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FIGHTING FOR THEIR CITIZENS

NORTHERN STATES HAMMERING TEXAS HARD.

Struggling to Retain the Remainder of Their Citizenship Who Have Not Gone to Texas.

While Texas is working for immigration, and is receiving it in tens of thousands lots, don't you ever think that the Northern and Western states are sitting quietly by and watching their citizens slip through their borders on their way to Texas.

The following article was taken from a paper published in Adams county, Iowa, by C. E. White, of Plainview, who is a subscriber for the paper and was a former resident of that county. Below the article, which is not altogether complimentary to the Lone Star State, is the reply which Mr. White has mailed back, and is self-explanatory. Follows the article:

"Yesterday we received a letter from L. C. Miller, who is back to Red Oak from San Antonio, Texas, where he and Mrs. Miller have been spending the winter, and he says, 'Send my Truth Expounder' to Red Oak until further notice; am back to good old Iowa; that the Texas climate is all right for winter, but as to the country it is the worst he ever saw; that it is a shame the way many of the Northern people are being fleeced of their money; that the men sending certain of the literature about that great Southern country ought to be prosecuted by the Government for sending it through the mails; that he never saw so many people and as much stock that were almost starved as he saw in Texas this winter; that many land agents will not allow Northern people to learn the condition of the country—they herd them like cattle while they have them on these land trips; that the people of Iowa should rise up in their righteous indignation and expose the gang; that the Maybra gang is a Sunday school class by the side of most of these Texas land agents. 'Now, Mr. Truth Expounder, I would be glad if you would publish this, for it might save some good Iowa people, and if you see fit to charge me advertising rates for same, all right; I am willing to pay the bill. Don't fail to send my paper to Red Oak.' It will be seen that Mr. Miller is not very complimentary about many of these agents. The same reports have come from others and from other sections where land companies take crowds of people. Iowa is not contending there are not other good sections, but when people go to look at it they will make no mistake by going slow and investigate the conditions and the real facts. 'Loss' says he has seen the 'white elephant.' Lots of people are seeing the said elephant."

Mr. White's Reply.

"Plainview, Texas, 2-7-1912.

"R. G. Weisell,
"Corning, Iowa.

"Dear Sir:

"In your issue of 'The Truth Expounder' of Feb. 3rd, I notice the 'compliment' paid Texas by L. C. Miller, of Red Oak, Iowa. And by your permission I desire to answer the same. Texas being as large as Iowa, Illinois and Missouri combined certainly makes it quite difficult for Mr. Miller to judge the whole State by being at San Antonio for a few weeks as it would be for a person to stop off at Carbon, Iowa, for a short period and then condemn the states of Iowa, Illinois and Missouri because the conditions at Carbon were not to his liking. I am quite certain that had Mr. Miller investigated the State as a whole he no doubt would have been of a very much different opinion of the great State of Texas. As to the land agents being in a class with the 'Maybra gang,' and the Maybra outfit being a 'Sunday school class' beside them, I will say that the average real estate dealer in Texas is as straight forward in his business as the average 'hoss dealer' in Iowa. Why condemn a state that produces, from the farm alone, over \$262,100,000? Why condemn a state that produces 3,285,000,000 feet of lumber per year? 5,000,000 bales of cotton were grown in Texas in 1911. 300,000,000 bushels of corn were grown in Texas in 1911. 26,000,000 bushels of oats were grown in Texas in 1911. 10,161,000 bushels of rice were grown in Texas in 1911. 5,750,000 bushels of In 1911; 2,400,000 pounds of tobacco; \$78,000,000 in fruits; 1,895,000 tons of coal; 11,206,468 barrels of petroleum. Twenty per cent of the cotton grown in the world is grown in Texas. We stand 4th in production of corn today, and in less than five years time we

will be in the front rank. In the last ten years Texas has gained in population over 845,000, while Iowa has lost over 7,000 people. We have more miles of railroad than any state in the Union, and we need more to haul our products to market.

"In conclusion—
"They are coming from the desert of the dim and dusty East,
Where to raise a turnip is the prospect of a feast;

They are coming in by wagon, they are coming on the train;
They are coming from the country where they struggled long in vain—

Where they plant the corn with shot-guns, and plow with dynamite,
And the festive 'Chattel Mortgage' sings its dirge both day and night!

They will find a country teeming, from the springtime to the fall,
Whenever they land in Texas, where there's plenty for them all!

"If you see fit to charge me for my answer to Mr. Miller, all right; I will pay the bill. P. S.—I have just bought another good Texas farm of 320 acres close to Plainview, and may go to growing 'white elephants,' to 'tickle' the eyes of Mr. Miller should he ever return to the great State of my choice and call on me.

"Respectfully yours,
"C. E. WHITE."

ARRESTS TO BE MADE SIMULTANEOUS.

Capases Issued for Thirty-two Indicted by Dynamite Jury.

Indianapolis, Indiana, Feb. 7.—Capases for the simultaneous arrest of all the men named in the thirty-two indictments returned by the Federal grand jury in the dynamiting conspiracy cases, with certified copies of the indictments, were completed today in expectation of the arrests which will be affected within five days possibly Saturday, more probably Monday next.

Although the men are mostly union labor officers and agents scattered from Boston to the Pacific coast, papers for their apprehension are so arranged that they will be arrested and offered opportunity to give bond the same day, as near as possible the same hour.

Bond for the men is said to be \$300,000, pending their appearance in Indianapolis on March 12, when they will be arraigned before Federal Judge Anderson.

It has developed that the defendants will number forty or more, as in several indictments more than one is named.

President Ryan, of the International Bridge and Structural Workers said that he had made no plans for the defense of any of those indicted. "It will be time enough to think when we learn who are indicted."

SNEED TRIAL NOW ON.

The trial of J. B. Sneed, for the killing of A. G. Boyce, in Fort Worth, was called in that city last Monday. This trial is attracting the attention of the whole State, as all parties were prominent citizens, with prominent influence. Public sentiment seems to be pretty evenly divided, and the friends of both sides have rallied to their assistance.

This trial bids fair to be a long-fought battle, and an expensive one to the State and to the defendant. Many witnesses from various parts of the State are present, and more are being summoned.

CITY COUNCIL MEETS.

The City Council met Monday night, in regular session. Nothing special came before the meeting, and only the regular routine business was attended to. The building of more sidewalks was discussed by one or two of the aldermen, and the Council urges that the citizens of Plainview turn their attention more to this matter during the coming year.

It is not uncommon at this season of the year, to hear the housekeeper exclaim: "I just can't get anything to eat." The Herald as a disseminator of information would say to the troubled housekeeper that Vickery-Hancock will cheerfully supply your wants. They have the goods.

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"NOTHING SHALLOW BUT THE WATER."

The Chamber of Commerce at its organization last December offered a prize of \$25.00 for a slogan, the contest open not only to Texas at large but to the whole world. The award made the first of February by the Executive Committee, who had charge of all submissions. Many submissions were received, coming from various parts of the state, and from other states. Many of them were good and appropriate, but after close scrutiny and careful deliberation the committee declared none so appropriate as "Nothing Shallow but the Water," submitted by Mrs. W. E. Armstrong, of this city.

Mrs. Armstrong has been a resident of this city for many years. She knows our people, our soil, our climate, our water, our religious, educational and social status, and in all things she has found "Nothing Shallow But the Water," and submitted this on its merits as a slogan for the Chamber of Commerce. The slogan is a good fit and it is fitted to adorn all of the Chamber's stationery, booklets and other advertising matter dispensed by that body. The Herald is pleased with the slogan and congratulates Mrs. Armstrong on her happy thought and

A LITTLE OFF ON SOME THINGS.

The Dallas News is publishing a series of articles relative to the water supply, and irrigation in West Texas, commencing last Sunday, the 4th inst. These articles are good reading to the average Texan, and to the man with an eye on this particular section, as it gives some information. In speaking of Hale and Lubbock Counties, however, The News writer is a little off in some of his statements. He says: More demonstration work has been conducted in the vicinity of Plainview, Hale county, and Lubbock county, than in any other sections of the Staked Plains. In these sections wells average 100 feet and over, some prominent wells being of a lesser depth. One well near Lubbock, has a depth of 92 feet, with water within 15 feet of the surface, producing under pump 1500 gallons per hour. Another well having a depth of 112 feet has seventy feet of water and has produced 1,000 gallons of water per hour continuously for a period of several days, without perceptibly lowering the surface. Wells in the vicinity of Plainview have undergone similar tests, thus proving beyond a shadow of a doubt that the supply is abundant and easily secured.

Speaking for this Plainview section the statement would have been very near correct if it had read as follows: Plainview country has made more progress in irrigation than other sections, so far, having some eighteen wells, tapping the water at from 30 to 60 feet, then sinking to the second and third strata, means depths running from 120 to 160 feet deep, and furnishing from 1,500 TO 2,000 GALLONS PER MINUTE.

Commissioners' Court will meet Monday, in the first quarterly session for 1912. The February meeting is generally considered the most important of the year; at any rate, it is a meeting that causes the Court to get down to solid work.

THE CROAKERS CROAKED IN VAIN

PLAINVIEW CONTINUES TO GROW IN THE BUSINESS DISTRICTS.

The Wholesale Houses Have an Increasing Trade and the Retailers Have No Complaint.

Three years ago when Plainview was the terminal of the Santa Fe leading south from Amarillo we had seven wagon yards in Plainview. Those were great days for Plainview. It was then that the wholesale men here laid the foundation that established this as the great distributing point of the South Plains.

Those who were here remember the big trains of freight wagons laden with merchandise that went trailing through the streets bound for points south and southeast that now have railroad connection.

In the camp houses and yard offices the freighters would congregate every Saturday night to smoke, tell yarns and speculate about the probable effect on Plainview when the Santa Fe built on. Some of the enthusiastic champions of other towns freely predicted that as soon as the road was built to certain enterpris-

A GOOD WORD FOR JOE LANCASTER.

Joe E. Lancaster, of Plainview, Texas, is a candidate for congressman at large. Mr. Lancaster lived in Ellis county a long time, and the writer had the pleasure of making Mr. Lancaster's acquaintance under rather peculiar circumstances, which caused him, by the pleasant transaction of the business in hand, to form a very favorable opinion of Judge Lancaster. The gentleman had borrowed \$30,000 on Ellis county land, and the loan was distributed over the property in small tracts, in order that Mr. Lancaster might better dispose of it. In writing the various notes and mortgages, the name of the county was somehow omitted, but, under the arrangement made by the company with the banker, he got the cash before the error was discovered. The writer had to call on Mr. Lancaster and correct the mistake. He had not discovered it, and very graciously attached his signature to the corrected papers, and a load of uneasiness was taken off the mind of ye editor. Judge Lancaster has the ability to make a good congressman, for he is a most estimable gentleman.—Cleburne Enterprise.

K. OF P.'S INSTALL OFFICERS.

Plainview Lodge No. 321, K. of P., installed the following officers last Monday night, viz: C. C. Earl C. Keck; V. C. Lee Shropshire; Prelate, S. W. Meharg; M. of W., Tom Wilson; K. of R. and S., Flake Garner; M. of F., Frank Pearson; M. of Ex., E. R. Williams; M. of A., A. H. Estes; I. G., R. M. Eller; O. G., R. D. Hatchell. Trustees—3 years, C. C. Gidney; 2 years, Jas. R. DeLay; 1 year, Lee Shropshire.

A large crowd was in attendance and the work was carried out in fine shape. The lodge is now on a boom, and great results are looked for this coming summer.

SMALL FIRE AT ROSWELL.

Stock Room of the Roswell Printing Co. Damaged to Extent of \$1,500.

The stock rooms of the Roswell Printing Company caught fire Tuesday afternoon, and \$1,500 worth of damage was done as a result of the blaze and water.

The fire, it is thought, originated from the wind blowing burning scrap paper from a fire the office boys had started.

The rooms contained considerable type and machinery and a big lot of job and newspaper print stock. The loss is estimated at \$1,500, covered by insurance.—Roswell Morning News.

1912 AN ERA OF HOME BUILDING.

Prospectors continue to come to this section and the majority are home builders, the most desirable sort. A few years ago, many, in fact, a majority of the prospectors were looking for investment in realty for speculation purposes, and they acquired large holdings. Much of this land is being cut up and put on the market in tracts to suit the homebuilders, and is sold on good terms. 1912 will be a year of activity in this country and many new homes will dot the vast prairie.

\$10,000 IN GOLD FOR FARMERS

DIED AFTER SHORT ILLNESS.

Mr. J. C. Levings, who arrived in this country about a week ago, to dispose of last year's grain crop, and also to attend to the seeding for this year's crop, was taken suddenly sick on last Saturday, and died Monday morning, of acute indigestion, at the farm, some nine miles northeast of this city. The remains were brought to the Paxton & Oswald undertaking parlors and prepared for shipment to his home for burial. The remains were accompanied home by Mr. I. E. Head, who had come from Missouri with the deceased, and who had land interests here.

The deceased was about 28 years of age, and a fine business man, and was the sole dependence of his father to attend to his business. The Herald extends sympathy to the far-away bereaved parents and relatives.

BIRTHS.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Line, of Ellen, a boy; Jan. 31st.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Sawistowsky, of Hale Center, a boy; Jan. 18th.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Walter Day, of Hale Center, a girl; Jan. 23rd.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Farver, near Seth Ward College, a boy; Feb. 4th.

SOUTH PLAINS POULTRY ASSOCIATION MEET.

Elect Officers and Plan for Future Development of the Poultry Business.

Last Saturday the South Plains Poultry Association held a meeting at the court house in Plainview and re-elected S. S. Sloneker and W. B. Joiner as president and secretary, respectively; vice presidents, J. E. Flamm of Plainview, R. C. Dodson of Lockney, W. B. Griffin of Claude, Frank Morris, of Amarillo; executive committee: J. W. Pipkin, J. C. Goodwin and E. W. Byars. A surplus of \$49.50 was shown after the expenditure for the recent exhibit and all other expense. The dates of the next annual show were set to begin: the first Tuesday in January, 1913, and last four days and the place will be selected at a meeting to be held in July. It was carried that a licensed judge be employed for the next show. The matter of securing a better price for first-class poultry was discussed. The next meeting will be held the fourth Thursday in February, at 2 p. m. at the Hale county court house.

JUDGE S. P. HUFF A CANDIDATE.

Vernon, Texas, Feb'y 5, 1912.

I shall be a candidate before the Democratic primaries July next seeking the nomination for Chief Justice of the Court of Civil Appeals, Seventh Judicial District of Texas, located at Amarillo.

Before and after the establishment of the Court, and before the appointment of the Judges thereof, I received the endorsement for a place on the Court from a number of the attorneys and people living in the District as now created, and filed my application for a place thereon, which was not granted. At the coming election the people of the District will select Judges for the Court. I, therefore, submit my name to the voters for their consideration as Chief Justice, the place now held by Judge Graham.

