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## IMPOSSIBLE TO ESTIMATE LOSS IN SAN ANTONIO FLOOD

### LAST FRIDAY NIGHT'S FLOOD IN SAN ANTONIO SURPASSED ANY RECORD IN HISTORY

According to all reports the flood in San Antonio last Friday night was one of the greatest ordeals ever to occur in the State. The loss of life appears not to be as great as was first estimated but an estimate of the vast amount of property damaged seems impossible. Monday's Express states that the loss of life is placed at 45; injured at 29, and missing, 22 while there are scores of homeless and needy families.

The article below, taken from Monday's Express, will give the reader some idea of the terrific flood:

Practically all of San Antonio's business district is damaged. The commercial life of the Alamo City is paralyzed. All theaters are closed. Banks were closed. In all the vast section of the principal business portion not a store opened for business, not a wheel turned at the usual hour Saturday morning. Not one building escaped. Owners of buildings and tenants make no attempt to even estimate the approximate money value of their losses, but it is known that the total will run into several million dollars.

From Losoya Street and Avenue B to the westward, making a clean sweep through the very heart of the business section the flood registered its greatest damage and its highest high water marks. The principal business thoroughfares have been practically floated away, and with the coming of daylight, the streets bore all the signs of having suffered a successful heavy artillery barrage and airplane siege combined.

Without lights, water or telephone service, the city stood idle early yesterday, while clerks, office employes and laborers stood side by side with business leaders, bankers and merchants, all too stunned and shocked by the catastrophe to immediately start the work of reconstruction. They are rendered inactive by the horror of the flood.

All basements and first floors in a large part of the business district were inundated during the crest of the flood, and in view of that it would be useless to attempt to enumerate them all in seeking to arrive at an approximate total of the loss in dollars and cents.

Broken plate glass windows clutter the sidewalks, the sides of some buildings were literally torn away. Doors are missing and on the first floors of all of the buildings the contents in most instances are to be seen piled high in one end of the room, reaching to the second stories of the buildings, and smeared with the everlastingly sticky mud.

The high tide of the flood extended to the east throughout the business district to Avenue B, Losoya and South Presa Streets. From those streets west the flood swept in a raging torrent for hours, leaving only grewsome piles of debris.

The San Antonio Drug Company basement was filled with valuable oils, disinfectants, glassware, mineral waters and drugs. William Ochse estimates the loss at approximately \$125,000.

The Household Furniture Company, St. Mary's and Commerce Streets, is unable to estimate its loss. The entire basement and lower floor of the structure was swept by the flood. Furniture, broken and mud smeared, bobbling about in the swirling waters, crashed through windows, broke through doors and the entire lower floor was practically wiped out.

The same condition exists in all stores along both sides of Commerce Street and Market Street.

### Abstract Office Damaged

The San Antonio Abstract Company estimates its loss of records and index files alone at \$70,000. This company is located in the basement of the National Bank of Commerce, corner of Commerce and Soledad Streets.

All merchandise in the basement, sales and stock rooms of the Wolff &

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## VON ARMES DIED AT FREDONIA SATURDAY

### DEATH FOLLOWS PROLONGED ILLNESS; WAS 31 YEARS OF AGE

Mr. Von Armes died at his home at Fredonia last Saturday night, September 10th, at about ten o'clock. The young man had been in bad health for a number of years, and while it was generally expected that death was near, he died suddenly. The cause of the young man's death is attributed to bright's disease.

Deceased was born April 7, 1890 and on January 7, 1914, he was married to Miss Alta Miller, who, with a seven year old son, survives him in death. Surviving also are Mr. Armes' aged and widowed mother, three brothers and seven sisters.

The young man was not a member of any church but was converted a Christian at the age of seventeen years. Having wandered from grace he again confessed religion about two years ago and it is said he lived a Christian life until death.

The funeral services were held from the family residence last Sunday afternoon and interment was made in the late afternoon at the Vagram cemetery. Rev. W. H. Gage, pastor of the local Baptist church, conducted the funeral services. It is said that the funeral was a large one; the attendance and the many floral offerings attesting the high esteem with which deceased was held in his community.

The News joins friends in extending to the bereaved wife and son, together with other relatives, deepest sympathy in their hour of grief.

## CONVOY OF MOTOR TRUCKS TO VISIT MASON SOON

It will be remembered that in the spring a convoy of motor trucks from Camp Travis passed through Mason en route for Fort Logan, Colorado. This week, notice has been received that the convoy will return to Camp Travis in the very near future and will visit Mason on their return trip, as scheduled on the trip going to Fort Logan. A copy of the letter received is published below and we believe it to be self-explanatory. The letter follows:

Fort Logan, Colorado,  
September 10, 1921.

From: Motor Convoy Officer.

To: Mr. Sam Hoerster, Mr. Carl Runge, Mr. A. E. Grosse, Mason, Tex. Subject: Motor Truck Convoy from Ft. Logan, Denver, Colorado to Camp Travis, San Antonio, Texas.

1. On or about the 13th inst. it is contemplated that the crack battalion of the 9th Infantry Regiment, famous 2nd. Division, will proceed, by motor truck Convoy, to its home station at Camp Travis, San Antonio, Texas.

2. It is possible that we may ask permission to spend one night in your city. We hope that we will merit your co-operation and hospitality in the same manner that was shown to us on our stay with you one night last May.

3. It is requested that you give this fact as much publicity as you deem advisable and time will permit.

4. Approximately 300 men will be in the party. About 500 gallons gasoline, 35 gallons lubricating oil and possibly fresh beef and bread will have to be purchased.

5. You will probably be notified by wire or telephone the approximate hour of our arrival.

GORDON H. STEELE,  
Captain, Q. M. C.

## NEILL SUFFERS LOSS IN SAN ANTONIO FLOOD

It is stated that the garage of W. H. Neill, which is located on South Flores Street in San Antonio, suffered a great loss in the flood waters last Friday night in the Alamo city. Mr. Neill is well acquainted here and his many friends will learn of his misfortune with much regret.

Miss Alice Lemburg, who has been spending several weeks in San Antonio, returned home this week for an extended visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Lemburg.

## MASON PUBLIC SCHOOL STARTS 33RD SESSION; OPENING MONDAY

### ENROLLMENT OF 370 ON OPENING, NUMBER EXPECTED TO REACH 400 SOON

The thirty-third annual session of the Mason Public Schools began this week, the opening being held Monday morning.

Promptly at nine o'clock, Superintendent P. A. Bennett, called the house to attention. With Miss Maybelle Loring at the piano, Rev. R. G. Rader lead in the singing of two songs: "America" and "Onward Christian Soldiers". Following the songs, Rev. W. H. Gage offered quite an appropriate prayer.

Prof. Bennett made a few opening remarks and in an apologetic manner expressed regrets that the auditorium was not sufficiently large to accommodate the entire school during the opening exercises, consequently only the sixth grade pupils, parents and other visitors heard the opening ceremonies.

All students of the school and the teachers occupied their respective rooms. Mr. Bennett's talk closed with remarks relative to the aim of the faculty in their work for this term of school and with an earnest solicitation for co-operation from the school patrons. He stated the work to be required from the students this term would be of a higher standard than was required last year and he asked that parents join with the teachers in bringing about the very best results. He emphasized the importance of parents giving their children's report card attention and give encouragement where needed and at the same time use their influence in getting the child to strive for advancement in his work.

E. J. Lemburg, president of the local school board, made a short, but convincing talk. He asked that patrons give more attention to visiting the school than was the case the past session. He praised the Parent-Teachers' organization and urged that the organization be revived this year with additional members. Mr. Lemburg stated that the school board had not as yet decided on the location for the new school building, but he intimated that the site would be selected in the very near future. The selling of the bonds with which to erect the new building and remodel the present building, has been delayed, due to the unsettled conditions of the bond market, said Mr. Lemburg. He expressed a desire that these unsettled conditions would soon adjust themselves and stated it is likely that some active operations pertaining to the erection of the new building will have been started within the next thirty days.

Mr. Carl Runge favored the audience with a few remarks, in which he commended the faculty and students of last year for the splendid work accomplished. Mr. Runge passed a few enlightening remarks regarding issuing and selling of the bonds for the new school building. He was followed by John T. Banks, County School Superintendent, who made a brief talk. Judge Banks expressed his desire and willingness to be of assistance to the school, both as an individual and in an official capacity. He stated that he had succeeded this year in getting a large number of transfers to this school from smaller schools over the county.

Rev. W. H. Gage, pastor of the local Baptist church, Rev. G. W. F. Schreiber, pastor of the local German Methodist church, and Rev. Roy G. Rader, pastor of the local M. E. Church, South, each took up a few minutes in expressing their attitudes on the school and the work which is being accomplished. Each of the pastors expressed a desire to have patrons of the school, students and members of the faculty to visit their churches; extending them a welcome either as visitors or as active workers.

Superintendent P. A. Bennett closed the opening ceremonies with a few brief and appropriate remarks and extended the visitors an invitation to visit the various rooms before departing for home.

## MASON'S BAND HAS THIRTY-TWO MEMBERS

### INSTRUCTOR MONEYHON SAYS ORGANIZATION IS MAKING GOOD PROGRESS

Mason now has a brass band organized and the membership is composed of thirty-two members, according to George Moneyhon, who is acting as instructor and leader.

