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PLAINS AS A FRUIT COUNTRY

H. P. Gould of the United States Agricultural Department, after an investigation of the fruit industry of this section, has returned to Washington. He says the department will publish a special bulletin dealing with the fruit interests of the plains, as it is a most wonderful country and in many respects peculiar to itself. After visiting a number of young orchards in this county, he said he had never seen a country where trees and vines had done better, and that the people were now in special need of information that would enable them to avoid the mistakes that have been so common and in many instances so disastrous in other sections of the country.

SENATOR BAILEY ARRIVES HOME

Gainesville, Tex., Aug. 30 — Senator Bailey arrived last night from the panhandle country, where he was greeted by enthusiastic crowds at a number of towns. The Senator's voice is a little the worse for wear, but he expects to be in good shape for an address at Bonham Friday, one at Hillsboro Saturday and Denison Monday.

LANDS FORFEITED

Land commissioner Robison has for free distribution printed copies of the list of school lands forfeited for nonpayment of interest, and which will be sold in October. Some desirable land has been forfeited by oversight of owners and part of it may be redeemed by payment of interest before sale in October.

SOME FINE MILLETT

W. M. Green, who resides twelve miles northeast of Dumas brought to the Pioneer office Saturday a bundle of as fine millett as was ever seen in this section. The heads are from six to seven inches long and one inch in diameter. It is of the German variety and Mr. Green states his whole crop is just as good as that on exhibition.

HEARD BAILEY

J. H. Manis, Prof. Dougherty and J. D. Burnett went to Amarillo Saturday to hear Senator Bailey make his great speech in that city Saturday night. They report a great time, a big crowd and a fine speech by the Senator.

Everybody Perfectly Satisfied

A delegation of business men from Ochiltree, composed of Pres. Perry, Director Cartwright, and Stockholders Tines and Malley, representing people who had become dissatisfied with the progress being made on the construction of the E. O. & W. went to Dalhart early in the week to investigate and gather what information they could on the subject. They visited the offices of the company and they were not only allowed to examine into the workings of the company, but were welcomed and encouraged to make very close investigation, as the growing dissatisfaction could thus be better allayed. These gentlemen expressed themselves as being entirely satisfied with what the company is doing.

It takes time and patience to construct a railroad and the company is "doing its Darndest—Angels can do no more."

J. H. Wright and J. E. Hays spent a portion of last week at Dalhart. They took advantage of the opportunity to go out to the grade of the E. O. & W. and see just what was being done. They report that something over 20 miles of grade is completed and no better work could be asked for. Contractor Key has sixty fine, big mules at one camp and is putting up lots of road-bed every day. Teams are at work placing the ties for the steel.

There has been a little dissatisfaction among a few stockholders owing to the fact that work is not progressing as rapidly as they would like to see it. As a rule, these stockholders are not familiar with Texas railroad laws or they would understand just why the work is not progressing faster. It is absolutely impossible to issue bonds on railroad property in the state of Texas until a part of the road is actually constructed. To construct this part of the E. O. & W., it requires money, and if the stockholders are slow about paying in the monthly assessments, the construction of the E. O. & W. will be correspondingly slow.

The management of the E. O. & W. have been very lenient about forcing payments when due, so far, owing to the scarcity of money among our farmers at this season of the year.

This paper has not been so enthusiastic over the building of the E. O. & W. as some of the neighboring papers, but has always been rather on the conservative side of the question. After watching developments for several months, and studying the different sides of the proposition, we can frankly and honestly say that we can see nothing but ultimate success for the E. O. & W. If you are anxious to see the road a reality, be as anxious to pay in your little assessment when demanded and show your good faith by boosting the proposition instead of "knocking" it to your neighbor. This last is a debt you owe to Wiest and his associates, who have labored steadfastly to make a success of the undertaking. It goes a long ways just now.

Let us all make a game finish and next year by this time we will be living in the heart of the most thriving country in the United States.—Hans ford Headlight.

Dr. Cook Plants the Stars and Stripes At the North Pole

Copenhagen, Denmark, Sept. 1.—Dr. Frederick A. Cook, the American explorer of Brooklyn, N. Y., reached the north pole April 21st, 1908, according to a telegram just received at the colonial office here.

Dr. Cook is on board the government steamer, Hans Egede, which passed Lerwick at noon today.

The telegram announcing Dr. Cook's achievement reads as follows:

"We have on board an American traveler, Dr. Cook, who reached the north pole April 21, 1908. Cook arrived at Upernivik in May, 1909, from Cape York. An Esquimax of Cape York confirms Cook's story of the journey."

All members of the expedition are reported safe and jubilant that America has beaten all other

nations in the race to the farthest north.

The accomplishment is causing quite a stir in scientific circles. Not only is the success of the American explorer hailed with delight because he has succeeded in effecting what has been sought for three hundred years, but because the exact location will have an important bearing on astronomical and other calculations.

BIG DANCE TONIGHT

Tonight there will be a big dance at the new Fox building, given by the young men of Dumas. Everybody is invited.

AN ENJOYABLE DANCE

A most enjoyable dance was given at the home of Postmaster Lamb last Friday night. The people who attended claim it as being one of the best dances ever pulled off in Dumas.

BAPTIST MEETING POSTPONED

Rev. Mr. Clouse, who preached at the Baptist church last Sunday, will return soon and conduct a revival meeting here. It was his intention to begin the meeting this week, but decided it would be better to postpone it for a few weeks.

BUILDING ADDITION

A fourteen-foot addition is being built on to the Pioneer building this week.

COLT SHOW.

Rich Crump, who owns the big gray stallion, "Newt," will hold a colt show here Saturday, September 4, and has offered the following prizes for colts from "Newt": For the best 1909 spring colt, \$7.00, for the second best, \$5.00 and for the third best, \$3.00. Mr. Crump will also have on exhibition his fine coach horse recently purchased.

SUMMONED.

"Come over and see me."
"Sorry, old man, but I have an engagement with my tailor in 20 minutes."
"Gee! but you're getting swell! Couldn't break such an important date, eh?"
"No. The date is in the courtroom."

For Moore county land address, G.A. Vawter, Dalhart, Texas. 14tf

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DUMAS, - - - - TEXAS

TEXAS NEWS ITEMS

The Interurban depot at Plano was entered Aug. 11 and the cash drawer robbed of \$20.70 in money.

Texas now has two counties whose taxable values exceed \$100,000,000 according to the estimates made by the Assessors of Harris and Dallas.

A disastrous fire occurred in Groveton Friday night, destroying a block of five brick mercantile buildings worth about \$40,000.

In Galveston Sunday there were 8,000 visitors. The beach amusement front was crowded all during the day and until late at night.