I may say for myself that since reaching manhood I have spent all the time in the study and practice of law. The offices held by me have been those only which required my time and attention in its study. For four years I was prosecuting attorney, and for the last nine years I have been Judge of the 46th Judicial District, which position I now occupy.

It will not be possible for me to make a personal canvass of the District, if indeed it were proper for me to do so, but in so far as I can, and in so far as shall be proper, it is now my purpose to meet the people of the District, to the end that they may become better acquainted with me. I have many friends and acquaintances over the District, who doubtless can and will tell who and what I am.

My name is submitted for the consideration of the Democratic voters at the primaries July next. Should I be selected for the position, I will use my best effort to discharge the duties of presiding Judge of the Court, and to enforce the law as it is, without fear or favor, dealing impartially and fairly to all alike.

S. P. HUFF.

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WILL THE PLAINVIEW COUNTRY GET ITS SHARE?

Make a Reputation for Yourself and Hale County—Besides the Prize Money Would Come in Handy Christmas.

It is known by many that the Texas Industrial Congress gave away last year \$10,000 in prizes to farmers, and it should also be remembered that solely on account of negligence, the Plainview country failed to get its slice of the pie. We could have if we had only tried, for Hale county led the state in the crops for which the prizes were offered, and she also carried away from the Dallas State Fair, 25 first and second places out of a total exhibit of 27 entries.

One acre, under irrigation planted to maize, for an experiment on Hale county dirt, produced around 70 bu. of maize last year. The prize-winner this year in that line will hardly beat that record. If our farmers will only take this matter up and farm with enthusiasm they can carry away the major portion of this \$10,000 proposition.

The Secretary of the Plainview Chamber of Commerce is sending to Mr. Exall, the President of the Texas Industrial Congress, a list of some of the farmers of the Plainview country. However he does not know the names of many of them and so if you fail to get an application blank from the Congress within the next few days, write to Mr. Exall for one, or phone or see Secretary Black of the Plainview Chamber of Commerce and he will get an application card and rules and instructions for you.

Following however, are the rules and conditions of the contest:

CLASS D

For Unirrigated Forage Crops.
For the largest yield of merchantable grain, to be weighed in the head, cost of production considered, from two acres of kaffir corn or milo maize: First prize, \$300; second prize, \$200; for the ten next best results, \$50.00 each; twelve prizes in all amounting to \$1,000. Competition in this class is open to everybody.

CLASS E

For Irrigated Forage Crops
For the largest yield of merchantable grain, to be weighed in the head, cost of production considered, from two acres of kaffir corn or milo maize grown by irrigation: First prize, \$300; second prize, \$200; for the next ten best results, \$50 each; twelve prizes in all, amounting to \$1,000. Competition in this class is open to everybody.

This country should capture all these prizes of class D and E.

A THREE-YEAR HOMESTEAD BILL.

Just at present Senator Smoot, of Utah, is a mighty popular man in the semi-arid West. He has introduced a bill reducing the necessary residence on homesteads from five to three years, and allowing the homesteader to be absent six months in the year without prejudice. It is no more than right, and it might well be extended so that the homesteader in certain sections would be allowed to take up a section. The Federal land laws have for a long time been too drastic, and especially so in the so-called dry-farming sections, where it is a hard game to comply with them and live.—Roswell Register-Tribune.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Allen entertained the following gentlemen at their home Wednesday night: J. E. Hawley, J. A. Peret, Jim Hood, D. L. Hammer, Henry Halsey, Jim Bills, A. H. Estes, J. C. King, R. T. Hubbard, Wilson Munger, Fred Cousineau, Will Hawkins, Virgil McVickers and Charles Bills. After refreshments were served, progressive Forty-two was indulged in by the guests. Chas. Bills, Jim Peret, J. E. Hawley and A. H. Estes carried off high honors, and after a hard struggle, the booby prize was won by Fred Cousineau and R. T. Hubbard. A good time is reported by all in attendance.

"THE MAN ON THE BOX."

The following telegram was received by E. C. Keck this week:

"Sweetwater, Texas, Feb. 7, '12.

"Earl Keck, Plainview, Texas.

"I saw 'The Man on the Box' here tonight, between trains. Tell your folks that it is the best show they will ever see there. Old Henry Roquemore is one of the leading actors. Tell all the boys, and let's give him a warm time.

JAS. R. HAMILTON."

In Society's Realm

MISS MAYHUGH ENTERTAINS.
For her large circle of friends, whom she numbers by the score, Miss Edna Mayhugh entertained last Friday afternoon, at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Mayhugh, 501 Restriction Street.

Twelve tables were arranged in the parlors for forty-two. At the close of the interesting games, they were covered with snowy napery and a delicious lunch was served, consisting of fragrant, golden tea, hot biscuits, chicken salad on crisp lettuce, chipped potatoes, pickles, kisses and grape sherbet.

About sixty guests enjoyed the charming hospitality for which Miss Mayhugh is noted. She was assisted in receiving by her mother, and in dispensing the good cheer by her sisters, Mesdames A. G. Hinn, Lloyd T. Mayhugh and Roger P. Mayhugh, and by Misses Rosa Fowle and Bertha Hinn.

GUILD MEETING.

The ladies of the Episcopal Guild met on Monday afternoon, with Mrs. Dannelly, on Wayland Street.

The time was pleasantly spent in making dainty articles for the Easter bazaar which the ladies contemplate holding in the early spring. Delicious home-made confections were served during the afternoon.

MATINEE DANCE.

Another pleasant matinee dance was given Monday afternoon, by Miss Vera Newton, at her home, on Wayland Boulevard. In the afternoon, only the I. F. E. girls were present, to whom a dainty salad course was served. Some of the girls remained for the evening, when their escorts called and the dance was prolonged into the evening hours.

FIVE HUNDRED CLUB.

Having enjoyed a number of social courtesies from the Five Hundred Club, Mrs. L. A. Knight graciously entertained the ladies belonging to this popular organization Tuesday afternoon, at the pretty Knight home, 1600 Wayland Boulevard.

The entire membership was present, also Mrs. R. C. Ware, Mrs. O. M. Unger and Mrs. H. W. Harrel. A two-course lunch was served, including fried oysters, salads with all their dainty accessories, cake, floating custard with whipped cream and cherries. Mrs. J. R. Kerley was high score.

BROWNING CLUB.

A recently-organized club among the younger set includes some of the teachers and others who desire to im-

prove the fleeting hours of youth. This club meets the second and fourth Saturday afternoons in each month, and has taken up the study of Browning, as the name indicates.

The personnel of the officers is as follows: President, Miss Lena Williams; Secretary, Miss Burr Goode; Treasurer, Miss Allene Smith; Matron, Mrs. J. C. Anderson, at whose home the meetings are regularly held.

DINNER PARTY.

A well-appointed, and by far the largest dinner party of the winter, was given Wednesday evening by Dr. and Mrs. J. C. Anderson and Dr. and Mrs. C. C. Gidney, at the home of the latter, 208 White Street. At the large and hospitable board, covered with snowy napery and prettily decorated for the occasion, an elegant dinner was served, beginning with oyster cocktail, followed by a turkey course, and supplemented by Charlotte Russe, angel and white fruit cake and cafe noir.

Mesdames Gidney and Anderson were gracefully assisted in serving by Misses Allene Smith, Alice Harrel and Daisy Gidney.

After dinner, seven tables of Forty-two interested the guests, who included Messrs. and Mesdames J. H. Slaton, T. P. Whittis, G. C. Keck, R. W. Brahan, P. J. Woodriddle, H. W. Harrel, J. F. Garrison, Hugh McIntyre, J. D. Hanby, Robert Tudor, J. W. Willis and E. P. Norwood.

SLUMBER PARTY.

Miss Annie Maud Davidson complimented five of her girl friends Tuesday evening with a series of pleasures. Meeting first at Long's drug store, they proceeded to the Majestic, where they enjoyed the good films on exhibition, proceeding thence to the home of Miss Davidson, 215 West First Street, where a dainty chafing-dish supper was the crowning feature of a happy evening. Next in order was the slumber part of the program, and then—breakfast.

The guests were Misses Joe Keck, Bettie Knight, Allie Ware and Edna and Florence Harrington.

FIVE HUNDRED.

With three tables of Five Hundred, Mr. and Mrs. James R. DeLay entertained Tuesday evening, at their new home, on Harp Street. A two-course supper was served, and a delightful evening was enjoyed by Messrs. and Mesdames Charles McClelland, J. R. Kerley, L. C. Wayland, Chas. Malone and Charles McCormack.

THE PRICE IS THE THING.

The announcement that many of the Commercial Clubs will make co-operation with the farmers in securing better prices for their products the leading feature of the work of 1912, is a forward step in Texas' progress. We may raise potatoes as big as pumpkins, and produce a carload per acre, but what is the use unless we can sell them at a profit. THE PRICE IS THE THING, and when the farmer secures profitable prices for his products then agriculture thrives.

The farmers are the recipients of more universal generosity than any other class of people. Their Congressman sends them garden seed free of charge, together with a copy of his speech on the tariff, almanacs and illustrated catalogues are furnished him without cost, blue ribbons and gold medals are offered him galore, and he gets free advice from everybody, but give him a good market for his products and he will make the country prosper; immigration will flock to our borders, and our valleys will be dotted with happy homes. THE PRICE IS THE THING.

COTTON SEED FOR SALE.

If you want to raise cotton in the Panhandle, buy O. B. Burnett's Panhandle Improved Early Cotton.
O. B. BURNETT,
Memphis, Texas.

FINAL CLEAN-UP PRICES

Thursday, Friday and Saturday

Last Days of Sale

50 Per Cent Discount

on all Suits, Overcoats, Trousers, Wool Shirts, all Patent Leather Shoes and One Hundred Hats.

Last Chance

Pipkin-Napp Co.

NOTICE.

To Our Friends, Customers and the Public:

There has been a report going around that the Plainview Lumber Co. has been sold. We wish to say emphatically that we have not sold our business, and do not contemplate doing so. The party who started that report did not know what he was talking about, or he would have made no such statement. We came to Plainview before the railroad, with the intention of staying, and have never so much as even thought of selling out our business.

About a year ago there was a report spread that we were in the hands of a receiver, which statement was absolutely false.

We do not know what they will have us doing next, but we wish to say that we are in Plainview to stay, and, no matter what report gets out, we will still be here doing business when Plainview has reached a population of one hundred thousand. Whenever you hear a report that the Plainview Lumber Co. has sold out, gone into the hands of a receiver, or been and smoke it, that there is nothing

showed under, just put it in your pipe to it.

We carry the largest and best-assorted stock of lumber in Plainview, and meet all competition as regards prices. Come and see us.

PLAINVIEW LUMBER CO.
F. F. HARDIN, Manager.

TREES! TREES! TREES!

I will sell 100,000 trees and plants to the Plains people at wholesale prices. My varieties are the cream of twenty years experience and my trees produced the fruit that took the most premiums at the State Fair the last three seasons.

Why pay two prices for trees that you can buy direct yourself and get them fresh. My trees were not dug in the fall and bedded out and damaged as are all trees dug last fall. You get them direct in one day fresh dug. They will live and grow. Sample prices: 25 Concord grapes, \$1.00; 100 Austin dewberries, \$1.50 each; apple trees from 5 cents to 25 cents each. I have 576 Donohoo pear, one year old at 25 cents each. Don't buy until you get my prices. Write today.

THE MUNCY NURSERIES,
Lockney, Texas.

B. D. CROW, Horse Shoer

HORSES SHOD FOR \$1 PER HEAD

Fifteen years of experience allows me to guarantee every job of shoeing I do.

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Sweetwater, Ft. Worth, Galveston, Houston and all Eastern and South Texas Points. via the

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through Lubbock and Sweetwater. Leave Plainview 11:40 a. m. daily. Watch for our new through service between Galveston and the Pacific Coast via Amarillo.

Ask for particulars. R. McGEE, Agent

Community Correspondence

KRESS NEWS.

Feb. 6.—Rev. J. H. Bone, Presbyterian minister, will preach in Kress Sunday afternoon, at 4 o'clock, and in the evening.

Mr. J. Bush and son were callers in Tullia Tuesday.

Dr. Helm and D. Woods were callers in Plainview Monday.

Mrs. Estes, of Auburn, was a caller in Kress Friday.

Mr. Gregg was a business caller in Tullia last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Bagley returned home Monday, after a few days' visit with relatives near Hale Center.

Mr. D. Robards was a visitor in Tullia Sunday.

Mr. E. E. Overly was a visitor in Plainview Monday.

The M. E. Ladies' Missionary Society met Tuesday at 3 p. m. with Mrs. E. H. Thompson.

Mr. Frank Robards drove to Tullia Friday.

Mesdames Hinshaw and Striker visited Mrs. Hadley last week.

OLTON NEWS.

Dr. M. W. Axtell, of Spring Lake community, passed through Olton Monday, on his way to Plainview.

Miss Elsie Yanger, who has been very ill, at her home, south of Olton, is reported much better at this time.

Mrs. Victor Gilbert, of Spring Lake, was a county seat visitor Monday.

County Court convened Monday, but, as there were no cases, court adjourned Monday evening.

Rev. Jas. McMahan, of Plainview, filled his regular appointment here Sunday.

Geo. W. Bower and wife, J. W. Forney and family and M. Dotson and family took dinner at the J. R. Ogden home Sunday.

Misses Cloma Bohner and Prudence Bower, of Wayland College, spent Saturday and Sunday with their parents, at Olton.

James Reddington, assistant teacher in the Spring Lake school, was in Olton on business Saturday.

Ellis Jones and family have lately returned from Iowa, where they spent

the winter.

T. J. McGill and family have moved to Plainview, where they will take charge of the Burton Hotel. We wish them success in their new home.

A. M. Crozier went to Plainview Tuesday.

W. C. Winters took a load of cotton to Plainview last week.

SETH WARD COLLEGE NOTES.

A series of revival services are being held at the College this week, and they are well attended. Bro. Barcus and Bro. Ferguson are doing the preaching, and with great earnestness they preach powerful and convincing sermons at every service. Many have been greatly blessed already by the meeting.

The Seth Ward basketball team went to Canyon last week for two games. In the first they were sorely vanquished, but in the second they were victors.

New baseball outfits have come, and, while the weather permits, regular practice will go on earnestly. The College hopes to be as successful this year in baseball as it has been in other forms of athletics last year.

It is not the aim of Seth Ward to make athletics first—that is secondary—and only a means to an end; but it does desire to encourage every feature of the work of a recognized up-to-date college. Seth Ward believes in the spirit of the town it is located in—boost and push and keep up with the demands of the times.

