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No. 4684 REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF
THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK
AT CROCKETT, IN THE STATE OF TEXAS, AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS, MAY 1, 1915.

RESOURCES.			
1. a Loans and Discounts (notes held in bank)		\$492,933 69	\$492,933 69
Total loans			
3. a U. S. bonds deposited to secure circulation (par value)	100,000 00	100,000 00	100,000 00
Total U. S. bonds			
4. / Securities other than U. S. bonds (not including stocks) owned unpledged	386 21	386 21	
Total bonds, securities, etc.			
5. Subscription to stock of Federal Reserve Bank	\$12,000 00		
a Less amount unpaid	6,000 00—	6,000 00	
6. Banking house, \$10,000 00; furniture and fixtures, \$		10,000 00	
8. Due from Federal Reserve Bank		7,496 25	
9. a Due from approved reserve agents in New York, Chicago and St. Louis	11,822 07		
b Due from approved reserve agents in other reserve cities	24,967 52—	36,089 59	
10. Due from banks and bankers (other than included in 8 or 9)		25,078 60	
13. a Outside checks and other cash items	789 55		
b Fractional currency, nickels, and cents	565 85—	1,355 40	
14. Notes of other national banks		4,720 00	
Lawful money reserve in bank:			
16. Total coin and certificates		16,062 75	
17. Legal-tender notes		3,975 00	
18. Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (not more than 5% of circulation)	5,000 00—	5,000 00	
Total		\$709,699 49	
LIABILITIES			
1. Capital stock paid in		\$100,000 00	
2. Surplus fund		100,000 00	
3. Undivided profits	\$ 18,989 71		
Less current expenses, interest, and taxes paid	8,070 78—	10,917 93	
4. Circulating notes	100,000 00—	100,000 00	
7. Due to banks and bankers (other than included in 5 or 6)		2,263 49	
9. Demand deposits:			
a Individual deposits subject to check	306,630 61		
b Certificates of deposit due in less than 30 days	5,870 00		
c Cashier's checks outstanding	3,187 50—	317,688 11	
10. Time deposits:			
a Certificates of deposit due on or after 30 days	78,829 96—	78,829 96	
Total		\$709,699 49	

State of Texas, County of Houston, ss:
I, M. P. JENSEN, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 7th day of May, 1915.
DAN P. CRADDOCK, Notary Public.

Correct—Attest:
M. P. JENSEN, Cashier.
H. F. MOORE,
JAS. S. SHIVERS,
ARCH BAKER,
Directors.

News from Daniel.

Most of the farmers have the greater part of their crops planted, but owing to so much rain they are expecting to plant some of it over. Some seem despondent while others are willing to brave bad conditions, thinking more favorable things are close at hand.

School closed at this place May 7. A nice little programme was rendered by the school pupils Saturday night, May 8. The patrons and visitors can't praise the teacher, Mrs. Davis, enough. It was shown through her exercises what a capable and intelligent teacher she has made throughout the year. We can say that her efforts to better the community were those of the best. Mrs. Davis has the school another term.

Among those visiting the school exercises and relatives in the community are:

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Winfree and children of Crockett visiting Mr.

Hugh Rhoden.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hill and children, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Turner visiting their father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Glenn.

Mrs. Herman Griffin and children spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr. C. L. Griffin and family.

Mrs. Ben West and children of Crockett spent Sunday at her brother's, Mr. Roscoe Hill.

Weyman Adair of Crockett was a pleasant visitor at the home of Mr. R. D. Thompson.

Mrs. Rad Calhoun of Crockett spent Sunday with Mrs. Blaylock. A Subscriber.

Whooping Cough.

"About a year ago my three boys had whooping cough and I found Chamberlain's Cough Remedy the only one that would relieve their coughing and whooping spells. I continued this treatment and was surprised to find that it cured the disease in a very short time," writes Mrs. Archie Dalrymple, Crooksville, Ohio. For sale by all dealers. Adv.

The Unlucky Thirteen.

There were thirteen convictions at the spring term of the district court just closed—thirteen unlucky ones—as follows:

Will Randall, cow theft; four years with suspended sentence.

Oliver Calhoun, boot legging; one year.

Sol Hopkins, hog theft; two years. Robert Andy, attempt to rape; two years.

Joe Williams, murder; five years. Fred Whitting, horse theft; two years.

Pat Gilder, hog theft; two years with sentence suspended.

Dick Wilbourne, murder; four years.

E. J. Jackson, murder; two years. Clarence Defee, forgery; five years with suspended sentence.

Peter Smith, rape; ten years. John Burnes, boot legging; three years.

There were three acquittals as follows:

Pas Colter, hog theft; not guilty. John Davis, arson; not guilty.

Jim Warfield, burglary; not guilty.

The above are the cases that were tried. There were other cases, some of them having been on the docket for a number of years, that were dismissed because the witnesses were either dead or had left the country.

A Texas Grave Robber.

An armadillo, an animal common in Mexico and west Texas, but uncommon in east Texas, was caught last week by a negro near the Trinity bottoms, brought to Crockett and sold. The negro said that the overflow drove the animal out of the bottoms and that he "caught him just like he would a possum." The buyer was the snake-show man here last week, who paid 50 cents for his purchase. Both buyer and seller seemed to be satisfied. The snake man added the armadillo to his list of attractions, calling his new attraction the "Texas grave robber." A number of armadillos have been killed or captured near Crockett during the last few years. They burrow in the ground in daytime and venture out at night to catch bugs and worms. In west Texas and Mexico the flesh of an armadillo is considered palatable and good food. When drawn up into their shells they very much resemble a guinea.

Wants the Double Sheet.

A friend writes the Courier as follows: "Recently I have received only one sheet of the Courier and I miss the other. I hope hard times have not hit the Courier. Hurry up and send the double sheet for I miss it." It was the Trinity river overflow that hit the Courier last week and caught it short of paper—caught a shipment on the other side of the river. However, the shipment has arrived and there is now plenty of paper on hand for all purposes.

On October 8, 1914, The Cranford Drug Company, of Alba, Texas, phoned to The Eucaline Medicine Company at Dallas, the following:

"Express us One Dozen Admire Tonic Sarsaparilla, and ship us by freight Five Dozen more." Alba people have been using Admire Tonic Sarsaparilla for ten years. They know that it stops Chills and Fever promptly, relieves the system of Malaria and prifies the blood when it is disordered from Malaria Poison. Price \$1.00 per bottle. Ask for it.

For sale by Crockett Drug Co.

Prominent Citizen Passes Away.

Mr. W. V. Clark, lately of Mineral Wells, but formerly of Crockett, died Sunday in a Dallas sanitarium, where he had gone for special treatment. The remains were sent to Mineral Wells Monday, and on Tuesday started to Crockett, reaching here Wednesday morning on the 9:55 train. Wednesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock funeral services were held from the residence of John A. McConnell and interment followed in Glenwood cemetery. Mr. Clark was one of the old-timers in Crockett and Houston county, having been in the mercantile business here for many years. On account of failing health he retired from business a few years ago and moved with his family to Mineral Wells. His condition had continually grown worse until the end came as above announced.

Clyde Mainer Dead.

The remains of Clyde Mainer were laid to rest at Lovelady Tuesday afternoon. Mr. Mainer was born and reared at Lovelady, where he married and where he lived until a few years ago, when he moved to Mineral Wells on account of failing health, a restoration of which was never accomplished. The remains reached Lovelady Tuesday morning from Mineral Wells. His wife was a daughter of D. S. Williams, formerly of Lovelady also, but who has been associated with his son-in-law in business at Mineral Wells since leaving the home town. But for his failing health, Mr. Mainer would have been in the prime of life. Numerous relatives and friends are left to mourn his early demise.

Highest aim is quality. It Relieves, Purifies and Strengthens. Take Admire Tonic Sarsaparilla when your blood is out of order and your system needs strengthening. Take Admire Tonic Sarsaparilla when you are troubled with Malaria and are having Chills and Fever. Admire Tonic Sarsaparilla stops Chills and Fever promptly, relieves the system of Malaria, Purifies the Blood and restores Vitality to the weakened body. Price \$1.00 per bottle. Ask for it. For sale by Crockett Drug Co.

No. 163 OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF THE FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE

Crockett State Bank AT CROCKETT.

State of Texas, at the close of business on the 1st day of May, 1915, published in the Crockett Courier, a newspaper printed and published at Crockett, State of Texas, on the 13th day of May, 1915:

RESOURCES.			
Loans and Discounts, personal or collateral		\$114,002 25	
Loans, real estate		35,093 60	
Overdrafts		24 08	
Real Estate (banking house)		9,589 80	
Furniture and Fixtures		3,069 60	
Due from Approved Reserve			
Agents, net	\$25,536 28—	25,536 28	
Cash Items	\$ 205 30		
Currency	6,500 00		
Specie	5,534 35—	12,329 65	
Interest in Depositors Guaranty Fund		2,351 62	
Other Resources as follows: Assessment in State Guaranty Fund		226 63	
Total		\$222,696 32	
LIABILITIES.			
Capital Stock paid in		\$ 50,000 00	
Surplus Fund		25,000 00	
Undivided Profits, net		7,001 21	
Due to Banks and Bankers, subject to check, net		16,490 51	
Individual Deposits, subject to check		77,221 31	
Time Certificates of Deposit		46,359 29	
Total		\$222,696 32	

State of Texas, County of Houston.
We, W. H. DENNY as president, and D. O. KIESSLING as cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.
W. H. DENNY, President.
D. O. KIESSLING, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 11th day of May, A. D. 1915.
OLIVER C. ALDRICH,
Notary Public, Houston County, Texas.
Correct—Attest:
W. A. NORRIS,
B. L. SATTERWHITE,
GEO. W. CROOK,
Directors.

