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STATE CANDIDATES.

Announcements Have Been Made for State Offices and the Campaign is now on.

Special to the news.

Austin, Tex., Feb. 9.—Nearly all of the candidates for State office have announced and the campaign can be said to be on from this time forward.

Governor—T. M. Campbell of Anderson county.

Lieutenant Governor—A. B. Davidson of DeWitt County.

State Treasurer—Sam Sparks of Bell County.

Attorney General—R. V. Davidson of Galveston County; B. F. Looney of Hunt County.

Controller—Bob Parker of Bexar County; J. W. Stephens of Limestone.

Superintendent of Public Instruction—R. B. Cousins of Limestone County; J. M. Alderdice of Ellis County.

Railroad Commissioner—O. B. Colquitt of Kaufman County.

Commissioner of the General Land Office—J. T. Robison of Morris County, Thomas Stone of McLennan County.

Associate Justice Supreme Court—F. A. Williams of Houston County.

Judge of the Court of Criminal Appeals—W. L. Davidson of Williamson County.

There will be numerous exciting contestants for Congress and State Senator in Texas at this election, besides for members of the Legislature. The Bailey question is expected to figure in a majority of these contests and the lines are already being drawn in this county.

The race for State Senator in the Capital City district of Texas is going to be exciting. The incumbent, Hon. George W. Glasscock of Williamson, is an avowed anti-Bailey man, while John L. Peeler, the candidate from Travis County, is for Bailey, but seeks to lay the campaign on the prohibition question, Peeler being an anti. There will be plenty of excitement in the district.

Dissolution Notice.

Notice is hereby given to whom it may concern that the firm of W. W. Fields & Bro., composed of W. W. Fields and R. B. Fields, and doing business in Haskell, Texas, has been dissolved by mutual consent, R. B. Fields retiring from the firm. The business will be continued by W. W. Fields and J. U. Fields under the firm name of W. W. Fields & Son. The new firm assumes the liabilities of the old firm and all accounts, notes, etc., due the old firm become the property of and are payable to the new firm.

Haskell, Texas, Jan. 25, 1908.
W. W. Fields, R. B. Fields and J. U. Fields.

NOTICE.

All persons knowing themselves indebted to Collier-Andruss Drug Co. will please call and settle at once. Mr. Andruss has retired from the firm and I own all the accounts due to the firm.
I. P. COLLIER.

CHILD'S LIFE SAVED BY CHAMBERLAIN'S COUGH REMEDY.

Mrs. John Englehardt, of Gera, Mich. tells of the anxious moments spent over her little two-year-old daughter who had taken a hard cold resulting in croup. She says: "I am satisfied that if it had not been for Chamberlain's Cough Remedy she would have choked to death. I gave this medicine every ten minutes and she soon began to throw up the phlegm. I can recommend it in the highest terms as I have another child that was cured in the same way." Sold by Terrell's Drug Store.

NOTICE OF FIRST MEETING OF CREDITORS.

In the District Court of the Northern District of Texas, at Abilene.

In the matter of William Maurice Sager, No. 133. In Bankruptcy.

OFFICE OF REFEBEE.

Abilene, Texas, Feb. 8, 1908. To the creditors of William Maurice Sager of Sagerton, in the County of Haskell, and District aforesaid, a bankrupt. Notice is hereby given that on the 8th day of February A. D., 1908, the said William Maurice Sager was duly adjudged bankrupt, and that the first meeting of his creditors will be held at the Federal Court House in the city of Abilene, in Taylor County, Texas, on the 28th day of February A. D., 1908, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at which time the said creditors may attend, prove their claims, appoint a trustee, examine the bankrupt, and transact such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

K. K. LEGETT, Referee in Bankruptcy.

A SHAKING UP.

may all be very well so far as the trusts are concerned, but not when it comes to chills and fever and malaria. Quit the quinine and take a real cure, Ballard's Herbine. Contains no harmful drugs and is as certain as taxes. If it doesn't cure, you get your money back. Sold by Terrell Drug Store.

THE REASON WHY.