While patrolling his beat in Ft. Worth Thursday night, about 10 o'clock, Policeman Ad W. Campbell was shot and instantly killed.

Oak Grove, a town five miles west of DeKalb, was destroyed by fire Sunday night. Origin of the fire unknown at this time.

Monday registered the hottest day of the year in Texarkana so far, the mercury at 3:30 o'clock reaching a bare fraction less than 105.

Chinatown boiled over again early Sunday morning over the murder of the most beautiful Chinawoman in New York, Bow Kim, 21 years old.

William Geisen, Representative of the Ninth Legislative District of Texas, died suddenly about noon Friday at his home in San Marcos of acute indigestion.

Normal conditions again prevail in the Gulf of Mexico, the storm which caused some alarm Wednesday having passed inland between Tampico, Mexico, and Brownsville, Tex.

Judge C. E. Williamson died Thursday at Comanche, at the age of 69 years. John Pelham Camp, U. C. V., had charge of the services, according him a burial with military honors.

The Commissioners' Court has made an estimate of the population of Denton County by precincts to send to the Controller, after a careful investigation. The estimate is 47,332.

As a result of a cloudburst and small cyclone, which struck Rotan Saturday afternoon, one man is dead and three others more or less seriously injured, 500 feet of track on the Texas Central Railroad is washed away and the entire town is three feet under water, all travel being of necessity by means of canoes.

At the request of Arthur Stiles of the Drainage and Levee Board of Texas, and topographer of the United States Geological Survey, Director Smith of the survey will send to Texas Sledge Tatum, the noted drainage expert of the Government, to assist Mr. Stiles in an advisory way as to the drainage possibilities of the various drainage projects in Texas.

The locating committee of the West Texas State Normal Thursday in Ft. Worth, completed the opening of the sealed bids filed by the various towns and was not only gratified, but astounded, at the liberality of many of the offers. Excellent sites for the school were offered in every instance and in several cases cash bonuses, to be expended in improvements, in amounts ranging from \$50,000 to \$100,000 were offered.

SUMMARY OF THE WEEK

A RESUME OF THE MOST IMPORTANT NEWS AT HOME AND ABROAD.

ITEMS FOR BUSINESS PEOPLE

A Carefully Digested and Condensed Compilation of Current News Domestic and Foreign.

Workmen in the Gary, Ind., steel plant, declare that beer is a necessity and that unless they be allowed to purchase what they need in Gary, they will go where the beer may be had.

The first car load of apples was received in Dallas Thursday, from Colorado. There will be a few Arkansas apples on the market, but these will not affect the price materially.

Secretary of the United States Treasury MacVagh sent a check Tuesday for \$7,450 to the city of Marlin and W. A. Altorf, to pay for the site for the public building to be erected at Marlin.

E. M. Hopkins and Frank Westcott of Detroit, Mich., were in Waxahachie Wednesday in the interest of an interurban railway they propose to build from Dallas to Waxahachie. Mr. Hopkins addressed a meeting of citizens at the court house.

Montagu Holbein, the swimmer, has failed in his seventh effort to swim across the English Channel. He left Cape Gris Nez Thursday, and after a splendid all-night attempt he was forced to give up a few miles out of Dover.

Harry K. Thaw's latest attempt to gain liberty met with complete defeat Thursday when Supreme Court Justice Isaac Mills dismissed the writ of habeas corpus and declared that the release of the petitioner would be dangerous to the public peace and safety.

Joseph S. Myers, Commissioner of Labor Statistics, and H. G. Wagner, Deputy Commissioner, were two appointments made Thursday, in Austin, under act of the Thirty-First Legislature, being the first selections under the new law. The Governor appointed Myers and the latter appointed Wagner.

An explosion of dynamite made by unknown persons in an attempt, it is believed, to destroy the construction work of the Cincinnati Southern Railroad's new bridge in the West End did much damage to buildings and caused excitement in Cincinnati. Window panes were blown from some buildings blocks distant.

Arrangements were completed Thursday for a convention in Guthrie Oct. 22 to perfect a State organization to promote the colonization of American negroes in Africa under the auspices of the Abraham Lincoln African Aid and Colonization Society, recently incorporated in Stillwater by white citizens of Oklahoma.

The Standard Oil Company will have to pay a duty of about 10 per cent ad valorem on oil it has imported into the Philippines since the new tariff bill became effective, although oil under that measure is admitted into the United States and the Philippines free of duty. This imposition of duty is caused by the fact that the oil is put up in cans made from imported tin.

W. T. Robertson, a switchman, was instantly killed while switching in the Rock Island yards in Wilburton, Okla., Friday.

Death Friday claimed two victims of the Southern Railway wreck between Bristol and Knoxville, Tenn., Thursday.

Eleven lives were lost when Okanagan Hotel at Vernon, B. C., was burned early Tuesday. The building contained about sixty guests.

Minneapolis was selected by the International Typographical Union convention Friday, in St. Joseph, Mo., as its next meeting place.

Chinese Minister Wu Ting Fang has been recalled from Washington and ordered to Peking for further assignment. His successor will be Chang Yin Tang.

The crop report of the Canadian Government, showing a total of approximately 175,000,000 bushels for that country this year, had a depressing effect on the wheat market.

Bound from Portsmouth to Boston, the naval tug Nezinscot capsized off Cape Ann at an early hour Wednesday and four of her crew were drowned.

Southern Railway westbound vestibule train No. 41 was derailed near Bulls Gap, Tenn., Thursday, between Knoxville and Bristol, and seven persons were injured.

Train No. 257, out of Denison, better known as the Fannin County Flyer, was equipped Tuesday with a telephone system by which the conductor can converse with the engineer and the engineer with the conductor.

Sixteen Governors have accepted invitations to join the party of President Taft on his trip down the Mississippi River next October, according to an announcement made by the Lakes to the Gulf Deep Waterways Association Saturday, in St. Louis.

Fourteen lives are known to be lost and heavy property damage in Monterey, Mex., as the result of the overflow of the Santa Catarina River Tuesday night. The National Railway lines are again tied up on account of washouts north and south of this city.

Two preliminary surveys are to be made by the Memphis, Paris and Gulf Railway to find a route for an extension from Little Rock to Texas. One line is to be run by way of Richmond and Clarksville, Tex., to Greenville, and the other via Richmond to Paris, Texas.

Nine persons are dead and others are expected to die, between forty and fifty are injured, three engines are in the ditch, two baggage cars, including the contents, are smashed to kindlingwood, as the result of a collision near Colorado Springs, Colo., Saturday.

