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BILL TO STOP SALE OF FISH TO BE BEFORE LEGISLATURE

The News is in receipt of a copy of a bill which is drawn up for the protection of the fish in the fresh water streams of this section of the State, of which, Mr. B. J. Stewart, representative of this district, is a joint author. The bill, in substance, provides:

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. If any person shall sell or offer for sale any bass, white perch, crappie, channel or other catfish in the counties of Burnet, Llano, San Saba, Brown, McCulloch, Edwards, Coleman, Concho, Menard, Mason, Blanco, Gillespie, Kimble, Sutton, Kinney, Uvalde, Real, Kerr, Comal, Kendall, Val Verde, Bandera, Reeves, Ward, Loving, Pecos, State of Texas, caught, trapped or ensnared, he shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be fined in any sum not less than five dollars nor more than fifty dollars.

Section 2. It shall be unlawful for any person to take or catch any fish in the fresh water rivers, creeks, lakes, bayous, pools or lagoons in the counties above named, by any other means than by ordinary hook and line or trot-line or artificial bait, and it shall be unlawful for any person to place in the fresh water rivers, creeks, lakes, bayous, pools or lagoons of the counties above mentioned, any seine, net or other device or trap for taking or catching fish; provided, however, that persons may use a minnow seine which is not more than twenty feet in length for the purpose of catching minnows for bait as herein permitted, all fish and minnows more than three inches in length shall be returned to the water at once while alive. No person shall use the minnow seine herein permitted for the purpose of taking any fish than minnows for bait. Any person violating any of the provisions of this section, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, shall be fined in any sum of not less than five dollars nor more than one hundred dollars.

Section 3. It is made the duty of the District Judges of the judicial districts in which the above mentioned counties are situated to give a special charge upon this law to the grand juries of said counties.

Section 4. The fact that the present law is inadequate to protect the fish in the waters of the above mentioned counties creates an emergency, and an imperative public necessity exists that the Constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended, and that this Act take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

MASON COUNTY FARM BUREAU HELD DIRECTORS MEETING

A meeting of the directors of the Mason County Farm Bureau was held last Saturday in the First State Bank. Several accounts were allowed and resolutions recommending a decrease in expenses at the head office were read and approved.

Mr. Lee Webster, of Pontotoc, was elected as delegate to the State convention to be held in Dallas on January 17th and 18th.

A motion was made and carried that a local solicitor be hired to solicit new members. This man is now on the job. There have been some violations of the marketing contracts and committees were appointed in each of the precincts who will give all men who have not delivered cotton or wool a hearing. A letter will be mailed out in the next few days to those who did not deliver cotton to the pool, and these men can then come before these committees and give the reasons for not delivering.

This hearing will likely be held on January 27th at 2 p. m.

The following are the places in the different precincts and the chairmen who have been appointed for same:

Precinct No. 1.—A. T. Murray and J. W. Lee at Runge & Runge's law office.

Precinct No. 2.—M. L. Webster at Pontotoc school house.

Precinct No. 3.—Sam Awalt and J. O. Ivy at Katemey.

Precinct No. 4.—J. H. Weidemann at Hilda school house.

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EXPERT HORTICULTURIST HERE; DEMONSTRATES PRUNING TREES

A. P. Swallow, horticulturist, of the Extension Service Department of the A. and M. College, and A. L. Smith, District Agent of the same department, were in Mason a short time this week and assisted County Agent, W. I. Marshall, with several orchard demonstrations given in the county on Wednesday.

On Wednesday morning a demonstration was given at the orchards of John Woodward and G. W. Herring, of the Double Knobs section and on Wednesday afternoon a demonstration was given in the orchard of Robt. Fischer, near Mason. In all instances a good attendance of those interested in the care and pruning of fruit trees was had and Mr. Marshall is of the opinion the demonstrations have greatly benefitted the county fruit growers.

The student agricultural class of the local high school attended the demonstration given Wednesday afternoon.

SPARE TIRE TAKEN FROM CAR AT CHURCH ON SUNDAY NIGHT

W. A. Zesch reports having had a spare tire, and the rim on which it was attached, taken off the rear end of his Overland car last Sunday night while he and his family were attending services at the local Methodist church. He had left the car standing near the front entrance of the building. The next day the rim was found near Allen Murray's home, where the thief had thrown it, after detaching the casing and taking with him it and the tube.

Mr. Zesch states his loss was practically nothing, as the casing and tube were both old and he regained possession of the rim, the most valuable part of it all. He says his young son had given the tread of the casing a coat of red paint and he believes the party taking the casing, in the dark, thought he was getting a new redtop tire.

Mr. Zesch said he is quite thankful for the recovery of the rim and stated he does not hold a great deal of malice toward the thief, since he was good enough to discard it that he might regain its possession.

J. M. STEWART WAS RECENTLY MARRIED IN PHOENIX, ARIZ.

Mr. J. W. White recently had a letter from J. M. Stewart, of Phoenix, Arizona, in which he stated he has just been married. The letter does not give the name of Mrs. Stewart before her marriage.

Mr. White says Mr. Stewart will not come to Mason to take charge of the Mill Creek Ranch, as was announced in the News a short time ago.

MASON COMMERCIAL CLUB MET IN SPECIAL SESSION TUESDAY

On Tuesday night, the Mason Commercial Club met in called session for the purpose of discussing a revision in the State game laws. Copies of the new law as it would read upon presentation to the Legislature, were read to the club, and after a brief discussion upon various points, the Club voted to endorse the revision and passage of the new law.

There were three separate bills to be considered, all which were of vital interest concerning this immediate section of the State.

One bill as presented, was that which appears in another part of this issue of the News, concerning the taking of fish from our fresh water streams for market purposes.

Another bill pertained to the fur-bearing animals, and if passed will require a closed season on the fur-bearing animals, allowing the catching of these animals only during the months of December, January and February.

The third bill was a revision of the State Game Laws, a greater part of which remain as they are, but there were brought out a few points that are of much interest to those interested in the protection of the wild game. It is stipulated in the new bill that the limit of deer to be killed by one person during a season shall be only two bucks; that no buck with spikes less than three inches in length shall be killed; that each person, to hunt, must secure a hunting license, for which he shall pay \$1.15.

These bills were brought before the local Commercial Club by Elgin O. Kothmann, who stated the bills were formed by Boyd, of the State Game and Oyster Commission. Whether or not they will be passed on at this session of the Legislature, it is not able to be determined.

Hon. Calvin Thaxton and Attorney Lamar Thaxton spent several days this week in San Antonio on business and professional matters.

Mrs. Winnie Morrow, proprietress of the Morrow Hat Shoppe, left Wednesday for Anson where she will visit her daughter, Mrs. W. B. Hagen, for a short time, after which she will go to Dallas to buy some new spring and summer styles. Mrs. Otto Schmidt is in charge of Mrs. Morrow's business while she is away.

It is reported an aged Mexican laborer, employed by Holt & Luckle on the highway, is seriously ill and little hope is being held out for recovery. The rumor is to the effect the Mexican is suffering from appendicitis.

BLOW WITH ROCK CAUSES DEATH OF BRADY FARMER

BRADY, Jan. 15.—Sam Cole, aged about 50, died Sunday at noon from injuries received in an altercation Saturday afternoon at Rochelle, 10 miles north, during which he was struck in the head with a nine and one-half-pound rock by Otis Mitchell, aged about 21 years.

Mitchell is under arrest on a charge of murder, and will have his examining trial here Tuesday. The difficulty was the culmination of bad feeling between Cole and Charles Mitchell, father of Otis Mitchell, which had existed for seven years.

When the elder men met on the streets of Rochelle Saturday they engaged in a fistfight in which Cole is alleged to have been getting the best of his opponent when the younger Mitchell went to his father's assistance with the rock as a weapon.

WILL ASSIST IN ORGANIZING WOLF CLUB IN KIMBLE CO.

County Agent, Marshall, states that he and a number of local citizens and several of this county's most prominent stockmen will go to Junction on Friday of this week in response to an invitation from stockmen of Kimble county, who contemplate the organizing of a Wolf Club, similar to the organization in Mason County. Mr. Marshall says Kimble county expects to perfect its organization along the same manner of procedure as was followed in getting up the Mason County organization and those behind the Kimble county club believe the advice and assistance of members of the Mason County Club will greatly aid them.

Mason County stockmen are anxious to see all adjoining counties organize against the depredations of the wolves and wildcats and are more than willing to offer assistance when called upon.

PARENT-TEACHERS HAVE GOOD MEETING MONDAY AFTERNOON

On Monday afternoon of this week the Mason Parent-Teachers' Association met at the High School Building, and it is announced the meeting was one of the best attended meetings of the present term of school. The report is that a number of new members were also added to the rolls on this occasion. The association voted in favor of giving the local school board a donation of \$300 towards seating the auditorium of the new building. The announcement is that the seats were being placed in the auditorium this week.