Mr. Moneyhon announced only this week that the members seem to be enthusiastic in the work and he reports the entire band making rapid progress in learning. It is said that the doors for new members have been closed and it is not likely that any others will be allowed to join. Eight of the members are young ladies and with but few exceptions, the entire organization is made up of school children.

The personnel of the band, with the instrument each plays, is as follows:

Miss Sarah Thaxton, Piccolo; Roy Doell, Clarinet; Herbert Splittergerber, Clarinet; Chas. Hightower, Clarinet; Miss Susie Donop, Clarinet; Miss Mary Kettner, Clarinet; Melchoir Beyer, Cornet; Lorine Hays, Cornet; Ernest Lemburg, Jr., Cornet; Miss Ida Mae Lemburg, Cornet; Miss Helen Jordan, Cornet; Miss Augusta Jenkins, Cornet; Andrew Schreiber, Cornet; Seth Hofmann, Cornet; G. W. Bird, Jr., Cornet; Miss Willie Mae Grosse, Alto; Miss Willie Mae Doell, Alto; Elmer Hibdon, Alto; Garner Seaquist, Alto; Raymond Bolt, Alto; Robert Owen Lange, Tenor; Percy Zesch, Tenor; Murray Kyger, Trombone; Allen Doell, Trombone; Clarence Winkel, Trombone; Willie Donop, Jr., Trombone; L. W. Walker, Baritone; Clarence Kothmann, Baritone; Celeste Beyer, Tuba; Henry Kettner, Bass Drum; Leroy Lange, snare drum; Geo. W. Moneyhon, Leader, Cornet.

## HOFMANN BROS. WILL SOON HAVE MOTOR DRAWN HEARSE

According to information given out by Ernest Hofmann, a member of the Hofmann Bros., undertakers of our town, a motor drawn hearse will soon take the place of the hearse now in use, which is drawn by horses.

Mr. Hofmann stated that the chassis and motor of a Studebaker Six car has been purchased, overhauled and put in splendid mechanical condition and a cab, which was ordered some time ago, is being expected to arrive in the very near future. It is the intention to remove the body from the hearse now in use and place it on the rear of the Studebaker chassis, thus providing them with a modern undertaker's vehicle.

The motor drawn hearse will provide a long felt need according to Mr. Hofmann, and we believe the firm is to be congratulated for the progressive spirit they have shown in securing such a vehicle.

## COMMISSIONERS COURT IN SESSION ONLY A SHORT TIME

The Commissioners' Court of Mason County was in regular session a few days this week. Judge Banks announces that the court had but little business to dispose of and it was not necessary for that body to remain in session but a couple days.

Typewriter ribbons, 80c. News Office.

It is estimated that something like 150 visitors attended the opening exercises.

Up to Tuesday about noon the enrollment of the school was 370 pupils, according to Supt. Bennett. Of this number, there are 261 in the grades and 109 in the High School Department.

The grade teachers for the session are Miss Mildred Davidson, first grade; Miss Jessie Roark, 2nd grade; Miss Sadie Lindsay, 3rd grade; Miss Marie Brockman, 4th grade; Miss Elma Evers, 5th grade; Miss Winnie Walker, 6th grade; Miss Bettye Tribble, 7th grade. The High School members of the faculty are Miss Theresa Klapproth, Miss Grace Phillips, Asbury Montgomery, L. W. Dumas, P. A. Bennett, Supt.

## PROMINENT RANCHMAN OF LOYAL VALLEY DIED LAST WEDNESDAY

### DEATH IS SUDDEN, DUE TO COMPLICATIONS OF ILLNESS

Mr. Jerry W. Nard, a prominent ranchman of the Loyal Valley section, died at his home last Wednesday afternoon at five o'clock. Deceased was born in Llano county, November 20, 1863 and was reared by Mr. Tom Moore. Upon reaching manhood he was wedded to Miss Nora Williamson, who preceded him in death something like twenty years ago. Shortly previous to Mrs. Nard's death they purchased a ranch known as the Tim Williams place near Loyal Valley. At her death Mr. Nard was left with a number of small children, of whom he assumed the entire parental responsibility and the splendid manner in which he reared them reflects much to his credit. He was a man of unapproachable character and was considered by everyone a man of high ideals. At death he had attained the age of 57 years, 9 months and 17 days. He is survived by four children; Linden, of Loyal Valley; Jeff of Arizona; Mrs. Carl Ham, of San Antonio, and Mrs. Ray Bransford, of Trent, and two grandchildren. It is said he has two brothers and a sister, whose addresses are unknown.

Mr. Nard's death is attributed to a complication of diseases. He was reported to have been in failing health for several years, although his life was not considered to be in immediate danger. He was taken critically ill Wednesday morning and died Wednesday afternoon about five o'clock. Funeral services were held last Sunday afternoon at four o'clock at the family residence and interment was made in the Loyal Valley cemetery. Rev. Henry Gfote, of Castell and Rev. Roy G. Rader, of Mason, conducted the religious services. Mrs. M. W. Nichols, Mrs. Rubin Kidd and other ladies of the community had charge of arrangements and of lining the grave. It is said every detail was properly arranged and it is stated it is impossible for any community to lay a citizen away with more loving care than the people of that section displayed on this occasion.

The pall bearers were Mr. Timney, Robt. Owens, Wm. Lehmann, Wm. Kidd, Henry Keyser, Alonzo Lewis, Adolph Marschall, A. C. Kothe, John Wendell, Will Schneider, August Kothmann, Willie Crenshaw, Mr. G. Frederick, an aged and highly esteemed friend to Mr. Nard, served as an honorary pall bearer.

The News joins with the many friends of the family in extending heartfelt sympathy to the grief stricken children in this sad hour.

## PARENT-TEACHERS WILL ORGANIZE NEXT MONDAY

The News is requested to announce that a Parent-Teachers' Association will be organized for Mason on next Monday afternoon, and a meeting will be held at the school building at four o'clock for the purpose of organizing.

The presence of every one, who is interested in the welfare of the local schools, is being urged. Remember, the meeting will be held at the school building at four o'clock on next Monday afternoon, September 19th.

W. O. Bode, County Tax Assessor, is able to be out, following an illness of several days which confined him to his room.

## ERNEST LEMBURG, JR., RECEIVES BROKEN ARM ON LAST MONDAY

Ernest Lemburg, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Lemburg, suffered a broken arm last Monday afternoon when he fell from a swing on Comanche Creek near the home of J. L. Bruce, Dr. P. A. Baze set the broken member and the little fellow is reported as being very little inconvenienced from the injury. One bone was broken and the other was "bent" according to the youth's statement. The injured arm is the right one.

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**TINY BABY MAY GIVE CLEW TO AUTO BANDIT**

A tow-headed, toddling baby girl about 2 years old, is expected to be a central figure in clearing up the identity of the bandit who robbed C. A. Jetton and Miss Annie Taylor near Junction and forced them to bring him in their automobile 150 miles to San Antonio. The baby girl is thought to be the bandit's daughter.

All morning at detective headquarters, the baby girl was calling for her "daddy." When her "daddy" is caught, officers are confident the baby will announce his identity in no uncertain terms. Miss Taylor saw the baby. She said the child was a living picture of the man who held her and Mr. Jetton up last Tuesday night.

The surrounding territory is being combed by officers and instructions to watch for the bandit have been sent over the State. Acting Detective Chief, Sam Street, in charge of the case is hopeful of an early arrest. A suspect held at Seguin has been released. Other "vagrants" have been questioned closely.

**Arrest of Woman Important Development**

An important development in the case came late yesterday afternoon with the arrest on North Flores Street of the woman who is believed to be the bandit's wife. She admits being the wife of a man who is a highwayman, but denies any knowledge of the robbery.

Detective Sergeant Harvey was informed by telephone message from Sheriff Bierschwale at Boerne that a woman with a baby was headed toward San Antonio in a large car. Detectives Kohr and Bill Carver were sent to North Flores Street and Detective Duke Carver followed in another car.

Near the place where the bandit left Jetton's car, Detective Duke Carver stopped a travel-stained touring car, in which a woman and her baby were riding. A man was said to be in the car, but was merely showing the woman the way to San Antonio.—Junction Eagle.

Allison Beavers was in Mason Monday and recovered the suit portion of his father, Wm. Beavers, and instructed as to address the papers to Brady, where Mr. Beavers recently moved and is engaged in the market business. He asserted that his father reports the meat business going and is well. He butchered three head of cattle last Saturday and found a ready sale for all the meat.

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**MASON COUNTY NEWS.**

August Kothmann was a business visitor in Mason last Saturday from the Castell country.

Misses Mayme Smith and Mayme Doell, who are to teach at Humble, made an attempt to leave for their school last week, but were compelled to come back after going as far as Llano, due to the washout on the railroad to Austin.

**REGULAR FLOOD RETURNS FROM THIS MAN'S NICKEL**

Writing in the "Christian Herald," Grant Miller says that some twenty years ago a rascally partner beat J. C. S. Johnstone out of all he had. A ter years of habitual comfort, at the age of forty-one and in hard times, he faced the world with practically nothing but his hands.

He went to Minneapolis and tramped the streets in vain for work. At last he had five cents between him and beggary or starvation. Walking along the street, uncertain whether to try again or give up the battle altogether, he was asked by a Salvation Army girl for a nickel for the poor.

Moved by the unconscious irony of the request, he gave her his nickel and told her it was his last cent. "The Lord won't forget she said, and went on. Almost convinced that the Lord had forgotten him Johnstone watched her at her work. The next thirteen she accosted, gave her nothing, the fourteenth gave her a dollar.

