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The non-interest bearing and unsecured deposits of this bank are protected by the State Guaranty Fund.

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The Pecos Valley State Bank PECOS, TEXAS

THE PECOS CITY RIFLE CLUB SHOOT

The "Marksman" course is fired as follows: At 200 yards 5 shots prone, 5 shots kneeling...

A glance at the score given below will show that W. W. Camp, Cooksey, Kite, Kiser, J. Camp, and Harbour qualified by a good margin...

Good natured "joshing" of each shooter kept everybody in good humor, and those who failed to qualify are "rearing" to go again.

Those who have qualified as "marksman" will, in the near future, fire the sharpshooter course, and if they qualify in this, will get absolute title to their rifles.

"Marksman" course, fired by the members of the Pecos City Rifle Club in the afternoon of New Year's day, was participated in by 14 members...

Table with 3 columns: Name, Score 1, Score 2. Includes Cooksey, W. W. Camp, Kite, Jackson, Miller, Dolezal, Porter, Gaines, Kiser, J. Camp, Harbour, Davis, Stephen.

CAN YOU DO AS WELL AS THEY?

Realizing the importance of high school students keeping up with current events, and in order to encourage all who do so I have decided to submit at stated times a list of names of men and places prominent in the news of the day...

Sir Douglas Haig, Joffre, Venizelos, Vance McCormick, Chief Justice of the United States Supreme Court, Leonard Wood, Gompers, Attorney-General of Texas, U. S. Senators from Texas, Combls, Thos. Mott Osborne, Louis Brandeis, Bucharest, Congressman from your District, Sheriff from your county, Thos. R. Marshall, Robert Lansing, Tyrus Cobb, Josephus Daniels, Sir Edward Grey, Von Falkenhayn, Verdun, Asquith, Governor of Texas, Carranza.

Mrs. Hubert Buchanan left last week for Burkburnett to join her husband, who, with his brothers, Mose and Lang Buchanan, are running a dray and express line, which their father recently traded for.

We are sorry to lose these good people, for they intend to make that place their home in the future, but our loss is Burkburnett's gain.

Card of Thanks.

I desire to express my hearty thanks to my friends and others who patronized me at my stand in the City Pharmacy in retiring from the business I wish to state that it is my intention to remain in Pecos but at present am undecided as to my plans for the future.

TOMMY LEVY. Harbour 92 83 175 Davis 82 Stephen 66 Note-The first column of figures is score made at 200 yards, slow fire, 20 shots, possible 100. The second, at 200 yards, 20 shots, rapid fire, possible 100. Third column is total out of possible 200.

HONOR ROLL FOR DECEMBER

The following pupils have made the highest averages in their respective grades for the month of December. In a number of instances the contest for honorable mention has been so close that it has been impossible to give any one of them the highest average:

- Low First-Mary Snyder, Louise Mitchell, George Pinkston. High First-George Morrison, Ernest McNabb, Sam Yoe. Low Second-Josephine Rodgers, Gordon Stine, Marguerite Bean. High Second-Harry Ross, Mary Magee. Low Third-Tillman Durdin, Blanche Bowie. High Third-Willie Ruth Hines, Harold Sims, and Nora Treas. Low Fourth-Joe Brown, Ruth Bryan. High Fourth-W. D. Cowan, Dorothy Sisk, Eva Richburg, Florence Colwell. Fifth Grade-Adam Ross, Virginia Runnels, and Fannie Floyd. Sixth Grade-Mozelle Bryan. 7th Grade-Leonard Lopoo. 1st Year High School-Henry Moore. 2nd Year-Carrie Glover. 3rd Year-J. Subyl Bowie. 4th Year-Hill Hudson.

Respectfully, THOS. J. YOE.

J. A. HARDY'S NEW BUILDING

J. A. Hardy, one of Pecos' hustlers after business, and a hard worker along his line of trade, has purchased two lots on the southwest corner of the block on which the Zimmer buildings are located, and is erecting a building for his machine work, which is nearly finished, and on its completion will move from his present location.

The building is 28x70 feet, and fronts west. It is frame, covered with sheet iron and it will allow him plenty of room for his steadily increasing business. He also owns the building occupied by Pat Kane and will use it as a store room and warehouse.

The Times congratulates Mr. Hardy on his new move, and we are sure that all trust that he meets with the greatest of success.

The carpenter work is being done by E. A. Rider, which insures that it will be done in proper shape.

Annual Garment Sale.

As is their custom, prior to Easter Sunday, the ladies of the Christian church wish to announce that they will hold their annual Garment Sale on Friday and Saturday, April 6 and 7, 1917. They request their friends to bear the dates in mind.

Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Smothers and daughter, Roberta Nell, arrived last week from Sweetwater for a visit with the parents of Mrs. Smothers, Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Churchill and numerous friends. They autoed over via Big Springs, where they picked up Mr. Jas. Hanson who was there visiting relatives and friends, and brought him home. Mr. Smothers returned to his duties, traveling out of Sweetwater, but Mrs. Smothers and daughter will remain for a longer visit. They report that they like it quite well at their new home.

STATEMENT PECOS VALLEY STATE BANK

No. 835 Official statement of the financial condition of the PECOS VALLEY STATE BANK at Pecos, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 27th day of December, 1916, published in the Pecos Times, a newspaper printed and published at Pecos, State of Texas, on the 5th day of January, 1917.

RESOURCES. Loans and Discounts, personal or collateral \$364,830.70. Loans, real estate 13,018.19. Overdrafts 4,925.30. Bonds & Stocks 985.20. Real estate (banking house) 29,000.00. Other real estate 6,046.80. Furniture & Fixt 5,500.00. Due from Approved Reserve Agents, net 25,856.66. Due from other banks and bankers, subject to check, net 5,000.00. Cash items 2,961.69. Currency 10,638.00. Specie 5,116.15. Interest on Depositors Guaranty fund 4,638.03. Assessment Guaranty fund 829.84. Other Resources as follows: Profit & loss acct. 20,187.02. Due from 1st State Bank, Grandfalls, liquidating 1,540.22. Due from other bank, collection account 8,794.65. Total \$509,868.45

LIABILITIES. Capital Stock, paid in \$110,000.00. Surplus fund 20,000.00. Undivided profits, net 9,981.09. Due to Banks and Bankers, subject to check, net 52,644.24. Individual Deposits subject to check 295,311.18. Time certificates of Deposit 21,683.29. Cashier's checks 248.65. Bills payable and rediscounts NONE. Certificates of Deposit, issued for money borrowed NONE. Total \$509,868.45

STATE OF TEXAS) County of Reeves.)

We, W. D. Cowan, as president, and W. H. Browning, Jr., 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.

W. D. COWAN, president. W. H. BROWNING, JR. Cash. Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 5th day of January, A. D. 1917.

(Seal) A. G. TAGGART, Notary Public, Reeves County, Texas. Correct-Attest: J. G. LOVE, F. W. JOHNSON, SID COWAN, Directors.

J. W. Wadley has added another Ford truck to his business which will be operated by Milton. This will put the Judge in possession of facilities to handle with dispatch any amount of business that may be entrusted to him, and is also evidence of the fact that he is prospering to some degree, for which his friends are glad.

J. T. Short, who for several weeks past, has been laid up with an abscess on the glands of the throat, is again able to be up and about his work. He is very busy these days hauling sand from the Pecos river, to be shipped out to Hugh Robertson, the bustling cement man for his road work at Salt Draw. It is being shipped over the P. V. S.

ADDITIONS TO THE LIBRARY

"Filling His Own Shoes" by Rowland. "The Leatherwood God" by Howells. "Fish" by Rhinehart. "Street of Seven Stars" by Rhinehart. "Fibble D. D." and "Local Color" by Cobb. "The Unknown Guest" by Maeterlink. "The proof of the Pudding," by Nicholson. "Tom Sawyer" by Twain. "With Sam Houston In Texas" by Sabin. "Bobby of the Labrador," by Wallace. "Contraband," by Parrish. "The World For Sale" by Parker. "Good Old Anna" by Lowndes. "Then I'll Come Back to You," Evans. "Molly Make-Believe," by Abbott. "Barnabetta," by Martin. "Martha By-The-Day" by Julie Lippman. "The Fortunate Youth," by Locke. The report for December is as follows: Books bought by library 25; Mrs. Zimmer, 50. Magazines contributed by Mesrames Ashe, Casey and Drummond. Circulation 229. Number of books 1671. Accessions 75. Total number registered 635. Registered during Dec. 14.

RECEIVED TWO SAD MESSAGES

As stated in last week's issue Major Bomar received the sad news of Mrs. Bomar's death, Christmas, and on New Year's Eve he received word that his aged mother had passed away.

She died in Atlanta, Georgia. Mrs. S. E. L. Bomar was born in North Georgia on February 11th, 1826, not far from Roswell, where she attended the same school that Martha Bullard, mother of Theodore Roosevelt was a scholar, and was also a member of the same Sunday school.

A few years ago, when Mr. Roosevelt was president, Major Bomar received a very pleasant letter from him, relative to an Atlanta address of his mother.

Mrs. Bomar was a Miss Hayne of the same South Carolina family as Robt. Y. Hayne, who, when in the U. S. Senate, drew from Daniel Webster the most powerful effort of his life in a reply, but which Wm. J. Bryan, in one of his published speeches, said that Mr. Webster did not answer, but flying off on a tangent, evaded the State Rights argument of Mr. Hayne in a burst of eloquence.

Major Bomar has the deepest sympathy of our entire community in these bereavements.

Moving Times Arrives Again.

Among those who are moving or have moved during the past week, we note the following:

E. T. Read and family into Mrs. Cooksey's house, recently vacated by Mr. and Mrs. McKnight.

M. C. Buchanan and family are now comfortably domiciled in the Lochner residence on the corner of Willow and 4th streets.

J. G. Love, vice-president of the Pecos Valley State Bank, went over to Barstow yesterday on a business trip.

THE FIFTH SUNDAY MEETING

Some interesting services were held at the local Christian church beginning on last Friday evening and continuing until Sunday night. Frank Lanehart, of Jal. N. M., Walter Thompson, of Odessa, F. G. Jones and Ray Camp, of Midland, were the visiting ministers, and all took part in the program. One of the most interesting services of the meeting was at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon, when Mr. Lanehart gave his experiences in preaching to the scattered peoples of Eddy county N. M., for the past year.

Besides the visiting ministers there were other visitors from Midland: Mrs. Jo Camp and son, Van; from Barstow: Mesdames W. L. Fuller, Ross Carr, Mr. and Mrs. Newman Green, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Miller; from Balmorhea: Mesdames B. W. Van Deren and Gill.

So well pleased with the fellowship were those in attendance, that it was decided to make the meetings regular, and Odessa was selected as the next meeting place, on the fifth Lord's day in April.

Bride and Groom Make Times Office a Visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Smith made The Times office a very pleasant visit last week, Friday afternoon.

They live in Galveston and were on their wedding trip, going out to Balmorhea to visit with Mrs. T. C. Wofford and Mrs. J. N. Wilson and their families. Mrs. Wofford is Mrs. Smith's sister.

The couple came by way of San Antonio where they spent a few days before reaching Pecos. Mrs. Wofford autoed in after them.

Married Last Night.

Mr. Hermon Borders and Miss Dochia Lee Brown, of Barstow, accompanied by some friends, drove to Pecos at a late hour last night, and having with them the proper credentials from the Ward county clerk, they were united in marriage by Homer L. Magee at his residence. We extend our congratulations to these young people and wish for them the very best that life affords.

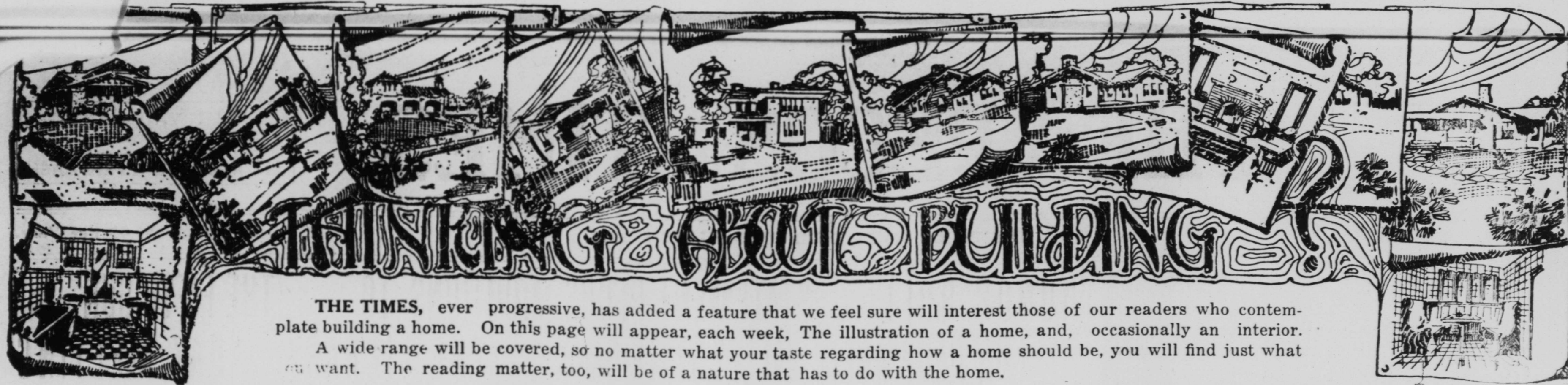
Contracts to Put Down Wells.

S. J. Breen, one of the best well drillers in these parts is setting his machine on the Hodge farm just north of Pecos, and will put down a ten-inch well. He informed us that he also contracted to drill several more wells in the vicinity of Pecos as fast as he can get to them.