The campus in front of the buildings is being plowed up, preparatory to putting out trees. This is a very much-needed work, and we commend those in authority for having it done.

Mr. Tucker has been at the College for several days, in the interest of the Southwestern Book Company. He secures employment with the company for college young men during the summer months, in order that they may attend school the following term.

"DIXIE."

theater, a panic which threatened to take its toll in many human lives was calmed by the soothing strains of "Dixie," which the orchestra struck, and the excitement in the audience quickly subsided.

The psychological effect of that inspiring air is undefinable, yet it can not be questioned. Nor is the varying effect it has upon persons understood. It has led men into the jaws of death in some of the fiercest battles the world has ever known, and now it calms with seductive power the wildest emotions possible, in a burning building where hundreds of men, women and children are driven to frenzy by excitement and fear.

But "Dixie" is no longer the exclusive property of the South. If the army of the North captured the army of the South at Appomattox, the song of the Southland no less effectually captures the Northern heart, and it is now as impossible for the "Yank" to keep his feet still and his hat on his head when he hears the air played as it is for the "Johnny Reb" to restrain himself from giving the yell which in the old days terrified thousands of adversaries on fields where the cannon roared, the saber flashed and the musket did its deadly work. The South gladly divides the inspiration of the old song with the North. It is a Southern song composed by a Northern man in a Northern city, so it is a common heritage of the American people, and to its hypnotic strains the Nation is marching united along the path of peace and National prosperity.

And while the world stands, while sentiment finds a place in the human breast, and while emotions sway the actions and the lives of men and women, "Dixie" will kindle the fire in the eye, warm the blood in the veins, stir the emotions and appeal to the nobler impulses of mankind.—San Antonio Express.

BOOTLEGGER BEAT THEM TO IT.

John Meisterhans has the distinction of being the first man to pay his taxes last fall, and received tax receipt No. 1 and poll tax receipt No. 1. John is a bootlegger, and the only one who is not afraid of the officers or the law. He is not only a successful bootlegger, but he's a footer as well, and will fit any foot you may present at his shop, and he is as careful in his work as in paying his taxes, and guarantees a fit. His boots have a reputation for fit, finish and endurance, easy on the feet, and as near waterproof as leather can be made.

Misses Edna and Florence Harrington visited Miss Eula Mae Alfay, at Hale Center, Tuesday and Wednesday. Mrs. C. R. Houston returned Saturday from Lockhart.

DISCREDITING THE WITNESS.

A criminal case was on trial in a New York court and the lawyer for the defense was an ambitious young man just out of college. A lazy youth named Mace was called to the witness stand for the prosecution. When he was turned over to the defense for cross examination the young lawyer decided to try to discredit him in the eyes of the jury.

"Say, Mace," said the lawyer, "You are pretty worthless, aren't you?"

"Oh, I guess not," replied the witness with a grin.

"You're lazy, aren't you?"

"Well, mebbe."

"Your father's a loafer, too, isn't he?"

"Oh, I wouldn't say that."

"As a matter of fact," said the young lawyer, "Isn't your father a lazy, low-down worthless man, who is drunk most of his time?"

Mace yawned, then smiled good naturedly and replied:

"I don't know. You might ask him—he's on the jury."

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RAILWAY BUSINESS IN NOVEMBER, 1911.

Tables prepared by the Bureau of Railway Economics from the reports made by the railways for that month to the Interstate Commerce Commission show that the business done by the railways of the United States in the month of November was somewhat less than the business done in November, 1910, when measured by the average per mile, the only basis on which comparison can properly be made.

The total operating revenues of railways include their receipts for freight and passenger transportation, for mail and express service, and for all other traffic service rendered. The average receipts in November, 1911, for a little more than 90 per cent of the total mileage of the country, were \$1,054 a mile, a decline of \$18 a mile from the receipts in November, 1910. There was decrease in average receipts in both freight and passenger service. The decline was unevenly distributed. The lines of the eastern part of the country shows only a slight decrease for November, 1911, in comparison with November, 1910, while the lines in the southern section show a slight increase and the lines in the western section a falling off. In the total operating revenue, the receipts for freight transportation represent 71.7 per cent and receipts for passenger transportation 20.8 per cent, the remainder coming from mail, express and other sources.

Operating expenses also show a lower average per mile of line. These include all costs of maintaining track and equipment, the cost of operating trains, of securing traffic and of administration, but do not include new construction. Expenditure for maintenance of tracks and buildings was reduced by an average of \$2.40 a mile, as compared with expenditure in November, 1910. For the maintenance of equipment there was an increase averaging 10 cents a mile; and the cost of conducting transportation, an item representing about one-half the total operating expense, was reduced by an average of 8 cents a mile. By the reduction in expenditure for maintenance of track and buildings, the roads were enabled to make a slight offset to the shrinkage in operating revenues.

The net revenues—that is, the difference between total operating revenues and total operating expenses—averaged \$16 less per mile of line in November, 1911, than in November, 1910, which is a decrease of 4.3 per cent. This so-called net revenue is, in fact, gross profits, out of which must come taxes, amounting in November to \$9,576,976, or an average of \$43 per mile, rentals, interest on bonds, dividends, and appropriations for improvements. The falling off of 1.6 per cent in operating revenues contrasts with an increase of 12.7 per cent in taxes.

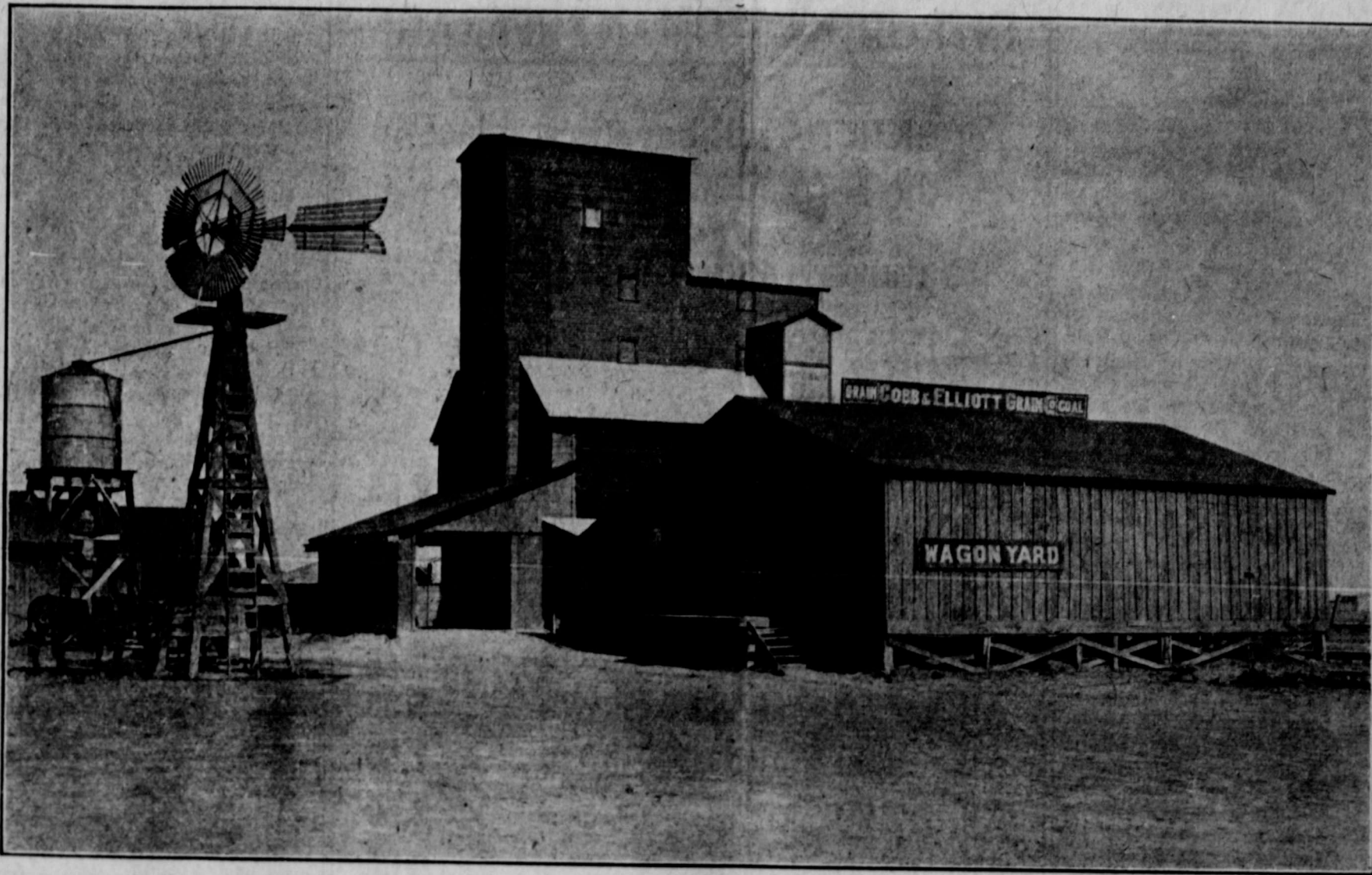
MUCH GRUB—MANY STUDENTS.

Sixty square feet of surface, with a capacity of six hundred hot cakes a minute, is a part of the kitchen equipment represented by three hot cake stoves in the subsistence department of the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas.

It requires a lot of cooking material to supply the mess hall of the College, where a thousand students are served at a meal, and no boy eats at a second table. After the old mess hall was destroyed by fire, Benard Sbisas, the steward of the College, ordered new ranges for his kitchen, and the new equipment has been installed in the temporary kitchen, which is built alongside the temporary mess hall.

The dining room has a floor space of 10,800 square feet. The kitchen department has a floor space of 9,000 square feet. Mr. Sbisas has seventy-five men in his employ—seven cooks for the range, three special meat cooks, two vegetable cooks, three bakers and a cleaner, two butchers, two potato peelers and a roustabout, two night watchmen, two yard men,

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BETTER-FARMING SPECIAL

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Announcement has just been received that the Santa Fe Railway System is to run a "Better-Farming" Special, or Diversified Farming Train, through the Panhandle and South Plains of Texas and Northwestern Oklahoma in the near future. Dates and schedules will be announced very soon.

The train will start at Amarillo, covering all important points between there and Bovina, also all important points between Canyon and Sweetwater; Slaton and Lamesa; and between Plainview and Floydada. Following this the train will cover the territory between Amarillo and Alva, Oklahoma.

The train will be composed of five cars, four of which will be day coaches, and will be used for lectures. Four speakers will accompany the train, and will talk on the following diversified farming subjects:

1. "Better Farming."
2. "Importance of the Farm Dairy."
3. "More and Better Hogs."
4. "Our Farm Poultry."

From one-and-one-half to two-and-one-half-hour stops will be made at each meeting place. Every talk will be practical and right to the point. All farmers, business men and those interested in better farming and better homes for this great country of ours should make it a point to be at the train. Look for the schedule and general announcements in a few days.

HARD LUCK STORIES.

The Senate Finance Committee has decided to begin the hearing of the hard luck stories of the Steel Barons on Tuesday. The stories they will unfold in regard to the necessity for retaining a protective tariff on steel products would bring tears to the eyes of a wooden Indian tobacco sign, if the sign would only believe them. Judge Gary may go so far as to state that if the present rates on steel are tampered with he will not be able to give his wife another half-million-dollar pearl necklace as a Christmas present. Think what that will mean. The Steel Trust in its answer to the Government suit charging it with being a monopoly distinctly denied the soft impeachment, and strenuously insists that it is the most benign concern ever devised by the philanthropic brains of man. It is a positive shame that these people should be so hounded. Wickersham is trying to make them dissolve, on the one hand, and now Congress comes in and is trying to rob—yes, actually rob!—them of the time-honored privilege of charging their own railroad \$28 per ton for steel rails, while selling the same class and quality of rails to foreign railroad builders for \$21. It is a positive shame the way the Government and the Federal Legislature is trying to treat these benefactors.

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NOTICE.

I was appointed administrator of the estate of Sarah F. Pack, deceased, at the January term of the County Court. All persons who have claims against said estate will send same to me at Sanger, Texas.

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Three sizes of packages, 10 cents, 25 cents, and 50 cents. Remember, you can obtain Rexall Remedies in this community only at our store—The Rexal Store. The J. W. Willis Drug Company.

BAD HERE—WORSE ELSEWHERE.

Last Saturday was a windy, dusty, dirty day in this section, but the weather did not interfere seriously with street traffic or pedestrianism. Many loads of grain, and some cotton, were marketed by our farmers. No damage accrued in this country except to the morals of those who faced the wind, which reached a profanity-provoking velocity. As usual in such cases, the storm is generally worse and more damaging in other sections, especially in the lowlands, as is shown by the following Waco dispatch:

"A north wind with a velocity of about seventy miles an hour swooped down upon this part of Texas this afternoon, and is still blowing with but slight abatement. Some damage was done in the city. The roofs on three business houses on Austin Avenue were torn off and an express wagon was blown over and packages were blown about the streets, and a laundry wagon was lifted, thrown against a telephone post and a lot of clothing scattered over several blocks. A woman was lifted off the pavement at Austin and Fifth Streets and thrown upon the rear of an automobile standing near the sidewalk, but was uninjured."

At the same time, our neighbor,

Dalhart, to the northwest about 125 miles, gives the following report:

"Snow, accompanied by 20-degree-above-zero temperatures and a strong wind, swept over the Panhandle today. For ten days, with the recent warm weather, the range has been in good condition, putting cattle in good shape for any ordinary bad storm."

The weather here was cold, but no snow or damage to stock.

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The Rand-McNally map of Texas and the United States is being sold in your city this week. This is the latest and most complete map gotten out. Will be around to see you. F. P. CRUMB. 6-pd.

Soft Molasses Cookies

(Recipe by Mrs. Mary J. Lincoln)
The children—and the grown-ups, too—will enjoy these cookies. Try some next baking day.
Scald one cup molasses, pour it over one-fourth cup Cottolene, add one-half cup sugar, one-half level teaspoon salt, and one level tablespoon ginger, or a mixture of other spices if preferred. Dissolve one-half level teaspoon soda in one-fourth cup cold water, add to the cooled molasses, then stir in from three to four cups flour, making a soft dough to drop and spread in a pan, or a stiff dough to be rolled and cut. Bake in moderate oven.
The use of Cottolene as a shortening insures cooking that is both palatable and easy to digest.

NO LONGER A GAME OF CHANCE.

Why will men who love everything else morally right, continue to "buck" the "game of chance" in farming? It's wrong to gamble, the preachers say, and the State says the law will pinch you if caught "shootin' craps." Now, Make a sure thing in farming, as you would in another line of business. It's sure when you control the rain-making machinery, if you will do your part of the work in cultivating and planting.