Card of Thanks.

To our Crockett friends, "the best people on earth," we desire to extend our thanks for the interest, sympathies and many kindnesses rendered us in our hour of great sorrow, in the loss of our loved one, W. V. Clark. Could he have expressed himself he would have said: "They will do everything in their power to help you bear your sorrow." His father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Mayes, will feel grateful toward you all. On behalf of our entire family, we thank you and love you, one and all.
Mrs. W. V. Clark.
Ernest E. Clark.

No. 8742 REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF
THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK
AT LOVELADY, IN THE STATE OF TEXAS, AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS MAY 1, 1915.

RESOURCES.			
1. a Loans and discounts (notes held in bank)		\$ 62,331 22	\$ 62,331 22
Total loans			
2. Overdrafts, secured, \$	unsecured, \$272.91	272 91	
3. a U. S. bonds deposited to secure circulation (par value)	6,250 00	6,250 00	
Total U. S. bonds			
5. Subscription to stock in Federal Reserve Bank	\$1,900 00		
a Less amount unpaid	949 96—	950 01	
6. Banking house, \$	furniture and fixtures, \$1,858.00	1,858 00	
8. Due from Federal Reserve Bank		1,003 63	
9. a Due from approved reserve agents in New York, Chicago, and St. Louis	563 31		
b Due from approved reserve agents in other reserve cities	6,148 09—	6,711 40	
10. Due from banks and bankers (other than included in 8 or 9)		110 25	
11. Checks on banks in the same city or town as reporting bank		64 95	
13. b Fractional currency, nickels, and cents	98 22—	98 22	
14. Notes of other national banks		1,235 00	
Lawful money reserve in bank:			
16. Total coin and certificates		3,914 65	
17. Legal-tender notes		1,100 00	
18. Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (not more than 5% on circulation)	312 50—	312 50	
Total		\$ 86,232 74	
LIABILITIES.			
1. Capital stock paid in		\$ 25,000 00	
2. Surplus fund		5,250 00	
3. Undivided profits	\$4,271 76—		
Reserved for taxes	4,371 70		
Less current expenses, interest, and taxes paid	1,000 42—	2,768 34	
4. Circulating notes	6,250 00—	6,250 00	
9. Demand deposits:			
a Individual deposits subject to check	35,406 47		
b Cashier's checks outstanding	34 72—	35,441 19	
10. Time deposits:			
a Certificates of deposit due on or after 30 days	11,524 21—	11,524 21	
Total		\$ 86,232 74	

State of Texas, County of Houston, ss:
I, W. H. COLLINS, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 11th day of May, 1915.
W. H. COLLINS, Cashier.

Correct—Attest:
J. O. MONDAY,
H. H. LARUE,
G. L. MURRAY,
Directors.

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AND FEED FROM ME

And SAVE MONEY

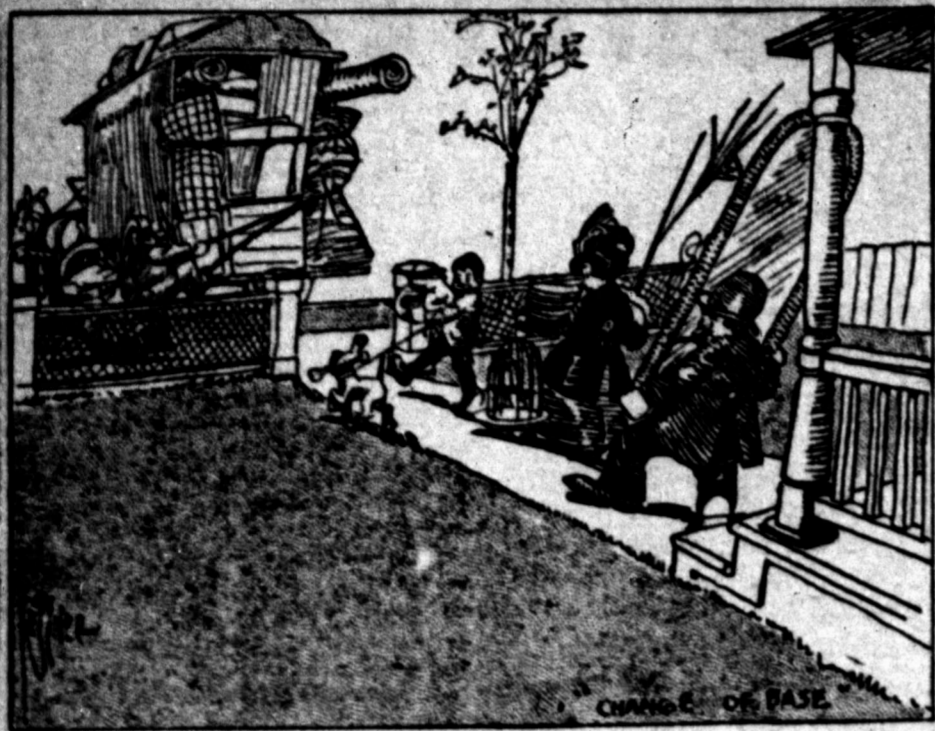
- Best grade White Cooking Oil, per gallon.....65c
- 10-lb. Bucket best Compound Lard.....90c
- Dry Salt Bacon, per pound.....10 1/2c
- Best Wrapped Bacon, per pound.....16c
- Best Hams, per pound.....17c
- 10-lb. Bucket best Pure Leaf Lard.....\$1.25
- 14 1/2 Pounds best Granulated Sugar.....\$1.00
- 7 Pounds best Roasted Coffee.....\$1.00
- East Texas Pure Ribbon Cane Syrup, gallon can.....50c
- Louisiana Beauty Syrup, gallon can.....40c
- Best High Patent Flour, per sack.....\$1.25
- Pure Millrun Wheat Bran, per sack.....\$1.57 1/2
- Five gallons best Coal Oil.....50c
- Seven bars Clairette Soap.....25c

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"The Farmers' Friend"

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WAR SIDELIGHTS



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CARNEGIE HERO MEDALS FOR ACTS OF BRAVERY

Fifty-Two Awards Made—Three Texans Are in List—Gold, Silver and Bronze Medals.

Pittsburg, Pa.—At the spring meeting of the Carnegie hero fund commission Friday fifty-two acts of heroism in many sections of the country were recognized. In two cases, gold medals were awarded; in fourteen cases silver medals, and in thirty-six bronze medals.

Ten of the heroes lost their lives, and to the dependents of four of these pensions aggregating \$2,740 a year were granted; to the dependents of five of the others who lost their lives sums totaling \$2,500, to be applied, subject to the direction of the commission, in various ways, were granted. In addition to these money grants in thirteen cases sums aggregating \$25,000 were appropriated for educational purposes, payments to be made as needed and approved; and in twenty-nine cases awards aggregating \$30,500 were made to be applied toward the purchase of homes and to other worthy purposes. Payments in these cases will not be made until the beneficiaries' plans for the use of the award have been approved by the commission.

The awards for Texans were as follows:

Emmet V. Headlee, Teague, aged 13; saved William L. Fielder from drowning, May 12, 1913.

Albert May, Franklin R. Ramsey, Henry Berger and Albert E. Worley of Bryan, and Charles M. Watson of Shreveport, La., all awarded silver medals in connection with the attempt to save several persons from flood of the Brazos river at Pittsburg, Texas, December 7, 1913.

Texas Corporations Chartered.

Austin, Tex.—Chartered this week: Bastrop Oil and Gas Company of Bastrop; capital stock, \$50,000.

Home Oil Company of Taylor; capital stock, \$25,000.

First Climax Oil Company of Taylor; capital stock, \$24,000.

The German-Thrall Oil and Gas Company of Taylor; capital stock, \$25,000.

Mutual Oil and Gas Company of Taylor; capital stock, \$25,000.

Thrall-Six-Well Oil Company of Thrall; capital stock, \$75,000.

Thrall-Success Oil Company of Thrall; capital stock, \$25,000.

Northeast Oil Company of Temple; capital stock, \$50,000.

Crockett Oil Company of Thordale; capital stock, \$15,000.

Ford Oil Company of Temple; capital stock, \$10,000.

Temple-Thrall Petroleum Company of Thrall; capital stock, \$10,000.

Wil-Tex Oil Company of Taylor; capital stock, \$25,000.

Thrall City Oil Company of Taylor; capital stock, \$20,000.

Bid is Made for V. Huerta.

Laredo, Tex.—When District Attorney Valls communicated with Carranza military commander of Nuevo Laredo this week and asked that William Bridgeforth, a negro said to be wanted in Zavalla county for killing John Joy, be turned over to Texas officers, who would pay a reward of \$500, the military commander responded that he did not want the reward but would surrender the negro if the district attorney would reciprocate. The reciprocation referred to was that United States authorities surrender to the Mexican government Victoriano Huerta, for whom the Mexican government would pay a reward of \$25,000.

TEXAS WOMAN'S CHRISTIAN TEMPERANCE UNION MEETING

Mrs. Wannie Webb Curtis of Waco is Retained as President—Resolutions Passed, Etc.

Houston, Tex.—Mrs. Nannie Webb Curtis of Waco was unanimously re-elected president of the Texas Woman's Christian Temperance Union at the concluding session of the thirtieth annual convention of that organization Friday.

Other officers were elected as follows: Mrs. J. W. Brewer of Fort Worth, re-elected vice president; Mrs. Claudia Hightower, Fort Worth, re-elected corresponding secretary; Mrs. Charles E. Webb, Houston, re-elected recording secretary; Mrs. B. A. Whitley, Tustin, re-elected treasurer; Mrs. Ira Robinson Gilbert, secretary Loyal Temperance Union.

