Yes," interrupted Mr. Miller, sadly and soothingly, "and we should be very happy to be able to accommodate you, but every bit of our stock has been removed from the hotel and disposed of, weeks ago."

"I don't mean what you mean," said the married guest. "You are talking about a nightcap that goes to the head. I mean one that goes on the head; you know—the kind with ribbons and blue lace and all that sort of thing."

You know the rest.

CITY FOR WORKING WIVES

Johnstown, N. Y., One Place Where Nearly Everybody Works.

A city where almost everybody works—and likes it—is pictured by Mayor W. W. Chamberlain of Johnstown, N. Y.

The labor department in Washington, after a survey of the cities of the country, found that 76 per cent of the women of Johnstown are contributors to the family income. This is the record for the country.

Mayor Chamberlain was asked to tell more about his city. He responded:

"The wives in Johnstown make

gloves at home. More working people own homes in Johnstown than in nearly any other city. They are holders of large amounts of Liberty bonds.

"Wives, whose husbands own their own homes and automobiles, work because they like it.

"The wages of men in this city vary from \$25 to \$60 a week. Chore men, without any experience, are being paid \$4 a day, and boys leaving school get \$3.50 per day.

"Living conditions in Johnstown are such that you cannot tell the workman's wife from a business man's wife. Women take an interest in all civic enterprises."

MODERN "ENOCH ARDEN"

Comes Back and Will Get Wife Who Married Again.

"Enoch Arden" is home in Seattle permanently. This time "Enoch Arden" is Richard Sorensen, who enlisted early in the war and was reported "killed in action."

Mrs. Beulah Irene Sorensen, his wife and the mother of sixteen-year-old Allen Sorensen, waited hopefully for verification of her husband's death. It came in the form of letters from those who "saw him last." All hope apparently gone, Mrs. Sorensen was married June 17, 1915, to G. C. Jackson.

A few days ago a telegram reached her from New York and it was signed "Dick." The "killed in action" report was false. The two husbands left the choice to her. Her choice was "Dick," and she has started annulment proceedings against her second husband. The suit is an amicable one, it is understood.

TO TUNNEL MONT BLANC

Engineers Study Line to Join France and Italy.

French and Italian engineers have lately arrived at Chamonix, Switzerland, to make studies on the ground for a tunnel under Mont Blanc, directly joining France and Italy.

This project, which has been under examination for many years, now appears near attainment, as both governments have voted preliminary credits to commence work.

France has appropriated 45,000,000 francs and Italy 46,000,000.

DRUNKEN RATS DEFY POLICE

100 Stagger to Death From Liquor-Laden Sewer.

As though in open defiance of constitutional prohibition, 100 rats staggered bodily on wobbly legs into police headquarters at Duluth, Minn., less than 12 hours after constitutional prohibition became effective.

The rats were driven from the Duluth sewers by the thousands of gallons of liquor poured into the sewers by the police department. They came staggering out the big opening in the sewer made to carry the \$30,000 in confiscated liquor emptied into them by the police.

Members of the police department killed the rats.

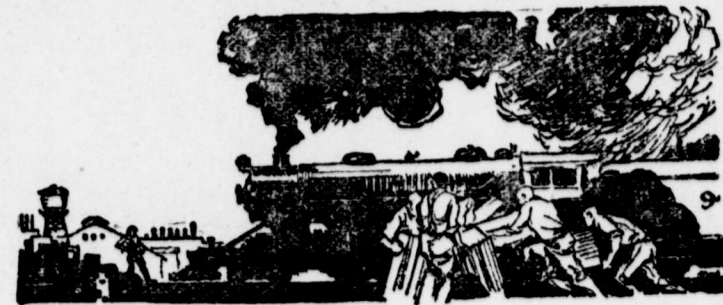
Three Million Jews in United States.

A Jewish statistician, David Trietsch, estimates the Jewish population of the world at 15,430,000. The United States has 3,100,000 of this number.

Mrs. T. White of Livingston, Montana, spent the past couple of weeks here visiting the family of her son, R. W. White. She went to McCulloch county a few days ago to visit a son there.

Don't forget the show at the tar Opera House each Saturday night. The show starts promptly at 7:30 o'clock.

Wm. Hofmann and Mrs. Loula C. Loring arrived home this week from St. Louis where they purchased new goods for their firm. Their absence was prolonged due to an accident which happened to



Carrying a Ton a Mile for less than a Cent

Freight rates have played a very small part in the rising cost of living.

Other causes—the waste of war, under-production, credit inflation—have added dollars to the cost of the necessities of life, while freight charges have added only cents.

