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The 2nd Highland Poultry Show 16-17

Will Be Held In Alpine December 16th And 17th. Will Hold Big Sale At Close Of Show.

The catalogue for the second annual Highland Poultry Show, to be held December 16, and 17 in Alpine, is being distributed from the office of Dr. J. E. Wright. The showing in this catalogue is particularly good, considering the short time the association has been in existence.

Only a little over one year ago, the association was organized with a membership of something like 15 or 20. At that time there were many who had little confidence in its ever becoming of any particular influence in the community. The present membership, however, has reached 87 and there is every indication that this number will be increased rapidly after the show this year.

The present indications are that the quality and class of stock shown will be much higher than it was at the first show last year. Not only is there a higher class of birds to select from, but the association is placing a higher standard for entry which will have the effect of bringing the best stock in this region to be exhibited.

From the number of inquiries that have come in there is every reason to believe there will be a large number of foreign birds exhibited in addition to the home exhibitors. This will be an advantage to the local fanciers, as will give an opportunity to compare the home product with those of other breeders.

Lectures to be Illustrated
One of the most interesting features of the show will be the illustration of the lectures by slides furnished by the United States Department of Agriculture. (Continued on Last Page.)

Cattle Shipments From Highlands Show Gains

Over One Hundred Cars Shipped During The Past Week To Various Part Of Country.

Mr. Chas. Bowman at the S. P. Depot states that the following shipments have been made the past week:

November 30.—E. S. Fredrick shipped 10 cars to Wichita, Kansas; F. C. Mellard shipped 4 cars to Verdi, Iowa, 2 cars to Tornillo, Texas; 2 cars to Letts, Iowa, and 2 cars to Washington, Iowa.

December 1.—Ben Pruett shipped 11 cars to Slaton, Texas and 5 cars to El Paso.

December 2.—J. H. Coker shipped 4 cars to Ft. Worth; E. S. Frederick shipped 5 cars to Wichita, Kansas; F. C. Mellard shipped 2 cars to Letts, Iowa; G. H. Hache 2 cars to Ft. Stockton; Clarence Arthur 1 car to Fort Worth.

December 3.—W. W. Bronson shipped 1 car to Indianola, Ill.; A. A. Drummond shipped 44 cars to Wynona, Okla.

December 4.—W. W. Bronson shipped 8 cars to Texline, Texas; A. A. Drummond shipped 2 cars to Madill, Okla.; J. H. Coker shipped 1 car to Ft. Worth, R. Voge shipped 4 cars to Poth, Texas; A. A. Drummond shipped 2 cars to Lake City, Kansas, and 4 cars to Gerlane, Kansas.

December 5.—W. B. Mitchell shipped 25 cars to points in Illinois, Iowa, Missouri, and Indiana; J. M. Corder shipped 2 cars to Blackland, Okla.; Milton Gillett shipped 4 cars to Uvalde and 4 cars to Smith, Texas.

Mrs. Orr Kerr and daughter, Betty Jo, of Marfa, are in Alpine guests of her sister, Mrs. Will Cotter.—Alpine Avalanche.

"Three Wise Fools." Don't forget the date, December 12th at the Opera House. Come and help the Ladies of the Civic League.

Setting a Record for Himself

IT'S THE FIRST TIME I EVER SAW THAT KID DO AN ERRAND WITHOUT YELPIN'— HE EVEN LOOKS HAPPY



FORMER MARFA MAN SHOOTS SELF AND WOUNDS 2 OTHERS

SAN ANGELO, Dec. 9.—Believed to have become momentarily insane from worry, Karl Word, cashier of the Guaranty State Bank, here today shot and probably fatally wounded Wm. Schneeman, Jr., president of the bank, seriously wounded Ira Swope, assistant cashier, and then turned the gun on himself.

Word will die, physicians said. He made a statement to District Atty. D. I. Durham after the shooting. Durham withheld the statement pending further investigation.

The shooting occurred at noon in the front office of the bank. An unidentified woman customer in the bank was wounded but will recover.

1,417 GINNED IN PRESIDIO

So far at Presidio 925 bales of cotton were ginned at Presidio and 512 at Ochoas. There is probably about 150 more to be ginned.

Fine Pictures, Framed Friendship Mottos. Pohlson boxed Gifts at BAILEY'S.

WILL START WORK ON SMELTER IN FEBRUARY

P. D. Anderson, secretary-treasurer and sales manager of the International Smelter and Mining Company at Presidio, says that sale of lots in the proposed smelter site are progressing so well that the company is assured of starting the actual work on the construction of the smelter by the middle of February.

This smelter, when completed will be one of the biggest assets to the town of Presidio. It will afford and easily accessible smelting point for the numerous rich and undeveloped mines near Presidio. There are vast deposits of lead, silver and zinc here, but so far the owners have been unable to develop their claims because of no accessible plant.—The Border Times.

Santa Claus' Headquarters are at Bailey's Gift And Novelty Shop.

Primary & Secondary Roads Are Proposed

Move Would Require Constitutional Amendments And Legislative Action, If Adopted.

AUSTIN, Dec. 6.—Urging radical change of policy by the Texas Highway Commission, part of which would require both constitutional amendment and legislative action, Cone Johnson, member from Tyler, Tuesday declared for a program that would eliminate county aid on cardinal roads, that would reduce present designations and mileage, include all roads in a primary and secondary system and provide a state bond issue.