The task of selecting the meeting place will devolve upon the midyear board, which will meet probably about the middle of summer. Invitations were received from Houston Heights, Wichita Falls, Ennis, El Paso, San Antonio, Galveston and Abilene.

Delegates to the National Anti-Saloon convention which will be held at Atlantic City were appointed as follows: Mrs. Nannie Webb Curtis and the president of each district union in Texas and one delegate at large.

A number of resolutions were passed, among them one urging the members to send the poll tax list of their counties to Congressman R. P. Hobson at Washington with the request that he send them a copy of his speech "The Destroyer."

\$50,000 Sprinkling Plant.

Sugarland, Tex.—What is said to be one of the largest contracts for sprinkler equipment ever placed in the South was placed this week by the Imperial Sugar Company of Sugarland, Texas. The cost of this installation will be in excess of \$50,000 and will provide additional fire protection for nearly \$2,000,000 worth of property.

Women to Help Women.

Washington.—Woman labor problems as they arise in the immigration service are to be worked out by a woman. President Wilson Friday by executive order waived the civil service requirements and appointed Mrs. Lucy Jones Harris of Morganfield, Ky., to take up the work in the labor distribution branch of the service in New York.

Kron Prinz Wilhelm Interns.

Washington.—Lieutenant Captain Thierfelder, commander of the German commerce raider Kron Prinz Wilhelm, Monday informed Collector of Customs Hamilton at Newport News, Va., that he would intern his ship for the war in American waters.

The commander presented this note: "Herewith I have to officially inform you that I intern."

Arkansas Women Honored.

Muskogee, Okla.—Arkansas was awarded the flag of merit of the women's auxiliary of the Southern Commercial Congress Thursday as being the State in the South that has accomplished most toward civic improvement in the last year.

Buy Cattle for Indians.

Washington.—Cato Sells, commissioner of Indian affairs, has completed the purchase of 12,000 head of 2-year-old heifers and 2-year-old bulls of Hereford stock for use on Indian reservations, the total bill for which is about \$600,000.

NATIONS ENGROSSED IN NAVAL ACTIVITIES

SINKING OF MERCHANTMEN AND SMALL WAR CRAFT HOLDS ATTENTION OF WORLD.

SITUATION IN DARDANELLES

The Allied Land Forces Have Entrenched Themselves in the Dardanelles in Preparation of Advance Against Turks.

Latest News From the Front.

Naval activities have come to the forefront again in the campaign. The American oil tank steamer Gulflight, bound for a French port, has been torpedoed off the Sicily islands; the French steamer Europe was sent to the bottom near Bishops rock; the British steamer Fulgent was sunk by a submarine off Skellig rocks.

A German submarine has sunk the British torpedo boat destroyer Recruit in the North Sea. Two German torpedo boats sunk the trawler Colombia, seventeen fishermen being drowned, and were in turn pursued and sunk by British destroyers. Two German officers and forty-four men were rescued by the destroyers.

The French have bombarded the entrenched camp of Metz and announced that their fires have proved efficacious against one of the forts, the barracks and the railways nearby.

The French occupation of the summit of Hartmanns Weilerkopf is confirmed in a dispatch from a correspondent who has just returned to Paris from a visit to the French positions there. The entire hill has been devastated as a result of the desperate fighting which has been going on there for weeks.

German forces to the southwest of Mitau, capital of Courland, and their operations in the Baltic provinces seemingly have taken the Russians off their guard.

Both Russians and Austrians claim successes in the Carpathians, while in Poland the fighting that is now in progress has shown no decisive advantage for either side.

The British war office announces that twenty-six men of the British fleet were killed and fifty-three wounded in the landing operations against the Dardanelles, between April 25 and April 30. An unofficial dispatch from Athens says that 4,000 French troops were landed on the Asiatic side, but returned to their transports after the purpose for which they were intended—supporting the occupation of certain points by the British—had been accomplished.

A white paper has been issued by the British government embodying reports tending to show that the drink habit is having a very serious effect on the output of war munitions and repairs to the warships and transport service.

The Dardanelles is the central point of interest. The British and French landing forces, according to the brief reports from the British war office, have succeeded in securing a firm foothold on the Gallipoli Peninsula and on the Asiatic side of the strait. These expeditionary forces are said in some quarters to number 85,000 men, but it is hardly considered likely that this number has yet been put ashore. The southern section of the peninsula has been occupied and entrenched and a steady, though probably slow, advance is being made.

Russians again have taken the offensive against the Turkish invaders of Persia and have driven them from the border town of Kotur.

A hostile aircraft—whether a Zeppelin or an aeroplane is not known—raided Ipswich, England, early Friday morning. Several bombs were dropped.

There has been marked activity on the part of airmen for several days past. A squadron of allied aviators has made a raid on Friedrichshafen and one of them dropped six bombs on the Zeppelin hangars. The nature of the damage is not known, but one of the hangars is said to have caught fire.

French aviators have dropped bombs on the stations at Bollweller, Chambley, Arnville and a railway junction in Alsace-Lorraine as well as on the station, the bridge and factory at Leopoldshohe in Baden.

The French cruiser Leon Gambetta has been torpedoed by the Austrian submarine U-5 in the Strait of Otranto, the waterway leading to the Adriatic Sea.

French warships in the Adriatic have limited their activities to watching in the Strait of Otranto, with the idea of preventing any Austrian submarine escaping from the Adriatic and reaching the coast of Turkey.

The cruiser has been run ashore. Fears are entertained that she may float away on the next high tide.

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Calomel makes you sick; you lose a day's work. Calomel is quicksilver and it salivates; calomel injures your liver.

If you are bilious, feel lazy, sluggish and all knocked out, if your bowels are constipated and your head aches or stomach is sour, just take a spoonful of harmless Dodson's Liver Tone instead of using sickening, salivating calomel. Dodson's Liver Tone is real liver medicine. You'll know it next morning because you will wake up feeling fine, your liver will be working, your headache and dizziness gone, your stomach will be sweet and your bowels regular. You will feel like working. You'll be cheerful; full of vigor and ambition.

Your druggist or dealer sells you a 50-cent bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone

under my personal guarantee that it will clean your sluggish liver better than nasty calomel; it won't make you sick and you can eat anything you want without being salivated. Your druggist guarantees that each spoonful will start your liver, clean your bowels and straighten you up by morning or you can have your money back. Children gladly take Dodson's Liver Tone because it is pleasant tasting and doesn't gripe or cramp or make them sick.

I am selling millions of bottles of Dodson's Liver Tone to people who have found that this pleasant, vegetable, liver medicine takes the place of dangerous calomel. Buy one bottle on my sound, reliable guarantee. Ask your druggist or storekeeper about me.

HAS KING'S DRESSING CASES

Turkish General Boasted He Took Three From Monarch Who Now Rules Greece.

Pierre Mille writes the following anecdote of the king of Greece, who is by no means popular in France since he has refused to join the allies in Turkey:

"I do not know King Constantine, but that it rather his fault than mine. In 1897 the editor of a great Paris paper sent for me and asked if I could ride well. Now, I had never put my leg over a horse, but, having a suspicion that some adventure lurked in the query, I lied manfully.

"Well, then, you will leave tomorrow as war correspondent, to follow the side of the Turks."

"That's how I learned to ride and how I came to follow the Turkish troops in Thessaly. It was a harmless little war, with battles that never lasted more than half a day.

"At the head of the Turkish cavalry was a general named, if I remember rightly, Hassan Pasha, whose craze was to capture the Diadoc (the Prince Constantine, as he then was) who was commander in chief of the Greek army. I had observed that by keeping near Hassan it was easier to find food, as the cavalry was always ahead and so passed through the country before it was entirely pillaged. I made every effort to keep with him, but he moved so fast I was generally a day behind.

"Several times in succession, at Larissa, Pharsala and Domokas, I found him making an elaborate toilet with the aid of cut glass bottles filled with

pleasant odors and with brushes and combs of aristocratic elegance. He always took them from a Russian leather case decorated with the royal arms of Greece.

"That's the third dressing case I have taken from the Diadoc," he explained to me. "He really ought to adopt a more portable form. Perhaps the fourth—"

"But he never captured a fourth, for peace was made.

"And that is all I ever saw of the Diadoc, today king of Greeks."

In Darktown.

The Parson—Is yo' comin' to pra' meetin' tonight, brudder?

Brudder Black—Well, uh, no, sah; I reggin not. To tell der troof, pah-son, I's almin' to go to de minstrel show—done got a compem'try ticket.

The Parson—Bredder Black dar won't be no minstrel shows in heaven! Brudder Black—Den, if at's de case, sah, I's sho' gwine tonight, whilst muh ticket's good.

Local Color on Tap.

"Got any quaint old characters around the village?"

"We have," replied the village landlord. "If you are after local color for a novel we have a large assortment of characters who will be quaint and comical for two dollars a day. Any dialect spoken as may be required."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

A man who is allowed to pick the wall paper for his home will also be allowed to rule the roost.

If you want to know anything about club life, hit the policeman.



Triply Protected

First, the inner container of paper, next the big yellow carton, and then, the outer wrapping of waxed paper, sealed air-tight and dust-proof. Superior protection for the Superior Corn Flakes—

Post Toasties

These delightful flakes are made of the finest white Indian Corn, steam-cooked, daintily seasoned, rolled and toasted—crisp and golden-brown.

Post Toasties reach you fresh and delicious, perfectly protected and ready to eat. They are mighty good with milk or cream, or with any kind of fruit.

"The Memory Lingers"

—sold by Grocers everywhere.

TEXAS NEWS CONDENSED

Improvements to cost \$5,000 are under way at the Temple plant of the Southland Oil company.

