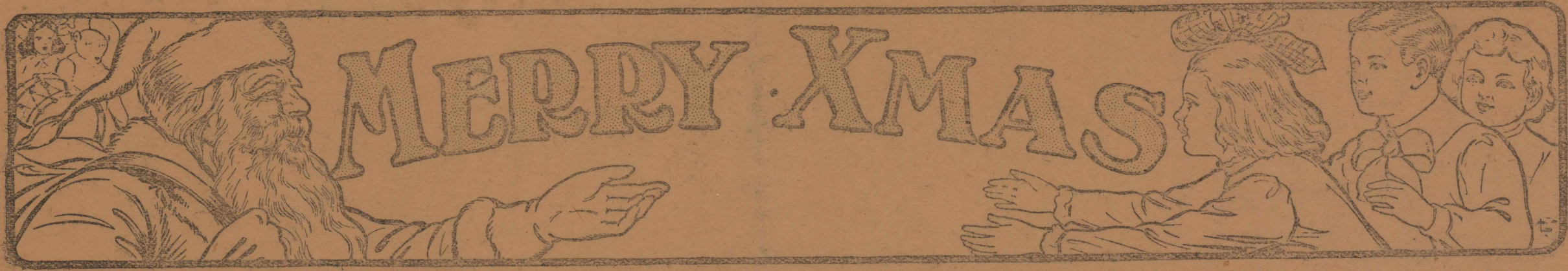


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**Christmas Celebration.**

At a mass meeting of Sonora citizens Monday afternoon held at the First National Bank, to arrange for the celebration of the Christmas holidays. Dr. J. S. Allison called the meeting to order and Mike Murphy was elected secretary.

The opinion of the large crowd present at this meeting was that Sonora should put on a big show—“make it last three days” and to expedite matters appointed a general committee composed of the following: Theo. Savell, J. S. Allison, E. F. Vander Stucken, E. S. Briant, W. L. Aldwell and Mike Murphy.

The chair at the request of the meeting appointed W. L. Aldwell, chairman and, Mike Murphy, secretary of this general committee and the meeting designated that the duties of the general committee was to get together as soon as possible, arrange programme and appoint other committees.

This has been done and Sonora is going to have three days celebration commencing with a Christmas tree at the Court House, Christmas Eve, Baby show, Basket Ball, Dance and Racing for three days.

There will also be a show of general live stock and the judges selected are among the best.

The committee selected to make a success of the entertainment are: Finance; J. S. Allison, Theo. Savell, E. H. Martio.

Christmas Tree: Dr. J. F. Peak, B. M. Hsibert, Jno. A. Ward, Walter Davis. This committee has full authority to appoint or select such other additional committees as they may desire.

It is expected that a good live stock show may be held this season and special care was taken in the selection of the judges.

In the cattle department are named as judges G. W. Stephenson, Don Cooper, Walter Whitehead.

Sheep and Goats; A. F. Clark, J. S. Bond, C. F. Adams, H. P. Allison, J. N. Ross.

Horses; D. J. ...  
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**Could Scent For Joy.**  
“I want to thank you from the bottom of my heart,” wrote O. E. Rader, of Lewisburg, W. Va., “for the wonderful double benefit I got from Electric Bitters, in curing me of both a severe case of Stomach trouble and of rheumatism, from which I had been and am almost helpless sufferer for ten years. It cured my case as though made for me.” For dyspepsia, indigestion, jaundice, and to rid the system of kidney poisons that cause rheumatism. Electric Bitters have no equal. Try them. Every bottle is guaranteed to satisfy. Only 50 cents at Nathan's Pharmacy. Advertisement.

Think about it and make your arrangements so that you will be at Sonora for Christmas. One evening and three days of enjoyment. Christmas trees at Court House and three days good racing, basket ball baby show, livestock show, poultry exhibit and a general good time for all. Tell every body about it. Don't forget the dates, 24 for the Christmas tree and the balance follows. There will be something doing all the time and the band will play “Everybody is Doing It” “What Becomes of Rustie” and “Helen,” etc.

**For Sale Cheap.**  
A good \$150 buggy and \$20 set of single harness for sale cheap, See J. A. Hagerland.

**For Sale—I offer my house and lot situated in Sonora at a reasonable price for cash, if purchased at once. For further particulars, address.**

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**Notice to Trespassers.**  
Notice is hereby given that all trespassers on my ranch 21 miles south of Sonora for the purpose of cutting timber, hauling wood, working live stock, hunting hogs or injuring fences, without my permission, shall be prosecuted to the limit of the law.  
D. B. CUSENBARY,  
Sonora, Texas.