A San Antonio Gazette Reporter asked the management of the Tyler Commercial College of Tyler, Texas, why it was that they had the largest commercial school of day attendance in America. The following satisfactory answer was given: "We teach the famous Byrne Simplified Shorthand and Byrne Practical Book-keeping and Business training, by which we are enabled to turn out more practical book-keepers and stenographers in three months than other schools teaching other systems can in six months. We teach telegraphy by using every record book and blank used by the railroads, and also have a train wire of the cotton Belt Railroad, which gives our students practical training in railroad work. We use a \$500 Burroughs adding machine in our Banking Department; a McCaskey and a Hubor Account Register in our retailing department; card systems, loose leaf ledgers, latest improved mimeographs, a \$295 Gammeter Multigraph; the latest and most modern styles of filing cabinets are used in our model office training department. We place every graduate in a good position through our well organized Employment Bureau, with over 150 agents in the Southern cities; every student we place in a good position is a living enthusiastic advertiser for the Tyler Commercial College he advises his friends to attend our school because he is proud of the success he himself is achieving." This reporter advises every one interested in a practical money earning education to write for their 162 page beautiful and instructive catalog.

Mr. I. L. Talbot, druggist and jeweler, Dadd, Ill., is enthusiastic in his praise of Re-Go Tonic Laxative Syrup for the cure of constipation, Biliousness, Indigestion and Dyspepsia. He says: "I have sold Re-Go Tonic Laxative Syrup and take pleasure in recommending it to my customers, as it gives satisfaction in every case." 25c, 50c and \$1.00 bottle sold by Terrell's Drug Store.

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Fabrics for Spring 1908
offer attractive modes in tan, brown, olive, mouse, fawn, blue, pearl-gray and blue-gray, in designs of broad stripes, small checks, plaids and over-plaids.

To view the most comprehensive and attractive exhibit of Spring fabrics, you should examine the handsome line of 500 different styles sent us by Ed. V. Price & Co., the famous Merchant Tailors of Chicago, whom we represent exclusively here. Many of the patterns are special and will not be shown by anyone else.

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Make your selection now and be among the first to proclaim Spring fashions.

THE HUB
MEN'S OUTFITTERS

When you sell your land here and want to go "out West" be sure to call on us before you leave, and let us tell you about our great bargains in our famous "Cabra Springs Ranch" in New Mexico, where we can sell you as fine land as ever a crow flew over, at \$10.00 to \$15.00 per acre on good terms and low interest. Ask for printed matter describing it. West Texas Development Co. 5-17 State Bank, Haskell, Tex.

Mr. G. W. Bischofshansen of the southeast part was in the city a few days ago, and handed us the price of a year's subscription to the FREE PRESS.

"We prefer Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to any other for our children," says Mr. L. J. Woodbury of Twining, Mich. "It has also done the work for us in hard cold and croup, and we take pleasure in recommending it." For sale by Terrell's Drug Store.

NEIGHBORHOOD FAVORITE.

Mrs. C. E. Charles, of Hallow Maine, speaking of Electric Bitters says "It is a neighborhood favorite here with us." It deserves to be a favorite everywhere. It gives quick relief in dyspepsia, liver complaint, kidney derangement, general debility, nervousness, weak and general debility. Its action on the blood as a thorough purifier makes it especially useful as a spring medicine. This grand alterative tonic is sold under guarantee Terrell Drug Store, 50c.

We hear that the Bertwin Business College of Stamford, Texas, is growing rapidly, having enrolled quite a number of new students recently, and more entering daily. From indications this school is destined to be pre-eminent in this country as a school for practical education, and it should have the hearty support of the people of West Texas. Every young man and young woman in West Texas, who can possibly do so, should secure a practical business education in Bertwin's Business College of Stamford, Texas. It is a worthy institution and deserves your encouragement.

NEGLECTED COLDS THREATEN LIFE.

FROM THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE.