John D. Lamar Jr. and John F. Horsfull, assistant postmasters, respectively, of Rosebud and Waco, joined in a call for a meeting of assistant postmasters of Texas to take place in Waco Monday, Aug. 23. The object of the meeting is to organize a State Association of Assistant Postmasters.

Secretary Wilson has amended the Washington Department of Agriculture order regarding the quarantine against scabies in sheep in Texas, effective Aug. 18. The effect of the amendment is to require that scabby sheep may be dipped twice a week in regulation and shipped in the State without Federal restriction, or they may be dipped once and shipped interstate for immediate slaughter.

HEAT KILLS 29 PEOPLE

KANSAS, MISSOURI, ARKANSAS, TEXAS, MISSISSIPPI AND OKLAHOMA STRICKEN.

HOT WAVE SWEEPS SIX STATES

More Than a Hundred Prostrations Reported But No Fatalities in State of Texas.

Dallas, Aug. 18.—Six States were in the grasp of intense heat yesterday. Temperatures greatly above normal were noted in Kansas, Missouri, Arkansas, Texas, Mississippi and Oklahoma. In the last State mentioned, at Muskogee, the mercury showed a registration of 114 degrees. This followed a hot wind that had swept portions of Oklahoma Monday.

At Natchez and Vicksburg, Miss., the heat was oppressive.

At St. Louis the heat wave, which had lasted for nearly a week, was broken early last night, when a cool breeze sprung up and continued through the evening and night. The day at St. Louis was exceedingly warm, although the mercury did not register as high a temperature as during the last five days.

The death roll from heat prostrations totals about twenty-nine, and more than a hundred prostrations were recorded. Many of those who were stricken are not yet out of danger.

Fort Worth and Dallas had an exceedingly warm day. No fatalities were reported in Texas.

CLOUDBURST AT ROTAN.

One Man Is Dead and 500 Feet of Railway Washed Away.

Rotan: As a result of a cloudburst and small cyclone which struck this place Saturday afternoon, one man is dead and three others more or less seriously injured, 500 feet of track on the Texas Central Railroad is washed away and the entire town is three feet under water, all travel being of necessity by means of canoes. Several houses, including the Presbyterian church, were demolished and many others suffered to some extent from the wind and water. There is no stream, but the volume of water that fell was so tremendous that the flat in which the town is located became a small sea.

NINE KILLED IN WRECK.

Two Passenger Trains Collide and Great Damage Done.

Colorado Springs, Colo.: Nine persons are dead and others are expected to die, between forty and fifty are injured, three engines are in the ditch, two baggage cars, including the contents, are mashed to kindlingwood and several passenger coaches are badly damaged as the result of a head-on collision between east-bound passenger train No. 8 and west-bound passenger train No. 1 on the Denver and Rio Grande near Husted, thirteen miles north of this city, Saturday.

Aeroplane Detachment.

Jefferson City, Mo.: Adj. Gen. Rumbold, National Guard of Missouri, Monday issued an order directing the organization of an aeroplane detachment, which will be part of the signal corps located at St. Louis. Fifteen aeronauts will be enlisted.

The Little Chap

BY E. NESBIT

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The man was tired. For long enough, and too long now, the wings of life had dragged, broken, shedding gleaming feathers along the dusty high road where, for others, flowers grew. For others the road led to the City of Dreams; to his feet, laden as in nightmares one's feet are, the road was only the dust wherein he strove to advance to something, he knew not what, and, striving, failed always.

He was not ill—the body did its work well enough. He never knew fatigue. Only despair he knew. She twisted her claws in his heart, and pulled till he longed for the roots of life to sunder suddenly, and the whole sorry business be done with.

His rooms were haunted by his own dead hopes and dreams. Life was a chain of cruel jests, and the merriest of them was the knowledge that once he, too, had been merry. The books that lined his walls looked somber and forbidding to eyes that no longer loved them. In the gardens of Gray's Inn the rooks cawed to branches now wholly bare. For it was winter, and if there had ever been summer the man had forgotten it. The dark-painted doors, two of them, shut from him the dark staircase. In his low-ceiled rooms twilight hung veils like cobwebs. And it seemed to him that in all the world there was nothing that made the world worth while. If he had had friends, he had tired out their friendship. If he had had a love, her love had wearied of his ingratitude and his exactions. If, with the waning of the winter daylight, his life-lamp should also go out, none would be the loser, he least of all. Only his laundress coming at her own time and season would be a little surprised, a little shocked.

He had no need to work for money, and he had no heart to work for love. So he sat in the warm dusk and hated everything.

And the dusk deepened to a darkness that was like black velvet in the shadows of the room, and like gray velvet shot with gold in the oblong of the tall windows, because they looked out over the inn gardens, and were filled with the sky that is over London.

The fire fell together with a crash, and he stretched his arms and sighed, and got up out of his chair. It was then that he heard the child crying. It was crying softly, with subdued snufflings and gurglings, and the sound came from beyond his door. On the oak stairs he found the child sitting, its head in the pitiable cap—a man's cap with a peak—leaned against the carved banisters. Its hands, black and red, were screwed up against its eyes. Its clothes were horrible. One garment outlined with mangy fur.

"Hullo, I say!" said the man. "Don't cry. What's the matter?"

"I'm los'." said the child.

"But how did you get in here?"

"It's raining outside," said the child, sniffed, rubbed its fists once

more in its eyes, and stopped crying.

"You've got a fire," it said, turning bright eyes to the open door.

"Where's your mother?" he asked.

"She's lost me," said the child.

"She said to me stay there, and she'd come back. And she ain't come back."

"Stay where?" he asked.

"There," said the child. "I say, you do burn lots of coals."

He could not resist the second appeal.

"Come in," he said, and the child scrambled to its feet, little feet, in unspeakable boots.

"I like you," it said. "You talk like my daddy used to."

The child squatted on the hearth-rug, and with perfect self-possession, took off the dreadful cap and laid it on the fender to dry.

"It's my best," it explained.

The man and the child looked at each other. In the child's eyes a merry confidence dawned slowly, like sunshine, and two smiles met.

"Do you ever," the man asked, doubtfully, "have a bath?"

"Saturdays," the child answered, promptly.

"Could you—if I turned on the water for you—could you give yourself a bath?"

"Course I could," it said, "if you was to soap me back."

He turned on the water for it, and he did soap its back.

He liked the child from the moment he saw its smile, but he did not love it until he had held its body in his arms.

And the thin arms hung round his neck like a necklace of price.

When the necklace loosened at the touch of sleep, the man gathered the child in his arms very closely, and sat quiet, a long time, looking into the fire. And at last he laid the child in his own bed, and went out to buy things for it.