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**Eleven Rules For Health.**

**Good Air.**—Avoid badly ventilated, badly lighted, dusty, dirty, overheated, crowded or damp rooms.

**Avoid House Dust.**—Breathing dust, notably house dust, often causes disease. Have no tacked down carpets or matting; use rugs, not attached to floor, and clean them frequently in the open air. Lower the upper windows when sweeping or dusting; keep the lower windows down. Never sweep with a broom, that raises dust.

**Pure Water.**—Drink pure water; avoid water from shallow or unprotected wells and from ponds and streams. When in doubt boil the water. Shun public drinking cups.

**Safe Milk and Cream.**—Tuberculosis, typhoid fever and other diseases are often caused by drinking dirty, raw milk or cream. Investigate your dairyman. Pasteurize the dealer with clean up date method.

**Keep Clean.**—Take a tub bath or sponge bath every day. A warm bath should be followed by a cool shower. Use soap freely. Wash your hands before handling food. Don't put fingers, money, paper or pencil in your mouth. Don't bite your finger nails. Clean your teeth morning and evening.

**Food.**—Don't eat raw food which has been exposed to flies or dust or touched by unclean hands. Fruit or vegetable should be rinsed or washed thoroughly with pure water before eaten raw. Chew your food well.

**Sleep.**—Get enough sleep. The average adult requires not less than eight hours of sleep. Sleep with the bedroom windows open, or, better still, sleep outdoors.

**Head Up.**—Sit and stand erect. Practice deep breathing. Breathe through your nose.

**Exercise.** Take plenty of outdoor exercise. Avoid excess in athletics—it may cause heart trouble. Don't eat or drink while overheated from exercise.

**Colds.**—Don't neglect cough or cold. If you do not recover as quick as you should, see a doctor, or go to a dispensary for advice or treatment. Never cough, sneeze or breathe into another person's face. Don't spit on floor, sidewalk or street cars.

**Sunshine.**—Permit sunshine to flood your homes and admit it into your life. Cultivate cheerfulness and kindness—it will help you to resist disease. Your state of mind has much to do with your state of health.—Chicago Post.

**BUCKLEN'S** IS THE ONLY GENUINE **ARNICA SALVE**

**Parcels Post.**

Parcel Post regulation have been finally approved by Postmaster General Hitchcock. The Washington correspondent for the New York World says: Under the regulations as drawn, practically all farm and factory products will be admitted to the parcel post under the general limitations as to size and weight. All matter now third class will not be permitted in the parcel post mails. The third class includes books, circulars and all printed matter. Its debarment from the parcel post will make this class of matter pay a much higher rate than ordinary merchandise. Under previous classifications all matter tending to have educational value has been favored in the mails. Seeds, cuttings, bulbs, roots, scions and plants will be permitted in the parcel post mails under regulations as to size and weight applicable to other parcel post packages, but at the rate of postage of one cent for two ounces of fraction, thereof, regardless of distance. Distinctive parcels post stamps must be used on all fourth class matter, including that weighing four ounces and less. Such matter bearing ordinary postage stamps will be treated as held for postage. A parcel not more than three feet six inches in length to may measure as much as two feet six inches in girth or around its thickest part. A shorter parcel may be thicker, thus: If it measures no more than three feet in length it may measure as much as three feet in girth or around its thickest part. Measurements will be made by means of a six foot tape line furnished to postmaster by the department. So much of the tape as is not used in measuring the length is the measure of the maximum girth permissible. Parcels will be mailable only at postoffices, branch postoffices, lettered and local named stations and such numbered stations as may be designated by the postmaster, or when presented to a rural or other carrier duly authorized to receive such matter. All parcels must bear the return card of the sender, otherwise they will not be accepted for mailing. Parcels will be delivered at all free delivery offices and to patrons residing on rural and star routes; they may be registered and may be accorded special delivery service on payment of the usual fees, and they may be insured against loss in an amount equivalent to their actual value, but not to exceed \$25, on payment of a fee of five cents.