Chairman Ross S. Sterling of Houston and W. R. Ely, member from Abilene, declined to comment at length on Johnson's statement, although Sterling reiterated that he believes a State bond issue, providing reimbursement to counties proportioned on what they have expended, offers a solution of the finance problem.

Pollard Says State Bond Illegal

Claude Pollard, Attorney General, when advised of the Johnson statements, asserted that no state bond issue is possible under the Constitution, which prohibits the State assuming such indebtedness, in which Sterling agreed. It would be up to the Legislature which meets a year hence to submit such an amendment to Vote, and later enact the necessary statute. While Johnson named no specific amount of bonds, an issue of \$100,000,000 has been discussed from time to time.

Sterling and Ely, delaying comment of Johnson's proposals, did say that they preferred it to come later, fearing it would interfere with the construction program on filling up gaps.

Johnson would apply the gasoline tax to the support of the principal and interest of the bond issue.

Counties Aid At Present

Under the present policy of the commission, one emphatically supported. (Continued on Last Page.)

A COLUMN OF CRYPTIC COMMENT OF THE DAY

Fad Or Progress?

By D. O. HOWARD, Valentine, Texas.

Much comment has been noted in the press throughout the country on the several recent "companionate marriages." Some commend, some condemn, and some sit comfortably on the fence. This brings us to the question, what is companionate marriage?

Some wag has said, and not without logic, that such a marriage is within the law but that it evades the responsibility. In other words, a young couple may be legally known as husband and wife, but it is not incumbent upon them to live together until they see fit.

Presuming that these two young people love each other and that they will take up their residence under the same roof as soon as their finances will permit or the attainment of some ambition is accomplished, then it would appear that the arrangement is good. If they are the right sort, clean thinkers and hard workers, then they will have the opportunity of proving to the world that the idea is flawless. If they are not the right sort, there will be a different story to tell.

Companionate marriage is not the same as the trial marriage. The latter is entered into by men and women who are not sure whether they really care for each other or not. They are willing to give it the once-over, and if they don't like it they can easily be divorced. Trial marriages failed, actually and theoretically, for they were not based upon the sanctity of marriage. Society frowned upon them; the pulpit denounced them.

Whether companionate marriages are merely a fad remains to be seen. In theory the idea is good, and if its provisions are lived up to, it will be a success. Present day activities, the principal one being the advent of the fair sex in the marts of trade, have apparently rendered some of the old marriage customs and stipulations obsolete, especially as pertains to the younger generation. Old fashioned. (Continued on Last Page.)

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The River Bed And The Fisherman.

(By J. G. BURR)

With the clearing up of certain disputes the battle of river beds in Texas is drawing to a close. Public streams and their beds belong to the state, and therefore to the people, and the courts have ruled, and while the contest was for mineral rights, a by-product of the state victory is that such beds and streams are more open to the public for recreational purposes.

The status of streams at this time is a culmination of controversies which have been variously settled by the courts of all ages since the days of Rome. The trend has been toward a fuller recognition of the principle that rivers, their beds, and the shore line of the ocean are the common property of all men held in trust by the state for their use.

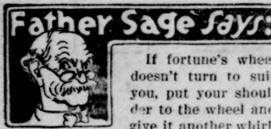
There has been a distinct evolution since the time under the Roman law when title to streams "was involved in the gravest doubt" which gives the adjacent land owner title to the middle thread of the stream. Until recently the rulings, which have set aside the common law and made streams public, have left the bed and banks of the stream to hazy speculation, and neither state nor private land owner was able to exactly identify his own. But the Oklahoma vs Texas boundary dispute has cleared the way for an understanding of what is the river, its banks and its bed.

While the Texas supreme court announces in the Mottle vs Boyd case what is the bed and the bank, the U. S. Supreme court in the Red River case, 260 U. S., 630, goes more fully into a definition developing the principle to a point where it may be applied with the precision of the surveyor's instruments, are nevertheless distinctly democratic and favorable to the man without means who, with pole and line, wanders along the river bank with certain inalienable rights won by the wisdom of the ages.

Delicious Salad.

Why is that delicious Salad now served at every social function, whether it is the wedding feast or the after match of a bridge fight? It is delicious fruit Salad, eternal and everlasting. Why not serve, to change the bill of fare, a concoction, an olla podrida and call it hash. Yes, this eternal mystery is older with only a harsher name attached than his younger sister. There are more elements of mystery and strange combinations salad than ever was dreamed of appertaining to the hash compound. Of course, salad may at times partake in the elements selected the same ingredients, but then hash can also descend to rob the orchard and the garden. It is true that sometimes there is found floating in the mystery a foreigner. There may at times be discovered two or more filamentous structures of the epidermis, but why kick at this? The other day my little girl in charge of the Salad department put just to make it perhaps more delicious some green peas. She said the more fruit you threw in the better, more delicious this dainty. What kind of a fruit is a pea anyway? But then it is always "delicious(?)"

Old Fogey.



Father Sage Says:
If fortune's wheel doesn't turn to suit you, put your shoulder to the wheel and give it another whirl.

TAKE CARE OF YOUR HENS. GET MORE EGGS

(By F. W. Kazmeier.)

A Successful poultryman, the other day referred to a "hen house" as a "hen home." Perhaps that is a good way of describing a good poultry house. Remove all windows, wash them on both sides and replace them. Clean out all dust and cobwebs on inside of house from top to bottom. Comfort will do much to encourage egg production at this time of year. What have you done to make the "hen home" close up the cracks, clean up, repair the roof and otherwise arrange to add to the comfort of the flock. Pure fresh air, without drafts, is important. Keep the temperature as uniform as possible. Provide for direct sunshine.