The Brand invites its friends "down in Texas," in Colorado and in Kansas to cease their gambling proclivities and come to Hereford, where "We've got the water," the key to the rain-house. Down in Texas, where the farmers hold prayer meetings when the corn in the tassel, and have to fight the boll weevil and the bulls when they raise cotton, and in either case always lose out in the fight, the "game of chance" is even worse than one could imagine. They are invited to leave the weevils and the bulls to their own destruction and come to Hereford, where they can raise alfalfa and hogs with an insurance policy attached to each crop. Why raise 9- and 10-cent cotton to feed the boll weevils and to fill the bulls, when they can defy both with big crops of grain, alfalfa and hogs in the Panhandle?—Hereford Brand.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Subject to the action of the Democratic primary.

For District Attorney—
R. M. ELLERD.
GEO. L. MAYFIELD.

For District and County Clerk—
B. H. TOWERY.

For County Judge—
W. B. LEWIS.
J. M. BULL.
S. W. MEHARG.

For County Treasurer—
JOHN G. HAMILTON.

For Sheriff and Tax Collector—
G. MARSHALL PHELPS.
O. R. MARTINE.
J. C. HOOPER.

For Tax Assessor—
R. E. BURCH.
S. S. SLONEKER.
J. N. JORDAN.
S. J. FRYE.

For County Surveyor—
THOMAS P. WHITIS.

For County Attorney—
CHAS. E. CLEMENTS.

FOR MUNICIPAL OFFICES.

For Mayor—
J. L. DORSETT.

For City Marshal—
J. F. WATSON.
GEO. W. MCKINTY.

For City Secretary—
H. A. WOFFORD.
B. L. SPENCER.

Get your oat land ready. Professor Hainer says it is time to sow, that cool weather is what oats need to insure a good root growth and the proper starting for a heavy crop. Sow in February and in the first half of March.

The silo has proven a most valuable adjunct to the farm, and early in the year is a good time to plan and execute measures that will result in its establishment and filling next fall. The silo is a good investment of time, labor and money.

The fine weather that has prevailed for the past three weeks has been good on wheat, and has put it in very promising shape. We are told by parties that have recently traversed the wheat belt of this Plains country that this crop was never more promising at this season of the year than right now, and especially in this Central Plains country.

Navarro County farmers are organizing to reduce the cotton acreage, and raise the price. They are pledging to reduce the acreage ten per cent. Now if other counties will fall in line, and make the same reduction, the 1912 crop will not sell below ten cents, and the farmers will at least be sure of realizing the cost of production, while, with no reduction of acreage, a fair crop would cause him to market at a loss. We think this the proper method of settling the cotton problem, and the only method that will insure the desired result.

Read the article on the Ad Men's Convention, which appears in another column. It is good reading to the man who loves his State, county and town. We think our Chamber of Commerce will see that this county is represented, and that an effort will be made to have Plainview put on the map of their tour of the State. The Ad Men's Convention will be the most important convention ever pulled off in the State, and the visitors will be given a chance to tour the whole State, and no effort on our part should be spared to have the visitors come to our town and see what we have to offer.

During the cold weather, a great ice bridge formed over the Niagara

River, and for weeks the people had been crossing the river on this bridge. Sunday morning several people were on the ice when it broke up, perishing in the rushing, icy waters and crushed by the jamming of the ice flow. Several people made their escape by fortunately seeing the danger in time to reach the shore.

The farmers are now rushing their plowing and preparing for the seeding of a much larger acreage than ever before. Much virgin soil will be turned and seeded during the coming spring.

Judge A. B. Duncan, of Floydada, has announced his candidacy for County Judge of Floyd County. Mr. Duncan served that county as judge for five or six terms. He was the first judge elected, and he held the office until he declined. He was never defeated. During his service, no county in the State had a better judge. He is popular at home and abroad, and no better man could be found to fill the important office to which he again aspires. He has been a reader of The Herald for more than twenty years, and we expect to keep him as much longer. We feel safe in predicting his election.

Since the listing of kaffir and maize on the grain exchanges, the demand for these best of feeds has shown a constant increase. Many farmers of the lowlands are feeding these grains for the first time. If they continue them through the summer, they will never go back to corn if they can help it. This fact insures an ever-increasing demand, while the demand for export will also steadily increase. The demand will keep the price at good figures, making the crop more valuable annually.

Most cities are cursed to some extent by having in their midst a set of miscreants without love of the Lord or the fear of the powers that be. It was demonstrated last Sunday morning that Fort Worth was not free from this undesirable element, who made their presence known by burning the First Baptist Church of that city. The building was good and valued at \$80,000. The preacher, Rev. J. F. Norris has been making war against the lawless element of the city, and it is thought that the dastardly deed was committed by members of the class he had denounced from the pulpit. A reward of \$5,000 is offered for the arrest and conviction of the perpetrators. The building carried insurance, and will be replaced with a new and perhaps better one.

The short grain crops throughout the biggest part of the United States has resulted in shortening the hog crop for 1912. All kinds of hogs have been forced on the market, including brood sows and young hogs, and which augurs for a scarcity this year, and insures good prices. Cholera has claimed many in most of the states, and in some states a majority. We have a hog country here second to none in the world. Cholera is unknown, and no other disease bothers the hog in this section. Feed for finishing him is as sure here as anywhere, and a man can mature hogs here cheaper than almost anywhere in the world, and make a handsome profit. Our people have the grain, and right now is a good time to launch out into the hog business. Hogs need pasture, and that is cheaply provided, in the way of oats, wheat or sorghum, and for summer and early fall sorghum is cheapest and best. We learn that some of our people are fitting up extensively for the raising of hogs, and we would like to see many more do so. There have been many cars of hogs shipped from this point, but there should have been hundreds more.

POLL TAX LAW UPHELD.

The State of Texas won before the Supreme Court of the United States in the test case instituted by a Tarrant County man, involving the constitutionality of that provision in the State election law which prohibits a man from lending another money with which to pay his poll tax, and thus enable him to qualify to vote. The plaintiff not being present, nor brief being filed, the statute was virtually upheld through default. This action should not be taken as conclusive, as the attorney for the State, Lightfoot, taking advantage of the rule of the court under such circumstances, moved a dismissal, and the case was dismissed without investigation or discussion, thus affirming the decision of the lower court.

This looks like a pretty stringent law, and rather sweeping, for this "land of the free and home of the brave." Neither a friend, a neighbor, nor even his banker, can loan the poor, unfortunate devil money to pay his poll tax, at the last minute, to redeem his right of suffrage. The law is wrong that enforces the payment, then robs him of the last chance to procure the money, and then, when he fails, demand a penalty of five days' service on the public road.

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- All 11.50 Skirts . . . 8.50
- All 12.50 Skirts . . . 9.00
- All 13.50 Skirts . . . 10.00
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Shove it along! The route as far as mapped out by the Star-Telegram is good, only the adding of "via Plainview and Texico, and on to the vast coal fields of New Mexico," would make the scheme better. Plainview would gladly welcome this road, and we believe nearly every mile on this route is through a rich and fertile country that would cause the road to pay a dividend from the start. The simple fact that we have abundant

shallow water, which is cheaply pumped, to supplement any shortage in rainfall, insures against crop failures, or even short crops during dry years, will make this section of such road the best-paying part of the whole line, as far as agriculture is concerned, while the tapping of the coal field to the west would furnish an almost never-ending tonnage of the best of fuel.

"THE MAN ON THE BOX."

The dramatization of Harold McGrath's latest and best novel is now before the people of the Southwest. A telegram from Manager Hamilton, of the Schick, from Sweetwater, where he witnessed this drama, pronounces it one of the best he ever witnessed. He expects to arrange for them to appear at the Schick in the near future. Watch for the announcement.

AMONG THE FARMERS

Hereafter we will publish under the above heading, articles concerning the farmer and his occupation. These articles will be from the pen of E. Van Deventer, who will mix with the yeomanry a great deal during the next several months, and will make interesting reading. The stress of circumstances kept him from contributing to a considerable extent this week.

J. A. Stephenson who lives seven miles west of Plainview was here marketing his millet hay a few days ago. He sold 34 tons of baled millet from 18 acres at \$9.00 a ton totalling over \$300. Mr. Stephenson came here from Denton county seven years ago and has made a success of stock farming. He has 190 acres of land well improved. He has nine good mares and a small herd of cattle and no debts.

Mr. Stephenson says he has seen some hard times here for when he landed he had just 35 cents in money and did not know a soul in the county. He said he had nothing when he came and nothing much yet, but he would not sell his little home and return to Denton county at all. He said he made a good crop every year except in 1910. Excepting that year his millet has made from one and one-fourth to one and one-half tons to the acre.

THE CIVIC LEAGUE.

There was a called meeting of the Civic League Wednesday afternoon at the ladies rest room in the court house. Mrs. Brahan, president, Mrs. L. L. Dye, secretary. This meeting was rather slimly attended, but the president urges the vice-presidents of each ward to insist upon a good attendance at the ward meetings to be held at the homes of the respective vice-president, Wednesday, February 28, and devise ways and means for a general clean-up of all wards, as early as possible. The general meeting of the league will be held in the court house in the ladies rest room, Wednesday, March 6.

The Civic League requests the Chamber of Commerce, the City Council and all citizens to join them in their efforts for a cleaner Plainview and work with a determination that our city shall be made second to none as to sanitation, and that all shall interest themselves in planting trees and beautifying, not only their premises, but between the walks and the curbs.

DOWN AND OUT.

Senator Robert M. LaFollette has as effectually expunged himself from the political map as if he had renounced his allegiance to Uncle Sam and migrated to the unexplored regions of Australia. In his speech at the Periodical Publishers' Association Banquet in Philadelphia Saturday night, the Pompadore Wolverine forgot himself and excoriated the newspapers, and questioned the sincerity of the reporters of the land. He had just as well go now and write "ye who enter herein leave hope behind" over the door of his political headquarters.

The News gave La Follette credit for more sense. It thought he knew the story of a greater than he from his own state who once forgot himself and spoke his own mind concerning the newspapers of the country in general and the Washington reports in particular. Matt Carpenter was the ablest Wolverine ever in the Senate of the United States. Newspaper resentment at a merited rebuke not only hounded him into private life but did not stop at the desecration of his grave. A present day senator with far more brains than La Follette is the victim not of his antagonism but his indifference to the newspapers of the country.

With two such shining examples of what the press can do for those it chooses to boost, as Bryan and Roosevelt, Robert Pompadore was certainly beside himself when he said out loud what he really thought of the press and the reporters of this country. Had he misrepresented them it would not have been so harmful to his cause. He has been getting a lot of free advertising and a reputation fully equal to his merits—He has been given attributes of statesmanship which the Congressional record fails to reveal, but he had as well sing the requiem to his hopes for the future.—Roswell Morning News.

ONLY GIN TO HANDLE BOLLS.

Plainview has the only gin in this section that is equipped with the necessary apparatus to gin cotton bolls (bolls that have not matured when the first killing frost came), and cotton is being brought here from quite a radius, some coming as far as sixty miles; quite a lot has been brought from around Floydada. The gin is running all the time on boll cotton and turns out about ten bales per day.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

THE STATE OF TEXAS, County of Hale.
 Notice is hereby given, that by virtue of a certain order of sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of Hale county, on the 13th day of January, 1912, by clerk of said court for the sum of five thousand seven hundred and eight-four dollars and sixty-seven cents, and costs of suit, under a judgment in favor of James W. Johnson in a certain cause in said Court, No. 658, and styled J. W. Johnson vs. Frank Sevasin, placed in my hands for service, I, G. A. London, as sheriff of Hale County, Texas, did, on the 8th day of February, 1912, levy on certain real estate situated in Hale county, Texas, described as follows, to-wit:

All of South one-half of survey No. 10 in Block No. R, Certificate No. 599, issued to the E. L. & R. R. Railway Company, containing 320 acres of land and situated in Hale County, Texas, and levied upon as the property of Frank Sevasin. And that on the first Tuesday in March 1912, the same being the 5th day of said month, at the court house door of Hale county, Texas, in the town of Plainview, Texas, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m., by virtue of said levy and said order of sale I will sell above described real estate at public vendue for cash to the highest bidder, as the property of said Frank Sevasin.

And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said date of sale, in the Hale County Herald, a newspaper published in Hale county, Texas.

Witness my hand this 8th day of February, 1912.

G. A. LONDON,
 Sheriff, Hale county, Texas.

NEW INSURANCE FIRM.

Notice is hereby given that we have purchased the insurance agency and business of Mr. C. E. McClelland, and will conduct the business under the firm name of Sander & Greer. Our office is located in the rear room of the Sander and Martine building, at No. 112 South Covington Street, east of the Court House. We ask of the insuring public the same liberal patronage in the future that has been extended to Mr. McClelland in the past, with the assurance that the same will be fully appreciated and will have careful and prompt attention.

SANDER & GREER.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local remedies, pronounced it incurable. Science has proved catarrh to be a constitutional disease, and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer One Hundred Dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials.

Address: F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, Ohio.

Sold by Druggists, 75 cents.

Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

FOR RENT—An improved 320-acre farm, three miles east of Kress. For particulars see OTUS REEVES REALTY COMPANY.

Y. W. HOLMES LAWYER

Notary Public

GENERAL CIVIL PRACTICE
 (Land Titles a Specialty)

Refer to Third National Bank

Wofford Bldg., Opp. Court House
 PLAINVIEW, TEXAS

PIANO TUNING

Action, Regulating and all kinds of Repairing done. All work guaranteed strictly first-class. Drop me a postal and I will call. J. H. EDWARDS.
 Phone 331. 117 Covington St.

CHAS. B. BARR

Veterinary Surgeon and Dentist
 Office: J. W. Willis Drug Co.
 Phones:
 Office, 44; Residence, 86

Grandmother never was stingy with the raisins and currants and citron and suet and other rich things in her mince meat. You've often wished you could buy mince meat as generously made as her kind.

White Swan Mince Meat

is just simply chock full of goodies—it's not made to see how cheaply richness can be imitated, but how rich and pure and wholesome it can be made for the price you pay for it.

Ask Your Grocer

for White Swan Food Products. There are few, very few, who do not carry them, but yours may be one of the few—or he may be just out. Ask him to get them for you. He can, easily—he will, of course.

Waples-Platter Grocer Co.
 Dallas — Denison — Ft. Worth

BRANCH HOUSES:
 Gainesville, Tex. — Greenville, Tex. — Dublin, Tex.
 Brownwood, Tex. — Stamford, Tex. — Hamlin, Tex.
 Chillicothe, Tex. — Amarillo, Tex.
 Ada, Okla. — Chickasha, Okla.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Artistic Picture Framing done at E. R. WILLIAMS'.

John Bates made a flying trip to Hale Center Tuesday.