"Don't trifle with a cold, is good advice for prudent men and women. It may be vital in the case of a child. Proper food, good ventilation, and dry, warm clothing are the proper safeguards against colds. If they are maintained through the changeable weather of autumn winter and spring chances of a surprise from ordinary cold will be slight. But the ordinary colds will become severe if neglected, and a well-established cold is to the bee. The greatest menace to child life at this season of the year is the neglected cold." Whether it is a child or adult, the cold slight or severe, the very best treatment that can be adopted is to give Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It is safe and sure. The great popularity and immense sale of this preparation has been attained by its remarkable cures of this ailment. A cold never results in pneumonia when it is given. For sale by Terrell Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, Favorite

The Bertwin Business College recently established at Stamford furnishes the most convenient means and opportunity for the young people of this immediate section to attend such an institution and secure a modern business education. We are informed that it has a thorough equipment and a corps of teachers up-to-date in all the details of modern commercial business.

"Suggestive Therapeutics" is said to be the most advanced and speedy method for the permanent cure of all diseases. It is extremely doubtful if a more speedy and permanent cure for a bad Cough or Cold can be devised than taking a few doses of Hart's Honey and Horehound, if you have been disappointed and received no benefit from others try this remedy. 25c, 50c, and 1.00 bottle sold by Terrell Drug Store



DRAW A CHECK

Against this bank (of course after you have made your initial deposit with us) and you will realize the immense convenience a check account is. No risk of losing cash or having it stolen; the check is a receipt when it's been cashed. Customers can have distant accounts collected through us.

FARMERS NATIONAL BANK.
R. C. MONTGOMERY, Cashier.
Haskell, Texas.

The First Arrival.

The first installment of new spring goods just received. It consists of many just such things as are now in demand by the ladies. Among them are 50 pieces white lawn, 24 yards to the piece, 8-13 to 25 cts. For a while I will make a special low price by the piece. Come and see the new things.

S. L. ROBERTSON.

ARRESTED

a cough that has been hanging on for over two months by taking Ballard's Horehound Syrup. If you have a cough don't wait—stop it at once with this wonderful remedy. Splendid for coughs, colds, chest, influenza, bronchitis, pulmonary troubles. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00. Sold by Terrell Drug Store.

Information for Homeseekers.

For the purpose of furnishing reliable information in regard to the productions, resources, school and church facilities, social conditions, etc., of this portion of the state and also to give any desired information to persons seeking locations for any industrial or manufacturing enterprise, the towns throughout a group of counties—in which Haskell county is included—have organized the Central West Texas Association of Commercial Clubs with officers and agents whose business it is to gather and furnish such authentic information.

A letter of inquiry addressed to the secretary or any of the officers, or a member of the executive committee will receive prompt attention.

Their names and addresses follow:

- Officers:
Pres. T. E. Powell, Baird, Tex.
Vice-Pres. Jas. Stinson, Anson, Texas.
Treas. R. B. Wofford, Hamlin, Texas.
Sec. O. P. Thomas, Abilene, Texas.

A BAD COUGH

Is not a disease, but a symptom of disease; a sign that disease is laying hold on the Bronchial, Pulmonary or Nervous Systems. If Hart's Honey and Horehound is freely taken when the cough first appears, a few doses will effect a certain cure of the trouble which, if neglected may result in Pneumonia or other serious malady. Try Hart's Honey and Horehound. 25c, 50c and 1.00 bottle sold by Terrell Drug Store.

Mission Society Officers.

At the regular meeting of the W. H. M. Society of the M. E. Church Feb. 7th, the following were the officers elected for the ensuing year viz.: Mrs. Eph Wells, Pres; Mrs. P. D. Sanders, 1st Vice Pres; Mrs. F. M. Morton, 2nd Vice Pres; Mrs. A. H. Day, 3rd Vice Pres. Mrs. F. L. Meadow, Sec.; Mrs. G. J. Graham, Treas.; Mrs. Oscar Martin, Agt. for "Our Homes" and Mrs. S. W. Scott, Press Supt.

After the election of officers the new president responded to a call for a speech, and in doing so, convinced all present that no mistake had been made in the selection of a president.