Raw Material and Finished Product.

On most farms the most profitable practice is to produce the raw material and convert it into finished product like eggs, meat and milk. The finished product, is less bulky and can be shipped further at a greater profit. In future farming operations will be planned to turn out the finished product ready for human consumption. A laying hen transforms about 80 pounds of grain and mash, 15 pounds of green feed, three fourth pounds of oyster shell and grit and 50 gallons of water into approxi-

mately 15 to 20 pounds of eggs, besides maintaining the body.

The successful breeder recognizes most or all of the following facts and rules.

Keep the birds active, especially during the forenoon.

See to it that the birds go to roost with a full crop.

Do not feed too much grain in the forenoon, but give an abundance in time so they can fill up before it gets dark to see to eat.

Light oats is not a desirable feed for laying hens.

Feed a variety of pure feeds. It is not considered profitable to cook feed.

Water is important. The hen's body is 55 per cent water and eggs are 65 per cent water. No water no eggs.

Remember the old and oft repeated fact, "It is the egg mash or dry mash mixture containing a liberal amount of animal food, like meat scrap and dried milk that really makes eggs."

Patent Egg Makers

How much money is each year wasted on so-called patent egg-makers? These generally are of little value, they do not contain much that actually goes into an egg. Many people then consider a sack of good meat scrap too expensive, eagerly throw money away on patent egg makers. These people want quick or lightening results, they want to feed something mysterious today and gather up the eggs the next day. So far, hens in this world don't seem to perform that way.

One of the requirements of the Texas law is that the voter must have his poll tax receipt when he goes to the polls. Bear that in mind and pay your poll tax so that when the election comes you will not be disfranchised.

Be sure to pay your poll tax get your receipt so you can vote at the next election. There will be things which you need to vote for if you desire the best possible conditions for your children.

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Herein Fail Not, And have you before said Court, on the said first day of the next term thereof, this Writ, with your endorsement thereon, showing how you have excuted the same.

Given under my hand and Seal of said Court, and issued at office in Marfa this, the 30th day of November A. D. 1927.

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THE MILK SITUATION

By Dr. J. C. Anderson, State Health Officer, Austin, Texas.

For the past few months the Standard Milk Ordinance has been so much the center of thought and conversation among dairymen and the milk consuming public as to make it a household word, just like George Washington and bobbed hair. The basis for the popularity of this ordinance lies in the fact that it is of sound economic value, as well as a most effective means for the promotion of health. Dairymen have come to see the real economy of producing only a high grade product, and the public is becoming more and more aware of the difference between a doubtful milk supply and one of safe quality. The purpose of regulating the production and distribution of milk and milk products is to increase their consumption. To do this, the consumer's health must be protected. Nobody could consistently advocate the drinking of more milk if the supply is of poor quality. One pint per day per capita is not considered sufficient for the health, according to dieticians and health specialists. To have enough safe milk produced to provide at least a quart per day, and to induce the people to drink that much is the goal toward which we are working. Unfair competition between the producers of low grade milk and high grade has tended to keep the good dairymen and good money out of the business. While it is true that progress has been made in the dairying industry

over the United States during the past ten years, the facts show Texas to be far behind other dairying states in some particulars. Texas has always been considered a great cattle state, and still is. It seems reasonable to suppose that it would become a great dairying state, for longhorn cow and the romantic cow-boy have long since been replaced with good beef and dairy cattle, and the scientific cattle breeder. Texas still leads in the number of dairy cattle having several more than her closest rivals, but not so in the value of the cow and her total yearly output of milk. From figures published by the U. S. Department of Agriculture in the 1926 Year Book, it appeared that a dairy cow in Texas was worth only \$28.80 while that of Iowa was worth \$47.00 and Wisconsin \$59.80. We mention these states because they are next to Texas in point of numbers. In other states, dairy cattle brought still higher prices. It is evident that Texas is feeding about three times as many dairy cows as Wisconsin, and they total only about half as much in money. In order to cut down the unit cost of milk production, there is much to be done in breeding good dairy cattle in Texas. Dairying in this country as a whole is a growing and prosperous business. From 1917 to 1926 there was a 33 per cent increase in the production of milk in the United States. The average price per quart in some 25 cities studied was 13 cents in 1926. The highest price paid was 20 1-2 cents in Jacksonville Florida. Prices in Texas ranged around fifteen cents. Right at this time, dairymen in Austin are get-

ting more for their milk than they are in Chicago. The cost of production is much less in Austin, because we have cheaper feed and do not have to ship the milk hundreds of miles to the consumer. Furthermore every drop of milk sold in Chicago must be pasturized unless it comes from certified dairies. Factors of feeding, breeding, and sanitation of milk supplies, on the economic side of the question has direct bearing on the amount of milk the dairyman can produce. The greater the value placed on a cow, the more attention the dairyman will give her, which in turn means a healthier herd and a better grade of milk.

These matters, it is true, come primarily under the supervision of the Department of Agriculture, and our own experiment stations, but must be taken into consideration by the health officer because, under the Standard Milk Ordinance, the healthy cow is the first requirement of a safe milk. Since the federal government began the tuberculin testing of cattle in 1917, there have been 211,858 reactors, this figures 1-2 per cent reactors which is low compared with some of our northern competitors. But figuring on the basis of figures last year probably more than 5,000 cows with tuberculosis. It is evident therefore that the health of the cow should be given serious consideration by the health department.