He bought clothes and toys and pleasant sweet foods, and his fancy busied itself with a life that should be quite different from any that he had known or dreamed of. For hours had gone by now since he had found the child in the cold shadows of the staircase, and the hope he had not dared to look at had grown to a strong certainty that bade him look in its face, unafraid, with glad eyes.

The mother had meant to lose the child. She would not come back. Certainly she would not come back. The child was his own. And what would he not make of his own—what not do for it, be to it?

They had closed the gates of the inn before he went out, and they opened to him as he returned. He looked up at the tall house; it did not seem the sort of house to which such a gift would come. His arms were full of lumpy parcels, and the stairs seemed longer than usual, but here, at last, was the black door with his name whitely painted on it. He had to set down all the parcels on the stairs while he found his key.

He threw all the parcels on the sofa and turned up a light. The fire had burned clear again. What a pleasant room it was for a child to wake up in! He would set out the food and the toys and the clothes, and then bring the child in and hold it in his arms till it woke to all the little intimate joys and surprises he

had prepared for it. Moving very softly, so that the wakening should not come too soon, he unpacked toys and sweets, and warm, pretty garments, and laid out everything on table and chairs.

The room being thus transfigured to the lit shrine of youth and love and the heart of the child, he went to bring back in his arms the child itself.

And the child was not there. His bed lay smooth and neat; on its pillow, neatly folded, the garment that he had seen the child wear as, after the bath, it sat before his fire. The child was gone, its clothes were gone. All was as though no child had ever been at all in those dark rooms.

Then the heart of the man was wild with anger and fierce resentment, as is the heart of a man robbed of his most precious treasure.

He searched wildly, displacing the ordered furniture, disarranging the folds of curtains and hangings, and, this being fruitlessly done, went out to search the staircase in its dark corners, and, later, the quiet squares of the inn.

But he did not find the child.

Then, the sense of loss deepening and intensifying within him, he found himself at the police station, asking somewhat wildly for a child that was lost—a little child; no, he did not know its name, nor the colors of its eyes and hair; he had found it, and meant to keep it for his own, and now it was gone. He did not know its name, but it had bright eyes and curly hair and a very merry smile. It had no father. It had worn an old cloth cap and a rag of a coat with mangy fur.

The policemen looked at him and at each other, and smiled furtively.

"Yes, sir. Certainly, sir," one answered, to whom a silvery voice had spoken. "We'll keep a lookout, and let you know if we come across the little chap."

And when the man was gone back to that room where the toys and sweets and clothes had emptied themselves of meaning value, the men in blue smiled more broadly still.

"We're so likely to come across the little chap, ain't we," one said to the other, "seeing there's thousands and thousands of little chaps exactly like him? Bright eyes, and curly hair, and a merry smile, and dressed in rags, and no father! Well, well!"

Perhaps it is because there are so many thousands that the man has never found the little chap again.

But he has found some of the others; and he knows more about buying clothes and sweets than he knew on that first night. Only no other child can ever be the same as that one. No other child comes to such a desert with such a rose. And sometimes he wonders whether, after all. . . . But he will never know. Or perhaps some day it may be that he will know. He thinks of that; very often he thinks of it.

OPTION WANTED ONLY.

The Caller—I called in answer to yer ad fer a first-class cook, mum.

The Lady (eagerly)—And you want the position?

The Caller—Not at prisint, mum. There's the other parties ahead iv yez, but I'll accept a three months' option on the job without any consideration.—Puck.

PLEA IS FOR EXTERMINATION

Knoxville Sentinel Sounds Tocsin and Calls for Campaign Against the Pestilent Fly.

Already in our midst the house fly, the dirty fly, the typhoid and cholera infantum fly, will soon swarm in thousands and millions unless precautions are taken. The house fly, whom we were taught in our childhood to treat with kindness, has been exposed. Its habits are filthy. It breeds in stables and garbage pails, and carries the filth it revels in and tracks it across the sugar, the butter and the beefsteak. It paddles its horrid feet, gummed with the vilest rotting matter, in the baby's milk. The doctors have declared war on the house fly. It probably disseminates every disease. It is a nuisance. It must be exterminated. It can be driven out of every city. In an age of knowledge, screens and cheap disinfectants there is no excuse for flies in any household. Clean up your premises and report to the health department your neighbor who does not. Get rid of breeding places of flies and you will get rid of flies. The battle is half won if begun early.—Knoxville Sentinel.

THEY ARE RUDE, AREN'T THEY?



Bertie—Perchance our roads lie in a similar direction?

She (who doesn't think much of him)—Possibly; I live just past the Dogs' Home.

WHERE SHE HAD HIM.

She—I had such a queer dream last night.

He—Yes? What was it?

She—Well, I dreamt you gave me a beautiful diamond brooch for Christmas.

He (in a very weak voice)—You did?

She—Yes, and the funny part was that the stones turned out to be sham, and, oh! I was so glad—

He (brightening)—Glad?

She—Why, yes. You know dreams always go by opposites. That meant that you were really going to get me a genuine diamond brooch for Christmas.

He (gasping)—I—I—see-e-e. (Aside) O, Lord!

NEW COMPLEXITIES.

"What do the letters R. S. V. P. at the bottom of this invitation mean?" asked Mr. Cumrox.

"Why, everybody knows that they signify 'Please answer.'"

"Great Scott! This spelling reform is playing smash, isn't it?"—Exchange.

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ONLY LABOR BRINGS SUCCESS

Element of Chance, While a Factor
in Life, Is Not Chief in the
Affairs of Men.

It is related that soon after the discovery of gold in California a miner, without a cent and very hungry, asked credit for breakfast at a tent "hotel" in the tented camp of Coloma, and was refused. He took his pick and shovel and entered a claim abandoned in despair by its recent owner, and after a dozen strokes brought to the surface a nugget that yielded him \$2,000 a few moments later.

That was success, and it may be claimed that it was due to labor, for had he not delved he would have gone breakfastless that day and perhaps many subsequent days, but most of us unthinkingly will continue to ascribe that man's "success" to luck rather than to labor. The dews of heaven fall on the worthy and the unworthy alike, and the element of chance is the biggest sort of a factor in the affairs of men. All the work in the world will not grow a crop of corn in parched Sahara.

But we must admit that labor is the antecedent of success as will be the antecedent of labor. "All the wishes that man can fancy will not fill the Arno, nor turn a plum into an orange." Thomas Jefferson was a successful man, and his confidential agent of 40 years declared that never but twice had he seen Mr Jefferson when he was not at work.

A HARD OUTLOOK.

A tailor who was defendant in a case at the assizes seemed much cast down when brought up for trial.

"What's the trouble?" whispered his counsel, observing his client's distress as he surveyed the jurymen.