He remembered that he had asked for work several times and had been refused. He made up his mind to ask again and again up to fourteen times. He got the job. That was the end of his distress. He saved his wages and a year or two later bought a little mill out in the woods. His business prospered. In ten years the commercial agencies rated his wealth at nearly seven figures.

He was always utterly convinced that should he let a Salvation Army collector pass unheeded his prosperity would end. Superstition, do you say—the giving of that last nickel had nothing to do with the man's success? If you do, then you know little about the real forces that rule in this life.

Out of conflicting emotions and impulses resolve was suddenly created, and thereafter there was a new force in the man. Who can say that a man, standing at the brink of despair, who gives away his last penny can remain the same man that he was before? Is there any man not a fool who denies that there is a Divine call in what he is actuated in doing which puts strength into the heart? None can fail to see, shining above the conflicting creeds as a sun-kissed mountain peak shines above its mist, the Christ-truth, impressed upon us every day.

That the man who takes as the foundation of his life the principle that what is done for the good of human kind is not done in vain creates a structure which the storms of all time cannot shake.

The man whose only hope is centered upon his last nickel and can give that to humanity has the stuff in him that counts for success, no matter what he may have been before.

**CARD OF THANKS**

We wish to thank the good people for their loving kindness shown us during the illness and death of our darling father, especially do we thank Dr. Huff for doing all he could for him at the last. May God love and protect every one of you.

JEFF NARD  
MRS. R. BRANSFORD  
MRS. CARL HAM.  
LINDEN NARD

Mrs. Jennie Williams returned last week from a visit of several days among relatives and friends in the Fredonia section.

**THINKS RISE A RECORD**

**R. E. O'Grady, Old Resident, Doubts if Water Was Higher in 1867.**

R. E. O'Grady, manager of the Argyle Hotel, who has been a resident of San Antonio for the past thirty years, declared Saturday that the flood is the biggest that he has ever seen here. At the old stone quarry in Alamo Heights, the water rose to nearly ten feet on the side of the cliff making it approximately 30 feet at the river's channel. Mr. O'Grady said this is the highest he has ever seen and possibly the highest in the history of the river unless in the flood of 1867.

"Of course, I wasn't here then," he said, "but from what I learned from old settlers the water reached across the valley and flooded the old Herf homestead near the West Texas Military Academy. I noticed last night lower, that water had surrounded the home of Mrs. Weigand which is in the valley of the river opposite Alamo Heights. This has never happened before, to my knowledge. I would estimate the water at that point nearly a mile wide."—San Antonio Light.

H. O. Brockman was here Saturday from his farm east of Mason. He said that the rains had been splendid in his section and stated that grass looks extra fine and green. He reported having gathered 25 loads of corn and had a little more in the fields.

A number of local parties have been prevented from leaving Mason to take up their work as teachers in various portions of the State, due to the great flood in the Austin and San Antonio vicinities.

Miss Margaret Bierschwale left Tuesday for Stephenville to resume her duties as instructor of English in the College at that place, which is a branch of the State A. & M. College.

Miss Bessie Grote returned home Sunday night from San Antonio. She was there on a visit to friends with the expectation of leaving there Saturday night for home, but the flood prevented her from getting a train out of the city. Ben Grote and Pete Jordan went down after her by auto Sunday morning, reaching home late that night. Miss Bessie is in a position to relate some thrilling stories in connection with the flood.

**STREETER**

The recent showers which have fallen in this section have been quite beneficial, while too late to be of benefit to crops, the atmosphere has been cooled and grass has started up again. If more rain comes soon and frost stays off until late this section will have a good winter range.

Ollie Messy and family, of Voca, moved to our city last week, and are living in the E. B. McCollum house.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hardesty and Mr. and Mrs. Gaines Allen spent Saturday in London where Mrs. Allen was received as a member of the Eastern Star.

Marion Cope left Friday for Aspermont, Texas, to be gone several months prospecting and visiting his brother, Arlice, of that place.

Miss Nettie Evans attended the Mason-Gillespie county joint teachers' institute held at Fredericksburg last week. Miss Evans is employed as primary teacher in the Grit school this year. She has taught there before and we feel the board at that place has made a good selection.

F. A. Krueger, son and daughter and grandson, Leroy Dolle, of Seguin, spent several days here the past week, visiting Mr. Krueger and family. Mr. Krueger was also advertising the Guadalupe County Fair to be held at Seguin October 4, 5, 6 and 7th.

Mr. Homer Richardson and sister, Miss Hazel and Misses Eckert of Junction and Cummins of London, spent Saturday in Streeter on their return from Fredericksburg where they attended the teachers' institute. Mr. Richardson and sister will teach in our school at this place the coming session.

Mr. C. A. Brite and family will leave this week for San Antonio and other points to be gone for possibly a month or six weeks. They go for the benefit of Mrs. Brite's health. They contemplate attending the Fredericksburg Fair, then go to San Antonio for a few days' stay, and from there they will go to the Medina Dam, where they will spend several days camping. Before returning, several other points will be visited.

Reporter.

**DR. THAXTON, OF LIVESTOCK SANITARY COMMISSION, SAYS NO ANTHRAX IN THIS COUNTY**

Dr. Wm. Thaxton, of the Livestock Sanitary Commission, was here the past week and after an examination of the stock on the places reported to be infected with Charbon or Anthrax by a Brownwood veterinary some two weeks ago, reported that he was unable to find any trace of the disease there. The item in regard to the Anthrax in this county was carried by the Brownwood News upon a report by Dr. Sanderson, who had been called to the Fife community to see some stock. The places affected were those of J. S. and Doc Wyres and Henry Bradley. But according to Dr. Thaxton the disease was not found and no quarantine will be necessary.—Brady Sentinel.

**JUDGE McCLEAN COMMENDED**

Since his incumbency, Judge J. H. McLean has instituted several new departures in conducting the district court outside of the old time worn ruts, but the best and most far departure he has adopted is in dispatching the business of his court. A special session of the Llano grand jury returned several indictments and the court was convened and the trials of the indicted were gone into. If all the district judges of the State would follow this rule and try cases when the testimony was fresh and the witnesses accessible, the ends of justice could be nearer arrived at and the professional crook would not have time to manufacture evidence and drill witnesses. It might hurt the criminal law business, but the safety of society would be more secure and the evil doers would think twice if they knew they would not have time to get witnesses and patch up an alibi.—San Saba Star.

Dan Jordan was here Monday from his ranch in the Art section. Mr. Jordan reported the recent rains very beneficial in his community and believes grass will grow very fast now, and will be a relief to many stockmen who were getting in a critical condition from lack of good grazing for cattle.

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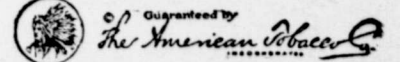
Miss Mildred Smith, who was to have left Sunday for San Antonio to attend Bon Avon College this year, received a message last Saturday from an official of the institution, advising her that school was delayed one week due to the severe storm in San Antonio. She expects to leave next Sunday.

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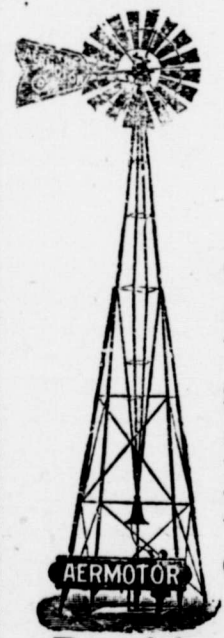
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"What is worry?" asks a correspondent. Perhaps one might say that worry is what you make it.—New York Sun.

If the universe is really one thousand times larger than we thought it was, how large did we think it was?—Life.

Of course it is none of our business, but as far as we can see this world was made for grandchildren.—Dallas News.

Can't some manufacturer give a straw hat a boomerang shape, so it will come back when it blows off?—Greenville (S. C.) Piedmont.

The country must be getting back to normalcy. The lightning-rod agents are doing business again.—Palatka (Fla.) Times-Herald.

Woman never is, but always to be, dressed, if there's truth in her eternal. "I haven't a thing to wear."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Now that a gang of girl burglars has been found in Des Moines, people ought to keep a mouse instead of a bulldog.—Omaha Bee.

If woman's dress was of the old length and the price in proportion, how much would it cost to dress a chicken?—Steamboat Springs (Colo.) Pilot.

The women are not putting up much fruit in Johnston county this year. The men are using all the fruit jars. (None of your business.)—Tishomingo (Okla.) Democrat.

Golf is needlessly prolonging the life of some of our most useless citizens.—Atlanta Constitution.

Here lies Ezekiel Abner Jones. May Heaven rest his weary bones! He made himself a batch of brew, and then he took a drink or two.—Wisconsin News.

For every woman that makes a fool out of a man, there is another who makes a man out of a fool.—Lincoln Star.

If a girl is wearing the right kind of stockings, she just can't sit down without crossing her knees.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

The more of it you give away the richer you become and so does the rest of the world—kindness.—T. P. A. Magazine.

The Gillespie County Fair opens at Fredericksburg Friday and continues through Sunday.

Underwood and Remington ribbons at News Office for 80 cents.

From the Publishers Auxiliary we note that O. H. Roberts, former publisher of the Star here, and more recently editor of the Sweetwater Daily Reporter, is putting in a new weekly paper at Sweetwater to be called the Sweetwater American. Mr. Roberts is a good newspaper man and Sweetwater is a good field and we see no reason why he should not do well in his new venture.—Brady Sentinel.