Repairs to cost \$8,000 will be made at once on the Physicians and Surgeons' hospital at Corsicana.

The contract for the electric wiring of the new federal building at Ennis to cost 4,000 has been awarded.

The plan started about a year ago in San Angelo to build a \$150,000 hotel at that place has been revived.

An election has been ordered for May 29 at Tellico, Ellis county, to vote on \$46,000 bond issue to build pike roads in that district.

The town council at Slaton has ordered an election for a \$10,000 bond issue for waterworks improvements (other civic improvements have been ordered).

The city of Ennis has advertised for bids for approximately 26,500 square yards of paving to be done within the fire limits, the bids to be opened on May 3.

A direct photograph of Mellish's comet, made at the Lowell observatory, Flagstaff, Ariz., shows a tail composed of two branches, one of which is probably 3,000,000 miles long.

A large lumber company has under construction a sawmill at Henderson, which, when completed, will be the largest in that section of the state. The capacity will be 35,000 feet of lumber per day.

All kinds of crops, from the calf crop to the cotton crop, will be materially benefited by the recent rains according to Fort Worth men interested in agriculture and live stock.

The Taylor-Thrall field celebrated its second months' life in splendid manner April 22. Several new rigs are going up and no less than three new wells will be brought in.

Alexander Brown & Sons of Baltimore, confirmed the report that they had purchased all of the remaining issue of the Houston Oil company 6 per cent timber certificates, amounting to approximately \$1,700,000.

Between \$60,000 and \$70,000 will be spent in the remodeling of the building at Commerce and Martin streets, Dallas, to be occupied by the Eleventh District Federal reserve bank. The contract for remodeling has been let.

Twelve of the leading market roads leading from Terrell are being surveyed for the purpose of obtaining the necessary data for asking bids to macadamize these roads, for which \$300,000 road bonds have been voted.

The big lumber kiln of the Waterman Lumber company, located at Blocker, seven miles southeast of Marshall, burned, entailing a loss of \$50,000. The kiln caught from cinders from the sawmill at the same plant, which were carried to the roof by a high wind.

Another oil company desires to be represented in the oil development around Dublin, as certified by the presence of J. D. Bell, representing one of the big oil companies at Oklahoma fields. Some 25,000 acres have been leased around Dublin so far and drilling operations will more than likely begin soon.

There has been leased in Erath county within the last few weeks fully 80,000 acres of land for the purpose of oil. This land lies around and in all directions from Stephenville, and there are many indications of oil.

The loss on the oil warehouse of the Pierce-Fordyce Oil association at Dallas, which was struck by lightning and burned Friday morning, amounted to about \$55,000, according to the manager of the company.

Dallas, Fort Worth and a number of small towns which get their gas supply from the Petrolia gas fields, were entirely without the fuel for several days, owing to a break in the mains near Alford, where a number of sections of the pipe were broken or washed away by the high waters there on Thursday afternoon. A great inconvenience was caused the consumers and many amusing features were brought out by those who attempted to get a temporary substitute.

POPULARITY OF BASE BALL

Base ball has grown to gigantic proportions within the last decade and the scientific work of the teams has been the delight of millions of spectators. There are so many things to admire in the game that it is impossible to describe them. Outdoor exercise is one of Nature's best aids in promoting health and strength and keeping the blood rich and pure; but, perhaps you are one of the many who are denied that privilege. You lead a sedentary life which always has a tendency to make the liver lazy, the bowels clogged and digestion poor. Oftentimes you are nervous, sleepless, have no appetite and feel run down.

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HAVE PROVED THEIR METTLE

Soldiers of the Present Day Show Bravery at Least Equal to That of Their Forebears.

All the rules have gone smash in the war. There's an old one in the British army that you ought to begin to look to retreat when 10 per cent of the men are down. In ours it is 15. In all armies it is either 10 or 15. British regiments have stuck when 60 per cent were out. German and French regiments have continued charging when only a handful were still alive or unwounded. Men have never fought so bravely as in this war. The idea that humanity was getting soft was the most ridiculous piffle that ever emanated from a "knocker" of the good old human race.

In the old times you fought for a few hours and the battle was over. If you were uncertain of your courage, you took a drink before you charged. Now you fight day after day; you face the enemy in apprehension that any moment a shell may bury you alive or eviscerate you. Hand grenades are tossed back and forth like bouquets. It's a war of nerves, and in this age of nerves the highly civilized and organized man is standing what would utterly demoralize a savage.—Frederick Palmer in Collier's Weekly.

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Free Will.

It was the day of the picnic, but Jean had got a bad cold.

"I'll get you the prettiest doll I can find, if you will stay at home," said Jean's mother. "Now, which had you rather do?" A burst of tears was the only reply.

"Dear, dear, I did not know that you wanted to go as badly as all that," said the mother soothingly.

"I'm not crying because I can't go," sobbed Jean. "I'm crying because I've got to decide."

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Where New Yorkers Come From.

Half the residents of New York city's Manhattan and one-third of those of Bronx borough are foreign-born. Russia, Italy, Ireland and Germany, in the order named, were the birthplaces of most of Manhattan's foreign-born, while Germany's sons and daughters lead those of all other nations above the Harlem.

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Exercise Enough.

"I suppose you climbed the Alps when you were abroad?"

"No; just ran up a bill, that was all."

COULDN'T SEE THE "SPORT"

Colored Messenger Evidently Would Never Make One of a Party Fishing for Tuna.

At the capitol one day a California representative was discoursing on the sport of fishing for tuna off the Pacific coast.

"We go out in small motor boats," said the representative, "and fish with a long line baited with flying fish. Anything less than a hundred-pound tuna isn't considered good sport."

Just then a colored messenger, who had been listening, stepped up.

"Scuse me, suh," said he, wide-eyed, "but did I understand yo' to say dat yo' went fishin' fo' hundred-pound fish in a little motah boat?"

"Yes," said the congressman, with a smile, "we go frequently."

"But," urged the darky, "ain't yo' feared yo' might ketch one?"

Man of High Position.

She—I might marry if I could find a man I could look up to.

He—Well, there's the man in the moon.

What a Revival Is.

The word "revival" is often given a meaning which primarily does not belong to it. Many emphasize the conversion of sinners as the essential element in a revival work; but that is the secondary meaning of the word. Essentially, "revival" means the quickening of God's people. You cannot revive a dead man. The unregenerate sinner is spiritually dead. He must be born again. Now, you may revive a partially drowned body, or a partially frozen body. The regenerate soul's life often weakens and wanes, until the flame almost flickers out. But if there be the least spark of life left, it can be fanned into a flame; and like the apparently dead cinder in the smithy's forge, that spark will touch others and kindle a flame that will enthuse a church, a city, or even a nation. A revival of religion, then, must logically begin with the church. Such is the divine order.—Christian Herald.

Neutrality on the Bleachers.

Knicker—Is Smith neutral?

Bocker—Absolutely; he only wants to lynch the umpire.

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BEWARE OF SUBSTITUTES

God Comforts the Suffering.

God wants to be more to us in time of keen suffering than at any other time of our lives. "May her days of suffering be her best days," prayed one for the pain-racked disease-stricken wife of a dear friend. A parent's love is never so tender as when a little child clings to it through tears of sorrow, in agony of body or mind. So God's love, unsearchable in its richness at all times, means most to us when we cling close to him unseeing, in the midst of suffering. The closer we get to his love and the more we realize our utter dependence upon it, the better our days will be. Let us not rob ourselves of the blessings he longs to send us in these our best days of need.—Sunday School Times.

Somewhat Mixed.

A Sunday school teacher tells the following story:

"I had just finished reading to the class about Isaac, Jacob and Esau. 'Now, Johnnie,' I asked, 'who was Jacob?'"

"Jacob was the younger son of Isaac and Rebecca and the favorite of his mother."

"Correct. Now, Bennie," I said to a boy on the back seat, who had not been paying the slightest attention to me, 'who was Esau?'"

"After thinking a moment Bennie replied: 'Why, he was the man who wrote "Aesop's Fables," and sold his copy right for a bottle of potash.'"

The Clock Was All Right.

A man went into a clock store and handed out the pendulum of a clock, which he wished to leave for repairs. The clockman asked him why he didn't bring the whole clock.

"The clock is all right," was the reply. "It's the pendulum that won't go. As soon as I pulled that out, the rest went like the very dickens."—Judge.

Hicks' CAPUDINE

CURES HEADACHES AND COLDS—Easy To Take—Quick Relief.—Adv.

Not Guilty.

"Willie, what does this mean? I found a box of cigarettes in your pocket."

"Yes, mamma. You see, I took 'em away from Jimmie Jones so he wouldn't smoke 'em."

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"You must pay a pretty high rent for this studio, old man."

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A Play on Words.

"What did the judge do with that young man who stole the dictionary?"

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County Citizens Only. The following announcement appeared on the poster advertising a country fair: "Among the other attractive features of the great fair there will be highly amusing donkey races and pig races. "Competition in these two races open to citizens of the county only."

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DREW THE LINE AT WIDOWS. School Superintendent of Purityville Explained Situation to Young and Pretty Woman.

"Well, now that I have seen Purityville, I can see how anybody would take almost any kind of a chance to get away."

She's an Indianapolis grass widow, clever. The grass widow went to Purityville and asked the school superintendent for a job. He pried into her past like a detective, and finally drew from her that she was a divorcee. The superintendent threw up his hands.

"My dear young woman," he said, "I am sorry that I cannot employ you. We are opposed here to the employment of widows of both classes. Our school board has a sort of unwritten law against it."

The grass widow sighed and looked out of the window.

"But I am a widow through no fault of mine," the young woman insisted: "It was the husband who erred. And, besides, single women also have been known to kidnap married men from their families."