"It looks pretty bad for me," said the defendant, "unless some steps are taken to dismiss that jury and get a new lot. There ain't a man among 'em, but what owes me money for clothes."—Tit-Bits.

CHARM OF FEMINITY.

The more feminine the woman the greater her charm. I have never yet seen a woman who could successfully imitate man in either manner or dress.

A girl can be as merry and high-spirited as she likes, but let her also be gentle. She must remember that, as she is a woman, the most natural thing for her to do is to behave as one.

She may be unreasonable and capricious—she can carry off those qualities; but she cannot be rough and hold the respect of men.

The woman who is born to rule men shows her domination from the cradle to the grave. Even as a baby she displays the winning qualities that later will make her a belle.—Exchange.

IN THE MONKEY HOUSE.

Strange what superior airs people unconsciously take or give themselves in the monkey house, yet while in the lionhouse they meekly mount around in absorbed silence—an expression of the subconscious mind. People have instinctive, resentful superiority to the monkey, so much so that some of them cannot bear the sight of one. On the other hand all people awe and fear lions. Babies will often shrink at the very sight of any tawny animal. The subconscious mind remains pretty much the same through life.—New York Press.

REAL THING.

"Is this a genuine Boston bull terrier?"

"Yes, the bona fido article."—Kansas City Times.

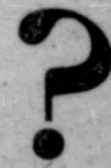
QUIET TO QUICK BOSCAR.

Napoleon was sojourning at St. Helena.

"This only man at the summer resort business is terrible," he decided.

Thus another legend was busted.

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Local-Personal

J. H. Lamb was in Channing, Monday.

W. J. Waston was in Channing this week.

Mrs. Polly Record was here from Quarton Monday.

Chas. Harris and Wylie Fox were in Dalhart, Wednesday.

Dr. and Mrs. G. A. Vawter were over from Dalhart, Monday.

W. R. Tyson and family are visiting relatives and friends at Texhoma.

T. W. Wilson, of the Wilson Brother's Land Co. of Atchison, Kansas, was here this week.

To trade good farm in Grayson county for land in Moore county W. C. Collins, Channing, Texas.

320 acre farm in Cook county to trade for good Moore county land. W. C. Collins, Channing, Tex.

Dr. Chas. Morris of Dalhart was in town this week putting in some improvements to the telephone exchange.

Two good farms in Hunt county to trade for good Panhandle lands. W. C. Collins, Channing Texas.

J. B. Simpson, of Hartley was in town this week accompanied by his brother A. P. Simpson, of Corsicana, Texas.

F. Ervay Taylor went to Hartley Thursday to meet his mother Mrs. Anna Taylor, who came up from Fort Worth to visit him.

Miss Mellie Perkins has just opened up a dress making establishment at the residence of J. C. Wynn and will be pleased to have the ladies call on her when they need anything in her line.

J. C. Wynn and family, Prof. Johnston and family and Judge Phillips and family went out to the railroad camp yesterday.

The Dumas public schools will open next Monday and it is hoped that every boy and girl of scholastic age will be present.

T. E. Ward of Hansford was here Thursday to meet his wife who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Sam Ansley, at Plainview.

Everyone that is interested in sports will please meet Saturday afternoon in the Pioneer office for the purpose of organizing a foot ball team.

FOR SALE—One span three year-old mules—15 1-2 and 15 3-4 hands high—and good ones. Also some younger mules.

W. R. Tyson.

ORGANIZING YEOMEN

Dr. and Mrs. A. S. Allen of Dalhart are here organizing a lodge of American Yeomen. They are having great success in securing a large list of applicants.

A LARGE, SHADY PLACE.

They were arranging their plans for the summer:

"What I should like," said Gwendolin, "is a large, shady place where I could stay as long as I wish, regardless of expense."

"Well," responded her father, "why don't you put on your hat?"—Washington Star.

IN THE WORLD OF LETTERS.

"What is literature?" said the person who tries to start arguments.

"Literature," answered the man at the typewriter, "is something to put around advertisements so that they can be more effectively displayed."

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The Home Department

GIVE QUICK RELIEF

SOOTHING APPLICATIONS FOR
BURNS AND CUTS.

Household Remedies with Which Every Mother Should Make Herself Familiar—Ought to Be Always at Hand.

Not every one knows what to do when burnt; nor is it the time to learn remedies when touched by fire. Every household should have some preparation for quick relief of burns and bad cuts.

It is not enough to know what to do, but the means of doing must be at hand. The wise woman with children has a convenient shelf, where is stored a package of absorbent cotton, rolls of bandages, court plaster, surgical scissors, soft pieces of old linen, antiseptic washes, witch hazel, some good salve, a bottle of carbolic acid labeled poison, a cake of antiseptic soap, a hypodermic syringe, hot water bottle, turpentine, a roll of mustard plasters, lime water and linseed oil.

While any severe burn or cut should mean a doctor, much can be done to alleviate pain until he comes.

For burns a soothing application is equal parts of linseed oil and lime water. Soak lint or strips of linen in this mixture and renew whenever necessary.

A slight burn kept soaked with witch hazel will soon cease to pain. If this is not at hand cover tightly with ordinary kitchen soap and dredge the wound with flour.

Another simple remedy for burns is made by adding to a cupful of olive oil a teaspoonful of carbolic acid. Apply bandage soaked in the mixture.

A bad bruise can be eased by applying turpentine. This is also excellent if one has run a nasty nail into the flesh.

In case of a deep cut, wash it out well with warm soapy water and then with some antiseptic solution. There are many of these that can be bought ready prepared, and your physician

will tell you a good one. A weak solution of carbolic acid is easily prepared—a half teaspoonful of the acid to a tumbler of water.

If the clothes seem to have stuck to a wound do not tear them off, but soften with warm olive oil the parts that adhere, having first cut away the clothing close to wound with sharp scissors.

For a bad sprain put first under hot water and then under cold. Keep this up until the doctor arrives. Or bandage the wound in some of the clay preparations recommended to reduce swelling and pain.

CHIC HAT AND BLOUSE

A hat of burnt straw adorned with luscious looking plums and their foliage, the underbrim faced with silk matching the fruit. The blouse, of



striped material, has a box plait front and flat collar of plain white linen trimmed with white crochet buttons. Stock and little square yoke are all over embroidery.

HOLDS THE SMALLER THINGS

Combination Satchel That Will Be Found Especially Useful on a Journey.

Our sketch illustrates a combination satchel that is especially useful for traveling purpose, and designed to contain handkerchiefs, gloves, hair nets, ties, glove stretchers and button-



book. It can be made out of any pretty piece of silk or brocade and lined with soft silk of a color to match or harmonize, and bound at the edges with narrow ribbon.