When the Texas State Board of Health adopted the Standard Milk Ordinance in 1924, we had only a few cities in the state exercising any control over their milk supplies. The larger towns, of course, had been compelled to take some steps toward protecting the milk consuming public, because milk borne epidemics had taught them the value of a protected milk supply. However, when the first surveys were taken even in those cities having some regulations, there were very few dairies that graded "A" under the Standard Ordinance requirements. Today we have in Texas thirty four cities operating under the Standard Ordinance, with a total of 346 Grade "A" dairies. Beaumont raised its standard of sanitation from 44 per cent compliance in 1925 to 89 per cent in 1926. Other cities have shown a decided improvement. These thirty-four cities represent a population of about a million one hundred thousand people. The four or five other cities which have fairly good milk supervision will total in population something like half a million people. We have in Texas out of a total population of some five million, approximately two million people with a protected milk supply. The remaining three millions drink such milk as they can get.

Results in material improvements under the standard ordinance are visible to the general public in such activities as increased interest in the building of milk condenseries, milk plants, and milk routes for disposing of the surplus, as for instance at Marshall. Attention has been attracted to the possibilities of Texas thru the flood of publicity that has swamped the public, and now there is available several million dollars of northern capital for the building of creameries and other milk products plants in this state. Moreover there has been an increase in the consumption of milk in those

Perfect Physical Student



The photograph shows Miss Dorothea Smeltzer, senior at Holyoke college, who has been awarded the annual prize silver cup for the most perfect physical student out of 200. Miss Smeltzer is twenty-one years old, weighs 117 pounds, and comes from Brooklyn, N. Y.

towns passing the ordinance, contrary to the belief of some of the doubting ones when the program was initiated. Our records show a per capita consumption in San Angelo of nearly two pints. This is getting about right. The interest in milk sanitation in one town has spread to another, and the dairyman in general are beginning to see the economy of a standardized product. Good fellowship has been established between the dairying industry and the health officials, and among the dairymen themselves. This in itself insures progress in the work. Again, through the tuberculin testing of cattle, a great many reactors have been eliminated, which of course is a distinct gain in health protection. And finally, the dangers of milk borne epidemics have been greatly decreased.

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of J. H. Fortner County Clerk of Presidio County, Texas, of Receipts and Expenditures, from August 1, October 31, 1927, inc.

JURY FUND 1ST CLASS

Balance	\$	7,306.07	
To A'mt. received during quarter		131.19	
By Am't. paid out during quarter			6,927.00
By 1½% Com. on Am't received		1.97	
By 1½% Com. on Am't paid out		9.41	
Amount to Balance		498.88	
By Balance	\$	498.88	7,437.26

ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND 2ND CLASS

Balance	\$	977.87	
To A'mt. received during quarter		192.64	
By Am't. paid out during quarter			706.77
By 1½% Com. on Am't received		2.89	
By 1½% Com. on Am't paid out		10.60	
Amount to Balance		450.25	
By Balance	\$	450.25	1,170.52

GENERAL COUNTY FUND 3RD CLASS

Balance	\$	1,708.87	
To A'mt. received during quarter		6,859.83	
By Am't. paid out during quarter			6,406.99
By 1½% Com. on Am't received		7.16	
By 1½% Com. on Am't paid out		96.10	
Amount to Balance		2,058.25	
By Balance	\$	2,058.25	8,568.50

HIGHWAY

Balance	\$	378.29	
To A'mt. received during quarter		137.62	
By 1½% Com. on Am't received		2.06	
Amount to Balance		513.85	
By Balance	\$	513.85	515.91

5TH CLASS

Balance	\$	3,626.99	
Amount to Balance		3,626.99	3,626.99
By Balance	\$	3,626.99	3,626.99

6TH CLASS

Balance	\$	1,905.56	
To A'mt. received during quarter		6.68	
By Am't. paid out during quarter			120.30
By 1½% Com. on Am't received		0.10	
By 1½% Com. on Am't paid out		1.80	
Amount to Balance		1,790.04	
By Balance	\$	1,790.04	1,912.24

7TH CLASS

Balance	\$	1,203.68	
To A'mt. received during quarter		33.42	
By Am't. paid out during quarter			300.75
By 1½% Com. on Am't received		0.50	
By 1½% Com. on Am't paid out		4.51	
Amount to Balance		931.34	
By Balance	\$	931.34	1,237.10

SPECIAL COURT HOUSE AND JAIL

Balance	\$	1,472.84	
To A'mt. received during quarter		6.70	
By 1½% Com. on Am't received		0.10	
Amount to Balance		1,479.44	
By Balance	\$	1,479.44	1,479.54

Respectfully submitted, J. H. FORTNER, County Clerk, Presidio County, Texas.
By Willie Bates, Deputy.
Marfa, Texas, October 31, 1927.

EMBOSSING a Specialty
At THE NEW ERA

WORKING UNDER DIFFICULTIES

By THOMAS ARKLE CLARK
Dean of Men, University of Illinois.

"YOU'LL have to go to bed and be flat on your back for some time," the doctor said to me.
I knew his reputation and that he was no doubt right. There would be no argument. I had a tremendous lot of work that should be done—writing most of it. I had no temperature; I was not really sick; what little brain I have was working in as active and normal a way as it had ever done. It was only that an accident had made it necessary to spread me out and hang weights on my left arm to pull it back into a position which it refused to assume. I write with my right hand; even lying on my back my knee can be flexed and a pad of paper balanced upon it. I would write even if I were on my back!