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**Community Loyalty to the  
Newspaper Man.**

When will citizens of the towns of our country learn the importance of appreciating their interdependence? Until they do, and are willing to "return good" at least for good, to each other, they can not hope to prosper as they should either individually or collectively. Can you remember Mr. Ayrag-Townsmen, when you were pleased and elated to send copies of your county paper to your friends, because of a mention of your son's graduation in the high school of your town, and his good fortune in obtaining a responsible and lucrative position, on his merits, as recorded by your faithful newspaper man?

You felt generously complimented. Did your appreciation prompt you to do anything in return, more than pay your one dollar subscription? Again when something not very complimentary to your town occurred, how kindly the editor of the county paper obscured the details, loyal to his townsmen and his town?

Did you, when the same editor asked for some special patronage, a few dollars in advertising perhaps, tell him with an indifferent air that you didn't think his paper could do much good? If you did you are several kinds of an ingrate, but you are also just Mr. Ayrage Townsmen who doesn't seem to think that an editor is susceptible of any of the pleasant bias inherent that polite people indulge in.

And you too Mr. Dease Townsmen, when you go to the well furnished, comfortable churches or opera house of your town; do you realize that these inestimable social privileges are the result of the united effort and sacrifice of your fellow townsmen, and that the editor was ready at all times to advocate and advertise their progressive endeavors?

An editor is supposed to be an

optimist. At least his paper must indicate confidence in the prosperity and general superiority of his town if he is possessed with the true spirit of journalism. But unless his fellow townsmen, especially the business men are also imbued with the faculty of spotlighting, he is utterly handicapped. They must be united in their efforts to give the newspaper substantial support, and also treat the editor as a respected fellow worker. Then may they justly expect that he will advertise good citizens, good schools, prosperous churches and things that go to make a town a desirable place of residence thus benefiting more or less every inhabitant and enhancing the value of all properties.—Industrial Press.

**Famous Stage Beauties**  
Look with horror on skin eruptions, blotches, sores or pimples. They don't have them, nor will any one, who uses Bucklen's Arnica Salve. It glorifies the face. Eczema or Salt Sores vanish before it. It cures sore lips, chapped hands, chilblains; heals burns cuts and bruises. Unequaled for piles. Only 25 cents at Nathans Pharmacy.

Latta and Willoughby the latter part of last week closed out their entire holding in cows, the bunch consisting of about 850 head, to W. C. Barron. Twenty-four sections of the Llano School land was also leased by the above to Mr. Barron for a short time.—Standard.

Will Word is back from his investigation of the farming belt of North Texas and Oklahoma. He did not get the farm he wanted and came back to take care of some ranchmans kidding camp at which he is an expert. Will has had experience with a riot and as the question had frequently been discussed while he was in the News office he took particular notice of the device which the News has advocated for so many years. He tells of Mr. Laney having one that weighs 200 tons a cost of \$500.

Every family has a need of a good, reliable liniment. For sprains, bruises, soreness of the muscles and rheumatic pains there is none better than Chamberlain's. Sold by all dealers. A17.

**Speak Gently to the Telephone.**

It is one of the commonest as well as one of the most amusing of human idiosyncrasies to imagine that the louder one shouts into the transmitter of a telephone the more perfectly and comfortably does the sound reach the person at the other end. Great numbers of people who in the ordinary affairs of life are tranquil and soft tone, will habitually yell into a telephone receiver as if they were rooting for a home team. These are, perhaps, the same people who think that he who has not the remotest knowledge of English grasp it without difficulty if only it is shouted at him loudly enough. The theory that prompts vociferousness in the one case is as false as that which prompts it into the other. If he understands a little English, he can best make out what another is saying to him when the other is calm. If he understands English very well, he will appreciate whatever is said to him all the more if it is not said in the key at which one usually hails a boat 300 yards off shore on a windy day.

It is the same way with a telephone. If it is entirely out of order there is no more use of yelling at the end of one's voice into the receiver than there would be in hallooing at the moon. If it is not working very well, this can be overcome by patience strongly reinforced with clear enunciation. If it is working properly, the person at the other end can hear most distinctly when the tone employed is that used in ordinary conversation among decent people.

The telephone director that may be found wherever there is a telephone contains in its introduction a half page or so of very good advice to telephone users. All telephone users should read this half page or so at least once every three months, or until there is no longer any reason for doing so. It is intended to be helpful to those who may at any time be at either the transmitter or at the receiver, as well as to those who may be in the same room, the same house, or the same block with the person who thinks the receiver is expected and improved by loud talking. However, it all amounts to this, that if one desires to obtain the minimum of annoyance in the use of this marvelously useful invention, one will speak gently to it and to all those

who may speak to one through it, whether it be the "wrong number," "central," the acquaintance you don't wish to hear from, or the person for whom you have been calling the last half hour.—Christian Science Monitor.