In the center is arranged a long pocket for gloves, and above it, a small ribbon strap is sewn into which a pair of glove stretchers may be

slipped. On the left-hand side is a pocket for handkerchiefs, and on the right-hand side is a similar pocket in which hair-nets may find a place. On the lower side is a pocket of the same shape as the pocket for gloves, and in this case it is intended for ties, while a small loop of ribbon sewn on just above it is for a button-hook. The two side pockets fold over; then the lower pocket is folded, upwards and the upper flap folded downwards, and the case may be securely fastened with the ribbon bow, in the manner shown in the small sketch at the top right-hand corner.

Some pretty floral designs, as indicated in the sketch, or the initials of the owner can be worked on the front of the case.

Adjustable Founce.

When making a cambric princess slip to be worn under one piece dresses a great saving and advantage will be found in making the founce so it will button on. By doing so one can have a founce made to match every gown.

Gray suede boots with pearl buttons are attractively worn with gray walking suits.



GATHERED SMILES

NOT SO BAD.

Gwendolyn de Courtenay, the handsome society favorite, was nervously agitated. Even a blind-baggage car could see that. She passed up and down in front of the large cheval glass in her room. Evidently she was greatly aggrieved over something. Finally her high-strung nerves got churned up to such a pitch that she lost control over herself and began to clutch and tear wildly at her hair, pulling it out in large handfuls.

Your sympathetic nature is aroused and you cry: "The poor woman is temporarily insane. Why doesn't some one stop her before she does herself bodily injury? She must be in terrible mental agony to stand the pain of pulling her hair out by the roots."

But hist! Be not too lavish with your sympathy, friend. Up to now Gwendolyn has only pulled off 14 pounds of puffs, three miles of interlocking switches, and a few detachable curls. She has some distance to go yet before she touches the real, cross-your-heart hair. Gwendolyn is merely distracted because her maid cannot get her floating, hirsute equipment on in becoming array. She is simply getting ready for a fresh start! —Puck.

Putting Him Wise.

"Have you a play for next season?" asked the low comedian.

"No," answered the manager.

"Well," continued the l. c., "I can put you next to something that will draw well."

"What is it?" queried the manager.

"A mustard plaster," answered the other, as he made a hurried getaway.

Gettin' Em Out of the Way.

Penman—A certain society has made me an offer to buy all of my poems.

Wright—It must be the Humane society.—Yonkers Statesman.

AT THE SEASIDE.



Miss Oldgirl—Don't you think it's a great impropriety to be engaged to three men at once?

Miss De Flippe—Not if they don't know it.

No Use.

Newspapers try to post the world, and keep it posted—do their best—And yet some city youth each year Essays to pick a hornet nest.

Opposing Results.

"There is one paradoxical experience," remarked the Home Philosopher, "which nearly every person has."

"What is that?" asked the Humble Companion.

"That it strikes no one's sense of humor to bit his funny-bone."

Sounded That Way.

"It beats all how many things a quarter will buy these days."

"Took hash for dinner, did you?"

THE SUBURBAN BREAKFAST

Coffee cup and roll in hand
And fifty seconds late,
Father breakfasts on the run
To catch the 7:08.

Nibbling at a soft boiled egg
And hoofing might and main,
Mother breakfasts as she speeds
To catch the shoppers' train.

Carrying his bowl of mush
And double quickening far,
Tommy breakfasts as he hikes
To catch the high school car.

Thus for suburbs it would seem,
Though revenues are lax,
No breakfast tables will be found
On which to lay a tax.
—McLandburgh Wilson, in New York Sun.

THE BRUTE.



Mrs. Fixem—I don't see what you men find in your club.

Mr. Fixem—It's what we don't find.

Clever Willie.

On his baby sister's head
Willie broke a piece of the
Mamma only smiled and said:
"That will hold her for a while."

Soothing.

"I think my wife has mesmeric powers. Whenever I am unable to sleep I get her to run her fingers through my hair, and she never fails to make me feel drowsy in a little while."

"My wife can put me to sleep in an easier way than that. I just permit her to go on talking and she soon gets so deeply interested in her subject that she doesn't expect me to answer."

The Latest.

Sandy Pikes—Yes, mum, I used to be de star wire walker in de days of Barnum. Couldn't you loan me a quarter to join de show in de next town?

Housewife (suspiciously)—Where is your wire?

Sandy Pikes—Don't carry it any more, mum. I'm a wireless walker now.

By Inference.

Bridge Teacher—Now, if your partner is dealer and has a dreadful hand, what will she make it?

Mrs. Baker—No trumps.

Bridge Teacher—Why, you don't know anything about bridge!

Mrs. Baker—Possibly not; but I know all about my partner.—Harper's Bazar.

Adapting Proverbs.

He (dogmatically)—Siraws show which way the wind blows.

She (significantly) — Well, sometimes, in a treating party, they show somebody is raising the wind.

The Language of Love.

"Has he proposed yet?"

"Not in so many words."

"That's no answer. Proposals never come in words—they consist of signs, hems, haws and gurgles."



FEEDING OF THE YOUNG PIG

To Do It Properly Is Both an Art and a Science and Well Worth Studying.

It is both an art and a science to properly feed young pigs, and is something well worth any farmer's time to study. The most economical gains that a pig ever makes are made while he is young, and upon his early growth and the proper development of his digestive system depends the economy and success with which he will later be fattened. Hence one must consider not alone supplying the nutriment to make continuous growth but supply such feeds as will develop and prepare the digestive system for the handling of the kinds and quantities of feeds required in the finishing process.

When the pig is born its digestive tract is filled with a manure (the result of mucous excretions probably), called meconium. Nature has provided for the removal of this by making the first milk of the dam very rich in oily globules which act as a laxative and slide this meconium out readily. If it is left in the system gases arise from it, and it is absorbed into the system, causing the pig discomfort and sickness. If the dam for any reason dies, very rich milk must be supplied to remove this meconium.

The muscles surrounding the digestive canals of a little pig are not strong. It is not natural they should be. Therefore the little pig is not fitted to cope with large amounts of



A Poland-China Pig.

crude fiber. It needs bulky but fine feeds. Coarse cellulose, such as is found in oats, barley and things of that sort, it is almost impossible for a small pig with its rather feeble muscular activity to handle. The mucous linings of the intestines and stomach are tender and delicate. They become irritated very easily by coarse, harsh substances. Giving them rough, grating feeds would produce about the same sensation in their intestines that getting a cinder into the eye does upon the membrane of the eyelid.