The process was slow and wearisome. I had to rest at short intervals, but it was amazing how much I could get done in a day, strained though the position was. And the work made the time pass more quickly. I was more cheerful from having something to do; my back ached less because I had less time to give to pondering over my aches. Difficult as it was, I came to enjoy it; and the work got done.
A friend of mine, because of a peculiar accident was forced for a month to be face downward on her bed. She could look over the edge of the bed which was low and near the floor, and she devised all sorts of things to occupy her time—some of them useful work, others play—and so, while doing something worthwhile, kept herself cheerful and happy. It was not an easy condition under which to work, but she was resourceful and energetic.

I have just been told of two men lying in a hospital, neither permitted to move his body, but free to do what he wished with his hands. One was a stock broker who had a long-distance telephone installed and did business regularly during business hours. He admitted that he got on more successfully than when he was in his office in the city because, lying prone in bed, he was not interrupted, not disturbed. He gave his letters to his stenographer early in the morning and then he had all his time to himself.

The second man was a writer. He had a typewriting machine suspended above the bed in such a way as permitted him to move it up and down to admit the sheet of paper on which he was writing, and in such a position as to make it possible, lying as he was, to operate it. He worked along all day, forgetting that he was invalided, that at times he suffered pain, and got his regular work done almost as well as if it were possible for him to be on his feet. He was the sort that wouldn't let difficulties keep him from work.

Whether a man works or not often depends upon the difficulties which he is willing to overcome.
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Cuts His Own Salary



When William C. Horv-erter, cigar-maker and Socialist, was elected city treasurer of Reading, Pa., he decided not to accept all the salary allowed him and fixed his wage at \$6,000 a year. Horv-erter declares he wants only enough money to keep himself and family, and that \$6,000 is plenty. There are five Socialists in office in Reading now, the others being the mayor, two councilmen and the controller.

LEE MEANS
Valentine, Texas
OIL AND GAS LEASES
REAL ESTATE

EVANS-ESPY

A wedding of interest to large circle of friends took place at the home of the brides parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Espy of this city on last Sunday afternoon, November 27th at 4:30 o'clock when Miss Katherine Espy became the bride of Mr. Worth Evans.

The very impressive service was read by Dr. R. L. Irving which was witnessed by immediate friends and near relatives. The bride is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Espy, one of the most substantial and highly respected families of West Texas; a graduate of Trinity University, accomplished in culinary and domestic arts.

The groom is a prominent and well liked rancher of Rock Springs, Texas.

Following the ceremony, the happy couple left immediately for their ranch home near Rock Springs, with the best wishes of all who knew them.

Brunswick Phonographs and Portables at BAILEY'S.

NOTICE

To Automobile Registrants

The Tax Collectors Office will begin to issue 1928 License Plates on December 15th. All Registrants will be requested to present a light test Certificate with application for 1928 Plates.

O. A. KNIGHT,
Tax Collector.

Fresh Meat & Vegetables, and Oysters in Season



City Meat Market

Phone 230

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MARFA-PRESIDIO ROAD

Roadwork is still going ahead on the road between Marfa and Presidio. To date there are four crews actively engaged at work. About 15 miles out of Marfa the road has been put in good condition; one crew is engaged in work on the bridges about 15 miles out, one near the Oaks, and two has been working on the Mountain road near Shafter and the Elephant Pocks.

served. Merry games, dear to the heart of childhood, were indulged. Each little guest remembered the little honoree with a suitable gift. And every one voted it a wonderful party.

Be sure and attend "The Three Wise Fools." To be given at the Marfa Opera House, December 12th.

DIPPING INTO SCIENCE

Fairy Characters Do Exist
Pigmies, the little people of the fairy stories really do exist. They live in parts of Africa and Asia. All pigmies have short curly hair, large mouths, flat noses, and woolly hair all over their bodies. The African pigmy is yellow or light brown while the Asiatic is dark brown or black. All have the most primitive habits.
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FIFTH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATED WITH DELIGHTFUL PARTY

Mrs. Joe Nelson entertained about eighteen children Monday afternoon from 3 to 5 p. m., in honor of her little son Ernest James Nelson's fifth birthday. The Christmas spirit permeated the house and all decorations were in keeping. The birthday cake adorned with five glowing candles, was not only a thing of beauty, but very delicious. A salad course was also

Shop Early!

Buy Your Christmas Presents NOW!

A Few Suggestions

We call your attention to all kinds of **Silk Underwear. Silk Bloomers, Specially Priced at \$1.00 a pair. Quilted Satin Robes, Silk Kimmonas, Coolie Coats and Sets, Brassiers.**

Hose-- Hose-- Hose, Laced Clocks and Embroidered Clocks

ALL IN THE NEW SHADES

Milady's Shoppe

Locals and Personals

Herschel Hord, Robert and Joe Mitchell left Monday for Kansas City, where the Mitchell Brothers will hold an auction sale of 1,000 head of cattle on December 10th.

NOTICE

Hunting cutting of green Pines and Cedars or otherwise trespassing on my lands in Jeff Davis County are hereby **STRICTLY FORBIDDEN!**

D. O. MEDLEY

Mrs. Ida Lee Jordan left Tuesday for San Antonio to visit friends and relatives. Before returning she will visit a sister at Pearsall.

See those heavy Rayon Bloomers, priced at \$1.49, all colors at Bailey's.