Mr. Roberts was the founder of Mason County Star, which paper was published at Mason for a short time. He has friends and acquaintances here who will wish him well at Sweetwater.

**Catarrhal Deafness Cannot Be Cured** by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure catarrhal deafness, and that is by a constitutional remedy. Catarrhal Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, Deafness is the result. Unless the inflammation can be reduced and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever. Many cases of deafness are caused by catarrh, which is an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces. Hall's Catarrh Medicine acts thru the blood on the mucous surfaces of the system. We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Catarrhal Deafness that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Medicine. Circulars free. All Druggists, 75c. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.

**TO THE FACULTY, PATRONS AND PUPILS OF THE MASON PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

On Monday, the Mason Public Schools opened for the 1921-'22 term, and the writer feels that a word of greeting would not be amiss.

To the members of the faculty, and especially to those who are strangers in our midst, we wish to extend the glad hand of welcome and extend you an invitation to become one of us. We want you to feel that you are among a hospitable people and want you to realize that the people of Mason are your friends and they desire your friendship. We solicit your most kindly co-operation in bringing about the very closest of relationship between faculty members and school patrons. To you all, is expressed our desire for your success to be unlimited and to reach the highest attainable degree. In expressing this desire, we trust, we are expressing the sentiments of our town's citizenry.

Parents, we wish to caution you against "laying down on your job" as patrons of the school. These teachers are here to render service. They are here to instruct and impart knowledge to YOUR children, not theirs. You must fully realize that they cannot accomplish the highest degree of success with your child if you do not cooperate with and lend them your support and influence at all times. Another thing, you must not forget, these teachers are human beings and appreciate being treated with consideration and respect. They like to have a little pleasure and enjoyment as they pass through life, the same as you and I, and they are entitled to it. It is up to us to make pleasant environments surround them. Get acquainted with the teachers, make them acquainted with your friends, invite them into your homes. All of these things count and will naturally create a desire among the teachers to give their best efforts to their work, and at the same time, a deeper sense of appreciation will be instilled in yourself.

In passing a word of encouragement to the pupils of our schools, we wish to compliment them for the order and behavior maintained during the past session. This year, there are new pupils in the school and a responsible rests on last year students. It is they, who must take the lead and create a desire among the student body to have a well behaved, orderly and systematic school. The work you accomplish this year depends largely on yourself. The efficient corps of teachers, which we have, can only do so much and the pupil must do the rest. The teacher will always be found ready to assist, but the child must do the learning. We warn you children to accord your teacher with the kind of treatment you expect from them.

In connection with the above, the News wishes to announce that this paper has arranged a plan whereby the public and school may be brought into closer touch and relationship. The plan is this:

The News has placed a galvanized iron box in the hall of the main school building and it is our desire that the teachers and pupils contribute us items for the paper for publication each week. We hope to devote at least two columns to school news in each edition of the paper during the present school year. In many localities the school has a publication of its own, and we believe that a school paper is a fine thing, but in the absence of such a publication for our school the next thing to it is the handling of the school news by the local paper. We ask teachers and pupils to use the box provided at the school building freely. We would like for each room to report items each week as well as general news of the school be contributed.

It is our plan to visit the school building either Tuesday afternoon or Wednesday morning of each week and take the contributed articles from the box and publish them in our Thursday issue of that current week. We would like to have all school news from each room reported in a collective manner, but ask that any personal items be written on a separate sheet of paper.

Any debating society or club of the school children and the Parent-Teachers' Association are invited to use the box for contributing articles for publication.

**NOTICE**

Is hereby given that compulsory term of the Mason Schools for the session of 1921-'22, will begin Jan. 2, 1922. C. D. McMILLAN, Sec. Board for Mason Independent School District.

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**FROM NEWS FILES OF 25 YEARS AGO**

From Mason News, Sept. 18, 1896:

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Wood, a girl, on the 14th.

F. R. Leifeste and family will leave in a few days for Florida, where they will make their future home.

Mrs. R. J. Baze is visiting the family of W. T. Burman in Menard county.

A number of young friends surprised Miss Ada Garner Saturday night by dropping in on her and a very pleasant evening was spent.

The Mason gin had turned out 160 bales up to last Saturday and the Kately gin had put out 184 bales.

A dance will be given by Ben Hey, Silas Mayo and Henry McDougall at the River Side Grove Saturday night.

H. C. Boyd has announced his candidacy for the office of District and County Clerk of Mason County.

George Morris, aged 60 years, died at his home in this county last Saturday.

Rev. Fontaine Mathis, a young preacher of considerable ability, died last Monday.

Dick Miller and Miss Kelso were married a few days ago.

R. H. Garner and family have taken charge of the Southern Hotel.

S. F. Bridges is repairing the Mason House for Mr. Allman, of Brownwood, who will take charge of it.

**15 Years Ago in Mason**

From Mason News, Sept. 14, 1906:

J. D. Eckert sold to W. J. Moore, of Llano, 120 steers, coming down, at \$19.

Walter Martin left Thursday for Dallas to attend school.

Mr. Kaufmann, aged 75 years, died at the Kuhn Farm on Honey Creek last Wednesday.

Mrs. R. H. Garner is at Brady waiting on the sick: Mrs. Ovy Garner, Mrs. J. M. Lyle and little son and the little daughter of R. C. Doell, all being down.

Am Wood and family have moved to Brady, where he will have charge

of the cotton warehouse.

Mrs. L. H. King is at home from a pleasant visit with her son, Manks, in El Paso.

The Llano river was on a big rise this week. It came down on a 12 foot rise Sunday and an 8 footer came down Monday morning.

Mr. Jess D. Miller and Mrs. L. N.

King were married last Sunday morning at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Zesch, Judge J. H. Jones officiating.

Alva Tinsley marketed his third bale of cotton for the season Saturday; receiving 9 cents a pound for it.

Mrs. Beno Schmitt and child returned to their home at Southville last Friday.

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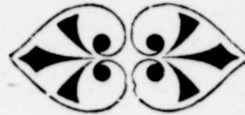
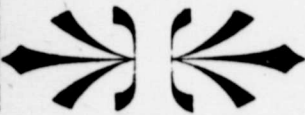


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## The Mason County News

We are making a special subscription offer to new subscribers. This offer is to send the News to any address in Mason county from the day the subscription is received until January 1, 1922 for the small amount of 25 cents. This is strictly a trial offer and is being made in order to introduce the News into new homes. The offer will expire on October 15, 1921.



Remember, it is only good to parties residing within Mason County and it is understood that the paper will be discontinued on January 1, 1922, if the subscription has not been renewed before that time.

Mail in your subscription or call at this office. Cash must accompany the order in every instance.

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FRIDAY NIGHT  
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#### Official Statement of the Financial Condition of the FIRST STATE BANK

at Mason, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 6th day of September, 1921, published in the Mason News a newspaper printed and published at Mason, State of Texas, on the 15th day of September, 1921.

Resources	
Loans and discounts, personal or collateral	\$80,736.96
Loans real estate	1,500.00
Overdrafts	1,728.03
Furniture and fixtures	4,387.78
Due from other banks and bankers, and cash on hand	27,904.12
Interest on Depositors' Guaranty Fund	750.00
Assessment Depositors' Guaranty Fund	1,125.04
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$118,131.93</b>
Liabilities	
Capital stock paid in	\$25,000.00
Undivided Profits, net	4,793.38
Individual Deposits, subject to check	\$3,267.40
Cashier's Checks	70.50
Bill payable and rediscounts	5,000.00
Other liabilities	18.65
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$118,131.93</b>

State of Texas, County of Mason.  
We, J. D. Eckert, as president, and W. E. Jordan, as cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.  
J. D. ECKERT, President.  
W. E. JORDAN, Cashier.  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 14th day of September, A. D., 1921.  
(Seal) ROSCOE RUNGE,  
Notary Public Mason County, Texas.  
Correct—Attest:  
G. LER JORDAN,  
E. W. KOTHMANN,  
OSCAR BEAQUIST,  
Directors.

Austin had an eighteen inch rain last week and Rockdale was the scene of much disaster the first of this week, due to heavy rains, accompanied by a tornado. Many of the cities of the south central portion of the State had tremendous rains last week and suffered loss of property and other damage due to high water.

F. B. McCollum left last Sunday for San Antonio to visit his wife and children and ascertain their condition following the big flood of Friday night.

You'll enjoy the pictures at the Star Opera House, Shows every Friday and Saturday night. Don't forget, it starts at 8:15 o'clock.

Typewriter ribbons, 80c. News Office.