The cells of the digestive tract through which the nutrients pass out into the system are small. The absorption powers of the pig are therefore weak. He cannot handle as many nutrients nor as easily as can the large celled mature animal. To give him more than he can absorb, is not alone a waste of feed, but also a waste of his energy. The nutrients that he digests and does not absorb simply pass out with the feces. They do him no good at all, but he has nevertheless had the work of digesting them.

Extra Tillage.

Probably no operation on the farm pays as well on the investment as the extra tillage requisite to secure ideal conditions. Clods repel the tiny roots and vacancies between carry neither ready moisture nor food. Sometimes, especially in dry seasons, the difference in yield between a cloddy soil and one open, mellow, with available food easy to reach and moisture at will approaches 100 per cent.

Willing to Be Fair.

"Bizniz won't hunt for you behind the door, but if you are ready it will meet you half way ev'ry time."

DEMAND FOR GOOD WETHERS

Fewer Reach the Market Every Year on Account of High Price Dressed Lambs Bring.

It is said that fewer wethers reach the market every year. And if the demand for dressed lamb continues to grow at its present pace, and if the range districts are brought into close communication with the markets, the number of wethers sold will probably be still less.

If the rangeman has very cheap grazing land or too few sheep to run his ranch to full capacity he has a



Before and After Shearing.

place for wethers. When prices for mutton and wool are high wethers will more than pay their way on almost any range, but the profit they yield compared to that from breeding ewes is much less, and hence wethers are being discarded by the more progressive sheepmen.

However, as a mutton product wethers are desired in the hotels, restaurants, dining cars and steamships where the heavier cuts may be used to advantage.

Prime wethers must be highly developed in form, quality and condition and weigh from 95 to 125 pounds; however, wethers weighing 140 pounds and even more, frequently grade as prime if all other conditions are right. This class of mutton is used for export, although there is some demand for it in larger cities of this country.

MAKE-UP OF HORSES' TEETH

What They Consist of and How to Tell an Early Foal from a Late One.

The horse's teeth consist of the following: Twelve incisors, front teeth, six in each jaw; four tusks or canine teeth, two in each jaw; 24 molars, 12 in each jaw, 6 on each side, says the Business Farmer.

As a rule, at birth a foal has two central incisors. If not, they will appear in a day or two. From 14 to 21 days, the two middle teeth, viz., the two next on each side of the incisors, develop, and in about two months after appearance they become level. The third teeth on outside of the incisors or corner teeth are level with the others at about eight months. Little change take place in the teeth for some months. At one year the cups have left the center teeth.

These cups are the hollows in the crowns of the teeth. The cups at 18 months leave the middle incisors and at two years the same takes place on the outside incisors, so that the crowns of the lower incisors are flat at that age. This makes it possible to tell an early foal from a late one at the foaling period by the developing of the cups, if any, in the corner of the teeth. In developing the colt teeth the upper and lower usually appear at the same time.

The permanent teeth begin to displace the colt's teeth soon after the animal reaches two years. This displacement is brought about by the actual absorption of the fangs of the permanent teeth. It begins with the center incisors, which will show a slight constriction, discoloring and a separation.

Don't Feed Too Often.

Fowls will do better if fed only once a week. Have large hoppers, place various kinds of feed in them, and let the poultry eat what they want and when they want it. They understand making a properly balanced ration.

GOOD ON HOT DAYS

LIGHT AND HASTY PREPARATIONS FOR SUMMER.

Potted Fish Especially Fitted for Luncheon Table—Stuffed Green Peppers—Potato Balls—To Put up Chili Sauce.

Potted fish is a tasty filling for summer sandwiches and for the luncheon table. Boil four pounds of halibut or any white fish and when it is cold pick it apart. Season with salt and pepper and a blade of mace. Pound the fish to a paste, adding gradually a quarter pound of butter melted. Pack in a small glass jar, cover with melted paraffin, then with paper and keep in cool place.

Green peppers stuffed with fresh, green corn and baked make a tasty luncheon dish. For six medium-sized peppers take enough fresh corn to fill them. Boil the peppers until they are soft. Mix the corn with salt and pepper to taste and a generous lump of butter. Heat through, then fill the peppers. Lay on top of each bread crumbs and a thin slice of bacon. Put the peppers in a baking dish half full of water and bake in a hot oven. Serve with a thick cream sauce.

Another dish is made by taking a pint of hot mashed potatoes seasoned with salt, pepper, celery salt, a dash of cayenne and a few drops of onion juice; add the beaten yolk of one egg. Shape into round balls and fill the centers with creamed chicken, sweetbreads or peas. Dip into egg and crumbs and fry in very hot fat. Serve on a platter with slices of crisp bacon and solid tomatoes dotted with mayonnaise. Sprinkle the potato balls with minced parsley.

Chili sauce is made by taking three red or green peppers, 12 large, ripe, firm tomatoes, three large onions, two tablespoons of salt and three of sugar, three cups of vinegar and one tablespoon each of cinnamon, black pepper, dry mustard, mace and one grated nutmeg. Peel the tomatoes and onions and slice them fine. Chop the peppers and add all together with the other ingredients and boil for about two hours. Put into glass jars and seal with paraffin covers.

A California fruit cheese is made by grinding together a pound each of seeded raisins, figs, dates, currants, blanched almonds and two pounds of English walnuts. Mix into a solid cake and put under a press for two or three days. Serve in squares, rolled in powdered sugar on thin slices of hot buttered toast covered with pulverized cinnamon or as a filling for wafer sandwiches.

Canned Salmon in Mold.

One can salmon, three eggs, beaten light; two tablespoonfuls melted butter, half a cup of fine bread crumbs. Remove skin and bones from fish and chop fine. Rub melted butter, salt and pepper into fish. Beat the crumbs into the eggs and work into the fish. Put into buttered mold and steam one hour.

Sauce for Mold.—Half a cup of milk heated to a boil, thicken with one tablespoon cornstarch, liquor from salmon, one raw egg (beaten light). Put the egg in the last minute and cook two minutes. Place mold on platter garnished with lettuce leaves, poir sauce over mold and French green peas around sides.

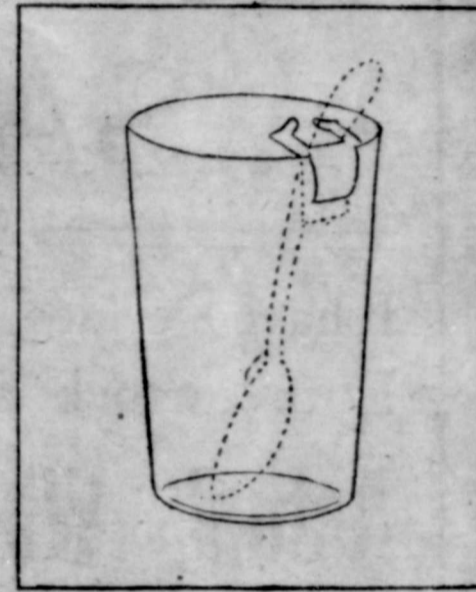
Fish Croquettes.