Typewriter ribbons, 30c. News Office

HIGHLIGHTS OF LEGISLATURE FOR THE PAST WEEK

Both Houses Quickly Settle to Business Constitutional Convention to the People

Both Houses of the Thirty-eighth Legislature convened at High Noon, Tuesday the 9th inst., Lieut. Governor, Lynch Davidson, presiding over the Senate, and Senator R. M. Dudley, of El Paso, being elected President Pro Tem, without opposition.

After several candidates had tentatively announced their candidacies for Speakership of the House of Representatives, the fight finally narrowed down on the day of convening to Hon. B. E. Seagler, of Palestine, and Hon. Lewis T. Carpenter, of Dallas. The final count in this contest showed Seagler, 127; Carpenter, 19.

Both Houses were quickly organized and by the end of the second day were functioning smoothly. Following we give our readers a resume of the more important actions of each House during the past week.

In the Senate

Adopted Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1, by Bailey, providing for appointment of a Joint Committee of both Houses to count the vote in the recent General Election for Governor and make all necessary arrangements for inauguration.

Bills introduced:
By Dudley, appropriating \$40,000.00 for the contingent expenses of the Regular Session.

By Dudley, appropriating \$125,000.00 for the mileage and per diem of the officers and employees of the Regular Session.

By Cousins, calling for an appropriation of \$4,000,000.00 to aid public schools for scholastic year September 1, 1922-August 31, 1923.

By Clark, et al, making reading of Bible in public schools compulsory.

By Rice, asking \$300,000.00 appropriation for administration building for North Texas Normal at Denton.

By Floyd, requiring teaching of the Constitution of the United States and Texas in public and private schools.

By Doyle, et al, requiring persons holding district, State or Federal offices of emolument in Texas to resign such immediately upon announcing for another such office of emolument.

By Doyle, seeking to repeal present Primary Election law.

By Davis, prohibiting any domestic or foreign corporation from doing business in Texas after being convicted of violating Anti-Trust law.

By Murphy, to amend Penal Code so that neither oral or written statements made by persons charged with crime can be used against said persons.

By Dudley, giving persons who furnish labor, material or accessories in the repair of vehicles a lien thereon.

By Stuart, et al, prohibiting an attorney from becoming surety on appearance, bail or appeal bonds in criminal cases.

By McMillin, requiring marking of highway intersections.

By Murphy, reducing salaries of Prison Commissioners from \$300.00 per month to \$6.00 per day.

By Woods, accepting terms of Federal Vocational Education act, providing appropriation of \$223,038.42 for fiscal year.

By Davis, providing for separation of Insurance from State Banking Department.

By Holbrook et al, regulating banking business under charters obtained prior to adoption of Constitution of 1876, and restricting granting of bank charters in the future.

By Davis, eliminating privy acknowledgment provision of statutes in the case of married women.

By Wood, et al, accepting provisions of Shepard-Towner Maternity Act.

Joint Resolution, by Davis, proposing amendment to Article 16, of the Constitution, authorizing the Legislature to have published or printed all books used in our public schools.

COURT HOUSE NEWS

Births

Mr. and Mrs. Guy T. Bishop, a boy, January 14th

Jack King, Walter Sands, Chas. and Rudolph Doell left Monday for San Antonio to spend a few days.

50
GOOD
CIGARETTES
10¢



GENUINE
"BULL"
DURHAM
TOBACCO

SURVIVAL OF THE UNFITTEST

The old theory of one-way evolution, in which each successive generation was supposedly higher and better than the one, and progress toward perfection of type was certain and uninterrupted, would be comfortable belief, says a writer in The Nation's Health (Chicago), if it could be held in face of cumulative facts asserting that like produces like. Once farmers planted the nibbins of their corn and the potatoes that were too small to sell. Now they know better. They cut up their finest potatoes to plant and their seed corn is pedigreed as carefully as a Colonial Dame. The result is a doubled yield in potatoes richer in starch, and corn richer in proteins. He goes on:

"But science has been slower in effecting an intelligent control of human life, and there is need for haste if the progress of the race is to be assured. The age of instinct is passing, the reign of reason has not come. Man has by sheer pressure of the circumstances of his life developed up to a given point. He has now succeeded in easing the pressure. Will he be able to go forward rationally, of his own free will, or sink back until he falls under the sway of the blind and merciless struggle for existence?"

"Discussing this question, The Scientific Monthly comments on recent sociological investigations in Great Britain as follows:

"A decrease in the birth rate is not necessarily a misfortune to a country. Very likely the British Isles have now all the population they can support in comfort under present economic conditions. The alarming thing about it is that the breeding is from the poorest stock instead of the best. Whatever objective standard one may take, this is true. A statistical study of the population of Great Britain showed that in the districts where there was the most overcrowding, the cheapest type of labor, the lowest degree of culture and education, the highest percentage of pauperism and lunacy, the greatest criminality and the highest death rate from tuberculosis and infantile diseases, there the number of children was greatest in proportion to the possibly productive wives. It is a clear case of the survival of the unfittest, the reversal of evolution. No race can maintain its efficiency and virility against such reactive forces.

"The future of a country depends ultimately upon the character and ability of its people. Increase of wealth, advance of science, improvement in education, discoveries in sanitation, just social conditions, all the achievements and hopes of the present age will be of little benefit to posterity if there is a decline in the native quality of the race. It would be disastrous to hand over a more perfect governmental machine to inferior engineers.

"One-seventh of the present generation will be the parents of one-half of the next. Therefore, two generations of selection, natural or designed, would completely transform the character of a nation. Is this seventh composed of the best men and women that we have?"

"This is what is going to determine whether civilization shall advance or retrograde. Galton's ideal of eugenics may be too much in advance of the age to be practical, but at least something could be done to awaken the people to the imminent dangers."—Literary Digest.

It has been a good while since we have thanked some of our subscribers for a renewal payment on subscription.

PREVENTION
better than cure. Tutt's Pills taken in time, are not only a remedy for but prevent
SICK HEADACHE
biliousness, constipation and kindred diseases
Tutt's Pills

Must Pay Income Tax On Beauty



Maybell Griffin of Baltimore, won \$500.00 in cash and a dress worth \$1,000.00 in a beauty contest. Now she has been asked to pay Income Tax on her prizes, both cash and dress.

She'll be delighted with a box of King's delicious candy. Owl Drug Store

Edison Phonographs (all kinds) on easy terms at Mason Drug Comp'y. .36

OUR MOST HIGHLY INSURED

The newspaper notices of the death of John Wanamaker almost invariably called attention to the fact that he was one of the most highly insured men of his time. He does come pretty near the head in a compilation made by the New York World, which reveals the fact that fifty-six men and two women in this country carry life insurance of \$1,000,000 or more, and that their policies total \$88,485,000. As The Wall Street Journal summarizes the World article which appeared just before the death of John Wanamaker:

Adolph Zukor heads list with \$5,000,000, followed by Rodman Wanamaker with \$4,500,000, and Pierre du Pont with \$4,000,000. James C. Penney, John Wanamaker, and Peter A. Borketeller each carry \$3,000,000. List includes J. P. Morgan, B. E. Bensinger, Chicago, and Henry D. Davison, Chicago, \$2,500,000 each; William R. Coe, Arthur Letts, Los Angeles, and Julius Rosenwald, Chicago, \$2,000,000 each; John N. Willys and Louis F. Swift, Chicago, \$1,800,000 each; George L. Storm, \$1,200,000; Frank A. Vanderlip, \$1,100,000; Joseph P. Davy, \$1,100,000; Nicholas F. Brady, Douglas Fairbanks, Mary Pickford, Charles Chaplin, William Wrigley and Harvey S. Firestone \$1,000,000 each.

Mrs. Dan Martin has been experiencing an attack of lagrippe since returning to town from spending a couple weeks visiting among relatives and friends in the Long Mountain community.

New Vice-President Of Farm Bureau



Dr. W. H. Walker of California, always active in National Farm Bureau Federation affairs, was the unanimous choice for vice-president for 1923. He will be an active assistant to the new president, Oscar Bradford of Ohio.

Galvanized Roofing at R. Grosse's.

After Every Meal

WRIGLEYS

Top off each meal with a bit of sweet in the form of WRIGLEY'S.

It satisfies the sweet tooth and aids digestion.

Pleasure and Benefit combined.

Save the Wrappers

FOR THE CHILDREN

Typewriter ribbons, 50c. News Office.

THE HOME BAKERY

J. C. WINKEL, Proprietor

(One door west of C. C. Smith Building)

Delicious bread baked daily and wrapped in sanitary oil paper. On sale at bakery; also at Manhattan Cafe, Hasse Market and Hibdon Market.

LET THE HOME BAKERY DO YOUR BAKING

Cultivated Corn On Hands And Knees



Warren W. Simpson of Northfield, Minn., set an inspiring example for Corn Club boys and girls when, though crippled, he crawled on hands and knees to raise 105 bushels to the acre and win first prize. Now he teaches agriculture at Lewis-ton, Minn.