See E. R. WILLIAMS for Artistic Picture Framing.

L. W. Dalton spent part of this week on legal business in Crosbyton.

For an EXPERIENCED NURSE, call MRS. ORR. Phone 340.

Mr. and Mrs. John Elliott returned Tuesday from Guthrie, Okla.

1,800-acre tract in south Hale. Will cut. Easy terms. A. B. ROSSER.

Peyton Randolph made a trip to Sweetwater this week, on legal business.

Leroy Wright came in Sunday from Milford, where he has been spending the winter.

W. H. Potts came in Monday from Dallas, where he has been attending a veterinary school for some months.

Big line of Boys' Spring Caps just received at CARTER-HOUSTON DRY GOODS CO.'S.

Mrs. G. A. London and children left Monday for Corpus Christi, to spend two or three months.

The Woldert building is ready for the plasterers, and if the weather continues favorable will soon be ready for occupancy.

Dallas seems to have been visited by an epidemic of bicycle thieves. About thirty bicycles have stolen in the last few days.

A. G. McAdams, of the A. G. McAdams Lumber Co., left for his home, in Dallas, last Saturday, after spending several days looking after his interests here, and at other points.

Edwin Weary, Episcopal clergyman, will preach next Saturday night at 7:30 and Sunday morning at 10:45 at the Episcopal Guild Hall. Everybody cordially invited.

We want your business in the Drug line, and try to show that we appreciate it by giving you prompt and courteous treatment. Give us a trial. DUNCAN'S PHARMACY.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Risser, of Oneda, Ill., came in yesterday, and will make Plainview their home. Mr. Risser owns quite a large acreage of Plains land, west of here, which he purchased a few years ago.

Plant pears on the Plains. They will make you rich. I have 11,000 one year old trees that are fine. Largely Bartlett at 15 cents. Fine trees.—Muncy Nurseries, Lockney, Texas.

The Dallas Public Schools were suspended December 22, for the Christmas Holidays, at the expiration of which time the health conditions of the city caused the extension of the holidays until last Monday, the 5th.

J. C. Woody, Dr. J. W. Carter and C. R. Culwell, all of Crosbyton, passed through Plainview Saturday, en route to Amarillo, where they went on business pertaining to the recent court decision moving the county seat of Crosby County back to Emma.

Help the Civic League to make a "city beautiful" of Plainview.

Tom Jordan was in Tulla the first of the week, buying cotton.

If it's in the Drug or Drug Sundry line, DUNCAN'S PHARMACY has it.

Fred Pearce was in Amarillo this week, on legal business.

Books and Bibles at DUNCAN'S PHARMACY.

W. A. Shofner came in Wednesday from East Texas.

Big line of new Spring Wash Wear at CARTER-HOUSTON D. G. CO.'S.

Irish potatoes and turnips at Vickery-Hancock Grocery Company.

Lud Churchill, of Vinita, Okla., was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Hughes on Thursday.

Spring Muslin Underwear now on display at CARTER-HOUSTON DRY GOODS CO.'S.

R. M. Ellerd came in Thursday from a legal business trip to Fort Worth and Vernon.

New line of Linen Suitings now on sale at CARTER-HOUSTON DRY GOODS CO.'S.

FOR TRADE—Cadillac Automobile, 5-passenger, 1910 model; will consider notes, lots or land. E. BYARS.

FURNISHED ROOMS FOR RENT—Gentlemen preferred. Apply to MRS. JOHN VAUGHN, 507 Alexander St. tf.

The celebrated D. M. Ferry Garden seeds just received at Vickery-Hancock Grocery Company.

You are cordially invited to make the J. W. Willis Drug Company your headquarters.

Green Ground Bone, with adhering pieces of meat and gristle, will make your hens lay. OTTO'S MARKET. Phone 437.

Place your order for a week's supply of Ground Bone, and see the increase in your egg supply—6c per pounds, at OTTO'S MARKET.

My plum trees will make money for you. 5,000 trees, best sorts in small sizes at 10 cents. They are just the right size for commercial planting.—Muncy Nurseries, Lockney, Texas.

R. E. Flanders, of Amarillo, who is express messenger between Amarillo and Clovis, was in the city Sunday. He is supposed to be closing a deal for a lady assistant.

Your Prescriptions are given prompt and careful attention when left with us. We guarantee the correctness of the filling and the purity of the drugs used. DUNCAN'S PHARMACY.

J. M. Lovvorn and Mrs. Mae. Barkley, of this city, were married in Amarillo, February 2nd. Mr. Lovvorn will now run the Acme Hotel, formerly in charge of N. A. Price.

Jim Light, one of our prosperous farmers, of the Hale Center neighborhood, was in the city Monday. He says the ground in his locality has been too wet to plow well, but is now getting in fine shape.

Oats sowing is now in order and considerable has been sown this week. The oat crop will comprise a much larger acreage this year than ever before, in this section.

Mr. Trunson Holdridge, of Wolcott, Indiana came in yesterday and will spend some days in this country. He owns a fine section of land southwest of this city, some miles. He likes this country and thinks some of locating here for keeps.

There seems to be little, if any, cessation in grain delivery in this town, and all week the streets were lined with big wagons loaded with kaffir and maize, most of which was shipped to the lowlands of Texas, though Oklahoma got some of it.

See our new up-to-date, sanitary soda fountain.—J. W. Willis Drug Co.

Pickles of all kinds including barrel at Vickery-Hancock Grocery.

John Ligon, of Abernathy, was in the city the first of the week.

Ground Bone, 6c per pound, at OTTO'S MARKET.

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N. A. Price has leased the Banquet Hotel near the depot and opened up February 7th with dinner.

Mrs. J. B. McConnell, of Farwell, came in Wednesday to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. V. C. Cannon.

Jas. R. Hamilton left Wednesday for Ballinger, to visit a brother, who is very sick.

Vickery-Hancock Grocery Company have in stock all the popular brands of syrups.

Tom Gallagher, traveling passenger and freight agent for the Santa Fe, was in the city Wednesday.

If you cabbage, the finest on the market, juicy and tender, call up Vickery-Hancock Grocery Company.

City Marshal Frye, of Lubbock, was in Plainview the first of the week, on official business.

Fruits of all kinds, fresh, dried, or canned at the Vickery-Hancock Grocery Company.

Mrs. L. M. Faulkner left last Friday for San Diego, California, where she will spend the balance of the winter.

The best flour on the market is the Republic. Sold only by Vickery-Hancock Grocery Company.

Mr. Garrison, hardware man of Hereford, was in town the first of the week.

L. W. Dalton has been in Amarillo some days, attending Court of Civil Appeals.

Miss Lucile Kinder left last Friday for Dallas, where she is attending St. Mary's Seminary.

T. M. Morrison and son, J. N., came in from Canadian last Friday, after an absence of some days.

R. M. Ellerd returned last Friday from a business trip to Roswell, New Mexico.

John Elliott left last Friday for Guthrie, Oklahoma, to accompany his wife home from a visit to that place.

I. E. Barr, cattle inspector, left Monday for Crosbyton, to inspect a bunch of cattle.

Last Monday was Sales Day, and quite a lot of stock and miscellany changed hands.

Misses Mildred Buchheimer and Vera Newton are visiting the Saigling ranch this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert McGee left Wednesday for Kansas City and other points.

Attorney A. B. Martin, of Tulla, was in the city this week, attending District Court.

Judge T. D. Webb came in Tuesday from Amarillo, where he had been attending court.

Don't forget to take "Her" a box of "Huyler's" Chocolates. It helps to make the evening a pleasant one. Sold by DUNCAN'S PHARMACY.

Miss Lucy Malone, of Abilene, left Monday for her home, after spending five weeks in Plainview visiting the family of her brother, Chas. A. Malone, of this city.

Woodson Flenken, of Crosbyton, with his family, has moved to Plainview to live. Mr. Flenken for the past five years has been in the employ of the C. B. Livestock Co., and held the position as one of the foremen of the 10,000-acre farm near Crosbyton.

Mr. E. H. Humphrey has purchased the Thompson property, on the corner of Prairie and West Second Streets, and has a corps of workmen overhauling and making improvements on the same. This is a fine piece of close-in property, a very desirable home, which Mr. Humphrey and family will occupy as soon as the workmen finish their job.

Plant trees. This is a good time to plant, and planting may be continued through March, but the earlier the planting this year the better.

Sloneker Farm Thoroughbred Poultry White Orpingtons -- White Holland Turkeys--White Indian Runner Ducks--White and Fawn Indian R. Ducks Eggs and stock for sale Satisfaction Guaranteed. S. S. SLONEKER, Prop. Plainview, Texas

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More New Goods Arriving and Going to Market After More Everything is new, no out of style or out of season goods to show. Everything shines with newness. If you buy your new dress before you see our line, you not only fail to get our CASH PRICES but miss seeing a neat and classy line of merchandise. Our big new line of Spring Skirts are receiving favorable comments from all who have seen them. All new, not a skirt out of style. Big line of Boys' Suits billed to arrive next week. Men's Suits will begin to arrive soon, stronger than ever on our All Wool \$15.00 Specials Sold all but eight suits last season, all giving satisfaction. If they are not boys, come in and get another suit, we don't advertise one thing at the beginning of a season and forget about it when the season is over. We would like to sell the eight we have left--they can be had now at \$12.50 Each Special We are closing out the following high boots. Young Women's high boots, sizes 3 1-2 to 5 1-2, \$3.25 values go at \$2.45 Misses' high boots, sizes 11 1-2 to 2, \$3 values go at \$2.25 Children's high boots, sizes 8 1-2 to 11, \$2.50 values go at \$1.93 Everyone of these shoes guaranteed to give satisfaction. We have never failed to make a guarantee good--when we quit guaranteeing SELZ shoes we will let you know. SHELTON BROTHERS

Purity in Pastry means



Cottolene

Hogs are not cleanly—hog fat is always under suspicion—and lard is nothing more or less than hog fat.

Cottolene as a frying and shortening medium is just as far ahead of butter or lard as the automobile is in advance of the bicycle, or electric light preferable to gas.

Cottolene is a vegetable shortening—made from pure, refined cotton oil. It may cost a little more per pound—but you need to use only two-thirds as much. It is better and more economical.

Made only by THE N. K. FAIRBANK COMPANY

"Nature's Gift from the Sunny South"




DALLAS WILL ENTERTAIN AD MEN

UNITED STATES, CANADA AND ENGLAND TO BE REPRESENTED.

Will Make Tour of the State—This Feature Is Attracting Much Attention.

"There have been many conventions of a National character held in Texas, and some of them of an international scope, but it is believed that no convention ever held anywhere in the world ever did as much to turn the eyes of the world on the city and State of meeting as the coming convention of the Associated Advertising Clubs of America," said Lawrence Miller, chairman of the publicity committee of the Dallas Advertising League.

"Usually the securing and entertaining of conventions belong exclusively to the city in which it is held, and this meeting of the advertising men of the world will be an innovation, in that the entire State of Texas, will play host to almost 4,000 of the biggest business men of the United States, Canada and England. This new method of entertaining delegates, has probably never been used by any other commonwealth, and this alone has given the Texas ad men a golden opportunity of exploiting the greatest

State in the Union as she was never exploited before, and at an infinitesimal cost.

"The fact that the entire State of Texas will be host to these big men," said Mr. Miller, "has caused an endless stream of queries to pour into the headquarters of the Dallas Advertising League, in which are asked all sorts of questions about the convention proper, and, while the information asked for about the convention may differ widely, each and every letter carries this request: 'Give us all the information possible about the State.' They want to know about the cities they will visit, how long they will have in Fort Worth, Waco, San Antonio, Houston and Galveston, and, in addition to all this, many of them are asking specific questions about business conditions in the different cities. Some want information about certain lines of business, opportunities for investment, and a thousand and one different things about the Lone Star State."

The promotion and correspondence committee, of which Richard Haughton is chairman, has answered thousands of these queries in the last two months, until it would seem, he said, that every advertising man in the

world has been thoroughly informed on every subject pertaining to Texas in which he could possibly be interested, but they come back in the very next mail for more information. One man in a far-off city, he said, has written no less than a dozen letters asking for more information, and always closing with a request for some information on some details of the State trip.

"Just take San Francisco for an example," said Fred E. Johnston, president of the Dallas Ad League, yesterday. "They are coming after the 1913 convention, and, in order to make a big showing, they are organizing ad clubs in all of the Pacific Coast cities of 10,000 or more people. We know that they want to advertise the Pacific Coast and the Panama-Pacific International Exposition, and we are giving them every encouragement in their work of organization. We can afford to do that, for the twenty-five San Franciscans who are traveling over the State of California are talking Dallas and Texas as no people ever talked it before. We are getting all this publicity and more, for their papers are publishing our stories, boosting Texas on every hand. We are getting direct results and getting them now, while those Pacific Coast boosters will have to wait almost a year before they can hope to reach our present status in the minds of the ad men.

"Toronto is doing the same kind of work, talking Dallas and Texas to Canadians from Victoria, British Columbia, to Quebec and Halifax, and they, too, want the 1913 convention. They have posted themselves on Texas, and today many of them can answer questions on the Lone Star State as readily and as accurately as any Texan.

"Then there are Baltimore, Pittsburgh, Cleveland, Memphis, Atlanta, St. Paul and Richmond, who want the 1913 convention. In addition to these, it has been suggested that Chicago might get in the running and bring an army of ad men to Texas in May. All of these cities are doing the same work as Toronto and San Francisco. They have adopted the same tactics used by the Texas delegation at Boston last August, and which proved so successful. Then when one stops and thinks that all this work and all of this organizing means that the Dallas convention and the tour of Texas is the thing they talk, one can realize a little of the good that is being done for the Lone Star State.

"The value of this publicity can not be estimated. Of course, the articles which appear in newspapers can be and are being clipped and preserved, but the publicity given Texas and the convention by word of mouth can not be recorded, and its value can hardly be estimated at all. Texans who travel in the North and East come back home and tell of the many questions asked them about the convention and about the trip which will be given the delegates over the State. It seems this trip over the State has proven one of the biggest drawing cards of the entire convention, and I expect it to increase the attendance at the convention by more than 1,000. It will prove a happy ending for the meeting, and the good that will accrue to Texas will be manifold."—Dallas News.

Miss Eleanor Lillie left last Friday for Colorado Springs, after spending the winter with her sister, Mrs. R. E. Myers.

TEXAS INDUSTRIAL NOTES.

An extension of the Port O'Connor branch of the Frisco will be finished into Victoria, from Bloomington, within the next thirty days.

Within the last few days, twelve train loads of fruit and vegetables have been shipped from Southwest Texas to Northern markets.

A farmer living near Balmorhea recently took from forty bee hives 1,600 pounds of honey.

Statistics just compiled by the Longview Chamber of Commerce show that something over \$600,000 in public and private improvements were spent during the year 1911.