Rub together three tablespoonfuls of flour and one of butter and stir into a half pint of rich milk. Add a teaspoonful of finely chopped parsley and a quarter teaspoonful of grated onion. Boil until it thickens, then stir in two cupfuls of cooked fish and let the mixture boil up again. Season with salt and pepper and set aside. When cold roll into croquettes, dip in beaten egg and bread crumbs and fry in hot fat. Serve with peas, cress or fresh string beans, garnished with slices of hard-boiled eggs.

HOLDS THE SPOON IN GLASS

Handy Device That Will Do Its Part Toward the Promotion of Comfort.

Among the numerous minor inventions that seem trifling in themselves but add so much to the comfort of humanity is the spoonholder devised by a New York man. It is a simple little device, but is of great convenience for use on tall glasses, such as those used for iced tea, etc. The device consists of a piece of metal bent



Fits Any Glass.

at the top to form two arms, with the opening between them just wide enough to admit the handle of a spoon, inserted sideways, and with the wide part just narrow enough to keep the handle of the spoon from slipping through. The lower part of the holder consists of a flat strip which runs down inside the glass and a spring clip on the back which goes outside the glass and clamps the whole firmly on. The spoon, when not in use, is hung on the holder and does not fall into the bottom of the glass. While the device fits on the edge of any receptacle, it is chiefly employed where the receptacle is deeper than the spoon is long.

TO GRACE THE SUPPER TABLE

Formula for Fruit Omelet That Has Recently Sprung Into Deserved Popularity.

Hostesses are now serving a fruit omelet made by the following formula:

Chop raisins, currants, candied peels, citron, oranges and lemons, figs and French prunes or any similar fruits until you have a scant half-cupful when mixed. They can be put through the meat cutter, using a coarse knife and having about equal parts of the different fruits.

When the fruits are mixed add just a dash of powdered cinnamon. Put the mixture in a double boiler with the juice of an orange and allow it to cook for 30 minutes.

To make the omelet itself break four eggs into a dish and beat them lightly and quickly, but merely enough to mix the yolks and whites together. Add a teaspoonful of powdered sugar and a teaspoonful of butter. Melt a second teaspoonful of butter in the chafing dish. Get it hot, but without allowing it to brown; then turn in the eggs. Shake the pan so that they will not set. Let them brown until the egg is well cooked, lifting the set part as this is formed to allow the raw to run upon the hot pan.

The moment the omelet is well set pour in the hot fruit, folding over quickly and turn on a plate. Sprinkle it with powdered sugar and serve immediately.

Clean Bath Tubs.

No matter how carefully a housekeeper is in doing her work, there is generally a stain on the bottom of the bath tub; which will not give way to soap and water. Powdered pumice stone, which can be procured at most of the hardware stores, will immediately remove the stain and leave the enamel white and shining.

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Yours truly,

J. C. WYNN,
DUMAS. = = TEXAS

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING.

Notice of special meeting of Stockholders, Mountain, Valley and Plains Railroad Company of Texas, General Office, Higgins, Texas.

July 28th, 1909.

Notice is hereby given that a special meeting of the stockholders of the Mountain-Valley and Plains Railroad Company of Texas will be held at the general offices of the Company, located at the Opera House at Higgins, Lipscomb County, Texas, at 1 o'clock P. M. on Thursday, the 21st day of October, 1909, for the purpose of authorizing the mak-

ing, executing and delivering by the Company of a first mortgage and bonds on it's line of Railroad to be constructed from a point on the West boundary line of Texas, at or near the intersection of the Parallel 36 North Latitude with said boundary line in an Easterly direction, to the East boundary line of Lipscomb County, Texas, through the town of Higgins and through the counties of Hartley, Dallam, Sherman, Moore, Hutchinson, Hansford, Ochiltree and Lipscomb, Texas, including the franchises of said Railroad Company, together with all its easements,

leases, rights and privileges and contracts right of way, road beds, rails, ties, bridges, culverts, tract and it's appliances, all depot grounds, terminal facilities, structures equipments, improvements and real estates, rolling stock, machinery, engines, round-houses, shops, buildings and tools of every kind and character, wheresoever situated, now owned or to be hereafter acquired by said Railway Company, except that the interest in Townsites that have been or may hereafter be given said Railroad Company, as a donation and all other donations; shall be and are to be exempt from the operations and provisions of said mortgage, which mortgage is to secure bonds to be issued to an amount not exceeding Twenty-Thousand (\$20,000.00) Dollars, per mile of said line, or so much thereof as said stock holders meeting may provide for and as the Railroad Commission of Texas may hereafter authorize; from time to time, said bonds to bear interest at not exceeding five per cent per annum payable annually, and said bonds to be made payable at a period not exceeding thirty years after their date, and to authorize the directors of said Company to apply to the Railroad Commission of Texas for authority to issue said bonds and for authority to register the same and for the transaction of all such other business as may properly come before said meeting in connection with said matters.

H. S. Wannamaker, Vice-President, M. V. & P. R. R. Co. of Texas.

Attest: E. C. Gray, Secretary.

Remember Dr. Garrett, the dentist has offices at Dumas, Channing and Dalhart.

THE KIMBALL WELLS NEWS.

By Miss Mellie Perkins.

Sidney Hughes made a business trip to Dalhart Friday.

Crouder Brothers lost a horse by getting cut in the wire fence.

Jesse Gill and son Sidney were business visitors at Hartley Tuesday.

C. Miller, Grover and Arlo Green are spending this week fishing on Blue.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Summers were in Channing Monday and Tuesday attending to legal matters.

Prof. J. McManis of the Chicago University spent the week with his brother A. McManis and wife.

Ye scribe moved into Dumas Tuesday where she will engage in dressmaking during the winter months.

Mr. Clarke of Michigan writes that he expects to leave for this place with his family about September 1 and will build on his ranch.

Roy Green and family, Mr. and Mrs. Summers, Jesse Gill and family, Mellie Perkins, Messrs. Eide, Curtis, McPhial, Fife and Hughes were the guests of H. Cummins and family Sunday.

WORLDLY WISE.

Sunday School Teacher—Scatter seeds of kindness.

Johnny Subbubs—What's the use? The chickens will get 'em.

A LAWYER'S REPLY.

Mrs. Benham—What was the fight at the baseball game about?

Benham—I believe the umpire failed to sustain a demurrer.

Come and Buy Property in the Town of Dumas

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