#### CITATION BY PUBLICATION

State of Texas, County of Mason.  
To the Sheriff or any Constable of Mason County—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon Sarah Fidelia Armstrong, Margaret Armstrong Scott, Sarah Fidelia Weathersby (nee Scott), Mary P. Moore (nee Scott), John R. Moore, W. O. Weathersby and Benjamin Flynn Scott; the legal representatives of the estates of the said Sarah Fidelia Armstrong, Margaret Armstrong Scott, Sarah Fidelia Weathersby (nee Scott), Mary P. Moore (nee Scott), John R. Moore and Benjamin Flynn Scott; the legal representatives of the Estates of the heirs of the said Sarah Fidelia Armstrong, Mary Armstrong Scott, Sarah Fidelia Weathersby (nee Scott), Mary P. Moore, (nee Scott), all of whose names and residences are alleged to be unknown to plaintiffs, by making publication of this Citation in each week for four consecutive 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 the nearest County where a newspaper is published to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Mason County, to be holden at the Court House thereof, in Mason, on the 4th Monday after the first Monday in September, A. D., 1921, the same being the 3rd day of October, A. D., 1921, then and there to answer a petition in said Court on the 1st day of September, A. D., 1921 in a suit, numbered on the docket of said Court No. 1026, wherein H. C. Pluenneke, John Brandenberger, Frank Geistweidt, Hulda Pluenneke, Louis Wiessemann, and Wm. Wiessemann are plaintiffs, and Sarah Fidelia Armstrong, Margaret Armstrong Scott, Sarah Fidelia Weathersby (nee Scott), Mary P. Moore, (nee Scott), John R. Moore, W. O. Weathersby and Benjamin Flynn Scott; the heirs of the said Sarah Fidelia Armstrong, Margaret Armstrong Scott, Sarah Fidelia Weathersby (nee Scott), Mary P. Moore, (nee Scott), John R. Moore, W. O. Weathersby and Benjamin Flynn Scott; the legal representatives of the Estates of the heirs of the said Sarah Fidelia Armstrong, Margaret Armstrong Scott, Sarah Fidelia Weathersby (nee Scott), Mary P. Moore, (nee Scott), John R. Moore, W. O. Weathersby and Benjamin Flynn Scott; the legal representatives of the Estates of the heirs of the said Sarah Fidelia Armstrong, Margaret Armstrong Scott, Sarah Fidelia Weathersby (nee Scott), Mary P. Moore, (nee Scott), John R. Moore, W. O. Weathersby and Benjamin Flynn Scott are defendants, and said petition alleging that plaintiff resides in the County of Mason and State of Texas, and that the residence of the defendant, S. B. Hurlbut, and the names and residences of all the other defendants are each and all unknown to plaintiff.

Plaintiff is the legal and equitable owner of and in actual peaceable possession of the lands and tenements situated in Mason County, Texas, on the waters of the San Sabá river about 13 1/2 miles north 27 degrees west from the town of Mason, known as Survey No. 55, Certificate No. 394, Abstract No. 359, patented to S. B. Hurlbut, as assignee, by Patent No. 1456, Vol. 9, dated July 1, 1856.

Plaintiff claims title to said above described lands and premises by virtue of the three, five, ten and twenty-five years statutes of limitation, defendants, and each of them assert some claim or right of ownership or title to said lands, but said claim is colorable only and wholly without merit and legal standing, but casts a cloud upon plaintiff's title to the said land, impairing its market value.

Plaintiff prays for judgment quieting him in the title to and possession of said lands and premises and all such other and further relief to which he may be entitled.

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 29th day of August, A. D., 1921.  
(Seal) R. E. LEE,  
Clerk District Court, Mason County, Texas.

ersby and Benjamin Flynn Scott are defendants, and said petition alleging that all of said plaintiffs reside in Mason County, Texas, and that the residence of the defendants, Sarah Fidelia Armstrong, Margaret Armstrong Scott, Sarah Fidelia Weathersby (nee Scott), Mary P. Moore (nee Scott), John R. Moore, W. O. Weathersby, and Benjamin Flynn Scott is unknown to plaintiffs and the names and residences of all the other defendants are each and all unknown to plaintiffs.

Plaintiffs are the legal and equitable owners of and in actual peaceable possession of the lands and tenements situated in Mason County, Texas, on the waters of the Llano River about 11 miles S. 45 degrees east from Mason, known as Henry F. Armstrong survey No. 9, Certificate No. 97, Abst. No. 1, containing 3498 acres, patented to the heirs of H. F. Armstrong Aug. 25, 1846, Pat. No. 112, Vol. 3.

Plaintiffs claim title to said above described lands and premises by virtue of the three, five, ten and twenty-five years statute of limitation. Defendants and each of them assert some claim or right of ownership or title to said land, but said claim is colorable only, and wholly without merit and legal standing, but casts a cloud upon plaintiff's title, to the said land, impairing its market value.

Plaintiffs pray for judgment quieting them in their title to and possession of said lands and premises and all such other and further relief to which they may be entitled.

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.

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(Seal) R. E. LEE,  
Clerk District Court, Mason County, Texas.

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

You are hereby commanded to summon S. B. Hurlbut, John D. Andrews, Mary B. Benton, and Frank N. Benton, whose residence is unknown to plaintiff, the heirs of the said S. B. Hurlbut, John D. Andrews, Mary B. Benton and Frank N. Benton; the legal representatives of the estate of the said S. B. Hurlbut, John D. Andrews, Mary B. Benton and Frank N. Benton, the legal representatives of the estate of the heirs of the said S. B. Hurlbut, John D. Andrews, Mary B. Benton and Frank N. Benton, all of whose names and residences are alleged to be unknown to plaintiff, by making publication of this Citation once in each week for four consecutive 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, to be holden at the Court House thereof, in Mason, on the 3rd Monday after the 1st Monday in September, A. D., 1921, the same being the 3rd day of October, A. D., 1921, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 29th day of August, A. D., 1921, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said Court No. 1025, wherein H. C. Schmidt is plaintiff, and S. B. Hurlbut, John D. Andrews, Mary B. Benton and Frank N. Benton, the heirs of S. B. Hurlbut, John D. Andrews, Mary B. Benton and Frank N. Benton, the legal representatives of the estate of the said S. B. Hurlbut, John D. Andrews, Mary B. Benton and Frank N. Benton, and the legal representatives of the estate of the heirs of the said S. B. Hurlbut, John D. Andrews, Mary B. Benton and Frank N. Benton are defendants, and said petition alleging that plaintiff resides in the County of Mason and State of Texas, and that the residence of the defendant, S. B. Hurlbut, and the names and residences of all the other defendants are each and all unknown to plaintiff.

Plaintiff is the legal and equitable owner of and in actual peaceable possession of the lands and tenements situated in Mason County, Texas, on the waters of the San Sabá river about 13 1/2 miles north 27 degrees west from the town of Mason, known as Survey No. 55, Certificate No. 394, Abstract No. 359, patented to S. B. Hurlbut, as assignee, by Patent No. 1456, Vol. 9, dated July 1, 1856.

Plaintiff claims title to said above described lands and premises by virtue of the three, five, ten and twenty-five years statutes of limitation, defendants, and each of them assert some claim or right of ownership or title to said lands, but said claim is colorable only and wholly without merit and legal standing, but casts a cloud upon plaintiff's title to the said land, impairing its market value.

Plaintiff prays for judgment quieting him in the title to and possession of said lands and premises and all such other and further relief to which he may be entitled.

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 29th day of August, A. D., 1921.  
(Seal) R. E. LEE,  
Clerk District Court, Mason County, Texas.

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State of Texas, County of Mason.  
To the Sheriff or any Constable of Mason County—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded that you summon Robert M. Mills by making publication of this citation in some newspaper published in Mason County, Texas, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in the nearest county where a newspaper is published, once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day thereof, to be and appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Mason County, Texas, to be holden at the courthouse thereof in Mason, Texas, on the fourth Monday after the first Monday in September, 1921, the same being the 3rd day of October, 1921, then and there to answer the plaintiff's original petition filed in a suit in said court on the 23rd day of March, 1921, in a suit numbered on the docket of said court No. 1022 wherein Lena Mills is plaintiff and Robert M. Mills is defendant, and the nature of plaintiff's demand and her cause of action being a suit for divorce, and said petition alleging that plaintiff and defendant were legally married in Bexar County, Texas, on or about the 24th day of December, 1918; plaintiff prays for judgment of said court dissolving said marriage relations, costs of suit, and general and special relief in law and equity.

Herein fail not, but have you before said court, on the first day of the next term thereof, 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 30th day of August, 1921.  
(Seal) R. E. LEE,  
Clerk of the District Court, Mason County, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Lindsay left today for Christoval, where they will remain a few weeks. Mr. Lindsay's health was benefitted by a stay there a short time ago and he hopes to show more improvement with this visit.

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\* Guy Green left this week for Humble, Texas, where he will be an instructor in the schools at that place. This is Guy's second year there.

Miss Knola King, of Brady, is here visiting in the home of Mrs. R. C. Doell.  
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The next session of the College opens Tuesday, September 20, 1921. For further information or for the latest catalogue, address  
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**EVERY DAY HELPS**

**Mahogany Stain on White Organdie.**  
Lay stained parts in a china bowl and dampen with full-strength ammonia; rub with the fingers lightly; the stain will soon disappear and not injure the fabric.

**Place for Corks.**

Before discarding empty bottles for which we have no immediate use, I always remove the stoppers, whether of cork, rubber or glass, and put them in a glass jar, which I keep on a shelf in my kitchen cupboard. By doing it this way, one can always find just the right size and kind of stopper when needed.

**For Baby's Couch**

If mothers, when buying netting for baby's couch, would put a casing for months

around the sides and run rubber thru it, they will find it most convenient to put on and can also feel sure of no flies being able to enter the couch, as when the netting is laid on loose.

**Paste for Wallpaper.**

When the ordinary paperhangers' paste fails to keep your wallpaper fast, try making some of your own that will stick for sure. Mix one pound of rye flour in lukewarm water, add one teaspoonful of pulverized alum, stir all lumps out. Boil slowly until stiff. When cold, add a quarter pound of strained bee honey—must be regular bee honey, no patented article.