C. M. Richards, president of the Groves Lumber Co., was a business visitor in Pecos Tuesday, looking over their yards here. He in company with Mr. Anderson had been up to Van Horn Monday to look over the interests of the company there. Mr. Richards left on the Santa Fe in the afternoon, and in a conversation with us remarked that he "was well pleased with things both at the Pecos and Van Horn yards." This company entered into a contract with The Times, for a good sized ad, to appear weekly for one year. It appears on page two of this issue. Keep your eyes open for the change from week to week.

Mrs. S. A. Anderson and daughter, Miss Blaney, left yesterday for Wichita Falls, at which place they will reside in future. Mrs. Anderson has a daughter living in that city. They will be greatly missed by their Pecos friends, who trust that they will be well pleased in their new home.

Miss Gladys Prewit is about recovered from her recent operation for tonsillitis.



THE TIMES, ever progressive, has added a feature that we feel sure will interest those of our readers who contemplate building a home. On this page will appear, each week, The illustration of a home, and, occasionally an interior. A wide range will be covered, so no matter what your taste regarding how a home should be, you will find just what you want. The reading matter, too, will be of a nature that has to do with the home.

NOTICE TO PUBLIC

We have the Sole Agency in this section for the "YE PLANRY" System, and now have Full Plans and Specifications for the building of these Bungalows. Call in and look them over, and get prices. Can furnish Plans and Blue Prints on Short Notice

PRUETT LUMBER CO

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PECOS ABSTRACT CO.

(R. C. Warn, Owner)
Pecos City, Texas.

We know the title of every town lot and tract of land in Reeves and Loving counties.

Weekly report of the Pecos Abstract Co., of Pecos, Texas, of instruments filed for record in the office of the County Clerk of Reeves county, Texas, from December 11 to 25, 1916: Deeds—

A. C. Snyder to G. M. Thaxton, 40 acres sec 37, blk 72, P. S. \$475.00

West Texas Sulphur Co. to R. L. Bishop, 5 lots. \$150.

West Texas Sulphur Co. to W. E. Ludeke, 5 lots. \$150.

C. W. Crawford to A. B. Burchard, secs 34 and 35, blk 55, P. S.

L. Cargill to J. Q. Adams, land in blk 70, P. S.

W. C. Cargill to J. Q. Adams part sec 33, blk 70, P. S.

J. Q. Adams to A. B. Burchard, 4 secs, blk 58, P. S.

Sheriff to C. F. Gary, 153 ac, sec 9, blk C-17, P. S.

Sanger Bros. to D. Moore, 1 secs. in Loving County. \$3000.

Soon Over His Cold.

Everyone speaks well of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy after having used it. Mrs. Geo. Lewis, Pittsfield, N. Y., has this to say regarding it: "Last winter my little boy, six years old, was sick with a cold for two or three weeks. I doctor-ed him and used various cough medicines, but nothing did him much good until I began using Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. He improved rapidly and in a few days was over his cold."—Advt.

C. S. McCarver to B. T. Biggs

part sec 8, blk 5, H&GN. \$10.

B. T. Biggs to C. S. McCarver, 3 lots in Morris Addition. \$10.

R. E. Johnston to W. T. Beau champ, sec 22, blk 50, tsp 7, T&P. \$200.

G. Cogsdell to S. Powell, pt. secs 15-21, blk C-9, P. S.

R. C. Cahill, to Mrs. A. M. Stein, 2 sections in Loving Co., \$3,000.

J. J. Stein to H. D. McElroy, 2 sections in Loving Co., \$10.

H. D. McElroy to C. Dalton, 2 sections in Loving Co., \$5.

W. P. Gaines to M. E. Deitel, sec 4, blk 55, tsp 1, T&P., Loving county.

A. D. Jameson to Camp and Hudson, land in blk 58, P. S.

J. H. Overton to Edith Overton, 160 acres sec 67, blk 4, H&GN. \$10.

L. W. Anderson to A. Kloh, et al., part sec 13, blk 54 tsp 7, T&P. \$10.

M. S. Hudson to J. A. Deering, part sec 18, blk 4, H&GN. \$2000.

J. B. Leath to L. Seamster, part sec 33, blk 67 tsp 7, T&P. \$2400.

J. A. Deering to S. M. Anderson, part sec 18, blk 4, H&GN. \$1.

L. I. McDaniel to R. C. Kimbrough, lots in West Light. \$2500.

O. H. Loftus to W. A. Kimbrough, lots in W. Light.

C. Brown to O. J. Green, water right. \$25.

W. S. Marshall to W. R. Fulton, part sec 25, blk C-6, P. S., \$400.

W. B. Russell to J. C. Landrum, sec 11, blk C-26 P. S., in Loving county. \$1300.

J. G. Love to W. H. Hatton, part sec 26, blk 2, H&GN.

Paul Renz to Reeves Co. Irrigation District No. 1, part of sec 55, blk 13, H&GN. \$39.

Sheriff to W. P. Book, 100 acres sec 17, blk 49, tsp 8, T&P. \$200.

Southern Land Development Co. to C. E. Hodges, lots in city Addition. \$170.

W. H. Neel to W. B. Hipp, lots 13 and 14, blk 16, Pecos.

British & Foreign Trust to T. E. Thorp, part sec 37, blk 13 H&GN. \$1696.40.

W. J. H. McBeath to Aug. Rejerson, E-1-2 sec 22, blk 51, tsp 7, T&P. \$3750.

E. W. Payne to J. E. Collier, SE 1-2 sec 205, blk 13, H&GN. \$7500.

S. K. Powers to W. C. Ellis, 2 secs, blk 56 T&P. \$12800.

W. Smith to R. Haddaway, sec 134, blk 13, H&GN. \$8000.

Henry James to Sanger Bros, sec 30, blk 55, T&P. \$2000.



Pecos Valley Wheat.

"The flour made by the new mill at Loving from the home grown hard wheat, is proving very satisfactory," says Clarence Bell, cashier of the First National Bank of Carlsbad.

"The housewives that have tried this new flour, find it most satisfactory.

"Millers pronounce the wheat grown under irrigation in the Pecos Valley of high quality. The gluten contents are unusually high and the wheat is very hard, both important points to the millers.

I am told that there is only a limited area that can grow the best hard wheat on the north American continent and that eastern New Mexico and the northwest portion of Texas rank very high in the production of real high grade hard wheat.

"The wheat grown under irrigation in this valley the last two years produced well. Last year was wet and this year extremely dry in the spring; yet the crop was satisfactory both seasons. I think that wheat and other winter grains should be staple crops on every valley farm. We have been telling about the great varieties of crops that might be grown here and at the same time drifting into a one crop condition.

"Mixed farming must come into general use in the Pecos Valley to insure lasting prosperity. Alfalfa must remain a standard crop, as this valley is so well suited to growing both hay and seed of extra quality. But at the same time other crops should be grown in connection therewith and industries like hog raising, fattening cattle and sheep for market followed consistently.

"That little flouring mill at Loving is showing us that we have overlooked a very important money crop by not planting winter wheat every year. Next year the farm operations should include a much larger acreage of winter wheat and other small grain."

A. M. HOVE.

This—and Five Cents.

Don't Miss This—Cut out this slip, enclose five cents to Foley & Co. 2835 Sheffield Ave., Chicago, Ill. writing your name and address clearly. You will receive in return a trial package containing Foley's Honey and Tar Compound for coughs, cold and croup; Foley Kidney Pills and Foley Cathartic Tablets. For sale at Bozeman's Drug Store.—Advt.

Spent on Good Roads.

During the past twelve years the annual expenditures on the rural roads and bridges in the United States have increased from about \$80,000,000 to almost \$282,000,000 or an increase of more than 250 per cent. During this same period the annual expenditures from State funds for road and bridge construction and maintenance have increased from \$2,500,000 to \$53,492,000, or almost 2,000 per cent.

Lax-Fos, A Mild, Effective Laxative & Liver Tonic Does Not Grip or Disturb the Stomach.

In addition to other properties, Lax-Fos contains Cascara in acceptable form, a stimulating Laxative and Tonic. Lax-Fos acts effectively and does not grip or disturb stomach. At the same time, it aids digestion, promotes the liver and secretions and restores the healthy functions. 50c.



THE greatest difference in Lumber is in its lasting qualities.

WHEN you use Lumber for any permanent purpose its durability is of first importance.

WE handle only that Lumber which is Dry and Sound. You can depend on the life of Lumber bought here.



WHERE THE SEARCH CEASES

Demand for the First-Rate Man, So Marked in Commerce and Industry, Not Extended to Politics.

In recent years our periodical literature has devoted much space to discussions of problems of efficiency. writes Meredith Nicholson in the Atlantic. We have heard repeatedly of the demand, not for two-thousand-dollar men, but for ten and twenty and fifty-thousand-dollar men in the great industries. The efficiency engineer has sprung into being; in my own city several hundred employees of an automobile company are organized into a class of which a professor of psychology is the leader, the purpose being the promotion of individual and corporate efficiency. The first-rate man is in demand, as a buyer, a salesman, a foreman, a manager. One of the largest corporations in America pays its employees bonuses apportioned on a basis of their value as displayed from month to month. The minutest economies are a matter of daily study in every manufacturing and commercial house; the hunt for the first-rate man is unceasing. Executive ability, a special genius for buying and selling, need never go unrecognized. Recently a New York bank spent months searching for a bondseller, and finally chose an obscure young man from a western town who fell by chance under the eye of a 'scout' sent out to look for talent. But this eager search for the first-rate man, so marked in commerce and industry, only rarely touches our politics. It is only in politics that the second-rate man finds the broadest field for the exercise of his talents.

Whenever You Need a General Tonic Take Groves' The Old Standard Groves' Tasteless chill Tonic is equally valuable as a General Tonic because it contains the well known tonic properties of QUININE and IRON. It acts on the Liver, Drives out Malaria, Enriches the Blood and Builds up the Whole System. 50 cents.

To the Public

Have Located three doors North the Pecos Times

If you have anything to sell in our line call us up at our expense, Phone 73. Remember we also handle Furs. Prices today, subject to change without notice

- Green Hides . . . 16c per lb. (Either Butchered or Fallen)
- Dry Flint Hides . . . 30c " "
- Dry Salt " . . . 27c " "
- Hens 11c " "
- Cox 5c " "
- Fryers, under 2 lbs 14c " "
- Fryers, 2 lbs & over 11c " "
- Turkeys, any size . 15c " "

Our Motto: "A Square Deal" Your Business Will Be Greatly Appreciated

Pecos Hide & Produce Co. H. V. ZINN, Manager

MICHELIN Tires

not high-priced yet unsurpassed for durability

PECOS AUTO CO. CITY GARAGE PECOS MERCANTILE CO. Agents Pecos, Texas

Inch Sizes	Carriage Side	O. D. Inner Tubes	Inner Tubes
32 x 3 1/2	\$18.30	•••	\$3.55
34	19.30	•••	3.85
31 x 4	•••	\$22.25	3.35
32	24.90	24.20	4.65
33	25.65	25.65	4.25
34	25.95	25.95	5.00
35	•••	26.50	4.60
36	27.95	27.95	5.30
34 x 4 1/2	33.00	33.00	6.55
35	34.75	34.75	6.90
36	33.70	35.70	6.90
37	•••	36.60	6.30
35 x 5	40.50	40.50	6.55
36	•••	41.40	8.25
37	41.90	41.90	8.35

* Soft Bead Changer



In the Realm of Society

Mrs. H. H. Johnson, Correspondent, Phone 98.

Endeavorers Entertained.

The hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Tudor was, on last Thursday evening, thrown open to the Christian Endeavor Society of the Christian church...

The reception suite was very beautifully decorated in the Christmas greens, with bells and tinsel, the dining room was made to represent a snow scene...

In an interesting contest the guests were asked to use the surname and make as many names as possible out of it. In this contest Hilliard Camp and Miss Linda Hines succeeded in outnumbering the others...

Old fashioned games such as "spin the pan" etc. were enjoyed the remainder of the evening, the gayeties ending with the serving of delicious hot chocolate and cake.

Class Party.

Mrs. Woody Browning will be a most cordial hostess Friday evening at her home, to her Sunday school class, the "Philatheas".

The election of officers for the new year will be in order, and the mopping out of next year's work after which a social hour and chafing dish supper will be prepared and enjoyed by the guests.

Christmas Party.

Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Levy extended a lovely social courtesy to their college friends on Wednesday evening at their home. Much fun and laughter was indulged in around the Christmas tree...

An "auction" was the most interesting feature, each boy was hidden behind a sheet, and the girls bought them with beans. Miss Sadie Collings was slipped back of the screen one time, and the crowd went wild and bidding ran very high...

Those invited to this merry affair were: Misses Mildred Obitz, Colon Prewitt, Mildred McCarver Sadie, Warren and Nellie Mae Collins, Marion and Jane Looby, Mary Lee Richburg, Florence Johnson, Jewell Cowan, Gladys Prewitt, Hazel Berry, Messrs. King Key, Louis Roberson, Charles and Burette Hefner, David Tudor, Willie Hudson, Joe Glover, J. C. Wilson, V. V. Beck, Earl

Easterbrook, Hill Hudson, and H. Levy of Alvarado.

Dinner Parties.

Miss Leota Beauchamp entertained with a delightful dinner party at her home on last Friday evening, to meet her holiday guest, Mr. Jim Sharp, of Detroit, and also to honor the home coming of her college friends and out of town visitors.