"Yes, yes, I know," the superintendent chirped; "but the single ones are not so bright and attractive."

She felt the need of employment, and had heard that Purityville was in the market for school teachers. Now, Purityville is a nice, live city not far from Indianapolis, but it has a reputation for following fad reform waves, local gossip and flutter of municipal dissension.

No, she didn't get the job.—Indianapolis News.

One-Sided Definition. "What is your idea of neutrality?" "Neutrality," answered the diplomat, "is a state of mind so disinterested and accurate as to permit no question that the side of the controversy represented by me is entitled to the fullest support."

Nothing so inspires a surgeon's enthusiasm as an opportunity to remove a vermiform appendix.

The pleasure in travel comes mostly in talking about it to people who have never made the trip.

IN A SHADOW. Tea Drinker Feared Paralysis.

Steady use of either tea or coffee often produces alarming symptoms, as the poison (caffeine) contained in these beverages acts with more potency in some persons than in others.

"I was never a coffee drinker," writes an ill woman, "but a tea drinker. I was very nervous, had frequent spells of sick headache and heart trouble, and was subject at times to severe attacks of bilious colic."

"No end of sleepless nights—would have spells at night when my right side would get numb and tingle like a thousand needles were pricking my flesh. At times I could hardly put my tongue out of my mouth and my right eye and ear were affected."

"The doctors told me to quit using tea, but I thought I could not live without it—that it was my only stay. I had been a tea drinker for twenty-five years; was under the doctor's care for fifteen."

"About six months ago, I finally quit tea and commenced to drink Postum. "I have never had one spell of sick-headaches since and only one light attack of bilious colic. Have quit having those numb spells at night, sleep well and my heart is getting stronger all the time."

Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. Read "The Road to Wellville," in pkgs.

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AWARD 64,000 RAILWAY MEN INCREASED WAGES

Engineers, Firemen and Hostlers Benefited by Arbitration Affecting Nine-Eight Railroads in the West.

Chicago, Ill.—An arbitration award advancing to some extent the rates of pay of 64,000 locomotive engineers, firemen and hostlers employed on the 140,000 miles of line of ninety-eight Western railroads in the great area of the United States and Canada bounded on the east by the Illinois Central and the Great Lakes, was signed Friday.

A dissenting opinion was filed on behalf of the Brotherhood of Engineers, in which the arbitration was branded as a failure, and the Newlands law, under which it was arranged, an inadequate device for the settlement of industrial disputes. The award, effective May 10 and binding for one year only, was frankly declared as merely postponing for a twelvemonth the actual settlement of the differences involved.

The railroad members of the board issued a formal statement criticizing features of the regulations governing the arbitration, and remarking that certain concessions regarded as intrinsically unjust were made for the sake of preserving peace with the employees.

The essential concessions made to the men were:

- 1. Standardization of rates of pay on the weight of locomotives on drive wheels.
2. Overtime pay to passenger firemen and engineers ranging from 44c to 75c an hour, respectively.
3. Enginemen of steam power may transfer to electric power, when installed, without loss of seniority rights after May 1, 1915. The board was unable, because of the newness of electric railroad service, to fix rates of pay in detail, but named \$4.30 a day as the minimum for motorman in passenger service and \$2.50 for their helpers, \$4.75 for motormen in freight service and \$2.75 for helpers.

- 4. Enginemen of milk trains, circus trains and other irregular service, such as pusher and helper, receive the rate accorded on through freights, an increase amounting to from 10 to 15 per cent.
5. The men will be paid for delay while in their cabs at initial and final terminals and for time in excess of thirty minutes spent in preparing their engines for service.

- 6. Switch enginemen will receive an advance in daily pay of 25c on small engines and 15c on larger ones.
7. Men held away from home terminals shall after twenty-two hours' idleness receive a minimum day's pay of ten hours, based on last service, out of each succeeding twenty-four hours until he gets a run.

- 8. Through freight wage rates were advanced 5c to 20c, increasing with weight of engine, and 25c on some of the extremely heavy engines.
9. Way freight enginemen will receive 30c a day more than through freight men.

- 10. Surprise tests will be conducted in such a way as not to endanger life, limb or nerves.
11. Firemen will be assisted where assistance is available in keeping coal forward and the coal shall be broken into proper sizes at chutes.

- 12. Where firemen on big engines deem an assistant necessary the matter may, if necessary, be adjusted through arbitration.
13. Firemen will not be required to clean engines, nor will engineers be required to fill grease cups, set up wedges or perform other minor duties about an engine where others are available to do the work.

- 14. The weight or drive wheels of each engine shall be posted where the enginemen can have convenient access to the information.
Among the requests which were not granted were the automatic release, time and a half for overtime in freight and switching service and the five-hour day in passenger service.

Prosperity Boosters' Parade. Chicago, Ill.—Prosperity's boosters, afoot, mounted and riding on floats gorgeously decorated, automobiles trimmed in a maze of floral and ribbon decorations and other vehicles marched 100,000 strong through Chicago's loop section Monday, while crowds estimated at 1,000,000 looked on and shouted their approval. There were 10,000 automobiles in the parade, which was fifteen miles long and took four hours to pass a given point.

Bob Burman the Winner. Oklahoma City, Okla.—Bob Burman won the \$5,000 sweepstakes automobile race, run over the Oklahoma City course Thursday, after a spectacular race for thirty laps with Dave Lewis, who finished second. Johnny Rainey and Eddie Hearne won third and fourth money. The winner averaged 37.8 miles, his time for the 300 miles being 2:54:30.

OBREGON AND VILLA FORCES COME TOGETHER

SKIRMISHES HAVE TAKEN PLACE FOR SUPREMACY IN CENTRAL PART OF REPUBLIC.

VILLA CLAIMS A VICTORY

This Week No Doubt Will Report a Big Battle in Mexico Between the Villa and Obregon Forces. Other News of Mexico.

Washington.—Both of the Mexican agencies at Washington were claiming successes Sunday in the fighting south of Aguascalientes, where General Villa has begun a new offensive movement against the Carranza army under General Obregon. All reports indicated severe skirmishes preliminary to the expected battle for supremacy in Central Mexico.

The Carranza agency had a dispatch from Vera Cruz announcing that Obregon entered Leon Saturday and had resumed his march northward, while Gonzales had occupied the suburbs of Monterey and the Zapata forces had been driven back to their base within twenty miles of the City of Mexico.

The Villa agency received a dispatch from General Villa stating that in the fighting Saturday Obregon's forces were driven back to Hacienda de Romita, some distance south of Leon. The message was given out as follows:

"I beg to advise you that our troops Saturday engaged the enemy for almost four hours with complete success. Our losses were twenty dead and thirty wounded. The enemy was driven back to Hacienda de Romita. We inflicted upon the enemy a loss of more than 200 killed and captured four machine guns and other munitions of war.

"The enemy has lost in these last fights more than eight hundred dead and many wounded, eight machine guns and much war material.

"Fresh cavalry troops have arrived at Trinidad to relieve those who have been engaged and afford them some rest. These fresh troops are commanded by General Jose Rodriguez. In the engagements we have had up to this time neither our infantry nor our artillery have been obliged to participate. We are receiving ammunition in large quantities every day."

Washington.—Activity on the part of the Zapata forces who are operating behind the army of General Obregon, the Carranza commander who has been keeping Villa on the move, is threatening to isolate him from his base at Vera Cruz, attracted most attention this week in the Mexican situation.

While some official reports to the state department said the Zapata forces apparently had been successful in cutting Obregon's communications with Vera Cruz, the extent of the break or the ability of the Carranza commander to restore his lines was not indicated.

General Villa has received thousands of rounds of ammunition and has concentrated what his agents estimate as an army of nearly 35,000 men to attack General Obregon, the battle being expected within a week. The Zapata forces, numbering several thousand, have cut the railway between Celaya, General Obregon's headquarters, and Vera Cruz.

Washington.—Messages sent by President Wilson and Secretary Bryan to Cardoso de Oliveira, Brazilian minister at the City of Mexico, warmly thanking him for his efficient work in caring for diplomatic interests of the United States in the Mexican capital, were made public Tuesday by the state department. It was just a year ago Monday that Senor Oliveira was asked to take charge of the United States embassy, the United States having broken off relations with the Huerta government.

Throughout all the changes that have taken place since then the Brazilian diplomat has been most active on behalf of the United States with whatever authority he found in power, transacting the business of the state department and exerting himself in behalf of American citizens.

The president's message said: "A year ago you were kind enough to accede to this government's request that you act as its diplomatic representative in Mexico, and I can not allow this anniversary to pass without expressing my cordial appreciation of your generosity in adding so largely to the cares of your office and the efficient manner in which you have, under the most trying circumstances, more than risen to the exacting requirements of this representation. I am repeating this telegram to your government and thanking it for permitting you to thus act for the United States."

Dead Confederates Remembered. Austin, Tex.—Confederate Decoration Day was observed Monday by the Daughters of the Confederacy, who decorated graves in the state cemetery and the monument in the capitol yard.

Death Removes Famous Actor. New York.—John Bunny, whose antics as a moving picture comedian have made millions laugh, died Monday at his home in Brooklyn. He had been ill for about three weeks of a complication of diseases.

WORK ACCOMPLISHED BY THE SOUTHERN CONGRESS

Resolutions Passed Favor Development of Inland Waterways, Agricultural Credits and Merchant Marine

Muskogee, Okla.—Senator Duncan U. Fletcher of Florida was re-elected president of the Southern Commercial Congress Friday by the board of directors. The other present officers were also re-elected.