The next meeting will be on Friday afternoon Feb. 21st.

A resolution was passed, to hold a meeting every Friday, beginning Feb. 21st.

Say, Mr., if you want to sell your land or city property, and will make the figures RIGHT, we have the buyers ready to do business. Remember that the prices must be close for a quick sale now.

West Texas Development Co. Office in State Bank, Haskell, Texas. 5-17

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HASKELL, - - - TEXAS

Boni grows desperate as his meat ticket vanishes.

Do you know what an "id-determinant-biphole hypothesis" is? Neither do we.

Now is the time for the patient Filipinos to turn the other cheek to the sugar trust.

It was poor management to pull off a total eclipse where hardly anybody could see it.

With what is left of the million dollars, doubtless the earl of Yarmouth will be able to get on for awhile without a wife.

Nearly three billion people were carried by the railroads in 1907, some of them were delivered undamaged at their destinations.

A Denver girl has become the bride of a Pueblo chief who cannot speak English. Perhaps she will have a title among the Indians.

Thirteen women's clubs have voted not to trim their hats with the plumage of birds. That is a lucky number for the feathered songsters.

The Japanese have all they can do to look after their lives at home in a time of profound peace. They are getting automobiles by the cargo.

Argentine farmers just now are busy hauling a big wheat crop to market. Automobile drummers should pack their grips for South America.

A French inventor now claims to be able to send photographs by wireless telegraphy. What would a sudden wind storm do to Gov. Hughes' whiskers?

About the nearest thing we remember to living music heretofore has been the crying of a baby at 2 a. m. as the patient father walked the chilly floor.

Really, Count Boni is a man of spirit. He will make faces at the prince or do something equally dreadful if the latter dares to marry his former wife.

A moving-picture machine exploded in Canton and 300 Chinese lost their lives in the resulting panic. Civilization is dangerous unless one knows how to handle it.

If Prince Helle de Sagan proves as costly a piece of bric-a-brac as did his cousin, the count, it will keep the Western Union and the Wabash humping to run the show.

The Chinese Imperial telegraphs had net earnings during 1906 of \$645,537 on a working capital of \$1,232,000. Evidently the Standard Oil Company isn't the only thing on earth, after all.

Sixteen soldiers in Spain were arrested as plotters against Alfonso because they visited a newspaper office. They will get off scot free, of course, if they declare they called to whip the editor.

Ocean-going ships soon will be fitted with all the comforts of home. About the only thing that will be missed is the village feud and maybe steamship proprietors will be dragging that in next.

A Newark man was fined \$20 for laughing at a policeman. In most cities the majesty of the law considers itself sufficiently vindicated when it has beaten the misanthropic one over the head with a club.

There is in Berlin an artist who is going to marry a widow with \$5,000,000. This is excellent. Now let some delightful heiress add to the gaiety by bestowing her hand and fortune upon some struggling poet.

A California architect predicts that we shall soon have 100-story buildings. If his prediction is verified it will be necessary for our fellow citizen to build some pretty tall stacks if they expect to keep us choking with smoke.

Science has harnessed the potato bug, as it were, and is making it do stunts in the interests of humanity. That is grand, sweet revenge for all the miserable hours it has brought to boys who had to "bug taters" when the fishing in the branch was fine.

Defects of speech such as stammering are so prevalent in Germany that the government is said to have instituted a campaign against them by establishing a special department in the medical college of the University of Berlin, both for the cure of such impediments and for educating doctors how to treat them. Perhaps the suggestion is unkind, says the Baltimore American, but would not the trouble be more readily disposed of by going to the root of the matter and adopting a new language—one easier to get the tongue around?

Bee-stings, mustard-packs, and other uncommon remedies for rheumatism will have to take second place, in the matter of oddity, to a cure discovered in Australia. A whale, stranded on the beach at a health resort, had been cut open, and a freakish invalid plunged into the mass of blubber, remained there two hours, and found himself free from rheumatism when he crawled out. The incident seems to be vouched for, and although the prescription is more novel than enticing, probably many sufferers would like to catch a whale and try it.