Garment Germs May Cause Disease

Our scientific method of pressing clothes kills all germ life, restores life and luster to the clothes and positively produces in every garment

The Natural Body Shape

CLEANING ALTERING REPAIRING

ROY E. DOELL

WITH J. S. KING, THE JEWELER

J. D. Eckert, Pres. W. E. Jordan, Cashier
E. O. Kothmann, V. P. Kinney Eckert, Ass't C'r.

NO. 1203

THE FIRST STATE BANK

A GUARANTY FUND BANK

We can please you also. Pay we?

CAPITAL STOCK - - \$25,000.00

DIRECTORS

OSCAR SEAQUIST
H. S. WOOD
PETER JORDAN

E. W. KOTHMANN
E. O. KOTHMANN
J. D. ECKERT

W. E. JORDAN

The advertisements in a newspaper are more full of knowledge in respect to what is going on in a state or community than the editorial columns are.—Henry Ward Beecher.

Don't Buy at Bagdad

E DUCATION is a matter of experience not of observation. Thirty years ago a professor of economics in one of our leading universities made the statement that 90% of all the money invested in advertising was lost, and attempted to prove his observation by the statistics of commercial failures.

That professor is today one of the most famous educators in the country. He is famous because he grew by experience to repudiate his youthful observation. He now reverses the faulty findings of his youth and today declares that 90% of the commercial failures are due either to the failure to advertise or to false or faulty advertising.

If your advertisement says you have all wool goods and you've only 68% wool, the time will come when you will be found out. When that time comes all the advertising in the world won't save you. The public will call your middle name "Fake" and view you with mistrust.

The streets of Bagdad are lined with beggars, men who tried to live by trick and failed. Back of these beggars who crowd the curb are long lines of little stalls where tricksters ply all the arts of trade. Everyone views the other with suspicion and every customer looks upon the tradesman with suspicion. There is no such thing as a stabilized commodity among them. There are no great department stores in Bagdad, no great clothing merchants, no hardware houses that carry the trademark stamp that assures you that what you get is all it is claimed to be.

Here in this country, our manufacturers, men of character, put integrity into their product. They advertise the product for just what it is—that, no less and no more. So you go into a store here or a thousand miles from here and ask for the commodity that YOU KNOW. You know about it. You don't even have to have it unwrapped; you are willing to take it in its original package with the seal unbroken; trade unsight, unseen. This you do because it has been advertised.

Every merchant who does not advertise or who cannot advertise honestly will always conduct a business of Bagdad-booth proportions. He will always be a little shop keeper,

doing a dinky little business. He's the fellow who always offers you "something just as good."

Just as the local merchant will always remain the little merchant, if he does not advertise honestly, so does the manufacturer remain a little manufacturer, conducting a little business, if he attempts to distribute a commodity without advertising. Advertising will build his business in proportion to the public need which he meets and the reliability of his own statement about that which he has to sell. No business can grow great without advertising and it will grow great only in proportion to the amount and character of the advertising which it does. No business can grow great without honest advertising.

YOU—you and me, just average buyers. What shall we buy? Shall we buy of the Bagdad merchant and take the stuff without the sterling stamp?

The intelligent purchaser buys through his merchant the commodities that are **NATIONALLY ADVERTISED** because he knows that experience has taught the business builders that a false statement about their goods means death to their business.

Your Bagdad merchant will size you up and charge you what he thinks he can get. You can dicker and barter with him. He's a many priced man. He begins on a high price and reluctantly comes down step by step to meet you.

That's what your little shop keeper who does not advertise will do. He is not a fixed price man. That is what he does with the substitute, the "just as good" article.

Go to the reputable merchant, ask for the nationally advertised commodity, the manufacturer has stamped the price where you can see it, and there you get **PROTECTION**.

If you are an intelligent buyer you will buy of the local merchant that advertises because he is the fellow who is willing to stand or fall by the public printed statement he makes.

Be **WISE** and buy the nationally advertised commodity from the local advertising merchant and leave it to the foolish to buy at Bagdad.—By Richard Lloyd Jones.

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

ADVERTISING RATES
 Local readers and classified ads 7½ cents per line per issue. Display rates made known on application.
SUBSCRIPTION (always in advance one year) \$1.50

All ads placed in this paper, will be run until ordered out.

Foreign Advertising Representatives THE AMERICAN PRESS ASSOCIATION



In Kansas
 Mother—"I am going to set a Plymouth Rock on these eggs."
 Daughter—"Be careful, mother, or you will smash 'em."

Lazy Larry
 There is a man in our town. Lazy Larry is his name. He never works or worries. But sleeps good just the same.

Astrology
 When movie "stars" marry we can always expect the "shooting" to follow.

Don't Try This on Your Pond
 Here lies the body of Billy Bluff. He thought the ice was thick enough.

Ain't It the Truth
 Paris dispatches say the new styles are copied from clothes worn 300 years ago.

That's nothing—some of our recent styles go back to the Garden of Eden.

Interesting Facts
 Undertakers make a practice of sending Xmas presents to doctors.

Shopping Note
 Fur coats for women are higher in price this year. They are three crying spells more expensive than last year.

Border Poetry
 Four and twenty Yankees, feeling mighty dry,
 Traveled up to Canada to get a case of rye.
 When the rye was opened, the Yanks began to sing
 Whoever heard of U. S. A.—"Long live the king."

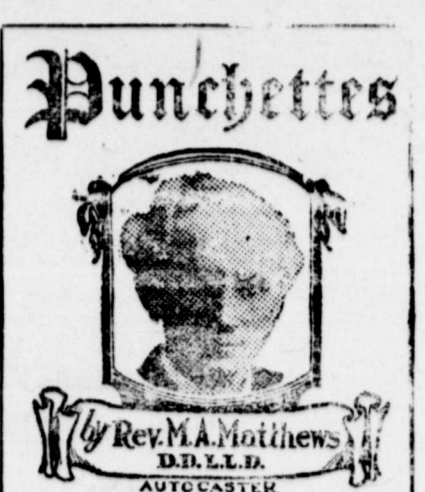
Right With Him
 Old Timer—"Why, doggoneit, my grandfather could remember when this country hereabouts was all unsettled."
 Youngster—"That's nothing to brag about—it's that way yet."

For Speeders
 Sign in London, Ohio: "Drive slow and see our town. Drive fast and see our jail."

Mr. Kidder Talks
 Wife—"Does she dress well?"
 He—"I dunno, I never watched her."

Yoo-hoo, Fair Maiden
 How times have changed! Years ago the fair maiden would sit in a high secluded tower and pray to the Lord to send her a lover. Now she goes down to the corner and picks one out herself.

It is tax paying time and there are not many days left in which to meet this annual visitor, the Tax Receipt. There's 10 per cent added after January 31st. Those eligible for road work can get off for \$7.50 by paying the road tax before February 1st, whereby it will cost him \$10 if he fails to exempt himself. The auto owner violates the law if his highway tax is not paid by that time.



The Churchless Church

THE title of this article ought to convey greater truth than perhaps the space will permit me to express.

We are speaking of churches that have lost their church position, have become cheap, second rate, inefficient, and have dropped into the rut of the cheapness of the world to get the attention of man. The church that has to make itself cheap in any way to induce people to attend its services has lost its churchness and the cheaper it makes itself the more disgusted people become and the less they attend it.

Take the publicity of some of the ministers. The very titles of their sermons are disgusting. They do not know how to write the advertisement. They do not know how to put a title to their sermons. The titles do not convey the subject matter of their would-be discourses; consequently, the titles are frauds, the advertisements are fakes, and the church becomes cheap and loses its churchness.

The church constantly bragging, threatening, coaxing, begging, pleading, advertising, has reached the low level of the cheap, vulgar world. The slang and loose language often heard from the pulpit as well as seen in the advertisements cheapen the church.

The man who says that the public would rather sing jazz than hymns has libeled the public, perjured himself for the purpose of cheapening the church. People want to hear the hymns. They want to sing the hymns. They want a dignified service. They want the gospel. They want the church to come back into her own and take her dignified place.

There is no subject on earth that will hold the people like the doctrine of the vicarious atonement, the blood of Jesus Christ, the only means of salvation. God save the churchless churches of the country.

The Llano News of last week reported the store of Moss & Co., of that city, as having closed its doors Tuesday morning and the stock is to be turned over to creditors.

Last week we found a News that was addressed to one of our subscribers, who was slightly more than a year in arrears, in our box at the postoffice and learned from the postal clerk, upon inquiry, that the subscriber had decided to stop his paper by refusing to take it from the office. That method of stopping a paper is effective all right, for no newspaper man will continue to keep a party on his list that refuses it at the post office, but what about that year in arrears? It is a peculiar thing how some people settle their accounts. We are told by some of our local merchants that such a procedure is sometimes followed by customers in settling their store accounts. They simply run an account for several months and later quit trading with that store and thereby never let the store man have an opportunity to ask him for the amount he owes, he keeps shy of the store and eventually congratulates himself on his shrewdness and ability to get around the payment of his debts.