The average charge for hauling a ton of freight a mile is less than a cent.

A suit of clothing that sold for \$30 before the war was carried 2,265 miles by rail from Chicago to Los Angeles for 16½ cents.

Now the freight charge is 22 cents and the suit sells for \$50.

The cost of the suit has increased 20 dollars.

The freight on it has increased only 5½ cents.

Other transportation charges enter into the cost of the finished article—carrying the wool to the mills and the cloth to the tailors—but these other charges amount to but a few cents more.

The \$10 pair of shoes that used to sell for \$5 goes from the New England factory to the Florida dealer for a freight charge of 5½ cents—only one cent more than the pre-war rate.

Beef pays only two-thirds of a cent a pound freight from Chicago to New York.

American freight rates are the lowest in the world.

This advertisement is published by the Association of Railway Executives

Those desiring information concerning the railroad situation may obtain literature by writing to The Association of Railway Executives, 61 Broadway, New York.

Mrs. Loring while away. A negro porter of a hotel ran against her with a trunk truck and knocked her down. She received several severe bruises and was unable to return home until she recovered from the injuries. Mr. Hofmann spent several days in bed with the flu while away.

Let us cover your Ford top McCollum Auto Co.

Pete Jordan returned to San

Antonio a few days ago to resume his school work, the flu situation there having improved.

Robert Hofmann has been on the sick list this week.

E. L. Horton is local representative of the Stroud Motor Manufacturing Ass'n. Parties interested in buying stock in this Ass'n will find Mr. Horton willing at all times to explain and give full information.

C. HARTMANN

H. L. SCHMIDT

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WE NOT ONLY BELIEVE WE CARRY THE BEST AND CHOICEST BRANDS, BUT WE ALWAYS STAND READY TO CONVINCENCE OUR CUSTOMERS OF THIS FACT.

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Coughs and colds are weakening. Get rid of them as quickly as you can. Catarrh in any form is the worst enemy you have. Fight it and fight it hard. There is a remedy to help you do it. —a medicine of forty-seven years' established merit. Try it.

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Suit for divorce costs of court etc; plaintiff for cause of action sets forth cruel treatment and mis-conduct on part of defendant towards plaintiff and refusal of defendant to longer live with plaintiff as his wife all being acts of such a nature as to render their further living together as husband and wife insupportable.

Herein fail not, but have before said Court, at its aforesaid next regular term this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court at office in Mason, Texas, this the 3rd day of February, A. D. 1920.

(Seal) S. C. Brockman, Clerk Dist. Ct. Mason Co. Texas. By J. H. King, Deputy

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

No. 980

THE STATE OF TEXAS

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Mason County—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon Michael Foley by making publication of this Citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof in some newspaper published in your County, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in the nearest County where a newspaper is published, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Mason County, Texas, to be held at the Court House thereof in Mason on the fourth Monday after the first Monday in February, A. D. 1920, the same being the first day of March, A. D. 1920, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 29th day of August, A. D. 1919, and an Amended Original Petition filed in said Court on the 30th day of January, A. D. 1920, in

a suit numbered on the docket of said Court No. 980, wherein Ellen Foley is plaintiff and Michael Foley is defendant and a brief statement of the cause of action being as follows:

But for divorce custody of minor child Eddie May Foley and costs of Court; plaintiff for cause of action sets forth cruel treatment and mis-conduct on part of defendant toward her of such a nature as to render their further living together as husband and wife insupportable.

Herein fail not, but have before said Court, at its aforesaid next regular term this writ with your return thereon showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and the Seal of said Court, at office in Mason, Texas this the 2nd day of February, A. D. 1920.

(Seal) S. C. Brockman, Clerk Dist. Ct. Mason Co., Texas By J. H. King, Deputy.

While there are few cases of severe illness in town there are many cases of colds and mild attacks of the flu. Three of the school teachers are unable to be with their classes for a few days; Messrs Reeder, Treble and Leslie. Their rooms are in charge of Miss Clara Moran and members of the senior class. Miss Moran's school near Streeter is temporarily closed because of the flu situation.

If you would like to have accident or health insurance, I have just the kind of a policy you need. No trouble to show and explain the different policies and quote premiums. Martin D. Loring, agent for the Maryland Assurance Corporation.

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THE BETTER WAY

By CECILLE LANGDON

The double marriage of Walter Dorrance and Winnie Tresham and Frank Dolby and Rita Pearce was the event of the year at Upton. It was nothing more than a quiet, simple church wedding, but everything was in exquisite taste. Brides and grooms were great favorites with the community, youth, beauty and refinement combined to make the double union attractive and a glowing future was presaged for the happy group of four.