When you have a cold get a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It will soon fix you up all right and will ward off any tendency toward pneumonia. This remedy contains no opium or other narcotic and may be given as confidently to a baby as to an adult. For sale by all dealers.—Adv.

Gus Caruthers was up from the D. K. McMullan ranch Monday.

Subscriptions taken at the News office for all magazines or papers.

Ray Glasscock was in Sonora Tuesday buying Christmas presents for some of his friends.

Sid Gilbert was in from his ranch about 18 miles south of Sonora Tuesday trading.

Mrs. W. H. Gardner of Roosevelt was visiting relatives in Sonora Tuesday.

Judge James Cornell of Sonora presided as special District Judge at the regular session of District Court at Rock Springs this week.

W. T. Harris formerly of Rock Springs but who is now pasturing his sheep near Fort Stockton was in Sonora Tuesday on his way to Rock Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Emsley were in from the Frank Thompson ranch in Schleicher County Friday, shopping.

When your feet are wet and cold, and your body chilled through and through from exposure, take a big dose of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, bathe your feet in hot water before going to bed, and you are almost certain to ward off a severe cold. For sale by all dealers.—Adv.

County Clerk J. D. Lowrey had a letter from Dr. A. L. Taylor in which he mentioned that he had twin boys about 11 months old and doing fine. The doctor is in the real estate business at Artesia, N. M. Had those boys been born in Sutton county he might have won the prize at the baby show to be held at Sonora Dec. 26, with them.

**Pioneer Cattle Passes Away.**

Died, Tuesday morning at six o'clock, R. F. Tankersley, aged 83 years, 9 months and 21 days.

Thousands of homes in Concho and in all West Texas today are mantled with the shadow of a great loss, the pall of a stupendous bereavement. R. F. Tankersley is dead! The brave old pioneer, patriarch and friend, the dotting father, generous neighbor, the patriot and pathfinder, of the Conchoes has crossed the Great Divide and now rest with the immortals who have gone before.

R. F. Tankersley was the first to settle with his family on the upper Conchoes having migrated to this section in 1864—forty eight years ago. For a number of years Rich C. Coffee who lived at the mouth of the Concho, sixty miles away, was his nearest neighbor. On Dove Creek, a tributary of South Concho river, and 18 miles from the present site of San Angelo, he established a typical pioneer home. The location was directly in the path of the Adache and Comanche but with a tireless vigilance and a courage sublime, he defied their incursions, defended his home, subdued the wilderness, raised a large family of sons and daughters, each of whom has reached an exalted sphere of usefulness, and having finished his course, at the advanced age of four score and three years he is gathered home to his fathers. A lengthy sketch of this venerable pioneer's life and service on the frontier will appear at an early date in the Standard.—San Angelo Standard.

**Drives Off A Terror.**

The chief executioner of death in the winter and spring months is pneumonia. Its advance agents are colds and grip. In any attack by one of the maladies no time should be lost in taking the best medicine obtainable to drive it off. Countless thousands have found this Dr. King's New Discovery. "My husband believes it has kept him from death three or four times," writes George W. Place, Rowson, Vt., "and for coughs, colds and croup we have never found it equal." Guaranteed for all bronchial affections. Price 50 cents. \$1.00. Trial bottle free at all Pharmacies.

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# A MERRY CHRISTMAS

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CORNER DRUG STORE has Useful, Pretty and Handsome Presents for

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### More Oaklands Arrive.

Two more of the handsome 42 Oakland automobiles arrived in Sonora Friday. One is for W. A. Miere and the other for Oscar Appelt. In the shipment was also a four passenger Hupmobile for Arthur Stuart. They came over land from Dallas with banners flying and advertising the fact that they were sold by W. L. Aldwell, agent at Sonora.

Mr. and Mrs. El Glascock were in Sonora shopping Tuesday.

Ferd Sparks left for Kansas City Monday to spend the holidays with his folks.

Dr. and Mrs. Robibeaux left on Thursday for Rocksprings where the doctor will remain a few days.

W. B. Billiman lawyer and banker of Eldorado was in Sonora on professional business this week.

Miss Bettie Eastland of Mercedian Miss, arrived in Sonora Thursday on a visit to her brother H. Eastland.