DO NOT FORGET

Mothers do not forget the P. T. A., Tuesday afternoon, December 13th, at the School House. This means you. All members are requested to be present. The public most cordially invited.

Secretary.

Courtney Mellard left Monday for Waco to attend a Masonic meeting.

Mesdames Shipman and C. Hayes motored to El Paso Sunday. Where they spent a few days before returning home.

AT THE HILSIDE GARDEN

Shade Trees:—Chinese Elm, Locust—Huckleberry.
Fruit Trees:—Peach, Pear, Apricot, Apple, Cherry.
Also:—Shrubs, Vines, Roses, Bulbs, etc.

J. R. JACOBS.

The Belle Bennett Missionary Society will hold their annual Bazaar on December 14th at the Hoffman building. There will be cakes and cady for sale also.

Frank Rosson is visiting in San Antonio and San Marcos.

Gene Austin's latest song hit: "Theres a Cradle in Caroline," at Christopher's Electric Shop.

Fancy Silver ware at BAILEY'S.

Dr. Monroe Slack made a business trip to Pecos Saturday.

Do not forget the Bazaar December 14th at the Hoffman building.

Slik Hose for Misses and little girls at BAILEY'S.

Victrola Records make the ideal Christmas Gift.

And Have Your Aces Trumped.—Life is a game of bridge, I say. With simple honors, and an inclination day by day To overbid your hand.
—Louisville Courier.

HOME FOR SALE

My home in Marfa very well situated and at a moderate price.
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Your Druggist
Is now serving delicious HOT DRINKS. He gives you better soda fountain service because of his Bishop and Babcock Red Cross Sanitary Soda Fountain. Installed By
San Antonio Drug Co.

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POSTED—My ranch is posted. No Hunting Allowed.
C. T. MITCHELL

POSTED NOTICE

The O 2 Ranch of W. W. Turney and the 101 Ranch of Mrs. W. W. Turney, lying in Brewster and Presidio Counties, are posted according to Law and hunting and other trespassing are positively prohibited.

H. T. FLETCHER, Mgr.

(1-15-28)

WELCOME

Welcome to the Poultry Institute at Alpine, December 16 and 17. Prof. E. N. Holgreen, A. and M. Director, during the Highland Poultry Show.

J. E. Wright, Show, Pres.

Come and patronize a good cause the annual Bazaar December 14th at the Hoffman building.

FOR SALE—All kinds of hogs, Phone 181, Will F. Evans.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Roark of Smithville, Texas, accompanied by their baby came in this week to visit their sister, Mrs. J. H. Roark.

CHRISTMAS GIFT

A Christmas Gift that is worth giving—and is worth more every day. The cost is small.

Let Mrs. Allie Dee Nichols tell you about it. Phone 111.

Mr. James Poole and son Clay returned first of the week from a business trip to Laredo.

Buy your Christmas presents December 14th at the Belle Bennett Missionary Society's Bazaar

A. H. Woelber, U. S. Deputy Marshal was in Marfa Friday on business.

Beautiful Compacts, Bead Necklaces and Ear drops at BAILEY'S.

Annual Bazaar December 14th at the Hoffman building.

Give Music for Christmas. Victrola The Gift that keeps on giving.

Everything for Christmas at Baileys

We Might Try a Traffic Dove.—When Noah sailed the ocean blue, He had his troubles same as you; For days and days he drove the ark, Before he found a place to park.
—Illinois Central Magazine.

Annie Marie McFarland the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde McFarland was badly scalded at the Childers ranch last Sunday. She was brought to Marfa and is now reported doing nicely.

Mrs. W. T. Millington of Presidio was in Marfa Tuesday attending Probate court.

E. W. King, who has been nominated as one of the candidates for Commissioner at Presidio, if incorporation carries, was a business visitor to Marfa Monday. Mr. King represented Precinct No. 4 as County Commissioner several years ago and made a fine commissioner.

For Sale

One Heating stove, price reasonable; one Lavatory, Price \$12.00 Phone Number 5.

WANTED—Man with car to sell complete line quality Auto Tires and Tubes. Exclusive Territory. Experience not necessary. Salary \$300.00 per month.

MILESTON RUBBER CO. East Liverpool, Ohio.

THE WOMAN'S WESLEY BIBLE CLASS IS ENTERTAINED

The Woman's Wesley Bible Class was entertained by Mrs. J. W. Howell on last Friday afternoon. The day was cold and clear, but an atmosphere of warmth and cheer and hospitality greeted the guests in this lovely home.

Mrs. C. E. Mead, president, called the meeting to order and proceeded with the program of business matters, this being the last meeting of the year. Mrs. Wesley Coughran led the devotional exercises by reading the thirteenth chapter of First Corinthians, in which love is emphasized, after prayer, she read a poem, in which love to our fellow man was beautifully expressed. Reports from the different officers were read.

The books of the treasurer, Mrs. Hettie Teas, showed a clear slate. The members were pleased to hear that all indebtedness on the Tennis Court on the lawn of the Methodist church, was entirely paid off. This work was an accomplished effort for the forward movement.

All old business being completed, new officers for the coming year were elected, first by a nominating committee, then by acclamation and are as follows:

Mrs. R. N. Settle, President.
Mrs. G. W. Hysaw, Vice-President.
Mrs. Wm. Bishop, Secretary.
Mrs. J. W. Howell, Treasurer.
Mrs. G. Raetzsch, Recreational Service.
Mrs. Amos Kerr, Home Department.
Mrs. Hettie Teas, Study Department.
Mrs. Chas. Anderson, Social Service.