It is not right, and our local business houses should organize to such an extent that people who do business in this manner would experience difficulty in becoming a new customer of some other business institution. It is not the mere loss of the account to any one firm that hurts; it is the thought of how the fellow is getting by and the aggregate amount he will eventually beat the various business institutions of the town out of.

A. J. Cotton, for several years, County Demonstration Agent of Llano, has been transferred to Burnett County. C. E. Clark will take Llano County.

A TEXAS WONDER

For kidney and bladder troubles, gravel, weak and lame backs, rheumatism and irregularities of the kidneys and bladder. If not sold by your druggist, by mail \$1.25. Small bottle often cures. Send for sworn testimonials. Dr. R. W. Hall, 909 Olive Street, St. Louis, Mo.

From Our Early Files

From Mason News, Jan. 21, 1898: From Mason News, Jan. 17, 1908:

Mrs. Anna Martin and son, Max, are attending the Stockmen's Convention at San Antonio.

Miss Lillie McReynolds is visiting Mrs. Cash in Llano.

Mrs. T. M. Payne returned Tuesday from Rusk, where she attended her mother, Mrs. Wm. Redman.

Marriage licenses were issued Monday to Morgan Butler and Miss Janie Looney.

J. W. White is paying 13 cents a bushel for cotton seed.

Mr. G. A. Arheger and Miss Sallie Biggs were married at San Saba Jan. 9th.

Frank Simon has secured a fine flow of artesian water at a depth of 125 feet in his pasture 6 miles south of town. It flows 49 gallons a minute.

Born—A boy to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Keller, on the 8th.

Last week the school board had the work of walling in the spring, on the school ground, completed.

Chas. Alexander and family, of Lubbock, are visiting relatives in this county and Menard.

Miss Barbara Bruce entertained a number of young friends at the home of her sister, Mrs. J. W. Owens, Tuesday evening.

Where There Is A Will—

DO you read the bank advertising? Some of the most interesting and ingenious bits of reading matter to be found anywhere are coming from the hands of the advertising men nowadays, and the bank advertising has come to hold its own with that of the department stores and the rest of the selling news that makes newspapers and magazines so entertaining.

"They Never Found His Will" announces a big bank in a large city, and tells a story of unnecessary difficulties. He had told his wife about having made a will, but it could not be found. He died after a short illness, leaving the wife and three children.

"The real property which, in the absence of a will, belongs to the children subject to the widow's dower, cannot be sold until the youngest comes of age, 19 years later, unless the mother goes through complicated court procedure. It is going to be difficult, in the interim, if not impossible, for her to educate and keep the three children on the insurance and the income from her third of the property. Yet he meant to leave her in control of the property."

The moral drawn by the bank is—have your will drawn, with the bank named as executor. It's a good plan.

All sorts of complications are likely to arise in case of sudden death, and minor children need to be protected. Wives, also, who have shared in the early struggles, ought to be assured their just share of the later rewards.

No man wants to leave his affairs in a tangle for his heirs to wrestle with, particularly if his means are modest. It might be said that the smaller the fortune, the greater need of a clear and explicit will.

Wills aren't for old people in their dotage to make. They are for young people to help keep their affairs in order.

Richard Lloyd Jones tells How to Eliminate All Taxes

FOLKS are funny when it comes to running their common business. You think you run your business pretty well. I think I run my business pretty well. We all like to think we run our own individual business about as well as it can be run. We live pretty well and all said and done we are all pretty successful. Yet we complain bitterly about taxes.

Taxes consume much of our income which, could we use it for ourselves, would greatly multiply our leisure, increase our comfort and embellish our joys in life.

Why should we have burdensome taxes? We don't seem to have them unless we want them. We complain about taxes as if they were being imposed by some tyrannical imperialistic master who has us by the throat and at whose feet we are helpless.

What is the government? The government is you and I—we who think ourselves so deucedly smart, and clever business men. While we boast of our ability to run our individual business we complain against our utter inability to wisely administer our common business.

Contemplate the post office. With all its faults it is a wonderful institution,—more wonderful than any private business. It is our common business. Your business and my business is absolutely dependent upon it, and we run it so well that we can send a letter from Chicago to San Francisco for two cents. If the American Express Company were operating the post office, you would pay a good quarter for the delivery of that letter, and don't you forget it.

When it comes to handling the big package, our actual trade, we hand it over to a private company

that is conducting our common business and soaking us for it. The railroads conduct our common business. We do not run this which is OUR business. We let private interest here impose itself on our business. Every business in the United States is as dependent on the railroad as it is on the post office. We complain about freight rate when the railroads go to the Interstate Commerce Commission and insist they have a right to dividends.

We give away franchises, recklessly, and then we do not insist on the contract with the recipient of the franchise being enforced.

New York City stands on an island but little more than a mile wide and about fifteen miles long. That little island is so crowded with people that its real estate has the highest assessment of any land in the world. And yet if New York City had not given away her water front, she would earn enough money today from dockage tolls to obliterate all land taxes. She wasn't smart enough to do it. And the New York business man thinks he's the smartest ever. What are you doing in your town that may be just as foolish?

There are certain business enterprises upon which every other business is wholly dependent. If we were smart enough to own and operate the business that is the common denominator of all individual business we would be able to conduct our individual business better and we could run the common business with a profit for US that would wipe out the tax assessment about which we complain and which, because we are poor business men, we have imposed upon ourselves.

poem by UNCLE JOHN

That wimmen-folks is human, has been amply demonstrated. No furdur proofs is lackin' if they'd leave the thing to me. The facks is, men an' wimmen has been closely co-related, an' have et their fruits together, under life's sweet-apple tree. . . .

THE SILVER WEDDING
 I have done my sheer of ponderin' over that affair in Eden—but never placed my judgement in concordance with the plan. . . .

From the outcome of the circumstance and natur' of the pleadin', I could mighty easy figger that his snakeship was a man! I've formed some clear convictions, though I've helt 'em in subjection—and, I've run against some symptoms that was mighty hard to tell. . . . and I reckon there ain't been a day, within my recollection, that a man can't heat a woman in the hurdle-race to hell! I've knocked around consider'ble in this female dispensation, so it's nateral that Cupid somehow, out me up a tree,—and I reckon I am jestified to show some ostentation, if my Better Half can celebrate the day she married me!

HOMEY PHILOSOPHY for 1923

EVERYBODY shouts "The King is Dead, Long Live the King," just because everybody shouts it, but what's the use unless we're goin' to make the new King's reign worth while. The old bird with the scythe is on the job again and we're all cut down another notch. Old King 1923 is only going to last twelve months no matter what we shout, so we'd better hustle if we want to make any kind of a record. Gee, five minutes gone writing this and nothing said. Thousands of other fellows doing the same thing. Just like a Portugese meetin'. Everybody talkin' an' nobody listnening. Maybe if everybody listened an' nobody talked we'd hear the word worth while, the word that comes from Conscience, the admonition of the Great Creator. Let's listnen.



Expect the purest and freshest drugs obtainable when you have prescriptions compounded. That's what you get in all medicines that come from the



Owl Drug Store
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Five Babies Baptized By Granddad



Rev. Wm. F. Barton, pastor of the First Congregational Church at Oak Park, Ill., officiated at the weddings of five of his children. Now he is baptizing grandchildren. Photo shows five new arrivals for a New Year christening, brought from all parts of the country by famous parents, including the child of Bruce Barton, famous editor

Head-Hunting Cannibals.
A race of almost 40,000 head-hunting cannibals, said to be the smallest human beings now in existence as a race, was recently discovered by an explorer in New Hebrides.

When It Gets Him.
A man never realizes his own ignorance so much as when his children start giving him advice.

Galvanized roofing at R. Grosse's.

Hatred an Evil Thing.

Hate is the most destructive thing in the world. It poisons all the springs of beauty and truth and hope in a man's life and leaves him lost and lonely, disinherited in a lovely world. It does not harm to the one hated, all its bitterness and rancor filling up the heart that harbors it. Hate is suicide.

Buy her a box of Norris Chocolate Brazil Nuts at Mason Drug Comp'y.

Society

CELEBRATED HER 100TH BIRTHDAY

Over Two Thousand People Attended Function—Five Generations of Children Present. Unusual Event

Mrs. J. P. Hodges, who lives just north of Norma is enjoying a visit from her father, D. M. Meyhew, of Blue, Oklahoma. He is on his way home from Monnett, Mo., where he attended the 100th birthday anniversary of his mother, who lives at that place.