Dr. Clarence J. Owens, Washington, was re-elected managing director; T. S. Southgate, Norfolk, Va., first vice president; Albert P. Bush, Jr., Mobile, Ala., second vice president, and William H. Saunders, Washington, D. C., treasurer; Mrs. Louis G. Lindsley, Nashville, Tenn., was re-elected president general of the women's auxiliary to the congress.

A liberal policy by the government in the improvement of our rivers and harbors, "that the advantages of water transportation may be preserved by us to the fullest extent," was urged in a resolution adopted.

Other resolutions adopted urged upon the United States congress the speedy establishment of a system of agricultural credits and upon the various states such legislation as may be needed to supplement federal legislation.

Creation of an American merchant marine and the immediate establishment of the public health service into an independent bureau or department of the government were advocated in resolutions adopted.

In an address before the congress I. N. Putnam of San Antonio, Texas, urged the establishment in Texas of a Latin-American university for the purpose of bringing us into a closer relationship with "our neighbors on the south."

America's key to the door of a vast foreign trade is a greater inland navigation, according to John H. Bernhard, manager of the inland navigation bureau, New York. A paper by Mr. Bernhard pointed out that the United States has the greatest system of inland water routes in the world, and that "this system is practically idle because of the indifference of the public and legal decisions and regulations of government bodies."

Phillip Manson, a steamship owner of New York, cited statistics as to the enormous earnings of various steamship lines to dispute arguments that unless a subsidy is created we must depend upon foreign ships to carry our foreign commerce.

A report of Don Roberto Brenes Mesen, minister to the United States from Costa Rica, urged intermarketing of products, and pointed out that no commercial relations "can be permanent unless the United States extends its financial aid to the agriculture and industries of our Hispanic-American countries."

Don Juan Riano, Spanish ambassador at Washington, pointed out that the importations from Spain into the United States are increasing rapidly, and asserted that especially "there is a large field for the exportation to Spain of agricultural machinery and implements."

Money to Fight Pests in Sight. Tallahassee, Fla.—The lower house of the Florida legislature Tuesday passed a bill carrying an appropriation of \$160,000 to fight crop pests. Of this amount, \$125,000 is to be used to eradicate the citrus canker.

Texas' Capitol Builder Dead. Chicago, Ill.—Gustave Wilke, one of the earliest skyscraper contractors in Chicago and a builder of national reputation, died this week. He built the \$3,000,000 state house at Austin, Texas.

Daniels Names Naval Chief. Washington.—Secretary Daniels Thursday announced the appointment of Captain William S. Benson to the newly created post of chief of operations of the navy. Captain Benson now is commandant of the Philadelphia navy yard.

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FARMER'S WIFE TOO ILL TO WORK

A Weak, Nervous Sufferer Restored to Health by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

Kasota, Minn.—"I am glad to say that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has done more for me than anything else, and I had the best physician here. I was so weak and nervous that I could not do my work and suffered with pains low down in my right side for a year or more. I took Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and now I feel like a different person. I believe there is nothing like Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound for weak women and young girls, and I would be glad if I could influence anyone to try the medicine, for I know it will do all and much more than it is claimed to do."—Mrs. CLARA FRANKS, R. F. D. No. 1, Maplecrest Farm, Kasota, Minn.



Women who suffer from these distressing ills peculiar to their sex should be convinced of the ability of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound to restore their health by the many genuine and truthful testimonials we are constantly publishing in the newspapers.

If you have the slightest doubt that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound will help you, write to Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co. (confidential) Lynn, Mass., for advice. Your letter will be opened, read and answered by a woman, and held in strict confidence.

Sure to Win. "Do you think," said the first partner in the law firm, "that we can win in this case of Johnstone's?" "Why, certainly," said the second ditto. "We'll win about two thousand dollars in fees, at any rate."

Tough Luck. "Jiggs seems awfully downhearted since his wife eloped with the chauffeur." "No wonder. They smashed up his best car, and he had to foot the bill for repairs."

A good many spirit manifestations come after visits to the bar.

Ashamed of her bad complexion. If you, too, are embarrassed by a pimply, blotchy, unsightly complexion, nine chances out of ten Resinol will clear it.

Just try Resinol Soap and Resinol Ointment regularly for a week and see if they do not make a blessed difference in your skin. They also help make red, rough hands and arms soft and white.

Sold by all druggists. For trial free, write to Dept. 8-P, Resinol, Baltimore, Md.

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Extra Specials for Saturday and All Next Week

Extra wide Shadow Lace, special for Saturday and all next week, per yard

10c

Lonsdale Domestic, the very best grade, worth 12½c per yard, Saturday and all next week, 12 yards for

\$1.00

Extra heavy Bath Towels, worth 50c per pair, Saturday and next week, per pair

38c

Mosquito Bars, without frame, special for Saturday and all next week

98c

Men and Women's Tennis Shoes, all sizes, special for Saturday and next week, per pair

49c

10-4 Sheeting, regular 25c grade, extra special for Saturday and next week, per yard

18c

Colored Lawns, worth 6½ and 7c per yard, special in this sale, 10 yards for

35c

Men's Underwear, worth 35c per garment, special for Saturday and next week

25c

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The Crockett Courier

Issued weekly from the Courier Building.

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HUMAN NATURE.

The interpretation of a tablet 4000 years old tells of a man who had just traded a couple of slaves for a chariot. Another proof that human nature has not changed much since early days. Instead of a slow chariot, man now wants a swift car, and he'll trade his home for a joy ride.—Bridgeport Times.

Human nature in ancient Babylon

was identical with human nature in modern Texas. Human nature is like time in that it is the same yesterday and today, and will not be changed tomorrow. Of course, the human animal changes to some extent. His outward semblance alters. He is less sinewy than when he used to lope through the woods in pursuit of his fleetfooted supper. His arms are shorter than when he used to stand on the ground and reach to the top of the bush for berries, and his toes are less adhesive than when he used to climb trees in quest of birds' eggs. Moreover he is less hirsute than when he

wore chin whiskers for a chest protector. Visibly the genus homo is somewhat changed since those dimmed days when he was what the anthropologists call an aboriginal; but inwardly he is about the same. He is still extremely fond of himself. He is proud as of yore. He craves distinction as aforetime. The Babylonian who traded a couple of slaves for a chariot wanted distinction. He wanted something to ride in down Main street, in the expectation that awed pedestrians on the sidewalks would point him out to one another and say: "There goes Sardanillus in his Tigris two-

wheeler—ain't it a peach?" Sardanillus, granting that was his name, probably inherited the slaves he exchanged for the chariot. His father may have been a miser or a brigand, and by patient stinginess or energetic robbery have accumulated a tidy estate for his heirs. That is the sort of thing going on all about us at this moment. Patient acquirers and busy stock jobbers are piling up heaps of dollars which in due course will find their way from father to son or son-in-law, and thence into the tills of industry. It is all right. It is desirable that big fortunes do not stick too tight to those who inherit them. Therefore the so-called craze for automobiles and long-stemmed roses and restaurant dinners is not entirely bad. It distributes the money, which gives the moneyless a chance. Of course the spenders who strip themselves to make a holiday are foolish. They will pay the penalty of their prodigality. But if everybody saved and nobody spent we would be a world of tightwads, without pleasure in ourselves or in each other.—Galveston News.

CROCKETT TRAIN SCHEDULE.

HOUSTON TRAIN.

Arrives from Houston 11:35 AM
Leaves for Houston 9:55 AM

GALVESTON TRAIN.

Arrives from Galveston 8:36 PM
Leaves for Galveston 11:05 PM

LONGVIEW TRAIN.

Leaves for Longview 11:35 AM
Arrives from Longview 9:55 AM

ST. LOUIS TRAIN.

Leaves for St. Louis 8:36 PM
Arrives from St. Louis 11:05 PM

A Seventy-Year-Old Couple.

Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Carpenter, Harrisburg, Pa., suffered from kidney trouble for many years, but have been entirely cured by Foley Kidney Pills. He says: "Although we are both in the seventies we are as vigorous as we were thirty years ago." Foley Kidney Pills stop sleep disturbing bladder weakness, backache, rheumatism and aching joints. Sold everywhere. Adv.

Buy Courier advertised goods.

Danger to Children.

Serious illnesses often result from lingering coughs and colds. The hacking and coughing and disturbed sleep rack a child's body and the poisons weaken the system, so that disease cannot be thrown off. Foley's Honey and Tar Compound has eased coughs, colds and croup for three generations; safe to use and quick to act. There is no better medicine for croup, coughs and colds. Sold everywhere. Adv.

Buy Courier advertised goods.

It's Money Well Spent!

It's far better to spend \$50 or \$1000 in advertising in this newspaper and make more net profit than it is to spend nothing for advertising and make less net profit.

Out of every ten men who succeed nine do so by liberal publicity. The tenth man is usually a freak exception.

Consistent advertising keeps you even with or ahead of your competitor.

Most of our merchants are quick to realize that the best reading element in this community—the people who buy most—take this paper and read the advertisements therein contained.

Again We Call Your Attention

To the Combination Store.

The store with the goods you want at the prices you want to pay. Here each day you will find a showing of the new. Below we list

A Few of Our Specials for Friday, Saturday and Monday---

One lot of ladies' and children's wash dresses at
Half-Price

One lot fancy Crepes, 25c values, at

15c

One lot men's Silk Hose, 25c values, at

15c

One lot of 36-inch Dimity Checks, 12½c values, at

8½c

Have you gotten your fly swatter? This is the time of the year to swat the fly. A swatter free to each and every customer calling at our store.

Crockett Dry Goods Co.

"The Store Ahead"
Below the Postoffice

We Want Your Business

At our store you get the BEST drug merchandise at the best possible prices, plus service which is sure to satisfy.

In our store you will find nearly all lines of merchandise which any modern, up to the minute drug store carries.