L. H. Fader proprietor of the Elder Hotel at Eldorado was a business visitor in Sonora this week.

Rosco Morris returned from a trip to the Wardlaw & Glascock on the Pecos Wednesday where he

Ray, F. B. Buchanan, 28, singing elder of San Angelo will be in Sonora, Dec. 21 to hold the Quarterly at Sonora Station. The vice will be Saturday Dec. 21. Everybody cordially

Miss Maggie Pfister has a position at Vander Stucken's.

All of West Texas has had general rains and snow. The country has been particularly fortunate and the prospects for winter are much brighter.

Go to Nathan's Pharmacy for your Xmas goods or anything you need in his line, and get those coupons that are given with every 10c purchase.—Adv.

Judge and Mrs. James Cornell, Mrs. M. M. Parkerson and Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Cope left on Sunday for Rocksprings. They went by way of the Stuart ranch and had some experiences. Mrs. Cornell remained at the Arthur Stuart ranch for a short visit. The rest of the party reached Rocksprings Monday night.

Remember: Whether you buy Drugs, Candies, Jewelry, Xmas goods or Cigars at Nathan's Pharmacy don't fail to ask for the coupons that are given with every 10c purchase. They entitle the holder to a chance at a \$15 gift or \$10 in cash.—Adv.

G. W. Whitehead & Son, Val Verde county shippers, sold 232 clipped mixed sheep, average 75 pounds, at \$3.90.—Fort Worth Livestock Reporter.

### Tough

"Well, whatnow?" he muttered. "You know Miss Green never without her music!" "She's brought her music," said the Press.

Tom Sandhers was up from the Dunbar ranch Friday trading.

Curt Allison came down from San Angelo Tuesday to see his folks.

Marque Balch is painting and paper hanging the Sonora Restaurant this week.

Sam Holland of Eldorado is visiting his sons Will and Tom this week.

L. J. Wardlaw returned from his Pecos County ranch Friday and says things are looking very well out there.

At Nathan's Pharmacy you will find the most extensive Xmas line ever shown in Sonora. The prices are remarkably low.—Adv.

H. A. McDonell the painter who has been down on the Appelt ranch for some time, was in Sonora this week on business.

Mrs. Hollie McGonagill is expected home Monday from her visit to Mineral Wells. Her sister Mrs. Covington will remain for a few days visit to relatives at Lampasas.

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### Christmas Celebration.

In all races four to enter and three to start.

Christmas afternoon 1 1/4 mile dash free for all for purse of \$100. First horse \$75, 2nd \$15, third saves entrance fee of \$10.

Dec. 26—Second Day. Cow Pony race for Sutton County horses only: 300 yards dash for purse of \$55— First \$40, 2nd \$10 and third saves entrance fee of \$5.

Dec. 27—Third day 1-1/4 mile dash—free for all—except the winner of the first days' race Purse \$100 first \$75, second \$15 third \$10 entrance fee \$10.

Stock Shows—Each morning of the 25, 26 and 27.

Best Durham Bull any age \$5  
Best Hereford Bull any age \$5  
Best Bull any breed any age \$5

Sheep—Best buck any age \$5  
Best Ewe any age \$2. Best Pen of one buck 5 ewes and 5 lambs owned by one man—\$5

Angora Goats—Best Billie any age \$5. Best Mangle any age \$2  
Best pen of 1 billie 5 Nancies and 5 kids—\$5 owned by one person.

Entrance for any individual animal in stock show 50c

Entrance for all groups 50c.

Entrance fee for Best Bull any breed \$1.00

All stock will be judged on 26 and 27.

Baby Show—will be at Court House on 26 at 10:30 am. Sutton Co. Finest looking baby 12 months or under, 1st prize \$5 2nd \$2 3rd \$1, entrance free.

Basket Ball Game, open to all girls attending school in Sutton and adjoining counties. Any team entering must be of girls attending one school. First game will be played afternoon of 26th purse \$20 for winning team. If more than two teams enter the contestants will draw for position and winner of first game play the team drawing the other place.

### Foils a Foul Plot.

When a shameful plot exist between liver and bowels to cause distress by refusing to act, take Dr. King's New Life Pills and end such abuse of your system. They gently compel right action of stomach, liver and bowels, and restore your health and all good feelings. 25 cents at Nathan's Pharmacy.