The function was a remarkably unusual one. Mrs. Mary Moody was to be 100 years old September 14th, and although it had been the custom of a long list of relatives to meet her each birthday anniversary for several years, this year a much more elaborate affair was planned. Many of the relatives were scattered and it was decided to make an effort to get them all together. The effort succeeded quite well. There were five generations present. There were present the two surviving sons, S. M. Mayhew, of Monnett, Mo., and D. M. Mayhew of Blue, Oklahoma. The former is seventy-five years old now, and the latter who is now visiting here, is eighty years old. There was also present her only surviving sister, out of a family of twelve children, of which Mrs. Moody was, strange to say, the oldest. Her sister is now eighty-five years old. There were present five generations; twenty-five grand children, 65 great grand children, and 35 great, great grandchildren, besides her own living children and herself. By actual count there were 563 vehicles on the grounds; there were 2,000 people present.

Mrs. Moody was born September 14th 1809, in South Carolina. Her father, Samuel Miller, was a soldier in the war of 1812 and took part in the Battle of New Orleans. She married Zachariah Meyhew February 1, 1826. They raised four sons and one daughter. Three of the sons served in the Union army and one in the Confederate. One was killed at the battle of Murphesboro, the one in the Confederate army died in service. Mr. Meyhew died in 1865, in Illinois.

Mrs. Meyhew married Isaac Moody on April 27, 1867. He died ten years later. Since that time, Mrs. Moody has made her home with her son, S. M. Moody, at Monnett, Mo.

The above is a reproduction of a clipping handed us by Mrs. Dan Martin of this city, who is a granddaughter of Mrs. Moody mentioned in the article.

Jake Lange, head mechanic in the Eckert Garage, has been on the sick list a few days this week.

When you think of bond papers, think of the News.

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When in town make our store your headquarters. Remember, you are always welcome

Woman's Literary Club

The following program was rendered. A Biography of Walt Whitman's life was read by Mrs. Loula Loring; a criticism by Mrs. Jennie Reynolds.

Mrs. A. L. L. Strickland read a poem on Abraham Lincoln by Whitman and Miss Bierschwale also read an interesting poem.

The program for January 18th, will be short sketches of the lives of women of modern fiction and on January 25th, discussions of our favorite books by these writers. All members are urged to be present. Meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Belle W. Bridges.

Celebrates Birthday

A. J. Lindsay, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Lindsay, celebrated his fourth birthday anniversary on Sunday and on Saturday previous he was host at a party for quite a crowd of little friends.

Ladies Aid

Last Monday afternoon the Ladies Aid of the Christian Church had their regular meeting at the home of Mrs. Chas. Bierschwale.

After a very interesting lesson a dainty salad course was served to the following members:

Mmes. O. H. Mebus, J. S. King, W. W. Boston, Splittgerber, H. S. Wood, Ben Plueneke, W. I. Marshall, M. D. Loring, Kinney Eckert, Elgin Eckert, Arch Metzger and Miss Zella Wood.

W. T. Morrow left Sunday for Houston after spending a few days in Mason visiting his mother, Mrs. Winnie Morrow.

Mrs. E. W. Schroeder returned home Monday from San Antonio, where she spent a week visiting among friends of that city.

Care of Furniture.

Soap should never be used on wood finished with shellac or varnish or treated with furniture wax or oil. It possesses the property of destroying oily and resinous substances, and thus tends to eat away the coating, destroy the polish and expose the wood.

Eagle Brand Typewriter Ribbons, 80c

STAR RICHLY GOWNED IN GLORIA SWANSON'S PARAMOUNT PICTURE

The skins of twenty-two Australian opossums were required to make up the new, rare opossum-fur coat worn by Gloria Swanson in some of the scenes of her latest Paramount picture, "Her Husband's Trademark", which will be presented next Saturday at the Star Theater.

The beautiful fur of the Australian black and white opossum and the black opossum is the newest thing in fashions but is a rare product and is seldom seen outside of the most exclusive circles.

Mrs. Ethel Chaffin, head designer at the Lasky studio, secured only after much time and search, the ten black and white opossum skins and the twelve black opossum skins with which the coat is made. Mrs. Chaffin designed this stunning new creation especially for Miss Swanson to wear in this picture.

The star also wears six very lavish style creations and two beautiful and striking negligees in the picture, in which beautiful clothes are a necessary feature of the theme of the story.

Sam Wood directed the picture. The original story was written by Clara Beranger and the scenario by Lorna Moon. Richard Wayne and Stuart Holmes have the leading male roles and others in the cast are Lucien Littlefield, Charles Ogle, Edythe Chapman and Clarence Burton.

Work is progressing nicely on the new home of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. McMillan, which they are having erected on their lot located west of the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Runge, in the McCall & Anderson addition to the city.

By Way of Diversion.

Newcomer (in bohemian resort)—I think I'd enjoy living a bohemian life for a spell. But it would have to be on certain days in the week and I'd really have to be home by 1 in the morning.—Klede-Hans (Copenhagen).

Always.

When you buy admiration you are compelled to pay for it regularly if you wish to keep it.



SPRING

By LORA WINSOR FOREMAN

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Ten days after Doctor Gray threatened his grumbling patient with the dire misfortunes that come under the head of pneumonia, John Elbridge, feeling a little better, began to grow impatient.

John Elbridge occupied five rooms uptown. They were gems of art and comfort, and Peter presided like a genius. John amused himself studying Peter for a week, and that proved to be Peter's limit. Then John felt the urge of new pastures.

The morning that brought along the open rebellion, ushered in a wonderfully brilliant sun that caught hold of the peaks of neighboring buildings until they became burnished gold. It hurried itself into John Elbridge's sleeping room and waked him. Peter cast a heartbroken look after the retreating figure of the doctor, then went to ask if there was anything his employer would like. But there were so confoundingly few things that a man could like in his condition.

"What day is it, Peter?" asked the querulous voice, when the long limbs were securely tucked under a Navajo blanket.

"Wednesday, I think, sir. Yes, sir, and—" here his voice sank to a joyful whisper.

"And what, Peter?" shouted John, something in the sibilance of Peter's staking whisper striking excitement through the room.

"Why, sir, it's the beginning of spring!" Peter's face beamed in the folds of the old rose portiere.

"Now if I were only well—and, by Jove, why not! I can't go out, but we will have a cosy little dinner party here, Peter. Just one very nice girl and myself, Peter. Do you know anyone new and very nice, old fellow?"

"Well, now, there is one, but I could not say if she would suit, nor can I promise that she would accept." Peter seemed apologetic. "She is a nurse and lives in the house with my sister, but she's a real lady if ever there was one, and that pretty and charming, sir!"

"Peter, you are a brick! After all, what more appropriate than a nurse? But will she come, do you think?"

"We could not be sure, sir. Maybe if we tried a trick like—write some poetry on a card and put 'dinner' in big letters underneath, it might strike the right key, sir, seeing as most young ladies like romance and adventure, sir. It is no harm trying. Maybe she knows it is spring, too, sir."

Then John Elbridge, much intrigued, tried his hand at verse-making, while Peter, safe in the kitchen, danced a jig.

When she opened the envelope left by the brass-buttoned, important little messenger boy, Edna West felt sure there had been a mistake. But no, the name and address were unmistakably correct, and she liked the bold handwriting. The verse savored of originality and the invitation conveyed on the other side tempted her beyond endurance.

Her heart thumped loudly when she touched the button at the magic door of Suite 4 in a certain apartment house up town. She did not recognize the man who relieved her of her wraps and conducted her into a bright, cheery room, where the fireplace and the lighted candles threw an almost uncanny radiance into the center where she stood.

"Mr. Elbridge has been quite ill, miss, and asks if you will pardon his not greeting you here. Will you come this way, miss?" Edna felt sure that it was in her professional capacity that she had awakened interest in the people here.

A tall figure rose from the couch as she entered the den. She hesitated a moment in advancing, but the man was so palpably white and weak that she gathered courage and hastened forward with outstretched hand.

"It was so good of you to come," he said, grasping her hand cordially. "You don't mind catering to the caprice of an invalid, do you, Miss West? I simply couldn't go out for my spring party, that was the big idea."

She liked his voice, his ingratiating smile and boyish appeal.

"It is I who am indebted," she said, with her shy smile. "I was terribly lonely and tired when your card came, and now I am just hungry, that's all."

She moved away to look at one of John's pictures, and in a few moments they were chatting away like time-tried comrades. Gradually all restraint melted away, and like two children they played the game. Edna left quite soon after dinner, according to John's secret verdict, but they were both elated at the thought of days to come. Yet there had been no mention of another meeting.

"Peter, you have made a mess of me, I fear,"

MEETING OF COMMERCIAL AGRICULTURAL CLUB OF PETERS PR.

On Friday, January the twelfth the Agricultural Club held its second meeting. After calling the house to order and roll call, two committees were appointed. The program committee consists of Carl Schmidt, Vera Holcomb, and Malcomb Jordan. The finance committee consists of Maurice Kidd, Viola Bishop and Ray Townsend.