A vote of thanks was given the retiring officers, the class feeling that the year had given them spiritual uplift, and encouragement to go forward for better and greater achievement in the coming year.

The class was well represented at this meeting, and the most impressive feature as its enthusiasm, and Christian fellowship.

The hostess assisted by Misses Evelyn Howell, Francis Anderson, Verna Settle, and Virginia Cole, served delicious refreshments. This meeting was the birthday anniversary of Mrs. Frink, one of its best loved members.

BEAN-MULLENIX

Mr. Wilfred Bean and Miss Bernice Mullenix were married at the Baptist Parsonage Saturday evening, December 3, Rev. S. F. Marsh performing the ceremony. Mr. Jesse Bean, brother of the groom, Miss Fay Wilkes, Mr. Cecil Turner, and Mr. Ralph Peters, all of Alpine, were present. After the vows were taken the young people returned to Alpine where they will make their home.

Mr. Bean is a son of J. C. Bean of our city. He is an industrious young man who is making good. Mrs. Bean is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Mullenix of Alpine where she has a large circle of friends. All share in their joy, and crave the divine blessing on this new home.

FLAPPING BACKWARD

There was a little flapper once, Years 'n' Years ago, Wore nothin' but a leopard skin Wherever she did go. Then the fashions changed a bit— She took to wearin' clothes. What will she wear tomorrow? Nothin' we suppose!
—Smart Set.

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Lasky Presents

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HILLS OF PERIL

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A First National

SATURDAY

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IN

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300 Rooms - 300 Baths - All Outside - \$2.50 up

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CARDUI

Made of Purely Vegetable ingredients—contains no dangerous drugs.

In Use Over 50 Years

In a Bad Fix from INDIGESTION

"I had suffered with indigestion for 6 years," says Mr. H. C. Dove, R. F. D. 4, Chester, S. C. "I had gotten to the place where I could hardly eat a thing—everything hurt me. I had smothering spells and fell off 20 pounds. I was in a bad fix.

"I read of Black-Draught and decided to try it. I do not believe that I would have been living today had it not been for Black-Draught. I had gotten to where I only ate milk and crackers, but after taking Black-Draught I began to eat and gradually got my appetite back. I gained in weight and felt better. I have not had a bad spell of indigestion in ten months."

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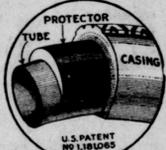
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Agent.

Marfa, Texas

WILL PAY

I will pay Ten Dollars each for approved articles on each of the following subjects each article to contain not more than five hundred words, and to be submitted by January 1st 1928.

"Why the United States should pay the SOLDIERS BONUS Bill in Cash now."

"Why Each State should pay a Special Bonus to World War Veterans."

Why the Soldiers should have their present pay raised."

Why Law Should be passed that would prevent repetition of the conditions following the World War, whereby our soldiers were compelled to Beg and Patronize Bread and Soup Lines.

The winning articles, with name of Author, will be published in my booklet, "A Plea for the American Soldier," and all publication rights must be Assigned to Me.

My intentions are to put this Booklet in the hands of all the United States Senators and Representatives, State Governors and Congressmen, Soldier Camps and American Legion Posts, as it is for the benefit of the American Soldier.

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Meets second Thursday evening in each month.

Visiting brethren are cordially invited to be present.

John MacDonald, W. M.
Chas. Bowman, Secretary

Marfa Rebekah Lodge no 432

Meets every Friday at 7:30 p.m.

Oddfellows Hall

Mrs. Kate Jordan, N. G.

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Marfa, Texas

MARFA CHAPTER No. 176, R. A. M.

Meets 4th Thursday night in each month. Visiting companions welcome.

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J. W. HOWELL, Sec.,

MARFA LODGE No. 64 I. O. O. F.

1st Tuesday Night, 1st Degree

2nd Tuesday Night, 2nd Degree

3rd Tuesday Night, 3rd Degree

4th Tuesday Night, Initiatory Degree.

All visiting brothers are cordially invited to be present.

F. W. Jordan, N. G.

E. F. NICCOLLS, Secretary.

MARFA CHAPTER No. 344 O. E. S.

meets the 3rd Tuesday evenings in each month. Visiting members are cordially invited to be present.

Ms. George Arnold, W. M.

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**HIGHLAND POULTRY SHOW
IN ALPINE DECEMBER 16, 17**

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ture. This illustration of the lectures was secured through the efforts of Dr. Wright and the other members of the committee on arrangements.

Sale at Close of Show.

A feature strictly original, so far as we have ever heard, is a sale which will be held at the close of the show. This is new in the poultry show practice, but should have the effect of bringing out a number of fine birds, as the opportunity for getting good prices for them, as well as the advertising it would give the breeder of the stock sold, would induce many to enter stock who might not otherwise do so. More than this, the selling of premium stock after the sale will enable the growers here to secure the class of stock best fitted to make them money as they build up their flocks.

This plan has been worked very successfully in other classes of stock, so why would it not be a winning feature in the poultry show also.

What Has Been Done.

Perhaps it will not be out of place at this time to mention a few of the things which have been accomplished by the association since it started. In the first place it has united the many persons who are attempting to make something out of the poultry business individually, into an organization which would work collectively. This is the one way of accomplishing things in these days. Second, it has gone a long way toward standardizing the class of eggs and poultry products to be marketed. This, in turn, has had the effect of creating a demand for a standard product, and has greatly benefited the Highland growers. This work being done in connection with the educational efforts of the association has induced the dealers in Alpine to make a specialty of handling the local product, and thus increased the demand.