LOOKS LIKE ANARCHY

NIGHT RIDERS BURN LARGE TOBACCO WAREHOUSE.

NO PERSONAL VIOLENCE DONE

Thirty-Five Thousand Pounds of Tobacco Burned on a Plantation by Marauders.

Hopkinsville, Ky., Feb. 10.—Night riders at 3 o'clock Sunday morning burned a warehouse on the farm of A. H. Cardin, in Crittendon County, containing 35,000 pounds of tobacco purchased for Buckner, Dunkerson & Company of Louisville, and a barn containing 10,000 pounds of tobacco belonging to Cardin & Company. Cardin is said to be the only independent tobacco buyer in the district. He was not at home at the time.

A few shots were fired by the night riders, it is said, but no personal violence done. They went through Fredonia, about six miles away, in Caldwell County, captured the telephone operator, cut the telephone wires and kept the town under guard until the work at Cardin's was completed. The main body of the riders passed back through Fredonia about 5 o'clock in the morning.

BANKER SUICIDES.

A Prominent Financier Takes His Own Life.

Fort Worth, Tex., Feb. 10.—Linton C. Hutchins, forty-nine years of age, Second Vice-President of the Fort Worth National Bank, one of the largest financial institutions in the city; also Vice-President of the Manning Lumber Company, was found dead in the bank building, at the corner of Fifth and Main Streets, just before the noon hour Sunday, with a pistol shot wound in his right temple, near the center of his forehead, and a pistol clutched in his hand, which was foiled across his breast.

His lifeless body was found by one of the clerks. The Justice of the Peace held the inquest and decided that death was due to a gunshot wound inflicted by the deceased with the object of self-destruction.

For Federal Soldiers' Home.

Biloxi, Miss.: Northern winter visitors have held an enthusiastic meeting and organized to secure the passage of the Brick bill for the establishment of a soldier's home on the Mississippi coast in the heart of the South for old Grand Army men. Congressman Brick of Indiana has such a bill now before Congress carrying half a million dollars. Both Union and Confederate veterans attended the meeting here and all joined in the memorial to Congress.

Roasts the Doctors.

Waco. A warm letter has been received from State Health Officer Brumby calling attention to the failure of physicians and midwives of McLennan County to report deaths and other vital statistics. Dr. Brumby says that the records here show two deaths for December, whereas, according to their average, based upon the population of the county of 65,000, it should have been eighty-five deaths.

A fire last week at Shalluck, Ok., which started in a restaurant, destroyed property to the value of over \$75,000.

A New Plot Story.

London: The Paris Correspondent of the Central News says word has reached the French capital of the discovery by the Empress of Russia of a Terrorist warning in the Czarevitch's bed, stating the Czar and Czarevitch have been sentenced to death. Secret police agents found a network of electric wire ingeniously concealed and connected with seventeen powerful bombs placed at distant points in the palace.

Bank Robbers Made Good.

Sulphur Springs, Ark.: Four men Sunday morning blew open the vault of the Bank of Sulphur Springs and secured \$1000 in cash, notes and other valuables. The citizens were aroused by explosions, but by the time officers got downtown the work had been accomplished and the four men were seen to mount their horses and ride westward, in which direction the mountains are filled with many gorges.

Suicided in Fort Worth.

Fort Worth: Sunday night the night watchman at the North Hotel, upon hearing a pistol shot, went to room 76, where he found E. C. Gambrell of Dallas lying upon the floor and breathing his last from a wound directly through the heart. The pistol was found on the opposite side of the room, while the body had fallen from the side of the bed. Two letters—one to his wife and one to a local newspaper man—were found.

HON. JO ABBOTT IS DEAD.

Former Congressman from Fifth District Is No More.

Hillsboro, Tex., Feb. 11.—Hon. Jo Abbott, former Congressman from this district, died at his home here at an early hour this (Tuesday) morning.