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I find that by wrapping cheese in a cloth soaked in vinegar it keeps fresh

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**RISE IN PRICE OF COTTON EXPLAINED**

**Shortage of Crop and Ample Finances of Texas Farm Bureau Are Two Causes**

DALLAS, Tex., Sept. 15.—Recent advances in the price of cotton have been attributed, in part, to the fact that marketing associations composed of growers have been enabled to secure adequate financial support from the War Finance Corporation and from Texas banks. Of course crop shortage is a big factor. The fact remains that the grower does not have to dump his cotton this year.

On September 7, Eugene Meyer, chair man of the War Finance Corporation wired C. O. Moser, Secretary of the Texas Farm Bureau that it had been decided that members of the Association could borrow \$15,000,000 instead of \$10,500,000 as previously provided for. On the day that the War Finance Corporation decided to make additional advances to Texas and Oklahoma cotton growers, cotton took another upward jump in the market. Just as it made its first phenomenal rise on the day that the corporation first announced that it would advance \$10,000,000 to the Texas Farm Bureau Cotton Association as well as large amounts to other cotton growers associations in the south. The Texas Farm Bureau Cotton Association is now advancing \$25 a bale for picking purposes upon delivery of the cotton to the freight platform or compress and is preparing to advance \$25 more just as soon as the cotton is graded and classed, provided the grading is middling or better. The remaining amount of money due the grower for his cotton will be sent to him upon resale of the cotton in the big pool.

Taylor Vandever was here Saturday from his farm a few miles north of town. He stated that a recent letter from his son, Henry, advises that he is still very hopeful of recovering his eyesight. Mr. Vandever stated that Dr. Ritchardson is of the opinion that the recovery of sight in the right eye is impossible, but said that Henry and the Doctor are both very much encouraged over prospects for the left optic. It is said that Dr. Ritchardson is now giving him two treatments daily, while heretofore only one treatment daily was being given.

T. A. Rolston was here Saturday from his ranch in the Erma Section. He advised that the recent rains have benefitted grazing lands in his country, but says that the precipitation has not been sufficient to provide stock water in all parts.

If you know of some news items that would interest News readers, phone it in. If you don't know the details, give us an idea and we will do our best to get the particulars.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Bierschwale and daughters, Misses Margaret and Nell Curlee, returned home Sunday from a visit of a short time in San Antonio. Mr. Bierschwale states that he and his folks were in the great storm on their road down and experienced some quite exciting and hair-raising incidents in connection with the trip.

Mrs. W. C. Lauderdale, who has been a guest of her mother, Mrs. J. W. Gamel for a few weeks, left last Thursday for her home in San Antonio. She was accompanied home by Miss Celeta Gamel who will remain in San Antonio this year and attend the Breckenridge High School.

Miss Mollie Bierschwale took a joy ride to Llano and back Sunday. She left to go to Lockhart, where she is to teach again this year, but was unable to get a train out of Lockhart to a railroad bridge being washed away between Austin and Llano.

Paul Martin came down last Saturday morning from the Los Moras Ranch. He stated that the rains have been very light in that section and reported only a total of 1-4 inch of rainfall for the past several months. He says that they have let up on cattle shipping for the present, but if rain does not fall soon, more shipments of cattle to market will be required due to a shortage of grass.

P. C. Baxter, a splendid farmer of the Katemy section, but who has about retired from active farming, was in Mason last Saturday. He informed us that he is figuring on selling his farm, and if he sells, contemplates moving to Mason to reside. He has a daughter attending the local school this year.

The News has just received some new Eagle Brand typewriter ribbons for Underwood and Remington machines. Attractively priced at eighty cents.

E. B. Kothmann was here Monday from his ranch below Hedwigs Hill. Mr. Kothmann is advertising in the News for a pair of good work horses.

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One day a school inspector was visiting a district school and gave a talk to the boys and girls. He chose the subject of Patriotism. As he proceeded, he pointed to the national flag that was draped on the wall and asked impressively:

"What is that flag hanging there for?"

A boy raised his hand, and as he swung it in the air it quivered and shook with his eagerness to give the information.

Upon being asked, the boy replied readily, "Please sir, it is to hide the dirt."

So there are those who wear the badge and emblem of Christian profession, pinning on the banner of the cross to cover up the filth of their lives, some bluish, weakness or fault.

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### How Scroop's Sign Aided Cupid

By FREDERICK HART

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The sign, "Private Property—Trespassers Beware," did not have the usual effect on pretty Mildred Hamilton when she saw it conspicuously displayed in a pole stuck upright on the edge of the little pond in the woods. To begin with, Mildred was the undisputed mistress of many acres in that very neighborhood, and was used to roaming the country at her own free will. Then, too, she had heard that the next property had been purchased recently by a Mr. Scroop, and she had taken an immediate dislike to the name.

"He's probably an old curmudgeon who will put up high fences and buy a bulldog to keep people off," she had said when her father told her of the purchase. "I hate him already!" With which remark she had flung out of the house, pausing only long enough to get her skates.

Mildred set a high opinion of her skill on the steel runners, and when she was in a pet she would often steal away to the little pond on her neighbor's property for an hour in the winter, to return with peace of her heart from the hard exercise, and glowing with health from the chilly air.

So when she read the impudent notice board she was merely confirmed in her opinion of the unknown Mr. Scroop. She stuck out her tongue at the sign, and sitting down on a boulder she slipped off her shoes and in a moment had fastened the gleaming skates in place. Then out upon the ice she glided.

Outer edge—inner edge—back rink turn—grapevine—she essayed them all, and all successfully. Her irritation at

her new neighbor was rapidly dissipating when there was a sudden cracking, a sickening, sinking sensation, and then she was standing up to her shoulders in the icy water, with the churned-up flood and chunks of broken ice all around her.

The suddenness of it all caused her to utter one frightened scream. She knew that she was in no danger of drowning, for the pond was nowhere over four feet deep—this she had ascertained long ago in the summer months—but she was three miles from her home, and while the distance was nothing to her youthful strength when dry, in soaked clothes it might prove a fatal venture. All these thoughts flashed through her mind as she set herself to clamber out on the ice. At last she managed to find a stretch of ice that would bear her weight, and for a moment lay exhausted. Then she struggled to her feet, to become conscious for the first time of a man standing on the edge of the pond watching her. As she stood upright he called to her:

"Skate over here—quick! The ice will hold."

She was too wet and cold to wonder at his appearance. Obediently she did as he said, though her wet clothes hampered her. When she got to the shore he stretched out his hand—she grasped it and in a moment was standing beside him. He was struggling with the laces of her skating shoes. They were obdurate. In a moment he had given up the job, and before Mildred had time to utter more than an astonished protest he had swung her up in his arms and was striding along the lake shore toward a clump of trees.

He entered the thicket, and Mildred saw a cabin, newly built, with a big stone chimney from which the smoke was curling. Her unknown bearer set her down, opened the door, and beckoned. She staggered in—how clumsy skates are on the land!—and found herself in a comfortable living-room with great wicker chairs and before her a fireplace in which great logs were glowing. Her host threw an armful of kindling on the blaze, and then turned to her.

"You must get out of your clothes and get warm immediately," he said in the voice of one accustomed to be obeyed. "There are a lot of sweaters and breeches and golf stockings and things in that locker over there, and I guess you can find enough dry things. When you are ready, call, and I'll see if there's a cup of coffee to be had."

And he was gone, the door slamming behind him.

Cold conquered amazement. Mildred meekly obeyed him, and in a moment her soaked clothes were steaming before the fire, while she herself, clad in knickers and golf jacket, a bit too large, but very comfortable, was seated before the blaze, feeling that life was really worth living. She called, and in a moment the door opened. Her unknown host entered.

"Ah! I see you managed to make out," he said with a smile—quite an attractive smile. "Now let me get you some coffee."

She was about to protest, but he had a small percolator bubbling over an alcohol flame in a few seconds, and set out cups, sugar and cream. Then and only then, while waiting for the coffee to finish "perking," did Mildred find her chance.

"You are a remarkable young man,"

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Was Striding Along.

### RATTLESNAKE BITE PROVED SERIOUS TO MISS CLYMER

Miss Jessie Clymer, the sixteen year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Marion Clymer was bitten on the foot by a large rattlesnake on last Wednesday night, and has suffered greatly with the limb since that time. Immediately after the bite, medical assistance was called in, but the poison had entered the body, and her case has been quite serious since that time.

The young lady is slowly improving, but is yet in a serious condition, as the entire limb is badly swollen and her physical condition greatly shocked from the constant pain.—Llano News.

### MUST PUBLISH ALL LEGAL NOTICES IN THE FUTURE

All notices heretofore required to be posted, must now be printed in some newspaper in the same county and for the same length of time as it was formerly necessary to post such notices. The posting of such notice is not required, and is only that much extra trouble, they have no legal value or significance. Act of 1917-21, Sec. 4, Art. 60. Note particularly that posted notices is not legal notice, and no bond or other election is valid unless published as required by law.—San Saba Star.

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she said calmly. "You pick me up without a by-your-leave and kidnap me here—though I'm very glad you did." "You are a remarkable young lady," he replied equally calmly. "You did not scream and struggle, but realized, as few would have done, that I did the only thing possible under the circumstances. And I am very glad I did, too. And now perhaps you'll tell me who you are and why you are here."