This charming young hostess served her guests with a most elaborate six-course dinner, covers being laid for Misses Sadie Collings, Bernice Richburg, Colon Prewitt, Mildred Obitz, Mrs. Branner, of El Paso Dr. and Mrs. R. E. Barr of Ft. Stockton Willie Hudson David Tudor, Jim Sharp, of Detroit, Charles Hefner and King Key.

After dinner the evening was spent in progressive bunco, thus completing one of the merriest of Christmas parties.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Richburg presided over a beautifully appointed 6 o'clock dinner party, at their home, on Thursday evening last, complimentary to their house guest, Mrs. Branner, of El Paso, and Miss Bernice Richburg.

The table was lovely in hand some linens, and cut glass, a beautiful crystal vase of carnations and American Beauty roses formed an attractive centerpiece.

Those who gathered round this festive board were: the honoree, Mrs. Branner, of El Paso, Mrs. B. R. Stine, Mrs. G. O. Key, Mrs. J. W. Parker, Dr. and Mrs. Jim Camp, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Schermerhorn, Misses Sadie Collings, Florence Johnson, Bernice Richburg, Leota Beauchamp, Messrs Jim Sharp, of Detroit, and Charles Hefner.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Browning were host and hostess, Friday evening, at their home, for an elaborately planned family dinner, honoring the anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Browning, Jr.'s wedding.

This cozy little home was most inviting in evergreens and red-shaded candles. The dining table was beautiful, spread with lace, the center being graced with a handsome cut glass candelabra set in a wreath of English ivy, tied with a long bow of cherry red ribbon.

A lovely seven course dinner was served to Mr. and Mrs. Woody Browning, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Brooks, Misses Lucile Brooks, Christine and Mildred Browning, and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Browning.

The evening was spent in merry conversation and fireworks for the amusement of the little ones of the families.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Browning entertained again on Saturday evening with a very lovely luncheon and 42 party. The score and tally cards were suggestive of the Yuletide season, being the Christmas flower, the poinsettia.

Those who composed this merry party were Mr. and Mrs. Albert Cooksey, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Levy, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Manahan, Mr. H. Levy, of Alvarado, Mrs. Weyer, Master Cap Weyer, the host and the hostess.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Cooksey entertained at dinner New Year's Day, at their home, at 6 o'clock, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Browning and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy, Levy, H. Levy, Mrs. Weyer, Master Cap

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Prefers Chamberlain's.

"In the course of a conversation with Chamberlain's Medicine Co's representative, today, we had occasion to discuss in a general way the merits of their different preparations. At his suggestion I take pleasure in expressing my estimate of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. I have a family of six children and have used this remedy in my home for years. I consider it the only cough remedy on the market, as I have tried nearly all kinds."

Earl C. Ross, Publisher of Hamilton County Republican-News, Syracuse, Kans.—Adv't.

LOVE AND CONTEST

By JANE OSBORN.

The woodthrushes were singing their evening song on the elms that surrounded and looked down upon the low-eaved farmhouse, but Metty Cramer did not hear them. To be sure, she was spending her usual after-supper hour on the "front stoop," but her thoughts were far from the songbirds. Open in her lap was the latest issue of the Hearth Companion. The magazine was open at the editorial pages and there, in large black-faced type, one might have seen these words: "Our Heart Problem Contest."

"If you have a heart problem, we want you to write and tell us about it. Prizes will be awarded for the best letter and as many of the other letters as possible will receive personal answers with advice from one of our editors."

As she rose from the step she was too intent on her project to see the tall, erect, though muscle-weary figure of Si Larned as he came from his last duties in the barn, through the shadow of the house. Si enjoyed the distinction of being the one and only "hired man" on the Cramer farm.

Metty stole quietly to her father's desk and took from it the sole bottle of ink which the Cramer establishment boasted and, with this and her father's pen in hand she ascended to her own room, there to work out her problem, as she regarded it. Meantime Si sank down on the porch step. Why had Metty avoided him, he asked himself, and then he answered this question to his own satisfaction. "Of course, she wouldn't look at 'hired help' like me," he told himself. "Some city man will come along for her and then she won't look at me."

He thought he might be able to see Metty if he went into the house, so, absently picking up the magazine where Metty had left it, he rose and made his way into the sitting room.

Metty wasn't there, so the next best thing that occurred to him to do was to read the new number of the Hearth Companion.

On the last page of the magazine beyond the frontpiece he came to the editorial and, with keen attention to every word, he labored through it. Then cautiously, he went to Cramer's desk and took out a pencil, delved into the woodbox for a piece of discarded wrapping paper and started toward the door with the magazine under his arm.

It was a month later, and neither Metty nor Si had received the answer to the problem that confronted them. Then came the Hearth Companion and, as Mr. Cramer had overtaken the mail carrier on his way back from the village that morning, he had come into possession of the magazine first.

"I guess you want to get a look at the new fashions," he told Metty as he came into the house and, passing it to her, he turned to Si, who had come in from the fields for his midday dinner. "Here, Si, here's a letter from the magazine folks. I guess they want you to subscribe to their magazine. And, by golly, if there isn't a letter for Metty, too!"

Si opened his letter hurriedly without excusing himself, and his strong sun-burned hand was fairly shaking with emotion and surprise when he took out an oblong of white paper, on which was written an order for one hundred dollars, payable to Si Larned. "We take great pleasure in announcing to you that your letter has been awarded the first prize in our 'heart problem' contest," it ran. "By way of giving you the help and advice we promised we wish to attract your attention to the letter published under the tenth place in the contest."

While Metty was still reading her letter—which announced that she had won a new patent vegetable press as a reward for having the tenth best letter, Si grasped the magazine which she had laid on the table. He turned past his own letter—which was published exactly as he had written it, save for the omission of his name—and passed on till he came to the tenth letter. Could this really have been written by Metty?

"I have not the slightest hope of winning a prize," the letter ran after giving a more or less minute autobiographical sketch. "My only wish in writing is that someone wiser than myself might give me advice. I am an uneducated simple farmer's daughter. My problem is the old, old problem. I love a young man who works for my father. I think I could make him love me if I could only live in different surroundings. I love the country and country life, but I believe he has ambitions. I know I could never be happy anywhere but in this or some similar secluded spot. My heart problem is this: Since I cannot be happy in the way that would correspond to this man's ambitions, have I any right to make him love me? And since in his eyes I must be a simple country girl, how could I make him love me anyway?"

So intent had Si been in reading first the letter and then the magazine that he did not realize that Metty was at his side, reading the pages over his shoulder.

"Were you writing the gospel truth, Metty?" he asked.

"I meant every word of it," she said, and then as her father shambled back into the room she whispered: "I wonder if we should ever have known if it

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BY CONSENT

By FLORA A. MONTY.

Eloise did not dress to suit her type. She suited her type to her dress, and thereby kept her friends guessing as to her moods and manners.

In the days of her small girlhood the Shelbys had lived next door to her at Yorktown, and had later moved to Norfolk. Now Eloise was making her first visit in many years to Miriam Shelby, and instead of being entertained, owing to the piquancy of her ways and dress, she was herself the entertainer.

Big, breezy, man-of-the-world Tim Darcy invited her to be his guest at the races within half an hour after he met her. Miriam's brother, Dick, told her about hearing Darcy remark to Edgar Herdon that he was going to have "some looker" at the races tomorrow. "Drop around to the box and meet her."

In answer to the invitation Herdon "dropped around" during a lull in the activities, and found big Tim, for once in his life, ill at ease and obviously anxious. "The girl who was his guest was 'some looker,' round-eyed, adorable, timidly endeavoring not to appear shocked at the dreadful spectacle of horse races and betting. Dick Shelby, who had made it a point to be there, realized that she was having the time of her life in playing the unsophisticated, sheltered damsel that she appeared today."

Herdon, who, although a close friend of Darcy, was, strangely enough, a man of the old-school type, and his heart warmed to the quaint maiden he had just met. She refreshed his soul, and he promptly begged her to attend a studio tea that he was giving on Saturday to a group of dignified friends of his mother and his stately married sister.

On Saturday the older guests assembled early, and to them Herdon boasted of his find, a dainty, fragile blossom of a girl, absolutely foreign to the usual type of society butterfly, and all innocence and unworldliness.

When she entered everyone gasped, for a golden, glittering siren gilded in, strikingly arrayed in next season's style. Her dress was of shimmering golden silk, smartly short. Around the ankles of her silken hose were embroidered tiny green serpents, and her left wrist was inclosed by a bracelet wrought in the semblance of a serpent. Her hat was the last word in Paris style, and accentuated the darkness of her alluring eyes.

The bored, indifferent male members of the party nearly annihilated each other in the effort to devote themselves to her, in spite of the frigid manner of the ladies present. Dick Shelby kept in the background and made no effort to talk to her. But when she arose to go, he, with quiet assurance, presented himself as her escort. For a moment she hesitated, and then, bowing accepted his arm.

"Now look here, Eloise! You are a stunner, and you know it, and you've got everyone up in the air about you, but there is no sense in making people think you a regular Lorelei, and that's the impression you gave them today. A joke is all right, but I'm not going to have that kind of a notion spread about you. If you're doing it for excitement, let me provide you with some of the real kind for tomorrow."

"All right, Dick! What time shall it be, and what shall we do?"

"Good!" was the response, so fervent that it startled her. "Ten, sharp, in the morning. As to what—that is the excitement. You are not to know until the time comes."

Promptly at ten Dick swung his runabout around to the veranda, and was pleased to find Eloise already there, trim, quiet and more entrancing than ever, in a simple tailored suit that made her look like a seventeen-year-old schoolgirl.

Dick's satisfied gaze enveloped her like a caress. Eloise felt herself yielding to the insistence of it. As the car sped away, and along a cool country road, she tried to recover her poise by monopolizing the conversation.

Suddenly she stopped the car. They were near the entrance to a lane that led to a country church.

"I'm glad you are fittingly dressed for the trip, Eloise."

"The trip?" she questioned, puzzled.

"Our wedding trip," he explained.

"Our what?" Her eloquence failed her.

"We're going to be married, you know. I've arranged everything. The minister is up there at the church now, and after he's said the words we'll jaunt along to our cottage at the Dells."

"Dick Shelby, you despicable creature!" Her wrath blazed white. "So this is your boasted excitement! A cheap kind, I call it. I'll never marry you, and I want you to take me back, instantly!" Her anger beat against him as fruitlessly as wind against a rock.

Eloise jumped from the car. "I'll walk back," she announced, with scorn supreme, as she noticed him follow her.

Just then a placid cow ambled slowly down the lane and into the road beside her.

"Oh, Dick, Dick!" she screamed, and flung herself into his arms. "Dick, don't let it hurt me."

When a man holds tight in his embrace the girl whom he adores words are unnecessary if there be a responsive chord in her heart. (Copyright, 1916, by the McClure Newspaper Syndicate.)

Bowles-Ward.

Mr. Perry Bowles and Miss Elva Ward were united in marriage at 7:30 last evening at the Baptist church, in the presence of a large number of admiring friends. Dr. James Henry Coleman, pastor of the Baptist church, spoke the impressive words of the beautiful service.

The attendants were Messrs. Frank Estes, Byron Thompson, Misses Anita Long and Nettie Jones. Edmond Arvin and Frank Evans were ushers and little Misses Lottie Rene Bowles and Hazel Lee Ward were the flower girls. The wedding march was played by Miss Kittie Ward at the organ and Miss Tincie Kincaid with the violin.

After the ceremony the wedding party, the relatives and a few friends enjoyed a formal reception at the future home of Mr. and Mrs. Bowles—one of the Taylor cottages—where light refreshments consisting of hot chocolate and assorted cakes were served.

Mr. and Mrs. Bowles left this morning for a few days visit at San Antonio.

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AT THE CHURCHES.

Presbyterian Church Notes.

Sunday school next Sunday at ten a. m. A complete reorganization took effect on last Sunday and we are expecting better work than ever in our Sunday school. There is a place for you. Come and help us and also get help.

The pastor will preach at the morning and evening hours next Sunday. Following the morning services the Lord's Supper will be administered. Let all our people make note of this and attend.

On Wednesday evening our church and Ladies Aid Society gave a reception to the forty members who have been added to our church roll since my coming to Pecos. The weather was perfect, the attendance was large, the spirit of good cheer abounded, the coming of Rev. Mr. Downing and of Dr. Black from Barstow, and Mr. Downing's splendid address on "Presbyterianism" were sources of pleasure to all. The ladies decorated the church for the occasion, and served elegant refreshments. The evening passed so delightfully that we shall be pleased to have the time come for a repetition of the affair.

Henry O. Moore, Minister.

The Baptist Church.

The Bible class gave the pastor and his family a complete, as well as an enjoyable surprise last Monday evening. Surprise us some more.

You will enjoy yourself immensely if you will come to the B. Y. P. U. meeting at the parsonage Saturday evening at 7:30, all are welcome.

The usual services at the regular hours at the church on Sunday. You are cordially invited.

G. O. Key.

Baptist B. Y. P. U.

The Baptist Young People's Union have planned a pleasant evening with Rev. and Mrs. G. O. Key, at their home on Saturday evening, January 6, 1917, with the following program:

Song.
Bible reading by the president, Mrs. R. G. Hargraves.
Prayer by Mr. Hanson.
Reading by Mrs. Yarbrough.
Male quartette, by Messrs. Taggart, Williams, Key and Hargraves.
Reading by Charles Hefner.
Debate—"Resolved: That Early Marriage is Best." Prof. Yoe will lead for affirmative, and Mrs. T. Y. Casey for the negative.

The Sunbeams.