A conservative citizen of Chicago, who keeps abreast of the times, has predicted that the Texas display at the Chicago Land Show, followed closely by the extreme and continuous cold weather in the North, will result in an investment of not less than \$10,000,000 in Texas this year.

A milling company of Toronto, Canada, has been granted a permit to do business in Texas, with principal offices at El Paso; capital stock, \$500,000.

Work has begun on a series of ten pumping plants, for irrigation, on a farm sixteen miles south of Plainview.

An eight-story re-inforced concrete building, to cost \$175,000, is to be built at Dallas soon.

The owner of a 120,000-acre tract of land near San Angelo will install a system of sub-irrigation on the land, which will be the largest project of its kind in the West.

Seventeen special cars have passed through Houston, to points along the Brownsville line of the Frisco, on the home-seekers' excursion, in the past few days.

It is reported that the Santa Fe railroad will build a new passenger station at Cleburne.

A Truck Growers' Association has been organized at Sinton.

The home-seekers' excursions into Plainview are bringing many prospective buyers to that city.

A tract of land situated four miles northwest of Greenville, consisting of two hundred and thirty acres, was recently sold for \$24,000—something over \$104 per acre.

A Young Men's Business League has been organized at Beaumont.

A Boys' Corn Club and a Girls' Flower Club has been organized at Sweetwater, by R. E. Mann, United States Demonstration Agent for Nolan County.

The Commissioners' Court at Brady has sold \$7,500 road bonds for precinct No. 1. Work on the roads will begin within thirty days.

Nine hundred and sixty acres of land in the southern part of Hale County has recently been purchased by Northern capitalists.

A Boys' Corn Club has been organized in Tom Green County.

One hundred and twenty-five acres of land near Taylor was recently sold for one hundred and sixty-five dollars per acre.

It is reported that the irrigation dam being constructed across the Nueces River on the Black Ranch will be completed within forty days. It will impound enough water to irrigate 15,000 acres of land.

The power house and general offices of the East Texas Traction Company will be located at Greenville.

Community peanut clubs have been formed in various parts of Parker County. The plan is to organize the clubs so that shipments can be made in carload lots.

The several commercial organizations of San Antonio have agreed to merge into a general Chamber of Commerce.

The first carload of sweet potatoes, to be shipped from Raymond station was loaded last week. They were sold to dealers at Beaumont, and brought a fancy price.

THE PLAINVIEW ABSTRACT AND INSURANCE COMPANY,

with W. A. Morter as manager, over the racket store, is now ready to furnish Abstracts, and to write Insurance in the best companies. Mr. Morter is well equipped to manage this company, and their Abstracts will stand the closest scrutiny.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

THE STATE OF TEXAS, County of Hale.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That by virtue of a certain Order of Sale, issued out of the Honorable District Court of Hale County, Texas, on the first day of February, A. D. 1912, by the Clerk of said Court, under a Judgment and Order of Sale, in a certain cause in said Court, No. 609, styled Madge J. Hagan vs. J. W. Peace et al., wherein said Judgment, and in accordance with said Order of Sale, the defendant, C. L. Gilbert, having a prior lien on the property hereinafter described, recovered in said Court a Judgment against the defendants, B. E. Sebastian and F. Faulkner, for the sum of Three Thousand Nine Hundred and Thirty-nine Dollars and Sixty-three Cents (\$3,939.63), with interest thereon from the date of Judgment at the rate of 8 per cent per annum, and costs of suit, and also recovered Judgment foreclosing his Vendor's Lien on the following described property, against the Plaintiff, Madge J. Hagan, and the Defendants, F. Faulkner, J. W. Peace, B. E. Sebastian, Wayne Paxton, and The Powell Land and Lumber Co, a partnership composed of C. B. Powell and J. M. Simmons; and the Plaintiff, Madge J. Hagan, recovered judgment in said Court against the Defendant, J. W. Peace, for the sum of One Thousand Eight Hundred and Sixteen Dollars and Thirty Cents (\$1,816.30), with interest thereon from the 28th day of November, 1911, at the rate of 8 per cent per annum, and costs of suit; and the Defendant, The Powell Land and Lumber Company, the above-described partnership, recovered judgment in said Court in said case, against the Defendant, J. W. Peace, for the sum of Two Thousand Seven Hundred and Twenty-one Dollars and Fifty-seven Cents (\$2,721.57), with interest from the date of judgment at the rate of 8 per cent per annum, with costs of suit, and the Defendant, Wayne Paxton, recovered judgment in said Court in said suit against the said Defendant, J. W. Peace, for the sum of Four Hundred and Eighty-six Dollars and no Cents (\$486.00), with interest from the date of judgment at the rate of 8 per cent per annum, and costs of suit; said Order of Sale having been placed in my hands for service, I, G. A. London, as Sheriff of Hale County, Texas, did, on the 1st day of February, A. D. 1912, levy on certain Real Estate Situated in Hale County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit: 320 acres of land situated in Hale County, Texas, being the West One-half (W. 1/2) of Survey No. TWELVE (12), in Block S. 1, Certificate No. 345; and levied upon as the property of Madge J. Hagan, F. Faulk-

ner, J. W. Peace, B. E. Sebastian, Wayne Paxton, and The Powell Land and Lumber Company, a partnership composed of C. B. Powell and J. M. Simmons.

And that on the first Tuesday in March, A. D. 1912, the same being the Fifth day of said month, at the Court House door of Hale County, Texas, in the City of Plainview, Hale County, Texas, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m., by virtue of said levy and said Order of Sale, I will sell said above-described real estate at Public Vendue for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said Madge J. Hagan, F. Faulkner, J. W. Peace, B. E. Sebastian, Wayne Paxton, and The Powell Land and Lumber Company, the above-described partnership.

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SYNOPSIS.

CHAPTER I.—Consternation is caused on the last night that the Opera is managed by Deshaene and Poligny because of the appearance of a ghost, said to have been in evidence on several previous occasions. Later in the evening Joseph Buquet is found dead, having hanged himself.

CHAPTER II.—Christine Daae, a member of the opera company, is called upon to fill a very important part and scores a great success. Count de Chagny and his brother Raoul are among those who applaud the singer. Raoul tries to see Christine in the dressing room, but is unable to do so and later discovers that some one is making love to her. She emerges alone, and upon entering the room she finds it empty.

CHAPTER III.—While the farewell ceremony for the retiring managers is going on, the Opera Ghost appears and makes the announcement of Buquet's death. Richard and Moncharmin, the new managers, are then informed of the cause in the contract which stipulates that a certain sum shall be paid to the ghost and that box No. 5 shall be reserved for him.

CHAPTER IV.—Box No. 5 is sold with disastrous results. The manager receives a letter from the Opera Ghost calling attention to the error. The box keeper is called in and gives her experience with the ghost.

education and instruction were provided for. She made rapid progress and charmed everybody with her prettiness, her grace of manner and her genuine eagerness to please.

When Valerius and his wife went to settle in France, they took Daae and Christine with them. "Mamma" Valerius treated Christine as her daughter. As for Daae, he began to pine away with homesickness. He never went out of doors in Paris, but lived in a sort of dream which he kept up with his violin. For hours at a time, he remained locked up in his bedroom with his daughter, fiddling and singing, very, very softly. Sometimes Mamma Valerius would come and listen behind the door, wipe away a tear and go downstairs again on tiptoe, sighing for her Scandinavian skies.

Daae seemed not to recover his strength until the summer, when the whole family went to stay at Perros-Guirec, in a far-away corner of Brittany, where the sea was of the same color as in his own country. Often he would play his saddest tunes on the beach and pretend that the sea stopped its roaring to listen to them. And then he induced Mamma Valerius to indulge a queer whim of his. At the time of the "pardons," or Breton pilgrimages, the village festival and dances, he went off with his fiddle, as in the old days, and was allowed to take his daughter with him for a week. They gave the smallest hamlets music to last them for a year and slept at night in a barn, refusing a bed at the inn, lying close together on the straw, as when they were so poor in Sweden. At the same time they were very neatly dressed, made no collection, refused the halfpence offered them; and the people around could not understand the conduct of this rustic fiddler, who tramped the roads with that pretty child who sang like an angel from heaven. They followed them from village to village.

One day, a little boy, who was out with his governess, made her take a longer walk than he intended, for he could not tear himself from the little girl whose pure, sweet voice seemed to bind him to her. They came to the shore of an inlet which is still called Trestraou, but which now, I believe, harbors a casino or something of the sort. At that time there was nothing but sky and sea and a stretch of golden beach. Only, there was also a high wind, which blew Christine's scarf out to sea. Christine gave a cry and put out her arms, but the scarf was already far on the waves. Then she heard a voice say: "It's all right, I'll go and fetch your scarf out of the sea."

And she saw a little boy running fast, in spite of the outcries and the indignant protests of a worthy lady in black. The little boy ran into the sea, dressed as he was, and brought her back her scarf. Boy and scarf were both soaked through. The lady in black made a great fuss, but Christine laughed merrily and kissed the little boy, who was none other than the Vicomte Raoul de Chagny, staying at Lannion with his aunt.

During the season they saw each other and played together almost every day. At the aunt's request, seconded by Professor Valerius, Daae consented to give the young viscount some violin lessons. In this way Raoul learned to love the same airs that had charmed Christine's childhood. They also both had the same calm and dreamy little cast of mind. They delighted in stories, in old Breton legends; and their favorite sport was to go and ask for them at the cottage-doors, like beggars:

"Ma'am . . . or, 'Kind gentleman . . . have you a little story to tell us, please?'"

And it seldom happened that they did not have one "given" them; for nearly every old Breton grandame has, at least once in her life, seen the "korrigans" dance by moonlight on the heather.

But their great treat was, in the twilight, in the great silence of the evening, after the sun had set in the sea, when Daae came and sat down by them on the roadside and, in a low voice, as though fearing lest he should frighten the ghosts whom he evoked, told them the legends of the land of the north. And, the moment he stopped, the children would ask for more.

There was one story that began: "A king sat in a little boat on one of those deep, still lakes that open like a bright eye in the midst of the Norwegian mountains . . ."

And another: "Little Lotte thought of everything and nothing. Her hair was golden as the sun's rays and her soul as clear



Little Christine Asked Her Father if He Had Heard the Angel of Music.

and blue as her eyes. She wheedled her mother, was kind to her doll, took great care of her frock and her little red shoes and her fiddle, but most of all loved, when she went to sleep, to hear the Angel of Music."

While the old man told this story, Raoul looked at Christine's blue eyes and golden hair; and Christine thought that Lotte was very lucky to hear the Angel of Music when she went to sleep. The Angel of Music played a part in all Daddy Daae's tales; and he maintained that every great musician, every great artist received a visit from the Angel at least once in his life. Sometimes the Angel leans over their cradle, as happened to Lotte, and that is how there are little prodigies who play the fiddle at six better than men at fifty, which, you must admit, is very wonderful. Sometimes, the Angel comes much later, because the children are naughty and won't learn their lessons or practice their scales. And, sometimes, he does not come at all, because the children have a bad heart or a bad conscience.

None one ever sees the Angel; but he is heard by those who are meant to hear him. He often comes when they least expect him, when they are sad and disheartened. Then their ears suddenly perceive celestial harmonies, a divine voice, which they remember all their lives. Persons who are visited by the Angel quiver with a thrill unknown to the rest of mankind. And they cannot touch an instrument, or open their mouths to sing, without producing sounds that put all other human sounds to shame. Then people who do not know that the Angel has visited those persons say that they have genius.

Little Christine asked her father if he had heard the Angel of Music. But Daddy Daae shook his head sadly; and then his eyes lit up, as he said: "You will hear him one day, my child! When I am in heaven, I will send him to you!"

Daddy was beginning to cough at that time.

Three years later, Raoul and Christine met again at Perros. Professor Valerius was dead, but his widow remained in France with Daddy Daae and his daughter, who continued to play the violin and sing, wrapping in their dream of harmony their kind patroness, who seemed henceforth to live on music alone. The young man, as he now was, had come to Perros on the chance of finding them and went straight to the house in which

they used to stay. He first saw the old man; and then Christine entered, carrying the tea-tray. She flushed at the sight of Raoul, who went up to her and kissed her. She asked him a few questions, performed her duties as hostess prettily, took up the tray again and left the room. Then she ran into the garden and took refuge on a bench, a prey to feelings that stirred her young heart for the first time. Raoul followed her and they talked till the evening, very shyly. They were quite changed, cautious as two diplomatists, and told each other things that had nothing to do with their budding sentiments. When they took leave of each other by the roadside, Raoul, pressing a kiss on Christine's trembling hand, said:

"Mademoiselle, I shall never forget you!"

And he went away regretting his words, for he knew that Christine could not be the wife of the Vicomte de Chagny.

As for Christine, she tried not to think of him and devoted herself wholly to her art. She made wonderful progress and those who heard her prophesied that she would be the greatest singer in the world. Meanwhile, the father died; and, suddenly, she seemed to have lost, with him, her voice, her soul and her genius. She retained just, but only just, enough of this to enter the conservatoire, where she did not distinguish herself at all, attending the classes without enthusiasm and taking a prize only to please old Mamma Valerius, with whom she continued to live.

The first time that Raoul saw Christine at the opera, he was charmed by the girl's beauty and by the sweet images of the past which it evoked, but was rather surprised at the negative side of her art. He returned to listen to her. He followed her in the wings. He waited for her behind a Jacob's ladder. He tried to attract her attention. More than once, he walked after her to the door of her box, but she did not see him. She seemed, for that matter, to see nobody. She was all indifference, Raoul suffered, for she was very beautiful and he was shy and dared not confess his love, even to himself. And then came the lightning-flash of the gala performance:—the heavens torn asunder and an angel's voice heard upon earth for the delight of mankind and the utter capture of his heart.

And then . . . and then there was that man's voice behind the door—"You must love me!"—and no one in the room.

Why did she laugh when he reminded her of the incident of the scarf? Why did she not recognize him? And why had she written to him? . . .

Perros was reached at last. Raoul walked into the smoky sitting-room of the Setting Sun and at once saw Christine standing before him, smiling and showing no astonishment.

"So you have come?" she said. "I felt that I should find you here, when I came back from-mass. Some one told me so, at the church."

"Who?" asked Raoul, taking her little hand in his.

"Why, my poor father, who is dead."

There was a silence; and then Raoul asked:

"Did your father tell you that I love you, Christine, and that I cannot live without you?"

Christine blushed to the eyes and turned away her head. In a trembling voice, she said:

"Me? You are dreaming, my friend!"

And she burst out laughing, to put herself in countenance.

"Don't laugh, Christine; I am quite serious," Raoul answered.

And she replied gravely: "I did not make you come to tell me such things as that."