"My name is Mildred Hamilton and I live next door, and I've always skated on that pond; and father told me that a horrid old—old flibbertigibbet named Mr. Scroop had bought the property and put up notice boards, and so I couldn't stand that, and came over. And I hate Mr. Scroop, because if he hadn't bought the property I probably wouldn't have come over and fallen in."

"I must confess that I am grateful to Mr. Scroop," said the young man, busying himself with the percolator. "But you mistake his motives. He put that board there because he knew the ice wasn't safe, and he thought it would do more to keep people off than the ordinary 'Danger' sign. And I don't think he is as black as you paint him."

"How could he help being mean, with that name?"

"He isn't to blame for his name. I know, because—I am Mr. Scroop!"

"Oh-h" Mildred grew red. Then she said in a small voice. "Can you ever forgive me for being so horrid?"

The young man laughed. "I've been waiting for the chance to meet you ever since I found that we were neighbors," he said. "And I'm more than grateful to my name because it brought it about sooner than I had hoped. And—I think there'll be a cold snap tonight. Will you let me come and call and be properly introduced, and then—come and skate with me tomorrow?"

Mildred dropped her eyes to hide her blushes.

"I—I should love it," she whispered.

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### DOROTHY DALTON, PARAMOUNT STAR IN "HALF AN HOUR"

Popular Ince Favorite Makes Stellar Debut in Big Paramount Picture

Dorothy Dalton, for several years one of the leading stars of Thomas H. Ince, makes her debut as a stellar light of the Famous Players-Lasky Corporation in Sir James M. Barry's "Half an Hour," a Paramount photoplay, which will be shown at the Star Theatre next Saturday night, September 17. Henceforth she is to be starred exclusively in Paramount productions and some of the best stories obtainable have been purchased for her use.

Miss Dalton's rise in pictures has been steady until today she is one of the greatest favorites with motion picture audiences. Persuading her father to send her to dramatic school instead of in pursuit of a legal career as he preferred, she began her stage experience in support of Virginia Harned in stock and later played ingenue roles with Hart Conway and Wright Huntington. This was followed by several seasons in vaudeville in her own act. With such a foundation, it is no wonder that her rise was rapid after she became a member of Thomas H. Ince's company.

Her versatility on the screen has been displayed in such pictures as "The Price Mark," "Love Me," "The Flame of the Yukon," "The Dark Mirror," "The Market of Souls," "L'Appel," "His Wife's Friend," and many others.

As Lady Lillian in "Half an Hour," she is an aristocratic young wife and she unquestionably adds another character achievement to her repertoire. Others in the cast include Charles Richman, Frank Losee and Albert Barrett.

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### PRESCRIPTIONS

Accurately compounded day and night at Mason Drug Co.

John Johnson is now operating a new motor truck. It's a Reo and carries pneumatic tires on all wheels.

District Attorney, Geo. Christian, passed through Mason Saturday en route to Burnet, after being in attendance at District Court in Junction last week. He reported the court proceedings at Junction very light this term.

Little Miss Dorothy Gamel is here from Harper to remain for the school term. She is with her grandmother, Mrs. J. W. Gamel.

## Colds & Headache

"For years we have used Black-Draught in our family, and I have never found any medicine that could take its place," writes Mr. H. A. Stacy, of Bradyville, Tenn. Mr. Stacy, who is a Rutherford County farmer, recommends Black-Draught as a medicine that should be kept in every household for use in the prompt treatment of many little ills to prevent them from developing into serious troubles.

## THEDFORD'S BLACK-DRAUGHT

"It touches the liver and does the work," Mr. Stacy declared. "It is one of the best medicines I ever saw for a cold and headache. I don't know what we would do in our family if it wasn't for Black-Draught. It has saved us many dollars . . . I don't see how any family can hardly go without it. I know it is a reliable and splendid medicine to keep in the house. I recommend Black-Draught highly and am never without it."

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# THROUGH THE WANT COLUMNS

**LOST**—2-year-old steer out of my pasture on Willow Creek, branded 4 on left side; has some other brand beside my brand. Finder, please notify Otto Donop at Mason. 27-3t

**HORSE FOR SALE**—About 16 hands high and about 6 years old; all round gentle work horse. See E. E. Somerfeld. 26-2tp.

**410 ACRE FARM** For Sale—50 acres in cultivation, balance grass land; house, windmill and other improvements. Located 10 miles west of Mason on Menard road. Inquire of Ernest Hofmann. 27-4tc.

**EXTRA**—Babe Ruth, the greatest home-run knocker in the baseball world at the Star Friday night, in "Over the Fence".

**WANTED**—Two good young work horses. Send lowest cash prices in first letter. E. B. Kothmann. 27-2tp

**WANT TO BUY**—Small stock farm, from 160 to 320 acres. Inquire or write to News Office. 26-2tc

**HAY FOR SALE**—I have a limited amount of hay for sale. Johnson Grass at \$14 and Alfalfa at \$18 per ton at my farm nine miles east of Menard. Apply to C. W. Kothmann, Menard, Texas. 25-4tp

**FARM FOR SALE**—320 acres, located about ten miles west of Mason, near Double Knolls. Good house, wind mill and tank. Inquire of Henry Eckert, Mason, Texas. 24-1tc

**I WANT** your plumbing and windmill work. Satisfaction guaranteed at reduced prices. Phone 149-J. A. B. Steinmann. 32tc

**FOLDING BED** For Sale, with mirror on top; almost new. See E. F. Willmann. 23-4tp

If your windmill or piping needs repairing, call Louis Brockman, phone 908-F-13. 22tc

**WANTED**—The News would like to have a reporter or correspondent in every community of the county. Write us for our proposition.

The condition of Harry Hill, accident victim of last week, continues favorable, according to latest reports. While the lad suffers greatly from the terrible wound made by the charge of shot, which was distributed all about his right side, and several of which penetrated the lung, yet so far untoward complications appear to have arisen. Attending physicians the latter part of last week removed eleven shot from his back, one of which was lodged just at the joint of his shoulder blade. The remainder of the 32 shot contained in the cartridge are still in the body of the victim.—Brady Standard.

Some beautiful designs in the latest in Wedding Rings. J. S. King. 27

Wm. Hofmann made a business trip to Brady Tuesday.

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Pearl Beads, Diamond Bar Pins, Cameo Brooches, Lavallieres; in fact, everything in the jewelry line. J. S. King. 27

Give me your next job of vulcanizing. I guarantee my work. Otto Schmidt.

**Writes Novel in Three Weeks.**  
William Le Queux, the English author, is reported as having recently completed a whole novel in the space of three weeks.

Take in the picture show at the Star opera House each Friday and Saturday night. Show starts at 8:15 o'clock.

## ITEMS OF INTEREST TO FARMER AND RANCHMAN BY CO. AGENT

The directors of the Mason County Farm Bureau met in the office of County Agent, Marshall, on Wednesday of last week. In attendance at this meeting also were County Agent, A. J. Cotton, of Llano County and Mr. J. R. Rabb, of Llano. It was decided that the counties of Mason and Llano jointly hire the services of a man to be stationed at Llano and whose duty it will be to receive and ship all cotton or wool for members of the Farm Bureau members of the two counties. The man hired to serve in this capacity is Mr. Dan McDonald, of Ft. Worth. McDonald will immediately send out circular letters to all Farm Bureau members of Mason and Llano counties, requesting that they send in a listing of all farm products they have for sale that he may use it to advantage in securing buyers for them.

Arrangements have been made with John Johnson and Conrad Hartman to see that cotton sent to Llano for shipment through this channel is properly labeled and delivered to the representative at Llano. If you want to send your cotton in, either of the above gentlemen will receive it and see that it goes to the proper place.

It is also arranged that Mason County Farm Bureau members may ship their cotton via Brady. Take your cotton to Ed Jacoby at the Brady Farmers Union Warehouse and he will see that it is properly labeled and shipped. He will give you a bill of lading, which will be your receipt until your warehouse receipt has been sent you from Farm Bureau headquarters at Dallas.

If you are a Farm Bureau member of the cotton or wool pool, send in your name to County Agent, W. I. Marshall. Since your Farm Bureau has a man hired, who is paid to work for your benefit, it is essential that you send your name to the county agent so he can get up a complete list of the members of the Mason County Farm Bureau.

He now has a list of only the members, who paid cash, so if you are a member of the Mason County Farm Bureau, please advise me at once.

Below are a few briefs concerning the handling of the cotton pool, as given out at State Headquarters at Dallas:

It is not necessary for our members to insure their cotton as we have insurance covering our cotton from the moment it is ginned.

If our cotton is mortgaged, secure a waiver from your bank or County Farm Bureau Secretary or County Agent, take it to the party who holds the mortgage or landlord's lien, and get them to sign the waiver releasing the cotton to us. When this waiver is signed we take your cotton over and assume the mortgage up to the amount of the net proceeds received from the sale of your cotton when it is finally sold.

If you need money at once, endorse your bill of lading or compress receipts, on back, and take same to your bank and draw draft on us (Texas Farm Bureau Cotton Association, Dallas, Texas), for \$20 per bale.

Old crop cotton will be handled in separate pools from new cotton, so be sure to advise us whether cotton you ship is new or old.

If you can wait a few days for money, send us, or have your bank send us, your bill of lading direct without drawing on us for money, as soon as the cotton is classed we will mail you a check for 10 cents per pound, basis of middling.