Jo Abbott was born near Decatur, Ala., January 15, 1840. He came to Texas with his father at the age of thirteen years and worked on a farm and attended a private school until June, 1859, when he began the study of law. In 1861 he entered the Confederate Army with the rank of First Lieutenant in the First Texas Cavalry. Except when disabled wounds in battle he served in this position throughout the war.

In 1866 he was elected to Congress from the Sixth District. He served in the Fifty-fifth, Fifty-sixth, Fifty-seventh, Fifty-eighth and Fifty-ninth Congresses.

Negro Elks Laid on Shelf.

Memphis, Tenn.: Chancellor Heskell has made permanent an injunction granted in September last, prohibiting an organization of negroes styling themselves "the Improved, Benevolent Order of Elks," with grand lodge headquarters in Chicago, using the name "Elks," wearink copies of the Elk pin and button as used by the white organization of Elks or using the ritual of that organization.

Big Rio Grande Dam.

El Paso: Official assurance has been received here of speedy construction of the Elephant Butte dam, the Rio Grande irrigation project that will furnish water for 200,000 acres of land, and electricity for immense power plants. The big dam will involve the expenditure of \$5,000,000, and work is expected to start this spring at the site near Engle, N. M., Four years will be required for the completion of the dam.

Expedition and Inexpensive Justice.

Brookhaven, Miss.: Eli Pigot, the negro who criminally assaulted Miss Williams, a young white woman, in this county several weeks ago, was taken from the custody of the Jackson Military Company and a posse of deputies Monday morning and hanged from a telegraph pole and his body riddled with bullets, within less than 100 yards of the court house where he was to have been tried for his crime.

John M. Lusk Suicides.

Fort Worth: John M. Lusk, a consumptive, about thirty-eight years of age, formerly a professional nurse at the Epileptic Hospital at Abilene, shot himself through the head at 4 o'clock Monday afternoon, and Justice Mahen's verdict as Coroner was that the case was one of self-destruction. The tragedy occurred in the toilet room of a billiard and pool hall on Main Street, at a time of day when the large hall was crowded with players and loungers.

George L. Seibrecht Dead.

San Antonio: George L. Seibrecht, for eight years United States Marshal of the Western District of Texas, with headquarters in this city, former postmaster at LaGrange and for years a leading Republican, died Monday of kidney and liver troubles at his home in Elmendorf, where he had resided for the last year. Capt. Seibrecht was born in Hanover, Germany, and was sixty-eight years old. He emigrated from Germany before reaching his majority.

Texas a Huntsman's Mecca.

Austin: According to Chief Deputy Game Warden Lorraine, Texas is the mecca for the Northern and Eastern duck hunters. Notwithstanding the fact that the game season on quail, deer and doves has closed, hundreds of hunters are coming to Texas to hunt ducks. This state of affairs has kept Mr. Lorraine issuing licenses which the Thirtieth Legislature imposed on non-resident hunters.

Morse is Indicted.

New York: Two indictments were returned by the Special Grand Jury of New York County, which is now investigating banking methods as disclosed by the recent panic. It was announced that the indictments were against a man "who is now coming across the ocean." Justice Dowling fixed the bail in each instance at \$10,000. It was learned that the indictments charge Charles W. Morse with grand larceny.

Banker Suicides in San Antonio.

San Antonio: At the inquest over the body of Cecil A. Beasley, formerly connected with a bank at Houston, who shot himself through the head in the Moore Building here late Sunday afternoon, the fact that deceased killed himself was clearly established. The body was shipped to his old home at Richmond, where interment will be made. Mrs. Beasley and her brother accompanied the body.

TWO FIRES THURSDAY

TEMPLE AND KINGSTON SUFFER HEAVY LOSSES.

ONE IS SEVERELY BURNED

Loss at Temple, \$175,000; the Town of Kingston is Almost Destroyed.

Temple, Tex., Feb. 7.—A disastrous fire broke out shortly after midnight, which for a time threatened to consume the whole block of business houses on North Main between Avenue A and Central Street. The fire started in the McKelvey Dry Goods store in the second story. The loss by fire, smoke and water will probably exceed \$175,000, not fully covered by insurance.