Program rendered Sunday, December 31, 1916, at the Baptist church:
Subject—"Jesus the Way."
Song—"Keep the Heart Singing."
Sentence prayers.
Roll call, answered with verses from the daily Bible readings.
Business session.
Scripture reading—Matt. 7: 3-14, by Velma Ward.
Scripture reading—Jno. 14: 1-7, by Ola Jester.
Memory verse—Jno. 14:6, Jesus says to him "I am the Way and the Truth and the Life."
Lesson Story—"The Two Ways," by the leader, with blackboard illustration.
Song—"The Way of the Cross Leads Home."
Dismissal.
JULIA WARD, Reporter

Church of Christ.

"Stretching Forward to the Things That Are Before" and "Behold The Man," will be the sermon subjects morning and evening, respectively. The Bible school and Christian En-

deavor will meet at the usual hours.

Sunday we want to launch a forward movement along all lines. Let every member be present at the opening services and be on time. The Bible school will begin promptly at 10 o'clock. The Lord expects every man to do his duty.
Homer L. Magee.

Methodist Church.

Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. Preaching by pastor at 11 a. m. and at 7:30 p. m.

Junior Missionary Society at 4 p. m.
Young People's Missionary Society at 6:30 p. m.

The Woman's Missionary Society will observe the week of prayer with the program published below.

A full attendance is desired at all these meetings.

At the service Sunday morning we will observe the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

Our congregation was favored with two inspiring sermons last Sunday by Rev. L. G. Haggard of Amarillo.

You are most cordially invited to worship with us at any and all these services.
J. H. Walker, Pastor.

Program for Week of Prayer and Self-Denial.

Saturday at 3 o'clock the subject will be Latin-America, the Juor Missionary Society will have charge of the program under the direction of its vice-president, Mrs. Ben Randals.

Sunday at 11 a. m., sermon by the pastor on "Latin-America." At 6:30 p. m. the Young People's Missionary Society will have charge of the program under the direction of our 1st vice-president, Sister Walker with the following program:

Hymn, "The Way of the Cross Leads Home."
Devotional—Dr. C. J. Magee "Position of Women in Latin-America," Miss Donnelly.
Vocal solo, Miss Lillie Pearl Bucholz.
"The School at Rio," Miss Ruth Copeland.
"Holding Institute" Oscar Buchholz.
Free will offering for our specials.
Closing hymn, "Something For Thee."
The public is cordially invited to attend this service.

Monday at 3 p. m. the Adult Auxiliary will under the following program:
Leader, Mrs. Hibdon.
Hymn, "Faith of our Fathers."
Devotional, led by Sister McCarver.

Prayer, that every woman in our church may be a worshipper, a worker, a giver, by Mrs. Ben Randals.
Map study of the Latin-American countries.
Hymn, "Another Year is Dawning."
"Reasons for Prominence of Latin-America," Mrs. Proffitt.
Solo, by Miss Mildred McCarver.

Topic, "Religious, Social and Educational Needs of Latin-America," Mrs. Parker.
Doxology and Benediction.
Tuesday at 3 o'clock, Mrs. O. O. Curtis will be leader.
Hymn, "Publish Glad Tidings."
Devotional, led by Sister J. H. Walker. Prayer for Missionaries among Latin-Americans, by Mrs. Manning.
Hymn, "Jesus Shall Reign."
Topic, "Our School at Laredo, Texas" by Mrs. W. W. Runnels.
Solo, by Mrs. Earl Collings.
Topic, "Our School at Rio de Janerio," by Mrs. J. A. Buck.
Hymn, "Sweet Hour of Prayer." Benediction.

If you want to know where to find something good to eat, look in the Pecos Times.

Toyah Happenings

By Our Special Correspondent.

W. M. Hopper is down with the la grippe.

Jim Scanlon was a visitor to Carlsbad last week.

H. T. Mitchell made a business trip to Pecos Tuesday.

Ben Golson is in from the A. B. Tinnin ranch on business.

Howard Rowley was a visitor from Van Horn Tuesday.

Bert Koen was in from the Charley Tinnin ranch Tuesday.

pretty badly hurt, but will, we trust, be o. k. in a few days.

Ben Christian was a business visitor from the anch Wednesday.

Misses Helen and Annie Mae Ruhrop visited in El Paso the past week.

Guy Powell was in from the Fancher ranch north of Toyah Wednesday.

F. J. Billingslea and wife, were business visitors to Pecos Wednesday.

Lacey Hart and Joe Hopper autoed over to Pecos Tuesday on business.

Jim Duncan and Earl McElroy are visiting in Fort Stockton this week.

The infant girl of Mr. and Mrs. Billy Butrum is reported sick this week.

Mart Campbell was a business visitor from the sulphur mines last week.

Mr. Humble of Balmorhea, is the guest of his daughter, Mrs. A. H. Bugg.

Buckie Boyd is back again, after a visit to Roswell and Carlsbad, N. M.

Mr. and Mrs. Isa Barlow, of Balmorhea, attended the Fifth Sunday meeting.

Frank Billingslea and family are enjoying their new Ford car, especially Joe.

Miss Fanie Kingston left Sunday to resume her studies in the C. I. A. at Denton.

Mrs. Amos Stranger of Van Horn is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Sam Koen of this place.

Miss Ruth Collins, who has been confined to her bed with a severe cold, is up again.

Joe Seay returned from his trip to Dallas, where he spent the holidays with his family.

John Cowan passed through Toyah Monday on his way to his ranch near San Martine.

Dr. Neil, who has been laid up with a case of la grippe, is up and out on the streets once more.

Joe Billingslea, Willie Duncan and Lonnie Lock attended a dance at Balmorhea Monday night.

Marguerite Weison, of Big Springs, was the guest of Beatrice Scholz the first of the week.

Mr. Becon who is working in the Davis mountains, is here spending a few days with his family.

Mrs. Jack Farrell has recovered from a long spell of fever and is again out among her friends.

Due Jarrell left Wednesday for the Sid Cowan ranch after several days visit here with his parents.

Rev Jennings, after spending the holidays in town left for the Mat Grisham ranch on Monday.

J. A. Martin Jr. left for El Paso, Sunday to spend several days with friends in the Pass City.

Misses Kate and Ann Darby came in on No. 5 Monday, and left by auto for their home at Balmorhea.

C. D. Collins and family visited in Toyah Sunday and attended the services at the Baptist church.

Miss Mary Lane left for El Paso Saturday where she will finish a course in a business school.

Porter Fancher and family, of Sevmour, are here this week as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Tinnin.

Mrs. Myrtle James left for El Paso Tuesday on a business trip, and will return to Toyah in a few days.

Miss Vina Chandler returned to the Kingston ranch Monday where she will resume her duties of teaching.

Wiley Casale left Toyah Sunday and went out to the

Tatum ranch where he secured work for awhile.

Mrs. Pasch and children are now living in light housekeeping apartments in the Pope residence.

Ed Preusser returned Sunday night from El Paso where he spent the holidays with his brother, George.

Lewis Jackson returned on Monday from Colorado City, where he spent several days with the home folks.

Sam MacTier who is now making his home in El Paso, is the guest of his sister, Mrs. Joe Duncan this week.

Rev. H. O. Moore, of Pecos, is here assisting in the union revival that is in progress at the Methodist church.

Wright Humphrey, who is now making his home at Balmorhea, was a Toyah visitor Sunday and Monday.

Mrs. Bill Kingston and children were Toyah visitors this week from the Davis mountain ranch near Toyahvale.

Miss Townsend returned on Sunday afternoon from Coleman, where she spent the holidays with the home folks.

John Quincy Adams made one of his semi-annual visits to Toyah this week, coming in from the Burchard ranch.

Mrs. Annie Cargill, who has been here on a visit to her relatives, returned to her home in El Paso Sunday morning.

Otto Tinnin and family, accompanied by Mrs. Myrtle James and Mrs. W. M. Chat-ham, spent Sunday at Rustler.

Mrs. George Jackson of Saragosa, came in Monday to visit with her Toyah friends, who always welcome her coming.

Lonnie Lock, Willie Duncan, Ernest Lee, Tom Duncan, and Frank Billingslea made a flying trip to Pecos on business Monday.

Mr. Wofford, night foreman at the round house, and wife, have secured rooms for light housekeeping at F. J. Billingslea's.

Mrs. Gage Van Horn and children returned home Saturday from Balmorhea, where they spent a week with relatives.

Miss Lorena Davis, of El Paso, who had been the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Lane, for the past week, returned home Saturday.

Mrs. C. B. Dodson and children, of Barstow, autoed over for a visit with the family of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wells on Monday.

Floyd Hosie is sick with the croup this week, but we are glad to state that it is nothing serious and he will be up and about soon.

Clem Calhoun returned Tuesday from a two weeks visit at Sherman and Dallas, and reports that he had an extra good time.

Ben O'Connor of Big Springs is here as round house foreman during the temporary absence of Mr. Pasch, who is away on a business trip.

Mrs. Davis, who for some time past has been making her home here with her daughter, Mrs. Lane, left Saturday for a visit to El Paso.

Jimmie Hamilton returned to Toyah this week after several days spent in the sanitarium at Marshall, and he looks much improved.

A. J. Hart and family autoed over to Pecos on New Year's day and enjoyed a big turkey dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Will Cowan.

Albert Sisk, traveling salesman for the Pecos Mercantile Co., of Pecos, was interviewing cur merchants as to their needs in his lines, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hines, who had been visiting with the family of their daughter, Mrs. C. A. Ruhrop, returned to their home in Baird, Monday.

Tom Roberts and family returned from Marshall Monday where they spent the holidays with relatives. Their baby girl is real sick at this writing.

Miss Eileen O'Keefe, after several days' visit with her young friends of this place, re-

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turned to her home in Big Springs Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Robinson returned Sunday from a visit with relatives and friends at Big Springs, stating that they had a most enjoyable time.

J. E. Ross is working in Gene Scott's place at the company's pumping plant, Mr. Scott being sick.

Misses Mattie Sue, Helen and Enid Odom returned to their home in Fort Stockton, Sunday, after a short visit with their aunt, Mrs. H. H. Lockett.

Bud McElroy and family returned to their ranch home near Kent Sunday, after spending the holidays with the family of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Duncan.

Mrs. Harry MacTier, after a very pleasant visit of about 10 days in Toyah, with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wells returned to her home in El Paso this week.

Austin Mitchell left this week for Joplin, Mo., where he will spend several months. He is interested in some mines up there and hopes some day to clean up a fortune.

Donald Davies, accompanied by his mother, Mrs. Jack Davies, left Saturday for Fort Worth, where Donald will enter school. Mrs. Davies returned home Monday.

W. M. Hopper, wife, children, and grandchildren, returned Monday night from an auto trip to Anthony, N. M., where they visited their daughter and sister, Mrs. Will Tinnin.

Mrs. Bush of Fort Hancock, who had been visiting her parent, Pail Shanks, returned to her home Friday on receipt of a message that her household goods were destroyed by fire the night before.

Joe Arledge and family this week moved out to their ranch at Cottonwood. Miss Callie May and Ella will stay with Mrs. Boman, who moved into their home, until the end of the school term.

George Duncan and family, with several young people of Pecos, passed through Toyah Sunday enroute to Pecos, from the Duncan ranch in the Davis mountains where they spent several days the past week.

Walter Pate and family came up from Pecos Wednesday where they have been for the past several weeks. Mr. Pate having undergone an operation for appendicitis. They expect to make Toyah their future home.

A union revival began in Toyah at the Methodist church Sunday night, and we trust it will be a success. The start bids fair that these hopes will be realized. Miss Gene McKenzie and father will assist with the music, the former at the piano, and the latter will sing.

The Fifth Sunday Meeting held at the Baptist church the past week was a decided success from the standpoints of interest and attendance. Many visitors were in attendance of whom we note Rev. and Mrs. G. O. Key, of Pecos, C. A. Dickson, of Balmorhea, D. E. Adams, of Barstow, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Johnston of Pecos.

Frank Billingslea has sold what is known as the "Billingslea Well," to the Texas & Pacific Ry. Co. This water of this well is what is known as "soft" and has been used by the people of Toyah for many years. Should the company

develop a sufficient quantity for their needs it will mean a saving of thousands of dollars each year.

Frank Ewald had a very narrow escape from a horrible death Saturday, when he attempted to cross the track ahead of a coal car that was being switched about. His auto was struck and entirely demolished, but the fact that he did not attempt to jump from the car proved his salvation, and he escaped without a scratch. Bert Harris, one of the switchmen, riding the coal car, was thrown from it and

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In the Realm of Society

(Continued From Page Three)

Weyer. After dinner the evening was most pleasantly spent in progressive 42, completing another of the lovely parties that have been given in this happy circle of families during the Christmas season.

New Year's Eve the Misses McCarver entertained with a delightful dinner party at their home at one o'clock. The house was tastefully decorated in Christmas colors. Covers being laid for Misses Nannie Mae Collings, Mildred and Florence McCarver; Messrs. Haggard, of Amarillo, V. V. Beck, J. C. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Sisk, and daughter, Miss Dorothy, and Rev. and Mrs. C. S. McCarver.

This same party enjoyed a hunting trip in the afternoon, returning to the Sisk home to rest later, and found, to their surprise, a lovely luncheon already spread, awaiting them.

Mr. and Mrs. Sid Cowan entertained at dinner on New Year's day Mr. Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Cowan, Judge and Mrs. Walker, Judge and Mrs. Burch Carson, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Walker, and Miss Marion Walker, of Barstow, Mrs. Lou Duncan, and family, and Miss Lennie Jeffords.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Cowan entertained at dinner, on New Year's day, having as their guests Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Cowan, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Hart and family, of Toyah, Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Moran and family, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Pate from the Cowan ranch, and Miss Lennie Jeffords.