Following this a motion was made, seconded and passed that a committee should be appointed by the president, which should prepare things for Mr. Marshall's program. This committee consists of Robert Schmidt, Richard Jordan and Preston Prater.

Afterwards, Mr. Marshall gave the club some pointers on balanced rations and I am sure if every member would use these rations, they would have good results.

—REPORTER.

Cato's Three Laments.

Plutarch says that Cato declared that in his whole life he most repented of three things: one was that he had trusted a secret to a woman; another that he went by water when he might have gone by land; the third, that he had remained one whole day without doing any business of importance.

Reaction.

Lady—"Aren't you ashamed to beg? You are so ragged that I am ashamed of you myself." Hebe—"Yes, it is kind of a reflection on the generosity of the neighborhood, mum."—American Legion Weekly.

Positively Side-Splitting.

The epidemic is not without its humorous side. Instead of going to 'burch, staid elderly men were seen rushing for doctors and medicine.—Glasgow Paper.

Measured by Hands.

The height of a horse is spoken of as being so many "hands"—a hand measuring four inches. The height is measured from the top of the shoulder to the ground.

Jud Tunkins.

Jud Tunkins says he never could figure that "daylight saving" compensated for the loss of time by people in a railroad station who were trying to find out exactly when a train left.

Value of "Style."

Style in painting is the same as in writing—a power over materials, whether words or colors, by which conceptions are conveyed.—Sir Joshua Reynolds.

Elevated Thought.

See by the papers a fresh guy kissed his girl right under her chaperon's nose. It would have been better to have kissed her right under her own.

Cold—In the Head and the Heart.

"I suppose there are more fool suggestions for holding love than for curing colds. Every daily paper is full of both, and none of them is any good either for cold hearts or noses."—From "Beauty," by Rupert Hughes.

Things Inseparable.

It is well to have visions of a better life than that of every day, but it is the life of every day from which elements of a better life must come.—Maeterlinck.

tired that night.

"But you seemed so happy, sir," faltered Peter.

"I was—that's the trouble. Never so happy in my life, old fellow. I have you to thank for saving me the trouble of hunting the world over for Mrs. John Elbridge, your future mistress, Peter. And, Peter, have a dozen American Beauties and some extra special candy sent to Miss West early in the morning. I guess that's all for the time being, Peter, thank you."

"And perhaps a few sprays of lily-of-the-valley, sir," suggested Peter, and John grinned appreciatively.

The "Doctor" Wine.

How many have heard of the famous Moselle wine for invalids, called the "doctor"? It got its name about six hundred years ago from Boemund, archbishop of Treves, who was ill of a fever and given up by the doctors. Then into his castle one day marched a sturdy farmer with a little cask of wine on his shoulder from his three-cornered vineyard at Berncastel. "Whoso drinks of this wine must straightway be well of fever," he announced, and the sick man begged for a drink of it, liked it, took more and got well. "I will never be without that best doctor in mine old age," said the thankful archbishop and left orders that 20 casks of that useful wine should go into his cellar every year afterward, for sick purposes.

Ford

INTERESTING FACTS

106,327 Ford Cars and Trucks
Retailed in November

APPROXIMATELY THE SAME NUMBER SCHEDULED FOR DELIVERY THIS MONTH

What Does This Mean?

This volume of deliveries to actual owners is entirely unprecedented for this time of the year—

It has taxed the manufacturing ability of the Ford plants working at full capacity—

It indicates a volume of business during the rapidly approaching months of "heavy demand" which will be far beyond the maximum production schedule which the Ford Motor Company has set—

And that means a Ford shortage even more acute than the one which existed last Spring and Summer.

Dealers' stocks all over the country are low—there are no reserves to draw upon to meet the demands for delivery—

There is no way in which dealer reserves can be built up, as deliveries have been made to customers as fast as cars could be manufactured since last April.

The only way you can protect your desire to obtain prompt delivery of a Ford even at this time is to place your order immediately.

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CHURCH NOTICES

GERMAN METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday School every Sunday at 10 a. m.—Harry Plueneke, Supt.
Services every Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. (except 4th Sunday at 11 a. m.)
Prayer Meeting every Tuesday night at 7 p. m.
English services on 2nd, 4th and 5th Sundays at night.
REV. J. W. A. WITT, Pastor.

M. E. CHURCH, SOUTH

Quarterly Conference January 20th, at 2:30 p. m. We hope to have good reports from all the Church officers throughout the charge.
Rev. A. E. Rector, P. E., will preach in Mason, Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:15 p. m.
The Presiding Elder will also preach at Grit in the afternoon at 2:30.
ROY G. RADER, P. C.

The News is headquarters for good bond papers; quality being our motto. We make a specialty of handling bond paper in bulk and sell it in large or small lots cut to any size desired.

A Chipped Frame.
If a corner is chipped off of a gilt edge frame camouflage it with chewing gum. Gild with gold paint.

A CASE WHERE THE PEOPLE ARE TO JUDGE

Since Will H. Hays, the big chief of the motion picture industry, gave out the announcement that Rescoe (Fatty) Arbuckle is to be given another chance and will be permitted to resume his one-time occupation of film actor, there has been much comment from various sources and an unlimited number of editorials have appeared in the newspapers of the country. Arbuckle is said to have put up quite a pitiful and touching plea to obtain his reinstatement as an actor and while the power of restoring him as a film actor was wholly in the hands of Mr. Hays, his possibilities of regaining popularity

will be in the hands of the movie going public. The consensus of opinion indicates the criticizing and exacting movie fans of the country will be reluctant in attending theaters where the former film star's pictures are exhibited and that theater managers are not likely to find the showing of his films very profitable. Arbuckle's future in motion pictures can therefore be summed up and put in a nut shell: "It will be a case where the people will decide."

Temporary Perfection.
"Women never understand how useless it is to try to make a man think badly of the woman he loves; so long as he believes that she returns his passion she is, in his eyes, for the time being, perfect."—From "The Magic Power" by Thilo McLane.

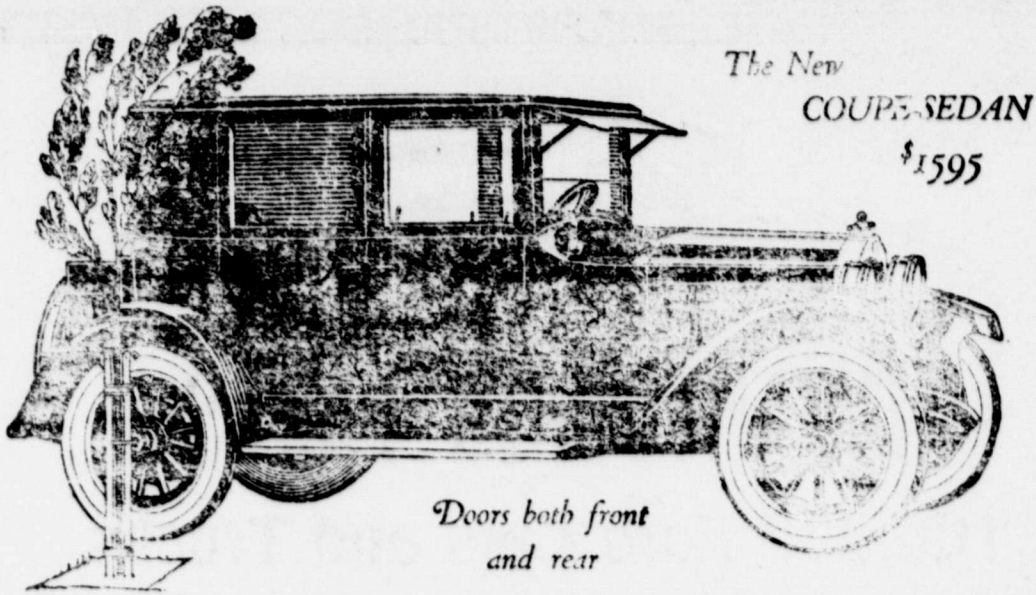
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Taft Urges Speed In Federal Courts



Chief Justice Taft of the U. S. Supreme Court is making an effort to expedite work in the Federal Courts all over the country. This photo shows Circuit Judges from all parts of the United States after a conference at Washington. In the group are Circuit Judges Bingham, Rogers, Buffington, Knapp, Walker, Knapper, Baker and Kenyon. Taft is in the center.

I am always in the market for fat hogs and chickens. Get my prices. J. J. Johnson. 31-1f

Take in the picture show at the Star Opera House each Friday and Saturday night. Show starts at 7:15 o'clock.

"Built Me Up"

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If you are weak, run-down and feel that you need a tonic, take Cardui, the woman's tonic, the tonic about which you have always heard, the tonic that helps weak women regain their strength.

Cardui acts on the womanly system and helps relieve pain and discomfort due to female ailments.

Try Cardui, today, for your trouble.