The greatest loss falls on the McKelvey company, whose stock included that of The Fair, the loss to both being estimated at \$125,000. The other losers were the Mississippi Store, \$50,000; Burwitz & Riley, loss on building, \$15,000; Charles Roeder, tailor, \$1000, no insurance; Howell, photographer, \$1000, insurance not known; Misses Spencer, millinery, \$2500, insurance not known; Mr and Mrs. Thompson, music, \$1500; Dr. White and A. J. Jarrell, loss on Mississippi Store building, \$2500, insurance not known.

At an early hour Thursday morning almost the entire town of Kingston was destroyed by a fire originating in a building owned by Dallas parties and occupied by the Kingston Star office and T. A. Lewis' barber shop.

Following is a list of losses: I. O. O. F. Hall \$3000, insurance \$1000; Shields Brothers' printing office \$500, insurance \$375; J. E. Rose & Company, Dallas, \$1500, insurance unknown; T. A. Lewis, barber, \$100; no insurance; J. W. Barr estate \$3000, small insurance; J. W. Ross, groceries, \$800, insurance \$450; W. S. Ross, drugs, \$1250; insurance \$800; Rebekah Lodge in I. O. O. F. building, \$250, no insurance; W. J. Moore Lumber Company \$150; James Moore, groceries, \$75, no insurance; W. F. Pierce, of Commerce, \$100, insurance unknown; J. R. Thomason, \$100, no insurance.

SON SLAYS FATHER.

Judge James Hargis of Breathitt County, Kentucky, Is Killed.

Louisville, Ky., Feb. 7.—A special from Jackson, Ky., says: Former County Judge James Hargis, for many years a member of the State Democratic Executive Committee, accused of complicity in many killings and a prominent figure in the feuds which have disrupted Breathitt County for several years, was shot and instantly killed at his general store here about 3:30 yesterday afternoon by his son, Beach Hargis. The son fired five shots in rapid succession at his father, who fell dead while his clerks were waiting on customers.

The exact cause of the murder has not been learned, but it is supposed to have been the result of differences which have existed between father and son for some time. The two men are reported to have had a severe quarrel several nights ago, when the father, it is alleged, was compelled to resort to violence to restrain his son.

Lumber Road Building.

Houston: William Anderson, connected with the Carlisle Lumber Company of Trinity, says the Carlisle Company is building the Beaumont and Great Northern Railway, fifteen miles of which has been completed, from Trinity to Livingston, and surveys have been carried into Beaumont. When completed the road is to be exactly one hundred miles in length and run through the virgin pine lands of East Texas.

House Bank May Pay Out.

Houston: The prospect brightens daily for the creditors of the House Bank. Present indications are that the estate will pay off in full. Appraisers of the property have been most conservative in their report. W. V. Lauraine, expert accountant, says that some of the paper pronounced worthless by the appraisers had been partially realized upon and in more than one instance it seemed that the total amounts would be collected.

Two Killed in a Duel.

Luling: Two men were killed in a shotgun-pistol duel that occurred in a saloon here Wednesday. One of the decedents, S. J. Wyatt, was a bystander; the other, James C. Duke, was a participant in the affray. Ed Reedy, a bartender, was placed under arrest. The town is manifestly agitated. Wyatt and L. W. Boyd, the owner of the saloon, were the only witnesses to the affair.

THE RIO GRANDE QUESTION.

Likely That a New Treaty Will Soon Be Made.

City of Mexico, Feb. 8.—It is highly probable that the treaty of 1848 between the United States and Mexico, fixing the boundary line along the Rio Grande, will be abrogated and another one signed and ratified, as a result of the negotiations which are now in progress.

The question at issue is not to make the Rio Grande navigable to a greater extent than is enjoyed at present, but to destroy its present navigability in the interest of agriculture and the development of the adjacent lands on either side of the stream. The treaty of 1848 establishing the Rio Grande as the dividing line between a portion of the frontiers between the two countries stipulated that neither country should for any purpose divert the channel of the stream or take from it a sufficient amount of water to render it unnavigable to a certain distance from the mouth.