The table was beautifully decorated, the center piece being a well browned turkey surrounded with accessories of cranberry sauce, salads, etc.

Mrs. Ethel Reynolds presided over a most elegant six-course dinner at her home on last Wednesday at high noon. The parlors were most attractive in potted plants, and Christmas colors and cut flowers. Those composing the party were: Mr. and Mrs. Green McCombs, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Heard, Mr. and Mrs. Ad Owens, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Love, Mesdames J. N. Heard, Mary Owens, and Jefferson.

Mr. and Mrs. Stone Ward entertained at dinner at their

suburban home Thursday last at 1 o'clock. The living and dining room were very attractive in garlands of green, red Christmas bells, and boughs of mistletoe. Covers were laid for Prof. and Mrs. Yoe and little son, Mesdames Lillie Cole and daughters, Julia Ward, Bert Simpson, and Mr. and Mrs. Ward and children.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Starley entertained with a dinner party on New Year's Eve, covers were laid for Dr. and Mrs. Jim Camp, and sons, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Tudor, Mr. and Mrs. Starley and children.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Brooks entertained with a delightful dinner party at their cozy home, on New Year's evening.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Y. Casey were host and hostess at a dinner party New Year's Eve.

Mrs. J. Y. Leavell most delightfully entertained with a family dinner party on New Year's.

Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Collie pleasantly entertained two tables of 42 at their home on Friday evening. A delicious luncheon course, consisting of sandwiches, salad, coffee and cake was served to Mr. and Mrs. Woody Bowning, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Garlick, Mr. and Mrs. Clay Slack, Misses Catherine Read of Coffeyville, Kan. and Mr. and Mrs. Collie.

Miss Jewell Cowan entertained in a most pleasant manner, a large party of school friends at her home on Friday evening. Delicious refreshments were served.

Miss Mabel Smith delighted her friends with a party at her home on Saturday evening, at which refreshments were served to the guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Means had as their holiday guests, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Evans and Mr. and Mrs. Rube Evans from their Davis mountain ranches, Miss Lottie Powell of El Paso, and Elmer Jones of the W's.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Duncan has as their Yuletide guest, at their ranch, Miss Mary Lee Richburg, Miss Warren Collings, Messrs. Charles Hefner, and Rue Capps.

Methodist Society.

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Methodist church held their regular business meeting in the church parlors Tuesday afternoon. Officers for the new year recently elected, took their respective places, and plans were discussed for the new year's work.

Merry Wives Club.

Mrs. L. W. Anderson was hostess and leader for the session of the Merry Wives Club on Wednesday afternoon at her home. The lesson on Edgar Allen Poe was very interesting. This, too, was the first meeting of the new year. Mrs. Jim Camp will be hostess next week at 3 o'clock, instead of the usual hour of 4 o'clock.

Twentieth Century Club.

This club met for the first time of the new year on Wednesday in their club room at the library, where they enjoyed round table talks, discussing the past year's work and forming new plans for 1917.

Bridge Club.

Mrs. Hugh Roberson most delightfully entertained the bridge club at her ranch home on Thursday afternoon at two o'clock, with an elaborate 3-course luncheon. After luncheon two tables for bridge were filled and a most delightful afternoon spent.

Ladies Aid Entertained

Mrs. Chas. Tudor was the hostess to the Christian Ladies Aid Society at her home Tuesday afternoon, at three o'clock.

After prayer and Bible reading, an interesting business session was held—a general review of the past year's work, which was very satisfactory, an renewed resolution to make 1917 better than the past year, filled the entire afternoon.

Mesdames Moran, Wolf and Vaughan were guests, and before this pleasant gathering adjourned added their names to the membership and were given a hearty welcome.

Mrs. Tudor was hostess with sandwiches, black coffee,

olives, fruit salad and fruit cake.

"Secret Order."

Messrs. Woody Browning, L. W. Anderson, J. A. Drane, Walter Browning, M. W. Collie have for some time composed a "secret order," quietly meeting back of closed doors. Here, it seems, they have been making a most diligent study and research in the "cook books, and feeling that they had completed their course in Domestic Science, they met on last Friday night in the kitchen of Woody Browning's home and prepared a dinner "fit for the kings," and invited their wives to help them partake of it. After dinner was served the evening was spent in progressive 42, and merry making until a late hour.

Baptist Aid Entertained.

Mesdames John DeRacey and Sid Cowan entertained the Aid Society of the Baptist church on Tuesday afternoon at the home of the former with a most delightful musical tea, at which the following numbers were enjoyed.

Trio (vocal) Mesdames Sam Means, E. L. Collings and Ben Capps.

Violin solo, Mrs. Ben Capps.

An interesting talk on "Education by Rev. G. O. Key.

Vocal solo, by Miss Marion Walker of Barstow.

The serving of angel delight and cake completed this pleasant gathering.

New Year Surprise Party.

Mesdames E. L. Collings, M. A. Churchill, and W. E. Poer entertained the Bible class of the Baptist Sunday school, on New Year's evening, having planned a delightful surprise for the members on Rev. G. O. Key and wife at their home.

Each guest gathered on the appointed hour at the pastor's home, completely overwhelmed them with their unexpected arrival. These clever hostesses had so cleverly planned every detail that the entire evening was filled with delightful surprises.

Mrs. Sam Means and the Misses Collings sang beautiful selections all through the party. An "old sayings" contest in rhyme afforded much fun.

A large Christmas bell that hung from the door was the target for the bow and arrow contest. "Cross questions and crooked answers" proved to be very amusing while the most laughable was the "sock darning" contest. Each man



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present had to darn a sock, and Mr. Drummond succeeded in displaying the neatest piece of work.

Mrs. Yoe, acting as teacher, of a kindergarten class, called the roll, each lady in the class answering to her maiden name the school then had old fashioned Friday afternoon "speaking," each one responding with the favorite childhood poem. This with the sly tricks played on the each and on one another during "books", was very entertaining and amusing and was a very happy finale for this pleasant affair.

This interesting class is increasing in numbers each week there being 50 present. Hot chocolate and cake were served.

Party.

Miss Mildred Obitz charmingly entertained at the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. T. Y. Casey, on Wednesday afternoon from 3 to 6.

The reception suite of this attractive home was beautiful in Christmas colors, bells, holly wreaths and stars, forming a lovely setting for this merry group of young ladies, whose chief delight was to outwit the other in relating the most exciting and startling of their many adventures while away at college.

Music on a handsome Victrola afforded an added pleasure. Mints and nuts were passed all through the afternoon.

A dainty refreshment of brullia and cake was served to Misses Colon Prewitt, Mildred McCarver, Nannie Mae and Warren Collings, Jane and Marion Looby, Mildred Obitz; Mesdames Jesse Heard and T. Y. Casey.

Mesdames Gid Rowden, C. A. Tudor, E. L. Collings, and T. Y. Casey, taking advantage of their husbands' absence on Wednesday evening enjoyed a delightful visit with Mrs. Casey at her home, playing 42 until after "lodge" hours. Refreshments were served.

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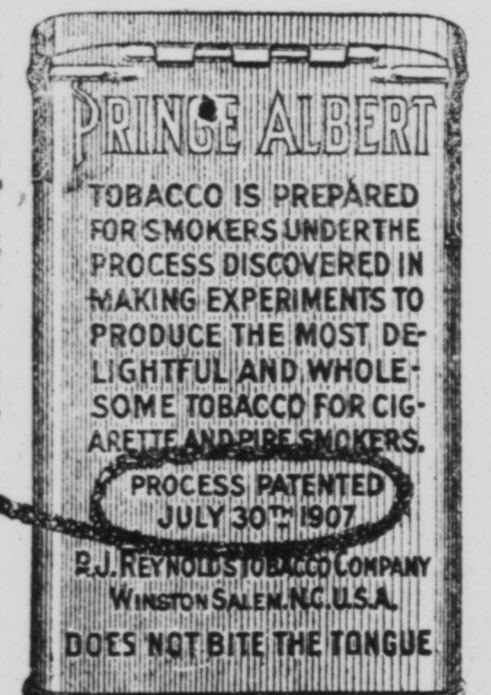
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Talks With the Boys

By J. L. HARBOUR, IN THE VISITOR.

What A Boy Sows.

"Be careful what you sow, boys!
For seeds will surely grow, boys!
If you plant bad seed
By the wayside high,
You must reap the harvest
By and by.
And the boy who sows wild
seeds today
Must reap wild oats tomorrow!"

There is a great deal of good truth in these lines, and it is truth that every boy should discover as early in life as he possibly can. The seeds a boy sows in the days of his boyhood or early manhood often yield a very bad crop in the years of his maturity. There is a wise old proverb running like this: "Sow and act, reap a habit; sow a habit, reap a character; sow a character, reap a destiny."

The trouble with so many boys is that they have too much confidence in their powers of self-control. They think that they can keep bad company and not be contaminated by it. They think that they can smoke a cigar now and then without becoming victims of the tobacco evil. They feel that they can keep any undesirable habit within bounds. Sometimes they can. Oftener they cannot. Habit is a very imperious master, and controls us oftener than we control it. Cover said a true thing when he said that "habits are soon assumed; but when we strive to strip them off, 'tis being flayed alive."

It is easy to get within the control of a foolish or a bad habit. I know a man who makes himself ridiculous and even offensive to people of refinement by his foolish habit of chewing gum. He declares that he cannot work without that wad of gum in his mouth, nor can he read in comfort without it. It is as foolish and about as offensive as the tobacco habit. The coarse and vulgar habit of chewing gum has him in its grip, and he has not enough force of character to free himself. It is surely a great deal easier to assume a bad habit than it is to get rid of one. Assuming a bad habit is one way of planting a bad seed by the wayside high. It will take root and grow unexpectedly; and the longer it grows the stronger it is.

How frequently we hear it said of a person that he has "got into the habit" of doing this that or the other, and we are expected to condone his falling on that account. I know a boy who is always finding fault and his mother says that

it is a habit that he has fallen into. She is quite sure that he does not "mean anything by it." What if he does not? The result is precisely as disagreeable as if he did it with malice aforethought. The world does not condone the wrong doing of people because they have fallen into the habit of doing wrong. The man who commits murder sometimes does so as the result of never having practiced self-control. He has always allowed his bad temper to control him. He has fallen into passions over trifles that a stronger man holding his temper well in hand would pay no heed to. I once knew a man who would fall into a perfect fury of passion if he could not find his gloves or his hat. He had acquired the habit of "getting mad" so easily that he got "mad" on the very slightest provocation. I wonder if any of you know boys who "go all to pieces" with rage over some trifle. If you know any such boys, you might say to them:

"Be careful what you sow, boys!
For seeds will surely grow, boys!"

Then there is a bad habit of not being exact in what one says, of getting away from the real truth. Often it begins with some little exaggeration that the boy does not feel to be of any consequence. He does not mean to exaggerate, and as for really lying—why, he would be mortally offended if any one were to call him a liar. But the habit of exaggerating often leads up to the worse habit of lying. I know a man of high position and of whom I heard another man say not long ago: "You simply have to discount everything he says. It is almost impossible for him to tell the direct truth. He always exaggerates, and it is doing him no injustice to say that he often tells downright lies. He is getting to be a habitual liar."

The liar is often a sorrowful illustration of the result of allowing a bad habit to grow. Indeed, many of the sins of life are nothing more nor less than the result of allowing bad habits to grow. They are the result of sowing the seed of bad habits. Let no boy deceive himself into thinking he can sow "wild oats" in the early years of his life and fail to reap a harvest from them in the later years. Write upon the tablets of your hearts the certain truth of these lines:

"And the boy who sows wild
oats today
Must reap wild oats tomorrow."

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HER COURAGE

By SUSAN E. CLAGETT.

They were discussing the barn dance of the evening before.

It had been a leap-year dance and Madeline Brook threw back her head with a laugh as she said:

"It was a success, even to the difficult point of a proposal. I heard one. Who was the girl? I did not recognize the voice. But I knew the man. I laughed with him about it when I claimed my dance later on."

The face of the girl on the piazza step flamed red and there was a catch in her voice as she answered:

"Why shouldn't a woman ask that question? Why should she always wait for the question to be asked of her by someone she can never care for? Why should she stand by and see the love she longs for given, perhaps, to another woman, when a word might turn the man's thoughts toward her. Suggestion plays a tremendous part in life. The knowledge that a woman cares keeps her more or less before his mental vision. She is, in a way, forced upon his notice. He may be surprised that the initiative has been taken from him, but the girl will be more, not less, in his thoughts, and the chances are happiness will come to them both."

Her friend looked at her in amazement.

"Since when, my dear Eleanor, have you been a believer in the equal rights idea?"

"I am no suffragist, Madeline, but I cannot see why, if a woman cares, she must hide her feelings until it pleases a man to give her the opportunity to express them. I believe there would be more happy marriages if a woman had the same right of selection that custom gives a man."

"And would you—?"

"Would you, what?" a pleasant voice inquired.

The girl went white as her friend arose and gave her hand to the man who had come unseen across the grass.

"Such an amusing thing," she laughed. "Eleanor is advocating equal rights."

"Why not? I have always thought women should have more latitude." He turned toward the girl. "Keep the courage of your convictions, Miss Eleanor. Don't let anyone laugh you out of them."

"I am inclined to think her courage would desert her if she attempted to put her convictions to the test," Madeline remarked dryly. "Eleanor is old-fashioned. Up to now there has never been anything strong-minded about her."

"The trend of thought today is surely against old-fashioned ideas," the man replied genially, "but nevertheless I think Miss Isham possesses the courage to go against convention if she feels it right so to do. It requires strength of character to do the unusual."