Hatchery Started

The latest institution which has grown out of the efforts of the association is a hatchery.

Members of the Poultry Association, seeing the demand for a local hatchery, formed an association to be known as the Highland Hatchery Association. The incubator for this hatchery has arrived and been installed at the ranch of Mrs. C. A. Brown, near town, and will be tested out as to temperature etc. today. The capacity of the Buckeye Mammoth Incubator is 2,700 eggs at a setting so will have a capacity to provide chicks for a large number of growers in this region. Mrs. J. H. Nail is to have charge of the hatching business and a limited amount of custom hatching will be done when the regular work for the association does not require the entire capacity of the incubator.

**PRIMARY & SECONDARY ROADS
ARE PROPOSED BY C. JOHNSON**

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ported by all three members, counties get no aid unless they are able to show a substantial amount of funds voted for improvement. This, Johnson pointed out, has prevented highway work on primary roads in a number of counties which were unable to provide funds. The commission makes allotments in its own discretion, since there is no statutory regulation. The Tyler member declared that to hard surface 20,000 miles of Texas highway \$500,000,000 would be required, exclusive of the cost of bridges and the maintenance. His statement in part said:

"The policy of requiring county aid for the improvement of state highways, especially cardinal highways, constitutes a barrier to the completion of any connected system; because it makes counties the controlling factor in determining where and when improvement shall be carried on.

**CRYPTIC COMMENTS FROM
THE NEWS OF THE DAY**

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ideas of business were chucked overboard long ago. Why not, also, some of the old fashioned ideas concerning marriage?

Changing marriage customs will seem a sacrilege to all but the present day youngsters. That is because of a natural distrust of anything that is untried. The youngsters, bless 'em, will try anything, at least once. Had it not been for this trait, we would still be plodding along behind old Dobbin. It is the youngsters who are trying out

this new scheme of marriage now. Each generation of youth has contributed something toward the advancement of civilization. Perhaps the youth of today will solve many of the perplexing problems of marriage and divorce.

Why not give companionate marriage a chance? Let us see how it works out before we condemn it. If it only achieves its original purpose of helping young married couples, that will be something. A young married couple is a pitiful sight, if they have not the money that is absolutely necessary to properly maintain wedded responsibility. No matter how much they love each other, they suffer. It is this suffering that companionate marriage aims to eliminate. And then, who knows, the idea may lead to a decided decrease in divorces? That would be good. On the other hand, if the companionate marriage is not what it is cracked up to be, it will seal its own doom.

**PRESIDIO'S CANDIDATES
FOR COMMISSIONERS**

On December 10th Presidio by vote will determine whether to incorporate. At the same time if incorporation carries the following will be elected Commissioners: Capt. Jerry Gray, Mayor; E. W. King and J. C. Midkiff, Commissioners.

At a meeting held at the school House the above candidates were selected. There were four nominated for Mayor.

E. W. King, postmaster, and Dr. J. C. Midkiff were candidates selected for the two offices and running mates for the mayor. These candidates were selected in such a manner as was the candidate for mayor, though each person present was allowed to place two names on the list. Mr. King received twenty-six votes for the office and Dr. Midkiff nineteen. Other candidates named in this race were Henry Daly, H. H. Lovett, P. D. Anderson, P. F. Wagner, Paul Propst, Fred Cook, C. M. Blackwell and Harvey Wallen.

**MEXICAN EDUCATION
MAKING RAPID GAINS**

New York, N. Y.—Mexican elementary education will soon surpass that of any other Latin-American country if it continues to advance at the present pace, declared Prof. Isaac L. Kendel, of Teachers' College, Columbia University, in the Chris-

tian Science Monitor. Prof. Kendel has just returned here from a two-weeks' tour in the vicinity of Mexico City.

"The Federal Government is establishing one-teacher country schools at the rate of 1,000 a year," he said. "In another year they hope to reach the goal of 6,000. Whereas the United States spends something like one per cent of its annual revenue for education, Mexico spends around eight per cent and in some of the poorer states as high as 40 per cent.

"In secondary education, the

Mexicans are adopting modern methods in use in Europe and the United States. I was surprised to find them ahead of all South American countries in this respect."

**WOODMAN CIRCLE HOLDS
REGULAR MONTHLY MEET**

Monday evening at the W. O. W. Hall the Woodman Circle met in regular session. The guardian, Mrs. Millicent Williams presiding, and all other newly installed officers were present. One new member was elected, Mrs. Mary Bishop. At the close of the

routine business the lodge adjourned and a social hour was enjoyed. The hostesses for the evening were Madams Millicent Williams and Elizabeth Kennedy who served a tempting refreshment plate that held sandwiches, white loaf cake, coffee with whipped cream.

Mr. and Mrs. John Lock and son Dudley came in last Saturday from Happy, where they spent Thanksgiving season with their daughter Mrs. F. E. Neff, who accompanied them home for several weeks stay.

WHAT OTHERS SAY



What others have to say about you is vastly more important than what you have to say about yourself. The Orient has been fortunate and that its friends have often spoken kind words concerning the quality of its livestock service. Following is one of many testimonies

E. H. Shaufler, General Manager the K. C. M. and O. "It might interest you to know that the special service accorded stockmen along your route in Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas, has caused more favorable comment around the Wichita Union Stock yards than anything your road has ever done."
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BRUCE BEHYMER, Editor,
Wichita Daily Stockman.

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