If we haven't what you want, we will gladly get it. We fully appreciate your patronage and ask that you come to our store when you are in need of drug merchandise because we serve to satisfy and "WE ARE IN BUSINESS FOR YOUR HEALTH."

Bishop Drug Company

Phone 47 or 140 for Prompt Service

Local News.

Drugs and jewelry at the Rexall Store.

Wm. M. Patton for feed. He sells it for less. 1t.

Graduation presents at the Rexall Store. 1t.

Mrs. Kate Newton was a visitor to Lovelady Tuesday. 1t.

Use "Southern Beauty," the flour of quality—at Patton's. 1t.

George Denny has returned from a business trip to Austin.

Go to the Vogue Millinery for a bargain in hats Saturday. 1t.

Miss Ruby Corley of Frankston is visiting relatives in this city.

For Sale—A fine young Jersey bull. Apply to J. R. Sheridan. 1t.

Will Denny Jr., son of Judge Sam Denny, is here from Sherman.

A complete, up-to-date abstract. 1t—adv Aldrich & Crook.

K. D. Sherman of Trinity visited relatives here the first of the week.

Mrs. J. P. Hail has returned from a visit to relatives in Leon county.

Mrs. Duncan Eastham of Weldon visited Mrs. A. H. Wootters last week.

D. A. Nunn left Wednesday morning on a professional trip to Beaumont.

Don't fail to see the bargain counter at the Vogue Millinery Saturday. 1t.

Mrs. Lawrence Corley and children of Frankston are visitors in Crockett.

Now is the time to buy that kodak—sold only by McLean Drug Company. 1t.

Mrs. Malone Armstrong of Alto was a recent visitor with relatives in this city.

French harps, castor oil, wall paper and Lynn's Liver Pills at the McLean Drug Company's. 1t.

H. E. Bitner of Lovelady Route 2 was among the number remembering the Courier Saturday.

Wanted—To rent rooms in my residence to reliable man and wife. 2t. Mrs. M. E. Shivers.

We sell feed stuffs, bacon, lard, flour and meal for less. See us. 1t. J. D. Sims.

Sheriff R. J. Spence is among the number renewing subscriptions to the Courier since last issue.

Largest assortment of Panama hats ever shown in Crockett. See our show window. John Millar.

A \$10 Colonial China dinner set, 42 pieces, for \$2.98. Ask us about it. 1t. Chamberlain & Woodall.

Col. and Mrs. W. E. Mayes, both of whom are seriously ill at Mineral Wells, are reported to be improving.

Ten and a half cents per pound bacon. Just unloaded a car going at that price. Wm. M. Patton.

Mrs. O. M. Bryan of Sour Lake and Miss Victoria Johnson of Lufkin are guests of Mrs. J. E. Towery.

We use only the best and purest in our prescriptions. 1t. McLean Drug Company.

The railroad company reports that it will have trains crossing the Trinity river not later than today.

Wanted—To rent rooms in my residence to reliable man and wife. 2t. Mrs. M. E. Shivers.

Don't get hot and fretted—wear a Palm Beach Keep-Kool suit and you will wear a smile with it. 2t. Jas. S. Shivers & Co.

Fair Douglass, who recently returned from a visit to San Antonio, is sending the Courier there to Mr. J. R. Rice.

A car of wire just received at the Big Store. We are now able to supply your wants.

2t. Jas. S. Shivers & Co.

Flour and Feed.

Just unloaded a car of each and will undersell any one.

1t. Wm. M. Patton.

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Kennedy are visiting at Fort Worth, Mr. Kennedy as a delegate to the Knights of Pythias convention.

Our summer opening of silverware, cut glass and hand painted china on June 3.

1t. McLean Drug Company.

That Keep-Kool line of Palm Beach suits now on hand. Remember they are the genuine.

2t. Jas. S. Shivers & Co.

Because he advertised potato slips for sale in the Courier, R. E. Morris says he may not be able to supply the demand.

Wire—we have it. Barbed wire, hog wire, poultry wire, wire fencing. We have it and our prices are right.

2t. Jas. S. Shivers & Co.

Mrs. J. C. Hearon of Route 5 called Tuesday to renew the subscription of her husband to both the Courier and the Galveston News.

Chamberlain & Woodall carry a line of jewelry, watches, etc., that cannot be beat in the city and their prices are always the lowest.

Cleanliness predominates at our soda fountain and the drinks we serve are better than some and as good as the best. Try us next time.

1t. Chamberlain & Woodall.

We are making Palm Beach suits to your measure at hand-me-down prices. See our samples and get our prices before buying.

1t. John Millar.

B. M. Hicks of Ratcliff was a caller at the Courier office Saturday. Mr. Hicks is engaged in logging, but says that his business is dull on account of the Neches river overflow.

See our stock of baseball goods, bats, masks, mits, etc., before buying. We also have tennis rackets and balls.

1t. Chamberlain & Woodall.

Fancy cakes of every kind, just what you want for any entertainment, always fresh and crisp.

1t. J. D. Sims.

Phone 19—We Deliver.

Friend's barber shop for clean barber work. Cleaning and pressing in connection. Also agent for hat cleaning concern of Houston.

Bring us your Panama hats. Satisfaction guaranteed. 2t.

Fruit Jars.

Just received a shipment of pint and half-gallon fruit jars, fruit jar tops and rubbers. We sell them cheaper.

1t. J. D. Sims.

Chas. W. Miller, out on Route 5, sends the Courier his subscription renewal. This is not the first time he has been guilty of this, and the Courier will excuse him only on his promise to do it again.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Cartwright, Mr. and Mrs. Johnson Arledge and Mr. and Mrs. Dan McLean and family drove by automobile to Palestine Sunday morning, returning the same way during the evening.

Sick Headache.

Mrs. A. L. Luckie, East Rochester, N. Y., was a victim of sick headache and despondency, caused by a badly weakened and debilitated condition of her stomach, when she began taking Chamberlain's Tablets. She says, "I found them pleasant to take, also mild and effective. In a few week's time I was restored to my former good health." For sale by all dealers. Adv.

Real Estate and Loans.

We have real estate for sale and we would like to examine any vendor lien notes you may have for sale.

CALL ON US AT OUR PLACE OF BUSINESS.

Warfield Bros.

Office North Side Public Square.

CROCKETT, TEXAS

Belle of Paris flour, sold under an absolute guarantee to be as good as any flour on earth—none excepted. If you don't like it bring it back and we will gladly return your money. Per sack, \$2.15. J. D. Sims.

J. F. Murray of Route 2 was in town Friday and a caller at this office. Mr. Murray is one of those substantial citizens who believe in living at home and having plenty of everything around them. There's no hard times at his house.

Lewis Meriwether, an employe of the Courier for a number of years, has gone to Galveston, where he has employment in a job printing establishment. Lewis is a good workman, and the Courier wishes him success in his new position.

Mrs. W. V. Clark and Misses Willie Mae and Edith Clark, Mrs. Madie Stokes and Miss Mildred McGill, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Clark and children, all of Mineral Wells, and Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Hobson of Quanah were here Wednesday to attend the funeral of Mr. W. V. Clark.

At a directors' meeting of the Crockett Club Monday evening it was decided, on account of so many members having dropped out and the general lack of interest and non-payment of dues, to close the club and dispose of its property. A committee to sell the property was appointed.

Sure Way to Get a Home.

Clear for me 100 acres land, cultivate this land for two years, taking all you make on it, and I will deed you 100 acres good upland—35 acres of it in cultivation—good four room house, well of water; all under good four wire fence.

4t. E. B. Stokes.

Our "Jitney" Offer—This and 5c.

Don't miss this. Cut out this slip, enclose with five cents to Foley & Co., Chicago, Ill., writing your name and address clearly. You will receive in return a trial package containing Foley's Honey and Tar Compound, for coughs, colds and croup, Foley Kidney Pills, and Foley Cathartic Tablets. Sold everywhere. Adv.

Dr. T. M. Sherman of Kennard was a visitor here Thursday and Friday, and of course his trip to Crockett was incomplete without a call at the Courier office. At least the Courier wouldn't have forgiven him, any way. The doctor was as jovial as usual, and was here mainly to visit his son and daughter, Lipscomb Sherman and Mrs. J. D. Morgan.

Special Saturday.

With every box of berries, one small box shredded wheat free.

2-lb. can cut stringless beans, regular 15c can for 10c.

3-lb. can dessert peaches, extra standard, for 20c per can.

¼lb. package free with every pound of Bours' tea at 75c.

Special blend parched coffee (guaranteed), regular 25c, for 20c. I want your business.

1t. Johnson Arledge.

Invitations telling of the coming wedding of a former Crockett visitor have been received in this city—telling of the coming marriage of Miss Lillian Price, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Price of Palestine, to Mr. Evans Swan of Tyler, which is to occur on Thursday evening, May 20, at the Presbyterian church in Palestine. The maid of honor will go from Crockett, as will also one of the bridesmaids; they are, respectively, Miss Jennie McLean and Miss Maude McConnell. The bride is remembered in Crockett as a young lady of many graces and charms.

Chamberlain's Liniment.

This preparation is intended especially for rheumatism, lame back, sprains and like ailments. It is a favorite with people who are well acquainted with its splendid qualities. Mrs. Charles Tanner, Wabash, Ind., says of it: "I have found Chamberlain's Liniment the best thing for lame back and sprains I have ever used. It works like a charm and relieves pain and soreness. It has been used by others of my family as well as myself for upwards of twenty years." 25 and 50 cent bottles. For sale by all dealers.

Oil Mill Will Close For the Season

All who have cotton seed for sale or wish to buy for planting purposes will please supply their needs or bring in their seed by the 20th of this month as we will make our final run about then.