"You 'made me come,' Christine; you knew that your letter would not leave me indignant and that I should hasten to Perros. How can you have thought that, if you did not think I loved you?"

"I thought you would remember our games here, as children, in which my father so often joined. I really don't know what I thought. . . . Perhaps I was wrong to write to you. . . . This anniversary and your sudden appearance in my room at the opera the other evening reminded me of the time long past and made me write to you as the little girl that I then was. . . ."

There was something in Christine's attitude that seemed to Raoul not natural. He did not feel any hostility in her; far from it; the distressed affection shining in her eyes told him that. But why was this affection distressed? That was what he wished to know and what was irritating him.

"When you saw me in your dressing-room, was that the first time you noticed me, Christine?"

She was incapable of lying.

"No," she said, "I had seen you several times in your brother's box. And also on the stage!"

"I thought so!" said Raoul, compressing his lips. "But then why, when you saw me in your room, at your feet, reminding you that I had rescued your scarf from the sea, why did you answer as though you did not know me and also why did you laugh?"

The tone of these questions was so rough that Christine stared at Raoul without replying. The young man himself was agast at the sudden quarrel which he had dared to raise at the very moment when he had resolved to speak words of gentleness, love and submission to Christine. A husband, a lover with all rights, would talk no differently to a wife, a mistress who had offended him. But he had gone too far and saw no other way out of the ridiculous position than to behave odiously.

"You don't answer!" he said angrily and unhappily. "Well, I will answer for you. It was because there was some one in the room who was in your way, Christine, some one that you did not wish to know that you could be interested in any one else!"

"If any one was in my way, my friend," Christine broke in coldly, "if any one was in my way, that evening, it was yourself, since I told you to leave the room!"

"Yes, so that you might remain with the other!"

"What are you saying, monsieur?" asked the girl excitedly. "And to what other do you refer?"

"To the man to whom you said, 'I sing only for you! . . . tonight I gave you my soul and I am dead!'"

Christine seized Raoul's arm and clutched it with a strength which no one would have suspected in so frail a creature.

"Then you were listening behind the door?"

"Yes, because I love you. . . . And I heard everything. . . ."

"You heard what?"

And the young girl, becoming strangely calm, released Raoul's arm.

"He said to you, 'Christine, you must love me!'"

At these words, a deathly pallor spread over Christine's face, dark rings formed round her eyes, she staggered and seemed on the point of swooning. Raoul darted forward, with arms outstretched, but Christine had overcome her passing faintness and said, in a low voice:

"Go on! Go on! Tell me all you heard!"

At an utter loss to understand, Raoul answered: "I heard him reply, when you said you had given him your soul. Your soul is a beautiful thing, child, and I thank you. No emperor ever received so fair a gift. The angels wept tonight!"

Christine carried her hand to her heart, a prey to indescribable emotion. Her eyes stared before her like a madwoman's. Raoul was terror-stricken. But suddenly Christine's eyes moistened and two great tears trickled, like two pearls, down her ivory cheeks.

"Christine!"

"Raoul!"

The young man tried to take her in his arms, but she escaped and fled in great disorder.

While Christine remained locked in her room, Raoul was at his wit's end what to do. He refused to breakfast. He was terribly concerned and bitterly grieved to see the hours, which he had hoped to find so sweet, slip past without the presence of the young Swedish girl. Why did she not come to roam with him through the country where they had so many memories in common? He heard that she had had a mass said, that morning, for the repose of her father's soul and spent a long time praying in the little church and on the fiddler's tomb. Then, as she seemed to have nothing more to do at Perros and, in fact, was doing nothing there, why did she not go back to Paris at once?

Raoul walked away, dejectedly, to the graveyard in which the church stood and was indeed alone among the tombs, reading the inscriptions; but, when he turned behind the apse, he was suddenly struck by the dazzling note of the flowers that straggled over the white ground. They were marvelous red roses that had blossomed in the morning, in the snow, giving a glimpse of life among the dead, for death was all around him. It also, like the flowers, issued from the ground, which had flung back a number of its corpses. Skeletons and skulls by the hundred were heaped against the wall of the church, held in position by a wire that left the whole gruesome stack visible. Dead men's bones, arranged in rows, like bricks, to form the first course upon which the walls of the sacristy were being built. The door of the sacristy opened in the middle of that bony structure, as is often seen in old Breton churches.

Raoul said a prayer for Daae and then, painfully impressed by all those eternal smiles on the mouths of skulls, he climbed the slope and sat down on the edge of the heath overlooking the sea. The wind fell with the evening. Raoul was surrounded by icy darkness, but he did not feel the cold. It was here, he remembered, that he used to come with little Christine to see the Korrigans dance at the rising of the moon. He had never seen any,

It was Christine. He tried to speak. She put her gloved hand on his mouth. "Listen, Raoul. I have decided to tell you something serious, very serious. . . . Do you remember the legend of the Angel of Music?"

"I do indeed," he said. "I believe it was here that your father first told it to us."

"And it was here that he said, 'When I am in heaven, my child, I will send him to you.' Well, Raoul, my father is in heaven, and I have been visited by the Angel of Music."

"I have no doubt of it," replied the young man gravely, for it seemed to him that his friend, in obedience to a pious thought, was connecting the memory of her father with the brilliancy of her last triumph.

Christine appeared astonished at the Vicomte de Chagny's coolness:

"How do you understand it?" she asked, bringing her pale face so close to his that he might have thought that Christine was going to give him a kiss; but she only wanted to read his eyes in spite of the dark.

"I understand," he said, "that no human being can sing as you sang the other evening without the intervention of some miracle. No professor on earth can teach you such accents as those. You have heard the Angel of Music, Christine."

"Yes," she said solemnly, "in my dressing-room. That is where he comes to give me my lessons daily."

"In your dressing-room?" he echoed stupidly.

"Yes, that is where I have heard him; and I have not been the only one to hear him."

"Who else heard him, Christine?"

"You, my friend."

"I? I heard the Angel of Music?"

"Yes, the other evening, it was he who was talking when you were listening behind the door. It was he who said, 'You must love me.' But I then thought that I was the only one to hear his voice. Imagine my astonishment when you told me, this morning, that you could hear him too!"

Raoul burst out laughing. The first rays of the moon came and shrouded the two young people in their light. Christine turned on Raoul with a hostile air. Her eyes, usually so gentle, flashed fire.

"What are you laughing at? You think you heard a man's voice, I suppose?"

"Well! . . ." replied the young man, whose ideas began to grow confused in the face of Christine's determined attitude.

"It's you, Raoul, who say that? You, an old playfellow of my own! A friend of my father's! But you have changed since those days. What are you thinking of? I am an honest girl, M. le Vicomte de Chagny, and I don't lock myself up in my dressing-room with men's voices. If you had opened the door, you would have seen that there was nobody in the room!"

"That's true! I did open the door, when you were gone, and I found no one in the room."

"So you see! . . . Well?"

The viscount summoned up all his courage.

"Well, Christine, I think that somebody is making game of you."

She gave a cry and ran away. He ran after her, but, in a tone of fierce anger, she called out: "Leave me! Leave me!" And she disappeared.

Raoul returned to the inn feeling very weary, very low-spirited and very sad. He was told that Christine had gone to her bedroom saying that she would not be down to dinner. Raoul dined alone, in a very gloomy mood. Then he went to his room and tried to read, went to bed and tried to sleep. There was no sound in the next room.

The hours passed slowly. It was about half-past eleven when he distinctly heard some one moving, with a light, stealthy step, in the room next to his. Then Christine had not gone to bed! Without troubling for a reason, Raoul dressed, taking care not to make a sound, and waited.

Waited for what? How could he tell? But his heart thumped in his chest when he heard Christine's door turn slowly on its hinges. Where could she be going, at this hour, when every one was fast asleep at Perros? Softly opening the door, he saw Christine's white form in the moonlight, slipping along the passage. She went down the stairs and he leaned over the baluster above her. Suddenly he heard two voices in rapid conversation. He caught one sentence: "Don't lose the key."

It was the landlady's voice. The door facing the sea was opened and locked again. Then all was still.

Raoul ran back to his room and threw back the window. Christine's white form stood on the deserted quay.

The first floor of the Setting Sun was at no great height and a tree growing against the wall held out its branches to Raoul's impatient arms and enabled him to climb down unknown to the landlady. Her amazement, therefore, was all the greater when, the next morning, the young man was brought back to her half frozen, more dead than alive, and when she learned that he had been found stretched at full length on the steps of the high altar of the little church. She ran at once to tell Christine, who hurried down and, with the help of the landlady, did her best to revive him. He soon opened his eyes and was not long in recovering when he saw his friend's charming face leaning over him.

A few weeks later, when the tragedy at the opera compelled the intervention of the public prosecutor, M. Mifroid, the commissary of police, examined the Vicomte de Chagny touching the events of the night at Perros. I quote the questions and answers as given in the official report pp. 150

et seq. Q. "Did Mlle. Daae not see you come down from your room by the curious road which you selected?"

R. "No, monsieur, no, although, when walking behind her, I took no pains to deaden the sound of my footsteps. In fact, I was anxious that she should turn round and see me. I realized that I had no excuse for following her and that this way of spying on her was unworthy of me. But she seemed not to hear me and acted exactly as though I were not there. She quietly left the quay and then suddenly walked quickly up the road. The church-clock had struck a quarter to twelve and I thought that this must have made her hurry, for she began almost to run and continued from the stalls on the left, they found hastening until she came to the church."

Q. "Was the gate open?"

R. "Yes, monsieur, and this surprised me, but did not seem to surprise Mlle. Daae."

Q. "Was there no one in the churchyard?"

R. "I did not see any one; and, if there had been, I must have seen him. The moon was shining on the snow and made the night quite light."

Q. "Was it possible for any one to hide behind the tombstones?"

R. "No, monsieur. They were quite small, poor tombstones, partly hidden under the snow, with their crosses just above the level of the ground. The only shadows were those of the

crosses and ourselves. The church stood out quite brightly. I never saw so clear a night. It was very late and very cold and one could see everything."

Q. "Are you at all superstitious?"

R. "No, monsieur, I am a practicing Catholic."

Q. "In what condition of mind were you?"

R. "Very healthy and peaceful, I assure you. Mlle. Daae's curious action in going out at that hour had worried me at first; but, as soon as I saw her go to the churchyard, I thought that she meant to fulfill some pious duty on her father's grave and I considered this so natural that I recovered all my calmness. I was only surprised that she had not heard me walking behind her, for my footsteps were quite audible on the hard snow. But she must have been taken up with her intentions and I resolved not to disturb her. She knelt down by her father's grave, made the sign of the cross and began to pray. At that moment, it struck midnight. At the last stroke, I saw Mlle. Daae lift her eyes to the sky and stretch out her arms as though in ecstasy. I was wondering what the reason could be, when I myself raised my head and everything within me seemed drawn toward the invisible, which was playing the most perfect music! Christine and I knew that music; we had heard it as children. But it had never been executed with such divine art, even by M. Daae. I remembered all that Christine had told me of the Angel of Music. The air was The Resurrection of Lazarus, which old M. Daae used to play to us in his hours of melancholy and of faith. If Christine's Angel had existed, he could not have played better, that night, on the late musician's violin. When the music stopped, I seemed to hear a noise from the skulls in the heap of bones; it was as though they were chucking and I could not help shuddering."

Q. "Did it not occur to you that the musician might be hiding behind that very heap of bones?"

R. "It was the one thought that did occur to me, monsieur, so much so that I omitted to follow Mlle. Daae when she stood up and walked slowly to the gate. She was so much absorbed just then that I am not surprised that she did not see me."

Q. "Then what happened that you were found in the morning lying half-dead on the steps of the high altar?"

R. "First a skull rolled to my feet. . . . then another. . . . then another. . . . It was as if I were the mark of that ghastly game of bowls. And I had an idea that a false step must have destroyed the balance of the structure behind which our musician was concealed. This surprise seemed to be confirmed when I saw a shadow suddenly glide along the sacristy wall. I ran up. The shadow had already pushed open the door and entered the church. But I was quicker than the shadow and caught hold of a corner of its cloak. At that moment, we were just in front of the high altar; and the moonbeams fell straight upon us through the stained-glass windows of the apse. As I



"My Heart Gave Way, My Courage Failed Me."

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not let go of the cōar, the shadow turned round; and I saw a terrible death's head, which darted a look at me from a pair of scorching eyes. I felt as if I were face to face with Satan; and, in the presence of this unearthly apparition, my heart gave way, my courage failed me . . . and I remember nothing more until I recovered consciousness at the Setting Sun."

CHAPTER VI.

A Visit to Box Five.

We left M. Firmin Richard and M. Armand Moncharmin at the moment when they were deciding "to look into that little matter of Box Five."

Leaving behind them the broad staircase which leads from the lobby outside the managers' offices to the stage and its dependencies, they crossed the stage, went out by the subscribers' door and entered the

house through the first little passage on the left. Then they made their way through the front rows of stalls and looked at Box Five on the grand tier. They could not see it well, because it was half in darkness and because great covers were flung over the red velvet of the ledges of all the boxes.

They were almost alone in the huge, gloomy house; and a great silence surrounded them. It was the time when most of the stage-hands go out for a drink. The staff had left the boards for the moment, leaving a scene half set. A few days of light, a wan, sinister light, that seemed to have been stolen from an expiring luminary, fell through some opening or other upon an old tower that raised its pasteboard battlements on the stage; everything, in this deceptive light, adopted a fantastic shape. In the orchestra stalls, the druggist covering them looked like an angry sea, whose glaucous waves had been suddenly rendered stationary by a secret order from the storm phantom, who, as everybody knows, is called Adamastor.

MM. Moncharmin and Richard were the shipwrecked mariners amid this motionless turmoil of a calico sea. They made for the left boxes, plying their way like sailors who leave their ship and try to struggle to the shore. The eight great polished columns stood up in the dusk like so many huge piles supporting the threatening, crumbling, big-bellied cliffs whose layers were represented by the circular, parallel, waving lines of the balconies of the grand, first and second tiers of boxes. At the top, right on top of the cliff, lost in M. Lenepveu's copper ceiling, figures grinned and grimaced, laughed and jeered at MM. Richard and Moncharmin's distress. And yet these figures were usually very serious. Their names were Isis, Amphitrite, Hebe, Pandora, Psyche, Thetis, Pomona, Daphne, Clytie, Galatea and Arethusa. Yes, Arethusa herself and Pandora, whom we all know by her box, looked down upon the two new managers of the opera, who ended by clutching at some piece of wreckage and from there stared silently at Box Five on the grand tier.