Advertisement  
Everybody's Doing It. But Sonora Does It All The Time. Three Days Dec. 25, 26, and 27.

### Edward W. Wall.

Died at his ranch home 25 miles south east of Sonora on Saturday night December 7 1912. E. W. Wall, age 64 years.

The death was very sudden as deceased had been out hunting that afternoon and did not complain until after supper and before assistance could be summoned he was dead.

Owing to the condition of the roads and for lack of conveyance the body did not arrive in Sonora until nine o'clock Sunday night. The body was taken to the Decker Hotel and from there at 11:30 a. m. Monday, the Masons conducted the burial services.

The pall bearers being: J. J. North, E. H. Martin, C. E. Stites, Arthur Simmons, J. E. Grimsland, T. B. Adams. Will Holland was master of ceremonies and about 20 Masons escorted the remains of one of the Charter Members of the De Ora lodge to the Sonora cemetery where interment was had.

Deceased was a pioneer, not only of Sutton but of West Texas. Wall's well known in G. W. Morris' pasture 6 miles west of Sonora was named after him. In his early days he was a hunter and trapper and found corn growing in the Sonora country from seed dropped from the hunters' moral. He was a good citizen, was county commissioner for several years and although a man of unostentatious manner read a great deal.

He is survived by his widow and seven children most of whom were present at the funeral.

The News extends its sympathy to the family in their sorrow.

"I had been troubled with constipation for two years and tried all of the best physicians in Bristol, Tenn. and they could do nothing for me," writes Thos. E. Williams, Middletown, Ky. "Two packages of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets cured me." For sale by all dealers. Adv.

Born at Meridian on Thursday December 5, to Mr. and Mrs. Gert Mayfield of Sonora a boy.

J. A. Ogden who ranches 18 miles west of Sonora sold his mohair in San Angelo for 30 and 32 cents a pound.

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Dock Word who ranches about 20 miles west of Sonora was a business visitor in town several days this week.

Will Perry returned last week from East Texas where he had been with Ruby Davis with a bunch of mules and horses.

Go to Nathan's Pharmacy for your Xmas goods or anything you need in his line and get those coupons that are given with every 10c purchase.—Adv.

L. D. Sparks of Wichita, Kansas, arrived in Sonora Tuesday, and will enjoy himself on the Sparks ranch about 17 miles east of Sonora a few weeks.

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Sonora, Texas. - December 14, 1912.

**BRITAIN'S CROWN JEWELS.**

There is Little Danger These Days of  
Them Being Stolen.  
The British crown jewels are  
guarded in the Tower of London.  
At great cost the section of the  
tower wherein these famous gems  
are kept has been made impregnable  
against all robbers.

At a given signal all the gates  
and doors of the tower would be  
instantly closed and that by the  
simple pressing of a button. Pat-  
rols are placed in the governor's  
room at Scotland Yard and at other  
points known only to a few respon-  
sible officers. Even the massive  
gates of the middle tower, which  
weigh several tons, may be closed  
by electrical process in order that  
no one within the tower may pass  
out. At the same time there would  
ring an alarm bell to warn the ward-  
ers, police and soldiers to prepare  
themselves for any emergency.

In other days several attempts  
were made to steal the crown jewels.  
A Colonel Blood actually succeeded  
in getting possession for a time of  
the crown and scepter of the United  
Kingdom. This he did by over-  
powering and binding the keeper.  
The latter, however, contrived to  
raise an alarm and, help arriving  
from an unexpected quarter, Blood  
was pursued and overtaken, but not  
before he had got clear of the pre-  
cincts of the building with his  
precious booty.

It was this attempt that led to  
the adoption of an elaborate sys-  
tem of precautions to guard the jew-  
els. There is a special military  
guard of picked men, who receive  
a countersign that is changed  
every four hours. In addition,  
aside from the electric alarm sys-  
tem mentioned above, there is a  
rigid system of visiting patrols, etc.

The most valuable of the jewels  
are secured by a massive iron grating,  
the keys of which are held by the  
lord chamberlain, out of whose  
custody they are supposed never to  
pass. Curiously enough, this appar-  
ent superfluity of caution once  
nearly resulted in the destruction  
of the entire collection by the great  
fire that threatened the tower in  
1841. The flames had attacked the  
jewel house itself before the keeper  
succeeded, with the aid of a crow-  
bar, in forcing an admission to the  
house, so he might hand out the  
jewels to the firemen and police in  
waiting.—New York Press.