"High praise—but as you do not know just what this is I doubt if you would think with her."

"Let me be the judge," Howard Chandler replied pleasantly. "I am not one to change my opinion without due cause."

The girl on the steps had risen. "While she tells you I will go on," she said with a slight smile. "I am already late for an appointment."

"Wait an instant. My curiosity must be satisfied and then we will go. I promised to find you," he explained, answering her questioning look. "Your veranda is filled with out-of-town guests. I saw you come in here and offered to bring you home. Now, Miss Madeline, what is the terrible thing you are holding back?"

"Merely the asking of a question now considered man's sole prerogative." There was a world of meaning in the glance she gave him. "I do not agree with her. Do you?"

His cool gray eyes held a hint of hardness as he looked at her, but his voice was pleasant. "I only know that I would feel honored if a woman should see something in me that would make for her happiness and was willing to tell me so."

His eyes contracted as he caught the maliciousness in the laugh that followed them across the yard.

There was no talk between the two for some minutes. Eleanor broke the silence as they came within sight of her home.

"It was good of you to try and spare me. Madeline overheard our talk last evening. She suspected me, I think, but was not sure."

"I guessed as much. No. Don't go in just yet. I must confess to a taradiddle. It was the only way. There are so visitors, but I wanted to talk with you as I leave on the 9:30 for Chicago." He hesitated an instant, then went on:

"That was a brave thing you did last night. Braver than most. It made me think, and it brought home to me the sweetness of you; made me wonder what there is in me that could make a girl like you care. I am glad, glad it is so and when I return from this trip will let me come to you, show you, tell you how much it means to me."

The girl had been standing with her face turned from him. As he spoke she moved and he saw her eyes, glorified by a light there was no mistaking. He made a step toward her, but paused.

"If it means anything to you, come," she said slowly. "I was afraid—"

"Afraid?"

"You might think me unwomanly."

"Not that. I thank God you had the

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HOTEL NAMES HAVE CHANGED

Passing of Old "American House" in Boston Recalls Long Past Period in American Life.

The old American house, on Hanover street, which gives up the ghost after 65 years of continuous service as a hotel, was the parent of a thousand American houses all over the country. The name itself was older than that; the building, still virtually intact, erected in 1851, had had a predecessor on the same spot, to which the name American House had been given in 1835. In the years which were the high noon of the nineteenth century no new town was opened up in Wisconsin, Iowa, Nebraska or California without its American house, called after our original. That was the period of flamboyant, spread-eagleism which was satirized in Dickens' Martin Chuzzlewit, and of which Hon. Elijah Pogram was the shining example. English names for hotels, such as the Westminster, the Windsor, the Victoria, the Buckingham, and so on, were then decidedly at a discount. It was the period which gave us such names as the American, the United States, the Revere House, the Eagle Hotel. It followed the epoch of fantastic and picturesque old titles such as the Blue Bell, the Indian Queen, the Red Lion, the Green Dragon, the Blue Anchor and the Bunch of Grapes, all of which swung before their doors.—Boston Transcript.

EXPLAINING THE TELEGRAPH

Headman of Village in Bosnia Relieves Perplexity of His People When They See New Wonder.

As a general rule, the telegraph no longer arouses the wonder and awe that it did in our grandfathers. In remote countries, however, there are still people who have never heard it, or who are unable to understand it. The following is a story of the perplexity that the telegraph caused in a small village of Bosnia.

The government had installed a telegraph line from Prijedor to Bihatsch.

"What is the meaning of this wire?" asked the astonished inhabitants of a village through which the line happened to pass.

"It's a telegraph," said the headman of the village, who had been in consultation with the officials. "One can send a message along this wire, straight from here to Stamboul."

The villagers were incredulous. "That is impossible. How can a message run along a wire?"

The headman thought for a while; then he hit upon the proper explanation. "Imagine," he said, "a dog that is terribly long, and whose tail is stretched like the wire on these poles; imagine that his tail is so long that he reaches from here to Stamboul. Now, suppose we pinched his tail here. Wouldn't he howl in Stamboul?" And the villagers understood.

Fireflies and Fire Fish.

Whoever can invade the secret of the firefly and his portable electric light factory may confer a wonderful favor upon civilization. Possibly in pursuit of it, Professor E. N. Harvey, of Princeton university, has lately reached Japan. He has gone thither in fact to make a special study of the "hotaru ika," a species of cuttlefish living in the Japanese seas. The "hotaru ika," he says, lives only in that part of the ocean. It produces light in the waters which can be seen on the surface. The best time to study this fish is in May and June, for many of them then come up far into the rivers. Professor Harvey has already made a study of Japanese fireflies and is looked upon as an authority on the subject.

Dr. Ishikawa, of the Imperial university, has already published the results of researches in regard to the "hotaru ika," but most of his researches are said to have been made in connection with the bodily structure of the fish.

Quakers Once Warlike.

Conscientious objectors in the past have sometimes modified their anti-war views to meet the circumstances of the time—as, for example, in Pennsylvania, in the middle of the eighteenth century, says "The London Chronicle." Here a long line of cannon defended the old Quaker capital against French and Spanish Privateers on the principle that a "defensive war" was justifiable. "The Pennsylvania Assembly," says Lecky, "in which the Quakers predominated, repeatedly voted military aids to the Crown during the French wars, disguising their act by voting the money only for the king's use, and on one occasion for the purchase of bread, flour, wheat or other grain," the latter being understood to be gunpowder.

Unhealthy Stop.

"I see you has marked 'Mexico' on de gatopost in front of dat farm house down de pike," said the unlaundered tramp. "Does dat mean it's a good place for tew git scraps?"

"Naw," answered the philosophical hobo. "Dat means it's a good place ter stay away from. See?"

Timely.

Mr. Phan—I enjoyed your sermon very much this morning. The Preacher—Thank you. Mr. Phan—The text, "How are the mighty fallen," was very timely after Lee's funeral yesterday afternoon with the bags choked and one run needed to tie the score.—Puck.

MYSTERIOUS NEIGHBOR

By LOUISE OLIVER.

"Mrs. Green, what does Mr. Davis do for a living?"

"Why I don't know, Miss Wilson. He's just so nice his niceness seems to cover everything, and if I ever was curious about it I got over it long ago. Some folks have enough money without working."

"Yes, I know, but it seems so queer—the way he lives, I mean. Out all night, or at least until 2 and 3 o'clock, and sleeping any old time at all. My room is next to his and I can hear him come in."

Winifred dropped the argument without giving her real reason for inquiring. She, too, liked her merry, happy-go-lucky neighbor and she was afraid of doing him an injustice.

It had happened this way: The night before, while getting some copy ready to send in, the keys of her typewriter had locked. She tried to fix it, but things went wrong and before she knew it the whole affair was out of commission.

"Oh, pshaw!" she cried, pushing and tugging this way and that. "What shall I do? Carpenter won't be bothered with long hand and this has to be at the office in an hour."

Just then she heard a step in the hall. "There's Mr. Davis. I wonder if he can do anything?"

She flew to her door and opened it. "Mr. Davis!" she called. But he had entered his own room and was just shutting the door.

"Yes," he answered, instantly opening it again. "What can I do for you, Miss Wilson?"

And while Winifred was trying to explain her predicament, she was also trying hard not to betray the fact that she saw an automatic gun and some queer-looking instruments that he was in the act of transferring from his pocket to a table near the door.

"Certainly I'll come. I'm a regular Mr. Fixit. I was just thinking of nailing out a shingle. Typewriters Repaired While You Wait."

He was as good as his word and the typewriter was soon put into working trim again. When the door had closed, Winifred looked at the blank panels with her heart beating high and her cheeks strangely flushed.

Had she known it, Ed Davis, too, was looking back at the panels as though trying to conjure up another picture of her gray blue eyes, sweet, serious smile and color that came and went provokingly.

"Miss Wilson," called Carpenter next day, "here's a card to the Bride-Pamfleton wedding. Suppose you go up there to-day and write things up. Give it a column."

Arrived at Valmonda, the home of the Brides, Winifred was given the permission of her hostess to wander where she would. Pavilions had been built on the lawn, tables put up around fountains and a wonderful array of flowers and vines erected for the ceremony.

Winifred was lost in the wonder of everything when she came face to face with Mr. Davis.

"You here!" she cried in surprise, not able to keep the amazement and pleasure out of her voice.

He looked nonplused for an instant, then smiled quickly. "Why not? Every one's here! You, too!"

"But I'm just here on business!"

"So am I, but keep it quiet," he whispered.

She looked at his faultless untidy, every detail of his attire. She could not understand this man.

That was the day the pearl collar was stolen, a gift from the Vincents to the bride.

Winifred, opening the paper to see her own account of the wedding next morning, read the great headline with dismay.

She let the paper fall to the floor and tried to collect her confused thoughts. Davis had come in about 4 o'clock and she had heard him up all the rest of the night. He had gone out early again without retiring. What had been his business at the wedding?

Dazed, she made her way along crowded streets to the office. She heard a boy cry. "The Collar Found! Bravery of Detective Davis!" She bought a paper in frantic haste and there on the first page was a full-face out of her neighbor. "Thank Heaven!" she breathed, crushing the paper to her breast. "I understand now!"

That night Winifred knocked timidly at her neighbor's door. He opened it and bowed.

"Blessed typewriter—it's broken again?"

"No," said Winifred, keeping in the shadow of the stairs to hide her burning face. "I came to congratulate you. I've been finding out all day what a wonderful person you are. And I've been taught at home when one has had wicked thoughts he ought to confess. I have been thinking awful things about you. I saw the gun and when the necklace was stolen—she did not finish."

"Hush, child! Every one thinks things about me," he said kindly. "I'm used to it. Get your hat and we'll go for some ice cream. I've something important to tell you. Something no one else must hear! You'll come, won't you?"

"Yes, indeed," she answered happily. "I just feel like celebrating." (Copyright, 1916, by the McClure Newspaper Syndicate.)

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Different Kinds of Coughs.

Colds lead to different kinds of coughs—"dry cough," the "winter cough," la grippe and bronchial cough, the asthmatic cough, and racking, painful cough to raise choking phlegm. Enos Halbert, Paoli, Indiana, writes: "I coughed continually, could hardly sleep. Foley's Honey and Tar relieved me, curing my cough entirely." For Sale by Bozeman Drug Co.—Advt.

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Mrs. W. P. Nugent, Main St., Midland, Texas, says: "I have used Doan's Kidney Pills for and on for several years. They have done me more good than anything I could ever get. My back has always given me the most pain. At times it ached and has been so stiff I could hardly bend one way or the other. The kidney secretions have been too frequent in passage, which has greatly annoyed me. I have had head aches and dizzy spells and often black spots have floated before my eyes. Whenever I have been this way, I have used Doan's Kidney Pills and a box or two have always cured the attack."

Price 50c. at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mrs. Nugent had. Foster-Milburn Co. Props., Buffalo, N. Y.—Advt.

Notice to Road Men.

At the regular term of the Commissioners' Court, January 3, 1917, the Court will institute some plan looking to the maintenance of the roads in the District Number One.

The purpose of this notice is to request those who have plans for the maintenance of our roads in mind to present same to the Court, together with bids for the services mentioned. The Court is not permitted to accept any definite contract but has in view the employment, at a regular salary, of one man, who will furnish his own team and tools and devote his entire time to supervising, repairing and perfecting the work. At the same time, it will be very glad to consider any practical suggestion which promises the best returns in service for money expended.

All persons desiring employment are requested to file with the Clerk of the Court, before the morning of January 8, 1917, their plans and pertinent plans and bids in sealed envelopes.

Respectfully,
JAMES F. BROWN,
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Fort Worth to El Paso Highway

F. W. Johnson, Director for Reeves County.

During the last week your secretary visited the following points: El Paso, Van Horn, Pecos and Barstow. Found El Paso wide awake to the advantages that will come to them with the building of the Fort Worth-El Paso Highway, as is evidenced by the financial support they are giving the organization. No one was too busy to talk about the project.

Culberson county (County seat is Van Horn) is one of the liveliest counties on the route. They have 44 members in the Texas Good Roads Association which represents 90 per cent of the men living within ten miles of Van Horn. They have spent \$50,000.00 on their roads and are ready to go ahead and spend more to build the highway across their county.

Reeves County (Pecos, county seat) as mentioned last week is backing the Ft. Worth-El Paso Highway to the limit. Secretary Eberstadt of Pecos, and Director F. W. Johnson, with their solid backing of the good roads enthusiasts, are awake and on the job.

Your secretary is often asked, "How about Ward County?" At Barstow we met Judge Burch Carson, Director for Ward County, and went

over the local situation with him. Found the people lined up solid for the highway, and anxious to have the services of an engineer so as to ascertain the cost of the road through their county.

On the first of February a statement will be sent to each of the county directors, showing all funds received to that date and their disposition, and thereafter the statement will be issued quarterly. Anyone wishing to ascertain the financial condition of the association can get this information through their county director.

In all probability, a meeting will be held at Big Springs the forepart of January, which will be attended by the officers of the association and by the members of the Commissioners' courts along the highway.

It is likely that Capt. J. D. Fauntlerby, who was appointed to supervise the work, and the expenditure of the Government funds in the recently created Sixth National Highway District (Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas and Louisiana), will attend this meeting. The exact date of this meeting and further particulars will be given in this column next week. W. B. STARR, Secy.

NO MORE ART IN THE HOME

Bungalows and Apartments of Today Have No Place for Great Pictures of Past.