CARDUI
The Woman's Tonic

CANDIES

Home-made candies are much more wholesome than bought candy. This being true the housewife should learn to make some simple candies for the young people because they will eat more or less candy.

Candy is a food high in caloric value and the child should not eat much for it is irritating to the stomach. The best time to eat candy is immediately after meals. When eaten before meals it displaces the appetite for other necessary foods and may seriously upset digestion.

HINTS—(a) When making candy if the milk curdles and the candy seems not smooth, a small bit of soda will quite frequently overcome this trouble. Watch carefully to prevent candy boiling over when soda is added.

(b) Never add butter to candy until after removing pan from the stove.

(c) A small quantity of salt added to candy improves the flavor in every instance.

(e) Oiled paper may be used in place of oiled dishes when cooling candy.

(f) Brown paper may be oiled with butter if the paraffin paper is not available.

(g) Three ways of changing large crystals of sugar to smaller crystals:
1. By adding glucose—corn syrup.
2. By adding acid—cream of tartar, vinegar or lemon juice.
3. By cooking at a lower temperature a longer time. This means that a larger amount of liquid must be used than ordinarily.

FUDGE—2 c sugar, 1-3 c corn syrup, 1-2 c milk, 1 sq. chocolate, 1 tsp. vanilla 1 tb. butter.

Place first four ingredients into a stew pan, place pan over stove and stir until chocolate is melted then stir occasionally. Boil until it will form a soft ball in water. Add vanilla and butter. Set aside until almost cool then beat until creamy. Turn quickly into a buttered pan and cut into squares or drop from the tip of a spoon on to an oiled paper.

WHITE FUDGE—Use above recipe and leave out chocolate.

COCONUT FUDGE OR nut fudge—Use above recipe and beat until nearly cold before adding nuts or coconut as the oil would be withdrawn if placed in candy while hot.

Other variations are obtained by adding chopped dates, raisins, figs, or preserved fruit such as cherries.

FRUIT SWEETS—1 c figs, 1 c seeded raisins, 1 c dates, 1 c pecans or English walnuts, 2 tb orange juice, 1 tb lemon juice.

Put material through a meat chopper. Add fruit juice and a few grains of salt. Mix well. Take a small portion

and form balls or other desired shapes. Roll in powdered or granulated sugar and press half a walnut on top. Variation: Peanut butter may be used in place of nuts.

STUFFED DATES—Remove stones, fill with either a nut, marshmallow, fondant or peanut butter. Peanut butter makes a very good filling. Press dates into shape and roll in chopped coconut or fine granulated sugar.

DIVINITY—4 c sugar, 1 c corn syrup 1 c hot water, 4 egg whites, 1 1-2 c nuts 1 tsp vanilla.

Boil first three ingredients until when syrup is tested in water the ball cracks when tapped against the cup. Pour syrup slowly over beaten egg whites and continue beating until candy cools slightly and becomes creamy and slightly stiff. Add nuts and vanilla and pour into an oiled plate.

PENOCHE—3 1-2 c sugar, 1 c milk, 1 c brown sugar or brown, 1 c of granulated sugar by caramelizing, 1sp vanilla, 1tsp butter, 1 c nuts, 1-2 c white Karo if desired.

In case brown sugar cannot be obtained, caramelize the 1 cup of white sugar, add milk and when caramel has dissolved add remainder of sugar. Cook until a soft ball is formed when tested in cold water. Remove pan from stove and add butter and vanilla. Beat until creamy—add nuts and when almost cold drop candy from the spoon on to a buttered plate or on oiled paper.

TRUE MEXICAN CANDY—2 c peccolillo or brown sugar (one of cakes 1 1-2 cups), 1 c white sugar, 1-2 c water (1-4 c vinegar 1-4 c water best), 2 tb butter, 1 c pecans.

Cook mixture until thread spins. Stir until material is nearly ready to sugar add nuts and drop in pats on oiled plate or paper. If desired mixture need not be stirred so long but upon adding nuts pour candy into oiled muffin pans. This requires more nuts and candy will be slightly more sticky.

CARAMEL CANDY—3 1-2 c sugar, 1 c milk, 3 tb butter, 2 tsp vanilla.

Brown 1 c sugar and stir in the other 2 1-2 cups sugar and the 1 c milk (when they have boiled 5 minutes.) Let the two cook together 2 minutes, remove from stove and add butter. Also 2 tb vanilla. Beat until it shows signs of turning back to sugar and then add nuts and pour into a well buttered dish, cut while warm.

BUTTER SCOTCH—1-2 c molasses, 1-2 c butter, 1-2 c sugar.

Boil until it strings, pour into buttered tin and when cold break into pieces.

POP CORN BALLS—1 c molasses, 3 tb butter.

Boil together until it strings and then stir in a 2 inch of soda. Put this over a quart dish full of popped corn. Then cool enough to handle. Squeeze into balls the size of an orange.

UNCOOKED CANDY—Beat white of 1 egg very stiff and beat into it 2 tb of sweet cream stir in perfection's sugar until very stiff. Roll into balls with hands, let dry a few minutes and coat with chocolate. Coconut may be added—roll into balls, dip in 1 beaten egg, and cover outside with as much coconut as can be made to adhere to it.

TO MELT CHOCOLATE FOR DIPPING—Melt over hot water at low temperature. To preserve gloss add 1 tb of salad oil to every 1-2 lb chocolate.

MOLASSES CANDY—2 c molasses, 2 tsp vinegar, 3 tb butter, 1-4 tsp. soda. Boil until it strings when dropped from spoon or until brittle when dropped in cold water. Stir in soda and pour in buttered tin. When nearly cold, pull until nearly white. Cut into small pieces or sticks and lay on buttered platter.

Vietrola Phonographs on easy terms at Mason Drug Company. 36

NOTICE OF SELECTION OF COUNTY DEPOSITORY

Notice is hereby given that the Commissioners' Court of Mason County will, at its regular February 1923 term, receive sealed proposals from any banking corporation, association, or individual banker in Mason County, for the selection as the depository of the funds of the county for the ensuing two years. Bids to be presented to the County Judge not later than 10 o'clock a. m. on Monday, February 12th, 1923 and to be accompanied by certified check for not less than 1/2 of one percent of the county revenue of the preceding year as a guarantee of good faith. The Commissioners' Court reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

This the 8th day of January, A. D. 1923.

JOHN T. BANKS,
County Judge, Mason County, Texas

Ain't it wonderful to behold
A winter's sunset tinted with red,
yellow and gold.

Doesn't it bring a message to you today
To cheer someone along the way?

Today, the tomorrow of yesterday is here.

Ain't it the most wonderful day of all the year!

Don't wait for the rainbow to follow the rain.

O' Course some time it will rain again

Oie winter ain't a goin' t' be here long
Spring time will soon be listened for
for the "Cheer" o' yer song.

O, you may say it's such a little thing,
But the world is jes a listening, jes for you to sing.

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Mrs. Seth L. Baze and Miss Elizabeth White spent last week at the Mill Creek Ranch, where the former was recuperating from a recent illness.

Galvanized roofing at R. Grosse's.

CHICKENS
If you have chickens to sell, don't fail to get my prices.
31-1f J. J. JOHNSON

Max Martin and Mrs. Jennie Hamilton spent several days last week visiting Mrs. Martin and Misses Esther and Ruth, in San Antonio.

NOTICE TO CAR OWNERS
This is to notify all car owners that the time for registering cars will expire on January 31st. Cars must carry both numbers. Parties failing to comply with these requirements will be prosecuted.

CHAS. LESIE,
Tax Collector.

Wallace Boston went to the Silas Brandenberger Ranch, near Capitola, the first of this week and will remain there for some time, doing some papering and painting on Silas' new home.

SOMETHING NEW
Whitman's Pink Package at
MASON DRUG COMPY.

A card recently received at this office asks that E. C. Winkle's News be changed from Houston to Yoakum, Texas. Ervin says he does not like Yoakum as well as Houston, but he indicates he has a better position. He is working on the Aransas Pass as mail clerk between Waco and Yoakum.

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We don't know how much of the credit for the agricultural development of the State is due the A. and M. College. There is no way of striking a balance and determining what the State of Texas owes the A. and M. on this account. But we do know that no movement gets very far without a leader; that leaders must be trained if they are to lead effectively; and that the A. and M. College has furnished many hundreds of men who by their effective leadership have rendered the State service of inestimable value.

Since its establishment about forty-five years ago, the Texas A. and M. has enrolled 26,098 students. The total appropriations for the support of the school during that period amount to \$7,779,968.98, of which \$6,996,218.98 came from the State of Texas and \$783,750 from the Federal Government under the Morrill Act. Of the total appropriation, \$3,445,686.61 went for permanent improvements, while \$4,334,282.27 was used to support the school. It is only fair that the amount spent for permanent improvements should be considered the inventorial value of the institution, and in determining the average per capita cost of maintaining a

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student at the institution, the net cost of supporting the school, \$4,334,282.27 is divided by the total enrollment of 26,098. By this method of calculation the average per capita of keeping a boy at the A. and M. College for a year, has been \$166.13.