We know there are quite a number of homes in the county that do not receive the weekly visits of the NEWS. We are now making a very liberal trial offer to those who are not subscribers. Why remain without the home paper or read your neighbor's paper when you have an opportunity of becoming a regular reader on such liberal terms as are now being extended by the NEWS?

Typewriter ribbons, 80c. News Office.

County Agent, W. I. Marshall and Attorney Carl Runge spent a few hours in Brady Tuesday on business.

Why not have that old watch or clock repaired. All work guaranteed. J. S. King. 27

Leon Mayo left Tuesday for Dallas, to be away a few days on business.

## COMMITTEES NAMED FOR STOCK SHOW

MEETING HELD LAST NIGHT TO DECIDE ON DATE AND OTHER MATTERS

W. I. Marshall, head chairman for the two-days Live Stock and Agricultural Exhibit to be held in Mason next November, has announced the names of the various committees whom he has appointed. The committees, as named by Mr. Marshall, are as follows:

**Cattle**—Elgin O. Kothmann, Ben Kidd, E. W. Kothmann.  
**Hogs**—L. W. Dumas and Dr. P. A. Baze.

**Chickens**—Rev. Roy G. Rader and Frank Kidd.

**Agriculture**—Allen Murray and J. B. Killgore.

**Finance**—C. S. Vedder, W. M. Martin and E. J. Lemburg.

Mr. Marshall announced Wednesday that a meeting of the finance committee would be held last night at which time a date would be set for the two days' affair. He intimated that in all probability the dates would be for Friday and Saturday, November 5th and 6th.

We expect to be able to give a full account of the proceedings of the committee meetings in our next issue and at the same time will likely be enabled to give out other data and information concerning the Stock Show and Exhibit.

## TEXAS CORN CROP IS 83 PER CENT NORMAL

### Sweet Potato Prospects Good. More Hogs Than Last Year.

**Houston, Tex.**—Representative conditions of crops and farm products included in the report of the United States agricultural statistician, E. M. Johnston, show that corn is 83 per cent normal, the equivalent of 22.8 bushels yield an acre and indicative of a production of 174,337,000 bushels for the state. Harvesting is well under way.

Mr. Johnston states that the recent drought served a good mission with the corn crop except for late June corn. It is thought that a good feed crop is assured for the state.

Conditions of other crops raised in the state and prospects for the marketing of hogs and wool are included in the report.

The final condition report on oats at time of harvest shows a condition of 54 per cent of normal or an average yield per acre of 23.22 bushels. This gives the state a production of 43,886,000 bushels from 1,899,000 acres. Spring conditions for oats were very unsatisfactory resulting in a "spotted" condition and resultant low average yields.

The condition of sweet potatoes has fallen several points during the past month due to the general dry weather prevailing and yet the crop is in no way seriously damaged so far. Rain gives good prospects for satisfactory October crop. The present condition is 75 per cent of normal and indicates a prospective yield of 899.25 bushels per acre and a total production for the state of 8,300,000 bushels.

The average condition of rice is 87 per cent of normal. This figure is equivalent to an average yield of 35.23 bushels of forty-five pounds per acre and a total state production of 5,447,000 bushels. Threshing is well under way in most every section and has been well favored by the dry weather which has prevailed throughout August. Generally speaking the crop is quite satisfactory, yielding well and with the present market tendencies should be a profitable one to the grower and partially enable him to recover from the severe conditions which affected him in 1920.

The average yield of all tame and cultivated hays this year is 1.62 short tons per acre and the quality 90 per cent; 100 per cent representing a high medium grade. All wild salt and prairie hay averaged 1.10 short tons in yield per acre and have a quality of 90 per cent. Based on a harvested acreage of 688,000 acres for tame hay and 203,000 acres for wild hay this would place the total hay production for the state at 1,338,000 short tons.

The total number of stock hogs on hand for fattening purposes is estimated to be 102 per cent of the number of this date last year or 2,144,000

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### IMPOSSIBLE TO ESTIMATE LOSS IN SAN ANTONIO FLOOD

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Marx Store is reported as a total loss. The Wolf & Marx store is one of the leading department stores of the city. The flood waters here reached half way up the first floor of the building.

The basement of the Frost Building, Main Avenue and Houston Street, was filled and water stood a foot deep on the first floor of the building.

The entire rug stock and all furniture on the main floor of the Stowers Furniture store across the street from the Frost Building, the theater is badly damaged, depth of four and one-half feet on the first floor of this building.

The Majestic Theater is in the same building. The Theater is badly damaged. Water reached to the second row of boxes at the extreme sides of the first balcony. The flood apparently

swept through the theater from the stage section, as most of the scenery and all stage properties were found piled with seats and other furniture at the rear of the main floor.

The Gunter Hotel made no attempt to operate yesterday, while the management exerted every effort to secure a sufficient amount of furniture to re-furnish the lobby. The valuable machinery in the basement was put out of commission. The elevators could not be operated. Guests on the upper floors remained in their rooms or walked down and then up six or seven flights of stairs. A stock of \$30,000 worth of merchandise in the basement is a total loss.

Similar conditions existed at the St. Anthony Hotel, the Lanier, the Travelers and all other leading hotels. Added to the general damage the lighting systems were out, the water supply was shut off in many places and the entire operation of the large hotels was temporarily discontinued.

### Gunter Bldg. Loss Great.

Damage and money loss at the Gunter Building, St. Mary's and Houston Streets, could not be even approximated yesterday. La Casa del Rio Mexican Restaurant occupied the entire basement, except for one section used as a sales and stock room by the Hertzberg Jewelry Company.

Loss to the extent of \$30,000 on fixtures alone is reported by the Metropolitan Cafe in the basement of the Brady Building. Boilers and building operation machinery in the basement of the Brady Building is valued at \$100,000.

The Empire Theater, one of the popular motion picture houses, rich in its fixtures and one of the best equipped playhouses in the State, like all the other theaters in the business district, is a wreck. Manager C. A. Raymond stated that it is impossible at this time to attempt to estimate the loss.

At the Princess Theater, also operated by the San Antonio Amusement Theater, everything in the building, from the basement to the bottom of the first balcony, was apparently swept to the rear of the main floor, or near the main entrance to the playhouse.

The Saratoga and Metropolitan Restaurants were smeared nearly ceiling high with mud. Lunch counters, tables, service ware, food and chairs in each restaurant were caught in the early stages of the high water and stacked in large disordered piles of wreckage in the rear parts of the buildings.

Safety deposit vaults in the basement of the Central Trust Building, Houston and Navarro Streets were entirely submerged. Pumps were secured early in the morning and an attempt was made to expedite the work of removing the water. Water did not get into the large vault on the main floor of the banking house.

The barber shop in the basement of the Central Trust Company Building suffered a great loss. The valuable fixtures and instruments in the San Antonio Cotton Exchange, also located in this building will be added to the gigantic total damage.

The major portion of the street paving in both Main and Military Plaza floated away on the crest of the flood. Paving is also missing in large sections along Houston Street through the entire business section from Avenue C westward. Main Avenue and North Flores Street paving has also been floated away.

Damage and loss to the scores of automobile garages and repair shops along Main Avenue and St. Mary's Street will reach thousands of dollars.

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swept through the theater from the stage section, as most of the scenery and all stage properties were found piled with seats and other furniture at the rear of the main floor.

The Gunter Hotel made no attempt to operate yesterday, while the management exerted every effort to secure a sufficient amount of furniture to re-furnish the lobby. The valuable machinery in the basement was put out of commission. The elevators could not be operated. Guests on the upper floors remained in their rooms or walked down and then up six or seven flights of stairs. A stock of \$30,000 worth of merchandise in the basement is a total loss.

Similar conditions existed at the St. Anthony Hotel, the Lanier, the Travelers and all other leading hotels. Added to the general damage the lighting systems were out, the water supply was shut off in many places and the entire operation of the large hotels was temporarily discontinued.

### Gunter Bldg. Loss Great.

Damage and money loss at the Gunter Building, St. Mary's and Houston Streets, could not be even approximated yesterday. La Casa del Rio Mexican Restaurant occupied the entire basement, except for one section used as a sales and stock room by the Hertzberg Jewelry Company.

Loss to the extent of \$30,000 on fixtures alone is reported by the Metropolitan Cafe in the basement of the Brady Building. Boilers and building operation machinery in the basement of the Brady Building is valued at \$100,000.

The Empire Theater, one of the popular motion picture houses, rich in its fixtures and one of the best equipped playhouses in the State, like all the other theaters in the business district, is a wreck. Manager C. A. Raymond stated that it is impossible at this time to attempt to estimate the loss.

At the Princess Theater, also operated by the San Antonio Amusement Theater, everything in the building, from the basement to the bottom of the first balcony, was apparently swept to the rear of the main floor, or near the main entrance to the playhouse.

The Saratoga and Metropolitan Restaurants were smeared nearly ceiling high with mud. Lunch counters, tables, service ware, food and chairs in each restaurant were caught in the early stages of the high water and stacked in large disordered piles of wreckage in the rear parts of the buildings.

Safety deposit vaults in the basement of the Central Trust Building, Houston and Navarro Streets were entirely submerged. Pumps were secured early in the morning and an attempt was made to expedite the work of removing the water. Water did not get into the large vault on the main floor of the banking house.

The barber shop in the basement of the Central Trust Company Building suffered a great loss. The valuable fixtures and instruments in the San Antonio Cotton Exchange, also located in this building will be added to the gigantic total damage.

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