"The future of art will be in museums, as the future of the dead is in cemeteries," John L. Balderston quotes George Moore in The Atlantic. "As I have said, after the art of the temple, the cathedral, and the palace, came the art of the house, which was the last phase; for now the art of the house is dead, since people no longer live in houses. They are all moving into bungalows, or, which is the same thing, into apartments—and in a bungalow there is no room for art. We have futile attempts at art for the bungalow, as we shall have pretended art for the Pullman car, for the motor, for the aeroplane. The great pictures of the past, having hung in houses for centuries, are passing into museums, not only because people are moving out of houses, but because new social ideas are destroying the great estates and making it impossible to keep valuable art works from one generation to another. In England now three death duties will break up the greatest estate in the kingdom. You say you still have houses in America and millionaires with money enough to buy pictures? Ah, but think of what they buy! It takes a lifetime to learn to recognize a good picture, and how can a man who has spent his best years making a fortune expect to know a masterpiece when he sees it? When I was in Paris forty years ago your rich Americans were buying trash!"

HOW HISTORY IS DISTORTED

Curious Liberties Taken by Scholars With Events in Other Countries, as Matter of "Policy."

Curious liberties have been taken by the scholars of one country with the history of another, the distortion being, of course, due in many instances to "policy." A striking example is found in a Russian text-book edited by a great Russian scholar, Ilovalski:

"Louis XVI was a good and peaceful king. After a long and famous reign, in which he was most happy in his choice of minister of finance, he died quietly in Paris, beloved by all his people. His death was caused by a hemorrhage."

"The successor of Louis XVI was his son, Louis XVII. During his reign the brave, royal army, commanded by Gen. Napoleon Bonaparte, captured the largest part of the European continent for the French crown. But the faithless Napoleon showed tendencies toward misusing his power, and was suspected of harboring dishonest designs against the legitimate ruler. With the help of his majesty the emperor and autocrat of all the Russians, his plans were frustrated, and he was deprived of all his possessions, honors and rights to a pension. He was then exiled to the island of St. Helena, where he died."

Chinese Industry Revived.

Chinese manufacturers of vegetable dyes have been induced to revive the manufacture of that product which had been almost wholly suspended. The higher prices being paid for these dyes at present is said to have made possible the organization of the business on sounder economic principles. Large quantities of the dyes have already been shipped to the United Kingdom, where they are said to be getting satisfaction. There is practically no limit to the supply, provided the price paid is commensurate with the cost of production. In Japan, before the introduction of mineral dyes, there were probably more different vegetable dyes used than in any other part of the world. Few of the dyes, however, were strictly fast, and the only thoroughly dependable black was the one made in the Kyoto district and used largely in dyeing the haori, the short, jacket-like garment worn by the Japanese men and women alike. The vegetable dyes were long ago supplanted by mineral ones, but existing circumstances are said by American industries to be forcing a return to the older dyes.

World's Greatest Liar.

Perhaps the most voluble liar that ever lived was the Baron Munchausen; that is, the fictionalized baron. The real baron was a kindly soul who lived in Germany, and who in nowise deserved the evil reputation that attached to him through the use of his name in a series of highly colored adventures that appeared in print in London in 1785.

The authorship of the absurd tales is a mystery. It is generally believed that Rudolph Erich Raspe, a questionable character, wrote the stories first, but there is no absolute confirmation. Following the original series a number of additional adventures were written by less skilled pens.

On Eugenics.

Prof. Herbert L. Flower said in an address on eugenics in Boston: "Youth's point of view is better than age's when it comes to questions of eugenics. "Here, for example, is a dialogue to prove my claim: "A beautiful girl said on a white beach to her fashionable mother: "Yes, mother, dear, I like Mr. Gobsa Golde, but isn't he too old to be considered eligible? "The fashionable mother compressed her rouged lips. "On the contrary, my love," she said: "he is too eligible to be considered old."

PLANS OF MICE AND MEN

By RUTH ISHAM.

Tommy Charstair early in his career made up his mind to keep a level head and not let his heart run away with him. He would watch his chance and marry some girl who happened to be an only daughter of some rich old fellow with a bad heart.

So he settled down to his lodger at Smith & Dewey's, fairly well contented with life, confident that time was all that was needed to consummate his plan.

Therefore it was with keen annoyance that he woke one morning realizing that he had made a fool of himself the night before and, quite before he knew what he was doing, had proposed to Clorinda Mowry, one of the stenographers at the office.

Tommy had been afraid of Clorinda. He had caught himself time and again watching the outline of her head against the big plate glass window, and her hair had a way of catching the sun and reflecting it into his eyes that was quite annoying.

And being fully aware that the girl would wreck all his carefully laid plans for a prosperous future if he were not exceptionally cautious, it was ridiculous that he had allowed his feelings to get the better of him just because a silly boat upset and he thought she was dying. He had called her his darling. And he had told her she must live for him, that he adored her, and so on.

Then a light broke upon his gloom. Had he really proposed to her? Telling a girl you love her and that she is so-and-so and so-and-so doesn't mean that you have offered her your heart and hand. He bathed and dressed hurriedly, breakfasted and made for the office. He had a plan.

"The vacation lists are out and I'll sign up for mine right away. By the time I get back perhaps Clorinda will have forgotten what I said. Besides, if I go to Kenebunket, or Menobscot, where millionaires are at a discount, I may be able to persuade some fair maid to take me on for keeps. Why not?"

Well, there is no use in relating that Tommy had another awakening almost as shocking as the one I have described. Only this one took several days. In that time he learned that although his name might be W. Thomas Charstair and that he dressed well, the summer colonists would have none of him. He found himself in a state of isolation that was enlightening and not flattering. But just when he needed consolation the most he found it. And her name was Lorelei!

He was coming along the beach one day and as he passed she dropped her book. He restored it. She thanked him. He remarked on the weather. She spoke of something else. They both mentioned boating and it ended in taking a ride in a launch together. She was very pretty—straight, classic features and very light hair netted and puffed to perfection.

"I've only been here a day or so," she said confidentially, "and I feel rather lost. You see, we've been in Europe every summer until last year and we spent that in the Canadian Rockies. Father and mother are there now, but I came here from school with my companion to wait until they join me. Then we are going to Nova Scotia."

Tommy chirped up his business ear. The boat ride was a great success and over all too soon. Then followed a stroll on the terrace and, later, they went into the billiard room.

They sat down and waited for a table. Two men next to Tommy were talking.

"I see old Golden's dead!" said one. "You don't say so. Who'll get his money?"

"That little granddaughter, the only one of the whole family that's left. You know her parents died on the Essex when it was blown up. She gave up every cent of her fortune to the Belgians and they say the old man was so mad he wouldn't give her a dime. So she's working somewhere for a living. Of course she'll get it all now. Something like fifteen millions!"

The two weeks were up and Tommy had to leave, but not before one moonlight night he had begged for Lorelei's hand and been promised it.

Then came the day when he had to return to the office. He had worried about Clorinda, wondering how she would take it. But he put on a brave front and went in. Her place was empty!

"Haven't you heard the news, Tommy?" called Fosdick. "Old Golden was Clorinda's granddaddy and he up and died and left her fifteen millions."

Tommy was holding his desk for support.

"And we miss her like the devil, but there's a peach taking her place—tall, blonde and—ahem."

A girl walked over to Clorinda's seat and sat down in front of the machine. "Lorelei," gasped Tommy, "by all that's holy!"

Now, I ought to finish by saying that Tommy got his just deserts, that Lorelei insisted upon him keeping his bargain and led him an awful life. But it didn't happen. When she found who he was and that he was making only \$75 a month she threw him over.

And, on the other hand, Clorinda insisted upon thinking she was engaged to him and refused to give him up. So Tommy plays polo and the heavy swell on his wife's money, but I will say he is perfectly splendid to her, for he loves her after all.

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ANCIENT RULER FARSIGHTED

Someone, Whose Identity Is Unknown, Built Wonderful Artificial Channel to Divert River.

Arabiston lies at the head of the Persian Gulf, its western boundary being the Shat-el-Arab, the great river formed by the combined waters of the Tigris and Euphrates, the right bank of which is in Turkish Arabia. Forty miles above where it flows into the Persian gulf the Shat-el-Arab is joined by the Karun, and the town of Mohammerah stands at the junction of the two rivers, the former a clear, green stream, the latter thick and red.

In ancient times the Karun flowed into the gulf, and part of the river still runs along the old channel, but the main stream has been diverted, three miles above Mohammerah, into an artificial channel known geographically as the Haffar canal.

It is impossible even to make a guess at the date of this wonderful work, not even a tradition remaining of the ruler whose farsightedness realized the enormous value and possibilities of the waterways. Alexander the Great has been suggested, but apparently for no other reason than that he is a convenient and likely person to credit with any ambitious enterprise, and that one of his many Alexandrias was built on the site of the present Mohammerah.—Wide World Magazine.

Her Wonderful News.

"You can't guess the wonderful news!" exclaimed Mrs. Tinkle to her friend, Miss Dimple, who had dropped in for a call.

"Gracious!" exclaimed Miss Dimple. "Tell me quick what it is!"

Mrs. Tinkle rocked back and forth in quiet delight at the other's interest. "No," she said, "you've just got to guess."

"Bessie Bentley and Jack Warner have eloped?"

"No!"

"Mr. and Mrs. Crabley have agreed to separate?"

"No! Guess again."

"Josephine Ward and Billy Combes have broken their engagement?"

"No! Oh, won't my husband just laugh when I tell him you couldn't guess right!"

"Well, now, you must tell me!"

"Our baby has got a tooth!"—Judge.

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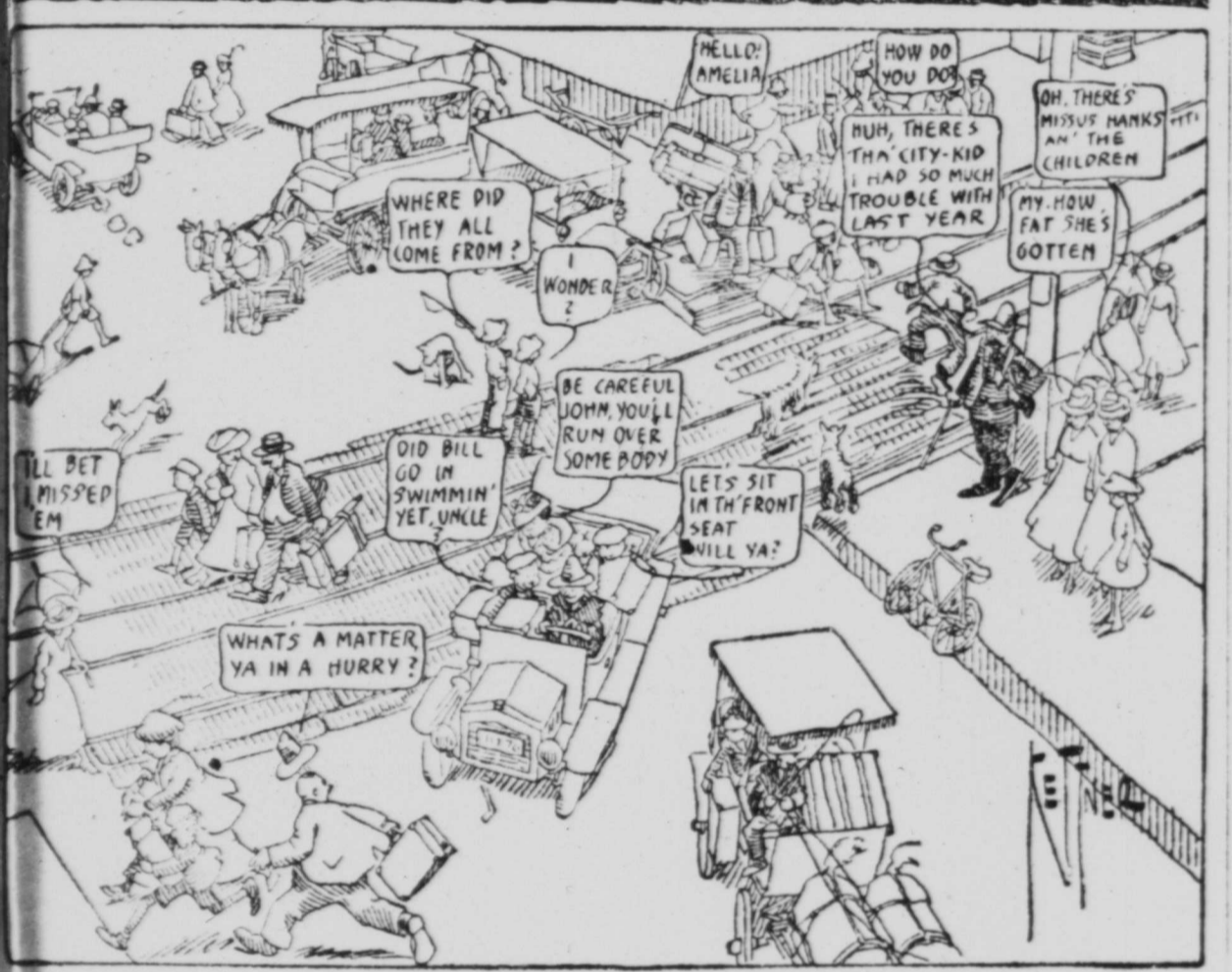
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WINDOW IS BURGLAR PROOF AIR IS SENT THROUGH WATER

Curtain of Steel, Which Drops When Glass is Broken, Is One of Latest Inventions.

The thief, brick in hand, awaits his opportunity. When the policeman on bent passes out of sight he slinks down the quiet avenue and takes up a position in front of a jewelry store with an expensive and elaborate window display. Repeating in the right-hand corner of the window is a tray of diamonds. This the thief decides to steal.