But for the insistency of Winnie, her fiancé would have urged a delay in the nuptial celebration.

"The part of wisdom with us, Winnie," he said, "would be to wait at least two years before we marry. My father's business failure and death has left me certain serious duties and responsibilities I must sacredly carry out, and during that period I can not feel fully settled and safe as to my individual business connections."

And naturally, amid the first flush of happy love and confidence Winnie looked upon her manly, handsome fiancé as the very personification of knowledge and ability. She playfully closed her pretty pink ears as to proffered details of his business affairs. "Whatever he said or did was right," she insisted, and for several months the lovers drifted along pleasantly, Winnie contented to repose perfect confidence in Walter, whose judgment was undeniable to her way of thinking, and he devoted strictly to the following out of plans that would eventuate through care and sacrifice and economy in placing them on a clear basis.

Walter's business called him away on the road a great deal, and he returned from a long trip to find Winnie somehow changed. She was constantly in the company of Rita, and their chumminess had resulted in the latter gaining a great influence over her. She had inculcated Winnie with the idea that a woman should always

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have her way, that Walter was too precise and careful, and it all ended in Walter finally giving way to Winnie in the matter of anticipating their marriage by a year.

"It would be half my life's enjoyment to have a double wedding," declared Winnie. "Remember, Walter, that Rita and I have been like sisters since we were little children, and we wish to be married at the same time. "You shall have your wish," agreed Walter, "only it will be necessary for us to exercise great economy until all the old affairs of my father's family are settled up."

So conditions seemed fair and pleasant for the wedded couples during their honeymoon. They had found a very comfortable duplex house and it was a joy to the brides to be separated only by a party wall.

Walter noted quite a change in his wife on his return from his first business trip. She could talk of little else than the new things the Dolbys had acquired. She alluded to the liberality of Frank in a way that rather reproached Walter, and she was quite moody when they returned from spending an evening at the Dolby home.

"Just think how good Frank is to Rita," said Winnie. "Last month he had the house all redecorated, made Rita a present of a grand victrola on her birthday, and he is talking about getting an automobile."

Hints and comparisons on the part of Winnie grew into complaints and reproaches as time went on. The Dolbys were plunging into reckless extravagance, and it began to be so that Walter felt relieved to get away from this atmosphere of discontent on his usual trips. He had gently, but firmly told Winnie that he had marked out a definite course, and that Frank was going beyond his depth and would end up in financial difficulties.

There was an expression of worry in Winnie's face the day he returned from a month's absence, but he noted that she was more like her old loving self than usual, and she did not even allude to the Dolbys. She flushed up when Walter asked her about them.

"They are staying temporarily at Rita's mother," explained Winnie. "Oh! Walter, they are in such deep trouble!"

"Why, what do you mean?" inquired Walter, but secretly he surmised the truth.

"They have had a dreadful time. Frank, it seems, bought nearly all those new things on credit. He could not meet his notes and the furniture men have foreclosed a mortgage on all they have. Oh, Walter!" and sobbing and in tears Winnie threw herself into the arms of her husband. "I have been a wicked, covetous sinner, and I shudder when I recall how I have tried to influence you to follow in their footsteps."

"Don't reproach yourself, Winnie," soothed Walter tenderly. "During this last trip I settled up all my father's affairs. I have not only cleared the estate of every debt, but there is left a surplus of several thousand dollars. We shall have the reward of our patience in a new and better home and I can spare enough to redeem the belongings of the Dolbys and put Frank on his feet again, hoping he has learned the lesson of keeping away from extravagance and debt."

"Oh! you wise, wise man!" whispered Winnie brokenly, but gratefully. "And, oh, your dear, good, forgiving love!"

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"Some Tall Thinking"

By SAIDEE E. BALCOM

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"What is wrong with you, Hiram?" inquired Mrs. Parton as her husband flicked the flanks of the team of horses he was driving, in a vicious sort of way that was not natural with his usually easy-going nature.

"Nothing that I know of," responded the farmer, "except that I am doing some tall thinking."

They had just been calling upon the Doane family, and now were passing two new bungalows in the course of construction at the corner of the place nearest to the town.

"A happy, well satisfied family," resumed Hiram reflectively. "Two girls married—got good husbands—and ours—"

"Why, Hiram Parton!" she exclaimed. "It isn't possible that you wish to get rid of Ruthie and Pearl!"