I have said that they were distressed. At least, I presume so. M. Moncharmin, in any case, admits that he was impressed. To quote his own words, in his Memoirs:

"This moonshine about the opera ghost in which, since we first took over the duties of MM. Poigny and Deblenne, we had been so nicely steeped"—Moncharmin's style is not always irreproachable—"had no doubt ended by blinding my imaginative and also my visual faculties. It may be that the exceptional surroundings in which we found ourselves, in the midst of an incredible silence, impressed us to an unusual extent. It may be that we were the sport of a kind of hallucination brought about by the semi-darkness of the theater and the partial gloom that filled Box Five. At any rate, I saw and Richard also saw a shape in the box. Richard said nothing, nor I either. But we spontaneously seized each other's hand. We stood like that for some minutes, without moving, with our eyes fixed on the same point; but the figure had disappeared. Then we went out and, in the lobby, communicated our impressions to each other and talked about 'the shape.' The misfortune was that my shape was not in the least like Richard's. I had seen a thing like a death's head resting on the ledge of the box, whereas Richard saw the shape of an old woman who looked like Mame Giry. We soon discovered that we had really been the victims of an illusion, whereupon, without further delay and laughing like madmen, we ran to Box Five on the grand tier, went inside and found no shape of any kind."

Box Five is just like all the other grand tier boxes. There is nothing to

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The Opportunity Is Here, Backed by Plainview Testimony.

Don't take our word for it. Don't depend on a stranger's statement. Read Plainview endorsement. Read the statements of Plainview citizens.

And decide for yourself. Here is one case of it: Mrs. L. C. Horne, College St., Plainview, Texas, says: "We got Doan's Kidney Pills at the R. A. Long Drug Co.'s about two months ago, and they were used for kidney trouble. Backache and headaches were common, and there were dizzy spells and a languid feeling. We think there is no other remedy like Doan's Kidney Pills and do not hesitate to recommend them to our acquaintances." (Statement given January 18, 1911.)

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For sale by all dealers. Price, 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agents for the United States.

Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

HANDICAPPED.

Parson Burnett, of The Hope Press, takes two columns to give his opinion of the scoundrel who poisoned his dog. Such are the ministerial handicaps that prevent the use of condensed English that would have expressed the same thing in ten lines. It is rather a matter of doubt whether a preacher ought to be allowed to run a gasoline engine or own a dog. If the engine balks or some murderer poisons the best friend, how is he going to talk about it in language that the rest of the folks can understand?—Roswell Register-Tribune.

NEW WAGON YARD.

I have opened up a new wagon yard in Plainview, located on the block east of the public square, and solicit the patronage of all my old customers, as well as the new.

Have nice, roomy stalls and will give special attention to boarding horses. Hay, grain and all kinds of feedstuff bought and sold. Call and see me.

TEXAS WAGON YARD.

A. L. Lanford, Prop. Phone 457.

Mr. J. A. Frogge, of Albany, Ky., is here renewing old acquaintances. Mr. Frogge was here for a time two years ago in the employ of the Wright Grocery Company. Mr. Frogge made many friends while here who will be glad to know that he has decided to make this his home in the future.

LAND FOR EXCHANGE.

Several East Texas and Oklahoma farms to trade for land in Hale County. See

E. E. WINN REALTY CO., Plainview, Texas.

J. D. Kendrick, of Rule, has been spending some days in this city, looking after his farming interests near this town. He acts like he wants to move back, and, if he will submit to a dipping, we move that he be allowed to return. He has a mighty fine farm to come to.

LUBBOCK.

Lee Cowan returned Monday from Stephenville, where he had been to attend the funeral of his brother, Solan, who died, in that city, the latter part of last week.

O. E. Patterson this week ordered his paper changed from Lubbock to Haskell, his future home. Mr. Patterson is now associated with the Farmers' National Bank of that city as assistant cashier.

Whether at home or abroad, always speak a good word for the town in which you live. It will surprise you what an added respect for the town you will have after you have followed this rule for a short while.

L. B. Wright, who has just returned from a business trip to Rosebud, stated to an Avalanche representative this week that the conditions in and around Rosebud were very much closer than they are in this country. We do not know what "hard times" are in this country.

The First National Bank moved their fixtures into their new building Saturday, after banking hours, and are now doing business in their new quarters. Their new fixtures and furniture have not arrived, and they are making out with the old equipments pending the arrival of the new, which, by the way, is very elaborate, and will add greatly to the interior of the building.—Avalanche.

The Linotype Way is the Only Way. The Herald does it the linotype way.

The Herald for Job Printing.

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH.

Sunday morning, at 11 o'clock, we will consider "The Christian's Business"—a subject of vital concern to every Christian. Sunday evening's services will be especially in the interests of the young people. The subject "Whom to Follow" will be presented in a practical and helpful way. Sunday school meets at 10 a. m. Join our study of this great lesson.

Junior B. Y. P. U. meets at 3 p. m. Ladies Aid and Mission Society meets Monday with Mrs. S. Thompson at 3 p. m. Scripture lessons; Mark 6, 34-58. Mrs. Pool, leader.

Cordial welcome for all. C. R. HAIRFIELD, Pastor.

PARENT-TEACHERS' MEETING.

The "Parents' and Teachers' Association" will hold their usual monthly meeting on Friday, January 16, from 4 to 5 o'clock in the afternoon. The following program will be rendered:

Paper—Mrs. S. W. Meharg. Reading—Miss Lena Williams. Music. "Athletics and Athletic Grounds"—Prof. Bruce.

Musical Medley—Misses Gwendolyn and Adrienne Hanby.

We desire to impress upon the mothers of Plainview the importance of these meetings. Superintendent Cousins, of the Canyon Normal, said: "It is of the greatest importance for parents and teachers to know each other—the mental and moral development of the child being the greatest object of both."

A most cordial invitation is extended to all.

ANOTHER COMANCHE RETURNS.

Dr. J. B. Hall arrived Sunday from Plainview. He secured a suit of rooms in the New Davenport building, on Depot Street, where he will practice dentistry. Dr. Hall was a citizen of our town many years, and he has a host of friends here who gladly welcome him and his estimable family back to Comanche.—Comanche Pioneer Exponent.

Dr. Hall had lived here for several years. He is a good dentist, and did a lot of good work here. He and his estimable family have made many friends here, who are sorry that the Doctor's health would not allow him to remain at this altitude.

JUDGMENT FOR \$15,000.

In an Amarillo court last week Mrs. J. J. Suiter and children were granted judgment against the Santa Fe Railway Company for \$15,000. This suit was brought about by the death of the husband and father, who was struck by a moving train in the Amarillo yards.

The Suities lived in this city for several years and have many friends here, who sympathized with them in their loss, and who feel that the judgment is just.

500 STEERS SOLD.

H. E. McCabe, of the south part of the county, last week sold to Landegrin Brothers, of Vega, Texas, 500 head of three- and four-year-old steers. We understand that the price paid was \$48.00 per head. These steers were a part of the 1,000 head that Mr. McCabe bought from the Spring Lake ranch in 1911, and which he has been wintering on his place near Abernathy. They have stood the winter well, and the \$48.00 per head giving him a nice little margin on the profit side of the ledger.

NOTICE TO LAND OWNERS.

I have a modern home, well located, and 40 acres, improved, near Baptist College, to trade for a well improved half-section, or will trade either for a quarter-section.

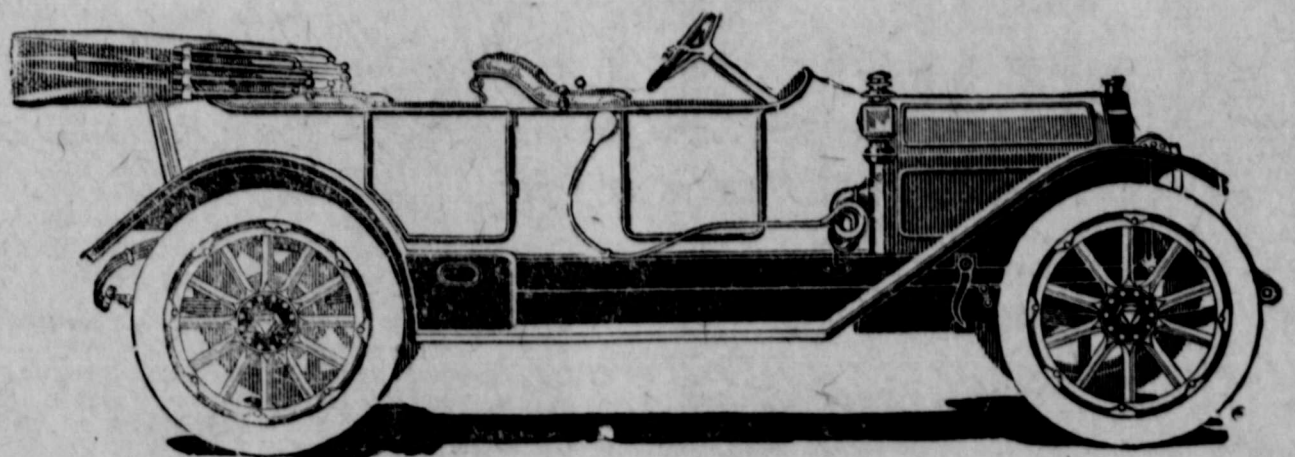
See me if you want to sell, buy or exchange Land or City Property. T. W. SAWYER.

Mr. E. C. Fullingem, who lives near Seth Ward College dropped in on us yesterday for a little chat. He landed on these great ballies some thirty years ago, punched cattle for the Matadors, and still hunted the long horn before a barbed wire fence had ever been stretched to mar the beauty of this vast level prairie. But he is not one who bemoans the passing of the cowboy or deplors the advent of the man with the hoe. He has always considered the changes as inevitable, and rejoices in the evidences of more progress in the future developments of this great garden spot, the erstwhile great American desert, of the not very ancient geographers.

WANTED—To list a few good farms for sale or exchange; merchandise to trade for land. C. L. WELLS, Tulla, Texas.

There are many fine trees on our streets—nearly all doing well—but yet there are many vacancies that should be planted early.

IT IS HERE



1912 Torpedo—\$1600 Complete

Come and See the Self Starting 1912 HUDSON "33"

Practically every self-starter thus far produced has been thoroughly tested by Howard E. Coffin and his Board of Engineers.

The one you see here is the only one the industry's first designer would approve for use on the HUDSON "33."

It proved to be the most reliable of all the many inventions of the many types that were examined. In thousands of tests it started the motor 98 per cent of the times by the mere turning of a valve and the pressure of a button.

This is much better than was the showing of any other self-starter tried.

The HUDSON "33" was left for a week in a cold storage room. The temperature was below freezing, but the motor instantly responded to the operation of the starter.

This means the end of the one objection that has been made against gasoline motors. The danger of cranking is over.

The superiority of this above all other starters is its absolute surety to give a perfect mixture, not affected by any temperature.

There is nothing complicated—it has only a dozen parts. It is not heavy—the weight is less than four pounds. In thousands of tests it started the motor 98 per cent of the time.

Next year all leading automobiles are bound to be equipped with self-starters.

Why not have such an equipment on the car you buy now? If you don't yours will be out of date next season. Sooner or later only the old models will be cranked from the front. It will seem odd then to see a man start his car that way.

Think of the satisfaction you will have now with this feature of the HUDSON "33."

You will confidently seat yourself at the wheel and, in response to a simple operation, the motor will start.

It will attract the admiration and envy of every automobile owner whose car must be started in the old way by cranking.

It is another feature of exclusive distinction, quite as gratifying as is the pleasure that all HUDSON owners derive from the fact that they can glide silently up to the curb without attracting the attention of those near by—so quiet is the car's operation.

Compare this with the noise and alarm created by other cars.

The self-starter on the HUDSON "33" removes the last objection women have to driving a gasoline car.

Demountable Rims Also Necessary

About the hardest, most disagreeable work about an automobile—and usually it comes in the most inconvenient places—is changing tires.

Not so when you have Demountable rims. The extra inflated tire can be substituted in a few minutes for a flat tire. There is no labor—nothing is difficult. There is no delay.

No other type of tire rim will be acceptable on any dependable car in the future. Why accept a car that hasn't this equipment now? It makes your automobiling so much more satisfactory. It will make your car so much more salable if you ever wish to dispose of it.

Still Greater Reasons for Its Being a Hudson

But there are still other reasons more vital why you should prefer a HUDSON "33."

The item of simplicity is important. There are 900 fewer parts than are used on the average automobile.

Compare the chassis with the chassis of other cars.

Note the absolute accessibility of the HUDSON "33." See how clean and free it is from rods, springs and intricate connections.

Unless you are a judge of automobile values you may not fully understand that accessibility means low cost of up-keep. If vital parts are placed out of easy access by the intricacies of design and construction, it means just that much extra trouble in making adjustments and repairs.

No car is quieter in operation. That comes from perfect design. It remains quiet through months of service. That is due to good workmanship. There is all the power you need for the hills that any automobile will make—all the flexibility required for any traffic conditions, and a smooth, vibrationless operation similar to that experienced in most automobiles only when they are coasting down hill.

You can appreciate these conditions only by test. You must ride in cars of different makes and in the HUDSON "33" to understand what this means.

In 1911, we built the best car then at the price. But we have progressed. Our men have greater skill. Many new refinements have been developed. They all make for a better car—for longer service—for completeness. They cost us more, but, with all included, the car to you is less than was the 1911 model with fore-door and similar equipment.

Don't you think it wiser to buy a car in which quality advancement has been made rather than to choose an automobile that has not been increased in value?

Thing also of the disadvantage of owning a car designed after the practice of three years ago. Engineers have advanced far. The ideals of that day are practically obsolete now. The HUDSON "33" is the one advanced car of the past three years.

Other Great Engineers Also Helped

The 1912 HUDSON "33" is the product of Mr. Coffin, plus the assistance of the staff of most experienced and largest number of engineers employed by any one manufacturer. Each—a specialist—has had experience that the others have not had. Each knows something the others do not know. These men spent months with the 1911 car. Then Mr. Coffin received their criticisms and recommendations. All was weighed against the combined experience and ingenuity of all members of the staff.

Can you imagine a more complete development? Nothing basic was changed. But still the '12 is different. It is the finished product of many men—the ablest in the industry.

Don't you think it better to see the HUDSON "33" NOW?

The Price Complete With Self Starter Is Less Than Was Charged for Last Year's Model

There are four 1912 HUDSON "33" models: A Touring Car, Torpedo and Roadster—all with fore-doors—and a Mile-a-Minute Roadster.

This year all models are listed with complete equipment, including Disco self-starter, five Demountable rims, four 34 x 4-inch tires, except on the Mile-a-Minute Roadster, which are 32 x 4 inches, magneto, full set of lamps, black enamel, Prest-O-Light tank, genuine mohair top, glass windshield, license number holders, foot and robe rails, tools, tool box on running board, tire repair outfit. The price is the same for each model—\$1600, f. o. b. Detroit.

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