**Laconic.**

As Napoleon was one day pass-  
ing in review of some of his troops  
he came in front of an old and  
faithful officer, who, perhaps from  
want of brilliancy on the man's  
part, had never been advanced be-  
yond the grade of captain, though  
he was well enough known to the  
emperor. The emperor was passing  
at a slow trot. As he came directly  
in front of the old captain the offi-  
cer saluted and said loudly, but  
without any apparent movement of  
the muscles of the face:

"Fifteen campaigns, private, cap-  
tain!"  
And the emperor, without turn-  
ing his head or slackening his pace,  
said:  
"Colonel, brigadier, baron!"  
Then he was gone. There had,  
indeed, been no time for a word  
more than had been passed, but  
these had sufficed for the captain  
to communicate a long story and a  
reproachful complaint and for the  
emperor to set matters right with a  
military and social promotion.

**A Mystery of the Sea.**

There are a host of vessels which  
have not been heard of since they  
sailed, but one of the most marvel-  
ous stories concerns the Marie Ce-  
leste, a French passenger sailing  
ship. She was sighted by the British  
ship Highlander on Oct. 4, 1875,  
and in reply to the signals gave the  
usual answer of "All's well." Two  
days later when sighted she did  
not reply. She was boarded, but  
not a living or dead person was  
found on board. Everything was in  
perfect order, luncheon was laid in  
the saloon, the personal belongings  
of the passengers and crew were in-  
fact, and a bottle of medicine was  
found upright on the captain's  
locker. The log had been kept  
down to the previous day, but there  
was no entry to account for the  
mysterious disappearance of all on  
board. Nothing was heard after-  
ward of any of the passengers and  
crew.

**The Superior Attraction.**

One of the two women who sat  
near the front of the car had been  
to the theater the night before to  
see a certain beautiful actress.  
"How does she hold her age?"  
eagerly asked the one who had not  
been.  
"Well, to tell you the truth, Mam-  
mie, she wore such a lovely pink  
dress that I couldn't take my eyes  
off it the whole time she was on  
the stage, so I never thought of  
looking at her face to see whether  
she held her age or not. I should  
say she did, though."—New York  
Press.

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Notice is hereby given that I  
trespassers on my ranch known as  
the Lost Lake ranch 12 miles  
south east of Sonora, and other  
ranches owned and controlled by  
me, for the purpose of cutting  
timber, hauling wood or hunting  
hogs without my permission, will  
be prosecuted to the full extent  
of the law.  
A. P. CLARKSON  
Sonora, Texas.

**Notice to Trespassers.**

Notice is hereby given that all  
trespassers on my ranch east of  
Sonora for the purpose of cutting  
timber, hauling wood or hunting  
hogs without my permission, will  
be prosecuted to the full extent of  
the law.  
W. J. WILDS

**Notice to Trespassers.**

Notice is hereby given that I  
trespassers on my ranch 6 miles  
south of Sonora, for the purpose  
of cutting timber, hauling wood or  
hunting hogs without my permis-  
sion, will be prosecuted to the full  
extent of the law.  
J. L. Evans

**Notice to Trespassers.**

Notice is hereby given that I  
trespassers on my ranch 12 miles  
south of Sonora for the purpose  
of cutting timber, hauling wood or  
hunting hogs or fishing without my  
permission, will be prosecuted to  
the full extent of the law.  
O. T. WORD  
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**Notice to Trespassers.**

Notice is hereby given that I  
trespassing on our ranch 25  
miles southeast of Sonora for the  
purpose of hauling cutting timber,  
hauling wood, hog hunting, work-  
ing live stock, injuring our work-  
ing live stock, or other fences or any  
trespassing upon us will be pro-  
secuted to the full extent of the law.  
E. F. & A. Vander Stucken

**Notice to Trespassers.**

Notice is hereby given that all  
trespassers on the T half circle  
ranch, also called the Sol Mayer  
ranch west of Sonora, for the pur-  
pose of hunting, cutting timber,  
hauling wood, without our per-  
mission will be prosecuted to the  
full extent of the law.  
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**A SENTENCE OF DEATH.**

Tragic and Pathetic Climax That Came  
In a Murder Trial.