However, it has cost more money to run a school during the past few years than it did back in the early teens of this century. During the past six years the A. and M. has cost \$3,613,083.96, of which \$1,750,847.35 may be charged to permanent improvements and \$1,862,236.61 to the support of this institution. The enrollment for this period is 9,658 and the average annual per capita cost is \$192.62.

Texas is spending this year, approximately \$5,000,000 for its institutions of higher learning, which include the A. and M., the University, the school for girls at Denton, the Normals, etc. It has spent during the last twelve years, approximately \$21,000,000 for the support of these schools. This is approximately the same amount that the people of Texas paid in income taxes last year to the Federal Government alone.

On a basis of the per capita cost during the past six years, it costs the State \$770.48 to provide a boy with a four-year course at this institution. Is a boy with the training given at the A. and M. College worth \$770.48 more to the State of Texas than he would be without this training? The only index we have to a citizen's worth is the salary he earns. As a rule, and when taken for a period of years, one is worth about what he is paid. There are, of course, many exceptions to this rule, but as stated it is about the only basis we have on which a man's value in dollars and cents may be estimated.

The United States Bureau has compiled figures to show the digereince in earning capacity of a large number of boys who completed high school before starting to work, and another lot of boys who did not go to high school before starting their business career. The high school boy started to work at eighteen years of age, while the grammar school lad began four years earlier. At twenty-five years of age, the boy who finished high school was making \$900 a year more and his total salary for the eight years exceeded that of the grammar school boy who had been at work twelve years.

Unfortunately there are no figures which will show the difference in the earning capacity of the boy who finishes school at eighteen years and then goes to college for four years and the boy who begins work as soon as he completes his high school course. We believe that the college trained man can give the man with only a high school education, a start of four years in the business world and at thirty years of age, he will be earning a larger salary and will have made a larger total salary in eight years than the high school graduate has accumulated in twelve years. As stated, we have no figures that bear directly on this point, but statisticians have figured that with an elementary education, your chance for a notable success is one in 41,250; with a high school education, it is one to 1,608; with a college education it is one to 172. In other words, the man with a college education has about nine times a greater chance of making a notable success in his life work than the man with only a high school education.

By all means support the institutions of higher learning. No true friend of education will attempt to help the primary schools by creating prejudice against institutions such as the A. and M. College. There should be no competition between the primary schools and the institutions of higher learning. They are inter-dependent, and both are essential parts of our education system. It will be a sad day for Texas when the people of the State attempt to build the primary schools out of material obtained by the destruction of our institutions of higher learning. The time is past due for those who know the practical value of education to arouse them selves and repel the attacks of that class of people who ridicule everything that relates to higher education.

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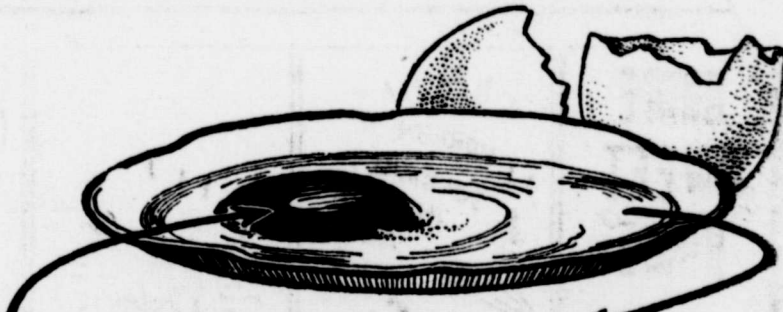
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Mrs. Enfield's Man

By CLARA DELAFIELD

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"Free?" asked Mrs. Enfield tartly. "Believe me, Mrs. Reames, I never know what freedom meant before. All my life I've worked for men—first for my old father, who was a regular tyrant, and then for Jim Enfield.

"Why, I couldn't call my soul my own so long as that man was in the house. It was cooking and cleaning, and darned his socks—he was as helpless as a baby, for all his viciousness—and cross words all the time. And then he went and left me."

"You poor thing," said her visitor. "But that's what we women have to put up with."

"He left me," sobbed Mrs. Enfield, "and that poor child there"—she pointed to her daughter Gladys, aged fifteen—"and wrote a letter saying he was tired of my tongue-lashing, and was never coming back. Me that had slaved for him! Me that couldn't call my soul my own while he was in the house!"

"I suppose there's no danger of his ever coming back after all these months, is there?" asked the visitor.

Mrs. Enfield's voice rose into a shrill scream. "Come back? Well, I'd just like to see him try it!" she answered. "I'd give him a tongue-lashing, as he had the impudence to call it. I'd let him know whether he could treat us that way or not, going off and abandoning us, and leaving me to work for our living."

"Suppose he came back rich?" suggested the other.

"Rich? Jim Enfield rich? That man couldn't save a penny even if he was man enough to get a job! But if it was to happen, I'd throw his money in his face. Never shall Jim Enfield set foot inside my doors again, rich or poor!"

"That's the way to talk, ma," said Gladys. "We're better off without a great hulking man to support."

"You hold your tongue, Glad," answered her mother sharply. "It's quite true what you say, but it ain't for you to abuse your father."

Gladys tossed her head. "Anyway, when I see what he's done to you, ma, capturing your young love and then wrecking it, it makes me feel sore," she answered.

In spite of her attitude, Jane Enfield knew that there were times when she missed the presence of a man in the house. As a husband, Jim Enfield had been beneath contempt, but as a man he had his virtues. He could drive nails and hammer things; he could fix taps and do odd jobs.

But Jim Enfield should never enter her home again. "Not if he crawled in dying on his benched knees, Gladys," she said. "I'm just living for the day when he comes back. Tongue-lashing? Huh!"

A few days later, when Mrs. Enfield was preparing supper, Gladys rushed in, wild with excitement. "What d'you think, ma?" she asked. "Father's been seen in town!"

"Huh?" said Jane Enfield. "Let him try to come here, that's all! Glad, if he tries to force his way in, you run for the policeman. And I'll—"

she looked about her and snatched up a rolling-pin. "I guess I'm woman enough to hand him what he deserves," she said.

Suddenly rather uncertain footsteps were heard outside. They looked at one another and shivered. And then there came a tapping at the kitchen door. After a few moments of hesitation Gladys went and opened it.

Jim Enfield came in. He wore a very shabby suit of clothes, a battered hat was on the back of his head, and he glanced rather sheepishly from his wife to his daughter.

Then he advanced slowly and uncertainly, glancing askance at the rolling-pin in Jane Enfield's hand, and threw himself into a chair.

"Well, here we are again!" he said. "Had a mighty rough time, Jane, old girl! Been on the tramp six weeks since I lost my last job, and nearly dead. Guess I'll have to lay up for a spell before starting out to look for a job again."

"Hello, Glad! How's the school coming along? My, you're growing quite a big girl now, ain't you? Come and give your daddy a kiss!"

Gladys, advancing as if hypnotized, suddenly flung her arms around her father's neck and imprinted a succession of fervid kisses on his cheeks. Then she drew back and looked at her mother.

"Well? What are you staring at me like that for?" demanded Jane Enfield. "Hurry out to the corner store and get some ham for your father. And get a lettuce and a bottle of pickles—the kind he likes. You ought to know if any one does. Jim, I'll run upstairs and fix things up a bit. Watch the kettle and see it doesn't boil over."

She ran to him and put her head down on his shoulder. "You must rest up a while before looking for work, Jim," she said. "Poor boy, you must have had a rough time. Gladys! She stopped the girl as she was going out of the door. "Go and get your father's slippers first, and then hurry to the store, My, Jim!" she continued. "It feels good to have a man in the house again!"

Diplomacy.

"When Mrs. Peckton lays down the law, do you acquiesce?"

"Yes," said Mr. Peckton, slyly, "as the diplomats do."

"Eh?"

"In principle."

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Shakespeare.

Although his sails are purple and perturbed, and his prow of beaten gold, they wait him on his voyage, not less, but more rapidly and directly than if they had been composed of baser materials.—Francis Jeffrey.

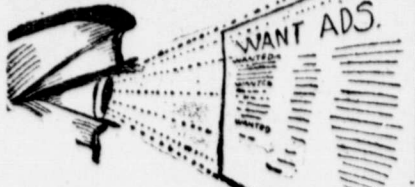
Whitman's Celebrated Box Candies at Mason Drug Company. 45

The Last Straw.

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Whitman's Sampler Box Candy at Mason Drug Company. 45

Tact in Questioning.
He that questioneth much, shall learn much, and content much; but especially if he apply his questions to the skill of the persons whom he asketh; for he shall give them occasion to please themselves in speaking, and himself shall continually gather knowledge; but let his questions not be troublesome, for that is fit for a poser and let him be sure to leave other men their turns to speak.—Bacon.

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