"You know I don't, mother," returned Hiram promptly, "but a talk

with Neighbor Doane set me sort of casting up things. His daughters are younger than ours, and yet they are settled in life. It has set me thinking that ours are both of marriageable age and yet they don't seem to hit it. Young men nowadays are dawdlers. They hang around and enjoy it, but not one of the beaux Ruthie and Pearl have had has come down to business. Aren't they spoiling the chances of the girls by not leaving the way clear for young men really looking for wives? I'm thinking of the girls, Rachel. I'd hate to see them left old maids."

"Don't let that trouble you," spoke Mrs. Parton quite tartly. "Prettier, better behaved girls don't exist!"

"Well, you and I knew each other only six months before we got spliced. Haven't we been happy ever since?" Rachel could not demur nor deny, but remarked: "Verne Walters and Barry Grey are two fine, sensible young men. They like our daughters and the girls know it, and are glad of it. Give them time, Hiram—you will have to part with them sooner than you wish, maybe."

"Well, Doane gave me a few ideas today," said Hiram. "Those fellows have been coming to the house for over a year regularly and ought to know their minds by this time."

"Yes, and they enjoy it, like all the young people. Who wouldn't? for you help like all the rest of us to make them welcome. I am glad to show real hospitality and encourage it in the girls."

Nothing more was said just then, but when they had reached home and Hiram was alone in the barn putting up the horses he muttered: "I'll take Doane's advice and try some new tactics. I'm spoiling those young fellows with too much kindness. They've just got to declare themselves."

Verne Walters was courting Ruthie Parton and Barry Grey her sister, Pearl, according to local gossip, and had indeed become almost domesticated with the Partons. The place had got to be like home to them and they and the girls enjoyed every moment of their harmonious companionship. Amid comfort, contentment and a general understanding as to what this would lead to, the young men allowed matters to drift, and the girls were glad of the opportunity to get fully acquainted with the lovers they intuitively surmised would sooner or later broach the subject of marriage.

The following Sunday afternoon, on their way to visit a sick friend, Verne and Barry drove up to the Barton farmhouse in a buggy. It was raining and usually Mr. Parton led their rig to the barn, but on this occasion he sat in a corner of the porch and made no move. When, after half an hour, the young men departed, he awarded them a mere nod of the head. Ruthie glanced at him reproachfully and Pearl was rather frightened at his unceremonious manner.

He let cross-grained unfriendly Tighe loose about the time the young men returned and the animal by no means gave them a cordial greeting. It had always been the custom for Mr. Parton to go down into the cellar about eight o'clock in the evening and bring up some of his prime cider and chat in a gracious way with the visitors. On the present occasion he steadfastly smoked in solitude and there was

a decided tension in affairs as the young men left early and the girls went to bed feeling that a cloud had come over the pleasant home life.

The ensuing Wednesday evening Hiram persevered in the same line of tactics. He was uncommunicative, he turned out the parlor light early and the lovers strolled about the garden by themselves glad to get away from the glum sullen behavior of their former genial host.

Ruthie and Pearl came in half an hour later looking consciously embarrassed. Their father stole probing glances at them. Then he noticed what he was looking for.

"Got a new ring, each of you, haven't you?" he observed and Ruthie blushed and Pearl said:

"Yes, father, they are engagement rings."

"Oh! Is that so?" piped Hiram, cheerily. "Well, tell the boys when they fix the wedding day to pick out a site for two bungalows, and I'll foot the bill," and he winked at Rachel and was quite his normal self, and she readily surmised that his spell of severity was all past and gone.

Miss Gladys Leslie has been out of her school room this week sick with the flu.

Henry, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Plueneke, has a well developed case of the "flu". We hope he will soon be all right again.

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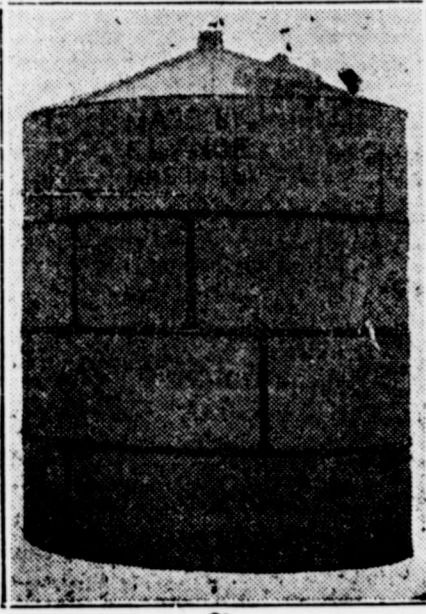
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