Our mixed feed plant will continue to make the best horse feed sold in Texas—"Milo-Mix," (Maize, Meal and Molasses)—and people will continue to be surprised at its supremacy as a feed. If Houston county would feed nothing else but a little hay, where they have to buy feed, we can cut the feed bill about one-third, give you better, healthier and fatter horses, and this is no joke. Ask your merchant for Milo-Mix.

Houston County Oil Mill and Manufacturing Co.

Poison! Poison!

For bugs, worms, crows or sparrows—we handle Paris Green, Arsenate of Lead and Strychnine.

Call on us—we want your business and will show our appreciation by handling your business on as close a margin as possible.

Yours for quick delivery.

CROCKETT DRUG COMPANY

A. M. DECUIR

LIPSCOMB SHERMAN

Phone 91

Confessions of a Mail Order Man

By Mr. M. O. X.

Revelations by One Whose Experience in the Business Covers a Range From Office Boy to General Manager

KEEP YOUR MONEY AT HOME AND BOOST YOUR LOCAL TRADE.

The mail order business, with the exception of the stock market, is the only business in which the entire capital is furnished by the trader in advance of the transaction.

Furthermore, there is no business in the world that could not be made highly profitable—abundantly so—if the customers were to pay their money in advance at the time of the giving of the order.

For the reason that the merchant or dealer who handles the cash is not subject to any loss from bad credits, cancellation of orders, return of goods, etc.

Did you ever stop to consider that if there are a half dozen, more or less, bad credits, or, to use a more forceful expression, "dead beats," in your community on the books of the merchant with whom you do business, that it is you who must pay for his bad debts? There is no other way for the merchant to save himself from loss. Somebody must pay and, naturally, it is those who do pay their mills who must pay enough extra to take care of the bad debts and save the dealer from loss.

Something like half a billion dollars, a sum which staggers the comprehension of any mathematician, a sum that you could never count in a lifetime were you to count every number out mentally, is sent to the big cities every year with orders for merchandise to the big mail order house. You send your portion of that enormous sum.

This great sum would capitalize a half million stores in as many small towns with a thousand dollars each, in cash. But there are not that many small towns in America. In fact, the figures are so big that it is impossible to compute them with reasonable accuracy. However, if this great volume of capital were to be invested with local merchants in the small towns, instead of sending it away to the mail order houses in the big cities, do you realize what it would mean to your own town?

Do you realize that it would mean that the merchants in your own town could supply you with everything that the mail order houses can give you—that everything would be of a better quality and more substantial and that you would be able to get what you want, when you want it? Also that the money would be reinvested right in your own town, which would mean more money from taxes for improvements, better streets, better lighting facilities, better schools, better roads in your county, etc.?

Were you to go to your local merchant and give him the money in advance for any purchase you might desire, instructing him to buy it for you and giving him a few days' time in which to find just what you wanted, you would be more effectively served and better satisfied. Should there be an error in his selection you could talk it over with him and he would make it right. He would be compelled to, even if he did not desire to do so. But he would realize that it was to his own interest to make the deal satisfactory, without compulsion, and everything would be on a much better footing, all around.

Were these conditions to prevail, and they will prevail, without question, some time, there are thousands of dead little towns now in existence that would spring into prosperity, which would increase the value and the real worth of every house and lot in the town. Yes, every farm in the community would be worth so much more per acre, every bushel of grain, every ton of hay and everything raised on the farm would be given an additional value.

There would be a great readjustment of values throughout the United States. Country property would be worth so much more, while the inflated values of city property would seek a fair level.

Just think of it. A corner lot in a city, 50 feet wide by 150 feet long, being set at a value exceeding the set value of a thousand farms in any of our most productive states. There are lots in Chicago, New York and some other cities, no bigger than the size above mentioned, that are valued, and are transferred on the real estate market, at many millions of dollars. You can read of these transactions in the newspapers every once in a while.

And speaking of newspapers, it is the newspaper, the paper in the small town, that stands between the grip of the big city on the prosperity of you in the small town or the country and your independence of that life-squeezing power. It is the little newspaper, as compared with the metropolitan journal, that acts as your

champion, that fights for you every week in the year.

There is not a newspaper in the United States, no matter how small, that cannot accept, if it will, more money from the big mail order houses in exchange for advertising and "boosting" than it receives all told from the local merchants.

I speak from knowledge. I have handled campaigns for the purpose of subsidizing the small newspapers in the interests of more than one mail order house. I have sent out attractive

literature urging the country newspapers to become prosperous by taking our advertising for their columns. I have offered rates higher than the published rates in these newspapers, to persuade them to become "friendly" to the mail order house, instead of championing the cause of the local merchants.

Why didn't they do it? you will ask. Does the mother permit her baby in arms to starve? Does the mother bird refuse to feed her young? Does the father decline to support those dependent upon his efforts?

Of course not. There is loyalty and fidelity left in the world. The publisher of the newspaper in the small town is loyal to his community, almost without exception. He cannot be bought by the power of money. He realizes what it means to the business men in his community to be threatened constantly with the competition of the mail order houses and what the lying catalogues mean to the readers of his paper.

To return to the subject of the exorbitant values of property in the cities as compared with the big, profitable slices of mother earth that actually produce the necessities of life. City property is held of such great value because such property is a headquarters for the juggling of the value produced in the country, but not capitalized in the country. Everything is capitalized in the city.

The whole wealth of the world is in the soil. The currency, the gold pieces, the stocks and the bonds are merely tokens of that wealth which comes from the soil. If these tokens would not purchase that which is produced from the soil they would be worthless.

You who live in the country, own the wealth of the United States. But your lives are so filled with the little details of conserving and producing wealth that you do not take the time necessary to consider how to profit by the wealth which you produce. At the same time those who live in the cities spend their entire time in figuring out how best to profit by your work and your efforts. In almost every instance the consumer, the person who uses your product, pays many times the amount that you realize out of it. Of course, all of this profit between you and the consumer goes to the men in between—those who juggle the values.

An enormous proportion of your own produce, manufactured and jugged, comes back to you at swollen prices through the mail order houses. All over this great country efforts are being made to change these conditions. In a majority of the small towns the thinking men and women are discussing this great problem. Boards of trade, chambers of commerce, business men's associations and other similar organizations are springing up and these great questions are being threshed out. Great progress is being made, but still the millions of your cash are being sent to the big mail order houses all the time.

Really this is the key to the whole subject. Keep your money at home. Buy from your local merchants. Keep the cash in circulation in your own community. This will solve the problem. You have clever men in your town. Get together and talk about it. Arrange to buy your supplies in your own town and let the catalogue houses go hang. All they want is your money. All they will give you is the least they can in exchange for your money. They are in the business for profit only. They pay no taxes in your town.

Talk it over with your own business men. Ask them what they will do for you in the way of service in exchange for your cash orders. This is the only way to do.

And keep this one thought in mind. The more money you send away to the mail order houses, just so much more are you endangering your own prosperity and just so many more nails are you driving into the coffin in which to bury your local ambitions.

If the five hundred millions of dollars that you send to the catalogue houses every year were to be handed over to your own local merchants they could accomplish the most astounding results—better service, better goods, better prices and better local conditions all around.

Lay aside the petty disagreements and disputes. Go to your own local dealer and tell him frankly what you need. Ask him if he can get it for you. Tell him you will support him and you will be astonished by the manner in which he will hustle to supply your requirements.

If your local merchants were to be given the cash that you send away to the catalogue houses you would soon

see springing up in your own town some of these big establishments for trade which will save you not only a lot of your money, but will offer conveniences and facilities for purchasing such as you find now only in the larger centers of population.

Controlling the Child.

The man or woman who has made self-control a habit by willing to keep from doing this or that, or by willing to do this or that is the moral man or woman.

We have been working in the wrong way on the problem of establishing self-control in little children. We have been putting the cart before the horse by trying to force our control upon the children instead of aiming to establish their own self-control.

To say to a child, "Don't cry!" "Be quiet!" "Don't break anything!" "Don't get angry!" is worse than useless. We must begin, almost in babyhood, to teach children that control which will give them the power to restrain and direct their bodies and their emotions.

Sheriff's Sale.

The State of Texas, County of Houston. Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a certain order of sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of Houston County, on the 17th day of April, 1915, by John D. Morgan, Clerk of said District Court, for the sum of Three Hundred Eighty and 34-100 Dollars and costs of suit, under a judgment, in favor of Center Loan Company in a certain cause in said court, No. 5562 and styled Center Loan Company vs W. H. Spinks, et al., placed in my hands for service, I, R. J. Spence, as Sheriff of Houston County, Texas, did, on the 1st day of May, 1915, levy on certain real estate, situated in Houston County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit: In Houston County, Texas, about 17 miles N 82 E from the City of Crockett, a part of the Geo. W. Turner 320 acres survey and bounded as follows: Beginning at the N E corner of said Geo. W. Turner survey. Thence S 85 W with Jas David's S B line 368 63-100 varas corner, two pines mkd X. Thence S 5 E 613 63-100 varas corner two small pines mkd X. Thence N 85 E 368 varas, corner on E. Smith W B line Pine and Sweet Gum mkd X. Thence N 5 W 613 63-100 varas to place of beginning, containing 40 acres of land and being the same land conveyed by Millage Kennedy to Geo. W. Hughes and by said Geo. W. Hughes to A. MacTavish, and levied upon as the property of W. H. Spinks and A. MacTavish, and that on the first Tuesday in June, 1915, the same being the 1st day of said month, at the Court House door of Houston County, in the City of Crockett, 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 W. H. Spinks and A. MacTavish.

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 day of sale, in the Crockett Courier, a newspaper published in Houston County. Witness my hand, this 1st day of May, 1915.
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