"One of the most tragic scenes  
I ever witnessed," said an aged law-  
yer, "occurred in a small town. The  
judge was a man of sixty or more,  
and in addition to a most venerable  
and dignified appearance and man-  
ner he was the saddest faced man  
I ever saw. He had come to our  
town ten or a dozen years before  
from the east, and we know little  
of him except that he was an able  
lawyer and jurist and that his wife,  
who was the only other member of  
his family, and himself had some  
great sorrow.

"One night our town was all torn  
up by a robbery and murder and  
the capture of the killer and thief  
almost in the act. For a wonder  
he wasn't lynched then and there,  
but he wasn't, and as soon as day-  
light came proceedings were insti-  
tuted against the prisoner, and I  
was appointed, with another young-  
ster, to defend him.

"Really there wasn't any defense,  
and I was frank enough to tell him  
that he might be thankful if we  
could save him from a lynching. He  
was a stranger in the town, evidently  
led there by some stork he had  
heard of an old miser we had among  
us, and was a man of perhaps thirty-  
three or thirty-four, with a most  
unprepossessing appearance, greatly  
accentuated by a week's growth of  
rough whiskers, years of dissipation  
and hard living. In those days and  
in such cases the law's delay was  
not much in force, and by 6 o'clock  
of the second day the prisoner was  
standing before the judge to receive  
sentence. As he stood there that  
day a harder looking customer I  
think I never saw.

"Have you anything to say why  
sentence of death should not be  
pronounced upon you?" said the  
judge after all the preliminaries  
were over.

"I have, your honor, if you are  
to pronounce that sentence," replied  
the prisoner with an air of almost  
impertinence. "At least, he added,  
half apologetically, 'possibly under  
the circumstances you might not  
care to pronounce it.'

"This was entirely out of the ordi-  
nary, and I touched my client on  
the arm and was about to remind  
him of the customs of the court  
when the judge requested me to  
leave the prisoner to him.

"Will you be kind enough to ex-  
plain?" he said in a strangely ex-  
cited tone.

"Well, your honor," responded  
the prisoner without a quiver of  
voice, "as I'm your only son."  
"But the judge heard no more.  
It was evident that he knew the  
prisoner was telling the truth, for,  
with a groan, he threw up his hands  
and fell forward across the desk  
in front of him, dead, a little stream  
of blood trickling from his lips. The  
excitement was terrific, and in the  
midst of it the prisoner dashed  
through a window and would have  
escaped, but a timely shot from a  
rifle in the hands of a man on the  
outside settled him forever. And,  
best of all, his mother never knew.  
She lingered a few months after her  
husband's death, and the entire  
population of the town considered  
it to be a sacred obligation to lie to  
her about the whole affair."

**"Hoodlum."**

In San Francisco some years ago  
there was a notorious character  
named Muldoon, who was the leader  
of a gang of young ruffians. They  
were a terror to the community and  
about as tough a lot of citizens as  
you could find on the coast. A re-  
porter who had been assigned to a  
story in which they had figured un-  
dertook to coin a word designating  
the gang. He reversed the name of  
the leader and referred to them as  
"hoodlums." The compositor mis-  
took the 'n' for an 'h', and as hood-  
lums the words passed the proof-  
reader. "Hoodlum" is a recognized  
word.—Pittsburgh Dispatch.

**The Unit of Heat.**

We cannot, of course, measure  
heat by yards, pints or pounds, but  
the unit of heat, the standard mea-  
sure of that phenomenon, has been  
agreed upon by those whose busi-  
ness it is to philosophize on that  
subject to be that quantity which  
can raise a pound of water one de-  
gree. Now, to turn a pound of wa-  
ter into a pound of steam requires  
967 of these units of heat—that is  
to say, if we boil a pound of water  
until it all goes away in steam we  
shall have used in doing so a quan-  
tity of heat which would have raised  
967 pounds of water one degree  
higher in temperature.

**On the Safe Side.**

They had been engaged for full  
thirty minutes.  
"I have a surprise in store for  
you, Alfred, dear," she said, "I  
can cook as well as I can play the  
piano."  
"That being the case, darling,"  
he replied, "it will be well for us  
to board."

The quicker a cold is gotten rid  
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monia and other serious diseases.  
Mr. B. W. M. Hall, of Waverly,  
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the market for colds. I have re-  
commended it to my friends and  
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"I had been troubled, a little, for nearly 7 years," writes  
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not taken down, until March, when I went to bed and had  
to have a doctor. He did all he could for me, but I got no  
better. I hurried over, and I could not rest. At last, I took  
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