Choosing a section of the window where the glass will make the least noise in falling, the thief draws back his right arm and the brick crashes through the window. With lightning agility he thrusts his hand through the broken pane, and then, startled and utterly dismayed, as quickly withdraws it. Had he not done so a burglar curtain of steel, released from the top of the window at the instant of contact of brick with glass, would have severed his arms at the wrist.

In other words, he was thwarted in his attempt to steal by a burglar curtain designed to drop and cover the window the instant the glass is broken. In making his superficial examination he had failed to detect the minute strands of wire stretched across the window, several of which were severed when the glass was broken, setting into action a mechanism which released the curtain.

The wires, stretched tight and anchored at their lower end to a rigid frame and at their upper end to a catch, are arranged close enough so that an object thrown through the pane will sever one or more of them. When this occurs the latch is drawn downward, permitting the retaining cord to move in under forced pressure of their tension springs, which releases a ratchet engaging with a shaft and which the curtain is wound. The curtain falls due to gravity. A simple safety appliance prevents the curtain from accidentally falling when the window is being cleaned. It is wound on the shaft in a "set" position by means of a sprocket wheel.

Attachment for Electric Fan Increases the Cooling Capacity of That Apparatus Many Times.

A clever and useful attachment for the electric fan, designed by a Los Angeles inventor, according to Science Monthly, consists of a tin wheel which can be hooked on any electric fan and which will increase its cooling capacity many times.

The spokes or propellers of this wheel are made of fine-mesh screen. The lower part of the wheel whirls in a tank which is filled with cold water. The electric fan causes the screen propellers to revolve and they dip into the little tank, throwing up a small amount of water on the upward turn.

The air is sent through the water and is cooled, purified and cleaned. Perfume, a disinfectant, or a medicated liquid may be used instead of water.

Wood Block Floors.

Crenelated wood blocks, already extensively used as paving material for city streets, have been cooling into use as flooring for the last four or five years according to the Forest Service. Its durability, noiselessness under heavy traffic, and sanitary properties are its chief advantages for paving and also give it special value for making floors, especially for use where heavy trucking, the moving of heavy machinery, or other severe use makes the maintenance of floors a serious problem. It's rather high cost is its chief disadvantage.

Wood block is now widely used for flooring in factories, warehouses, machine shops, foundries, various types of platforms, wharves, and docks, and for such miscellaneous purposes as hotel kitchens, hospitals, laundries, and slaughter houses. Possibly one of the oddest of these uses is for the floors of wild animal cages and runways. Notwithstanding the recent increase in the use of wood block for these purposes, it is believed that the growth of this industry will be even more rapid in the future.

Read the Want Ads. Some real bargains in them.

Pecos Times \$1 per yr

About You and Your Friends.

Local Items of the Comings and Goings of Friends and Strangers.

Rupert Ezell was down from the ranch Tuesday on business.

H. J. Larkin and son, Joe, of Barstow, were Pecos visitors Monday. Mr. Larkin is building the new school house over there.

Miss Julia Padgett, one of the Tri-State's pleasant operators, returned home Saturday after several days in Toyah visiting friends.

T. J. Sisk returned Tuesday afternoon from his trip down to his former place, Valley View Farm, and reports that everything down that way is in fine shape.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Wilson and children were over from their Quito ranch and spent New Year's day with Mrs. Wilson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Vickers.

E. R. Cox came up from Saragosa Saturday afternoon on the P. V. S., and went up to Toyah in the evening to attend the Fifth Sunday Meeting held there by the Baptists.

Mr. and Mrs. Sid Kyle, and son, Max, came in from their Loving county ranch Sunday, and Max left Monday afternoon for Dallas, so as to be on hand for school which opens Wednesday.

Miss Mildred Obitz left on Monday afternoon to resume her studies at Simmons' College, at Abilene, after spending Christmas week in Pecos with her mother, Mrs. T. Y. Casev. and her many young friends.

Jerome Cowan, the hustling manager of the Pruett Lumber Company's yards at Pyote was over Monday and Tuesday, making his report of the business for the past year, and the management was well pleased at its showing. He returned home on No. 6 Tuesday afternoon.

Miss Carrie Stuckler arrived in Pecos Monday from the U ranch where she had been spending Christmas with her father, Ed Stuckler, and visited with her school chum, Miss Vida Drummond until Tuesday afternoon when she left for Stanton, where she is attending school.

Mrs. Jo Camp and sons, Ray and Van, who had been visiting in Pecos and out on Toyah Creek, with relatives, left Monday afternoon for Midland where Ray is teaching in the Christian College. Their hosts of friends here certainly enjoyed having them home for even so short a time.

For Sale or Rent.

My 80 acre farm, 4 miles east of Saragosa, Texas. Good house, barn, pumping plant, and fence. Address S. G. SWISHER, Farragut, Iowa.

Fleischmann's Yeast advertisement with logo and text: 'MAKES BEST BREAD'.

Advertisement for E. L. Collins Insurance Co. with text: 'RUN NO CHANCES NEW YEAR'S FIRE POLICY RESOLUTIONS'.

David Tudor returned Monday to his school duties at T. C. U., Fort Worth.

Judge J. E. Starley left yesterday afternoon on No. 6 for a business visit in Fort Worth.

T. L. Crum one of our prominent cowmen, went over to Odessa yesterday on a business trip.

Mrs. Beulah Wilson, who visited with friends in El Paso during Christmas week, returned home Monday.

Miss Minnie Vickers arrived home Monday from El Paso where she visited with friends during Christmas week.

Mrs. E. R. Cox and son, Thelma, arrived in Pecos from their Christmas visit with relatives and friends at Abilene, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Brady of Barstow, were visitors here the first part of the week. Their many friends in Pecos were sure glad to see them again.

E. F. Fuqua was in Pecos Tuesday, having brought in his daughter, Miss Julia, who left on No. 6 for Midland, where she is attending the Christian college.

Rev. H. O. Moore, pastor of the Presbyterian church here, left Monday for Toyah where he is assisting in a union revival which is in progress there this week.

Clay Cooke arrived home Tuesday afternoon from his trip to Fort Worth and Dallas, where he went to look after a client's interest in court, and he reports that he was successful.

Haldine McChesney returned to his work in El Paso last week after spending several days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. S. McChesney, also with his numerous young Pecos friends.

Rev. L. G. Haggard, who has been visiting for several days in Pecos with numerous friends left Tuesday afternoon on his return trip to Amarillo, where he is pastor of the Buchanan Street Methodist church.

Ben Kraus arrived in Pecos last Saturday from the mica mines south of Van Horn, having been up there for several months. He will visit relatives and friends here for a week or two. He reports that they are still busy turning out their products.

NOTICE.

To the friends who have been so kindly interested, and the general public:

I wish to say that I will begin my work in Expression on January 15th, 1917, and shall be pleased to give terms and methods at any time.

Fenton Alley, who had been in Pecos for the past week, visiting the home folks and others left last Friday for Carlsbad, where he is again at his post on the train that runs to Roswell and return each day. He is a young man who attends to his work faithfully, no matter what it may be.

Notice to Trappers.

We are in the market for any and all kinds of furs. No matter how many nor how little you have. We want your business.

Quotations and tags mailed on request. Pecos Hide and Produce Co. H. V. ZINN, Mgr.

Judge Ben Palmer went over to Barstow yesterday on No. 6 on a professional business trip.

A. J. Adcock and M. T. Eudaly of Grandfalls were business visitors in Pecos Monday and Tuesday.

E. E. Gill, manager of the Balmorhea Mercantile Co., arrived in Pecos Wednesday afternoon on a business trip.

Evy Bowles was transacting business in Pecos Saturday and took out a load of supplies on the return trip to the ranch.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Evans returned home yesterday from their holiday visit in the East, and went on out to the "Rainbow" ranch.

Mr. and Mrs. Newt Ward returned home Monday from El Paso, where they had been Christmas visitors with Mrs. Ward's people.

Mrs. T. J. Hefner and two sons, who have been visiting with friends and relatives at Dallas, during the Christmas week, returned home Tuesday.

Miss Annie Holbert left Monday morning for her home at Saragosa, after visiting in Pecos for several days with Mrs. E. J. Moyer and family, and friends.

Miss Colon Prewitt, who had been visiting with her sister, Mrs. L. W. Anderson, and family, left last Saturday for Austin, where she is attending the State University.

Judge H. Wilson left Thursday for his home in Fort Worth after spending the holidays in Pecos with his daughters, Mrs. J. A. Buck and J. A. Drane, and Miss Novella Wilson.

Mrs. W. L. Kingston accompanied her daughter, Miss Fannie, as far as Pecos, Sunday. The latter was on her way to Denton, where she resumes her studies after the holiday vacation.

Attorney J. A. Buck and Judge J. W. Parker went to El Paso Wednesday afternoon on No. 5, where they will "lock horns" contesting for their clients in the higher courts in that city.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Bell visited several days the past week with relatives and friends in Pecos. L. E. reports that the range and cattle are in pretty fair condition up in the Porterville country.

Jess Woods after a visit of several days in Pecos with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Woods, and other relatives and friends, left Monday afternoon for Henrietta, to resume his duties as auditor for the Southwestern Railway.

Ben G. Warner arrived home Monday from his visit with his parents, Rev. and Mrs. A. V. Warner, at Rockport, and he reports that they are getting along in fine shape, which is good news to their numerous friends in Pecos.

G. J. Johnson, son of G. S. Johnson, former Pecosites, stepped off No. 5 Wednesday long enough to shake hands with some friends there. He was on his way home to El Paso after a business trip to Fort Worth and vicinity.

Rev. Moore came down from Toyah Wednesday afternoon, to be present at payer meeting services that evening, and returned to Toyah Thursday. He says the union meeting is progressing nicely and considerable interest being taken.

Mary Caroline who had been home for the holidays visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Caroline, and other relatives, left Monday to resume her studies at the Catholic convent at Stanton. Her young friends were glad to have her home for even the short time during Christmas.

Mrs. G. N. Gentry who had been over from Midland spending Christmas with her husband, Judge Gentry, left Monday on No. 6, so as to be at the school which opened Tuesday morning. She reports that they are having one of the most successful years they ever had over there.

The Quinine That Does Not Affect The Head Because of its tonic and laxative effect, LAXA-Quinine does not cause nervousness nor ringing in head. Remember the full name and look for the signature of E. W. GROVE, 25c.

Boys Clothing advertisement for Pecos Mercantile Co. featuring 'ROYAL BRAND SUITS' and an illustration of a boy in a suit.

SARAGOSA.

Miss Bertha Hoefs of Fort Stockton is visiting Miss Katherine Erwin this week.

Dee Davis and family were visiting in Toyah Sunday, also they have purchased a new Ford car.

Emmett and Wynne Goode have returned to Pecos after a visit with their parents during the holidays.

Mrs. E. R. Cox and son, Thelma, returned Tuesday from a very pleasant visit with relatives and friends at Sweetwater and Abilene.

Miss Ethlyn Mayfield, the teacher of the Barillo school, after a two weeks vacation at Gilmer with the home folks, returned Tuesday to resume her duties.

The young folks were entertained with a party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Taylor Conger Tuesday night. Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Honaker entertained them Wednesday night.

On account of insufficient fuel to heat the school building school will not commence until next Monday, being unable to get coal the trustees have purchased a car of wood which should arrive this week.

At a meeting of the Woodmen of the World last week, the following officers were elected for the coming year: Past Consul, R. L. Baker; Consul Commander, Ray Arnold; Advisor, W. R. Black; Clerk, E. R. Cox; Banker, R. T. Conger; Escort, C. J. Donoho; Sentinel, E. B. Conger; Managers, one year, W. W. Chandler; two years, G. W. Teague.

The following have been elected as officers of the Woodman Circle for the next year: Past Guardian, Mrs. E. R. Cox; Guardian, Mrs. Ray Arnold; Advisor, Mrs. Taylor Conger; Clerk, E. R. Cox; Banker, C. J. Donoho; Attendant, Mrs. W. R. Black; Chaplain, W. R. Black; Inner Sentinel, E. B. Conger; Outer Sentinel, Mrs. P. A. Harbert; Managers, one year, Mrs. E. B. Conger; three years, Mrs. C. J. Donoho.

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The liver loses its activity times and needs help. HERBINE is an affective liver stimulant. It also purifies the bowels, strengthens digestion and restores strength, vigor and cheerful spirits. Price 50c. In sale by City Pharmacy.

WORRY, DESPONDENCY.

Kidney Disease is suspected by men when patients complain of back or suffer with irregular urination, turbid, too frequent, scanty or pain passage. The general symptoms are rheumatic pains or neuralgia, headache, lumbago, irritability, despondency, weakness and general misery. Worry is a frequent cause and sometimes a symptom of kidney disease. Many of your patients have testified to immediate relief of these symptoms after using Dr. Pierce's Anuric Tablets for kidneys and bladder. Druggists in town are now supplying. From personal observation in hospital practice, Dr. Pierce's "Anuric" will give you speedy relief if you are suffering from uric acid trouble and to show his faith send 10c to Dr. Pierce, Invalids' Hotel, Buffalo, and you will receive a large trial pkg. of "Anuric." "Anuric" dissolves uric acid as hot water melts sugar and Dr. Pierce has thoroughly tested it in his hospital and found it 10 times more potent than lithia.

Ford advertisement with logo and text: 'There can only be one reason why Ford cars have sold and are today selling from five to ten to one over any and all motor cars made...'.

Cardui advertisement with text: 'Are You a Woman? Take Cardui The Woman's Tonic'.