It was believed at that time that the navigability of the river would be of prime importance to the commerce and interests of the frontier. Times, however, have changed in the last sixty years, and the great advancement of the frontier States and the development of lands have been so important that the navigability of the stream has become a secondary consideration and is giving way to the growing demands of agriculture and cultivation of arid lands.

Money to Build Dam.

Washington: The House Rivers and Harbors Committee has agreed to report favorably the bill permitting the balance of the amount contributed by the citizens of Dallas to be used for the construction of lock and dam No. 2. The balance is about \$3,5000, and will be sufficient, it is said, added to that appropriated in the last bill. This amount is the balance of \$66,666 contributed by the citizens of Dallas to snag and clean the upper section of the river. When it was discovered that the amount appropriated in the last general bill was not enough for the building of two locks and dams provided for, it was thought that this balance could be diverted to that use without an act of Congress, but the legal authority of the War Department held otherwise, hence the introduction of the bill here reported.

Thrown on Barbed Wire Fence.

Bonham: L. B. Chitwood, a young farmer living six miles southwest of here, met death late Thursday afternoon while riding a mule. The animal ran away, throwing him on a barbed wire fence. His foot hung in the stirrup, and he was dragged along the wire for some distance, the wire cutting his throat and almost severing the head from the body. He was a Mason, and was buried by that fraternity at Ector Saturday.

Much Corn Will Be Planted.

Dallas: John Hearndon, who owns and cultivates several black land farms in Dallas County, said, in a recent interview, that the winter so far has been very favorable for agricultural operations and that farmers are right up with their work. Many of them are beginning to plant corn, and if the weather continues open thousands of acres of that grain will be planted in the county during this month.

Battling Nelson and James Britt of San Francisco have signed articles for a ten-round fight in Los Angeles before the Pacific Athletic Club on the night of Tuesday, February 25.

Child Burned to Death.

Snyder, Ok.: Friday morning the little four-year-old daughter of W. H. Brewer, who lives seven miles north of Snyder, started to the field where her father was burning off the land, when a sudden gust of wind scattered the fire into the pasture, and the child, unable to get out of the path of the flames, was burned to death. The father started to head off the fire and found his child with her clothes burned off and dying.

New Rules for Confederate Home.

Austin: Captain Reagan, the superintendent of the Confederate Home, has presented to Expert Printer Richardson the copy for a new set of rules and regulations for the government of the veterans in the home. There will be printed one thousand copies of the new regulations, which were adopted at the last meeting of the board. The new rules are very much more rigid than formerly.

Building Boom is On.

Waco: Taking advantage of the drop in lumber prices and the lower prices of labor, brick, sand, lime and other things entering into the construction of residences, a large number of persons who have been wanting to build for some time have decided to build during 1908, and it looks as though there will be an unusual lot of construction work here for the year. Contracts are being let daily.

FROM ALL OVER TEXAS

Tom Smith has taken the contract to rebuild the Texas and Gulf railroad from Waterman to Grigsby.

It is said that seven houses were entered in Dallas Tuesday night by burglars.

The office of the telephone company at Mineral Wells was broken into one night recently and \$15 in currency taken.

Two holdup men marched Henry Crittenden off a business street in Fort Worth to a secluded place and relieved him of \$50.

After telling her husband she would cook no more blacuts, Mrs. Genie Owens, a bride of two months, ended her life at Rockport, Ky.

The Railway Commission has granted further time to the Fort Worth and Denver road in which to build the proposed station at Amarillo.

Candidates in Johnson County, following the lead of those in Hill, have organized to boycott the county papers as medium of publicity.

Rumors are afloat to the effect that the division headquarters of the International and Great Northern road at Mart are to be removed to Waco at once.

The contract for building the new Episcopal Church at Corsicana was let to local contractors, the consideration being \$14,000. The building will be of brick.

The State Democratic Executive Committee will meet at Fort Worth on February 15. The official call was issued a few days since by Chairman Carden.

The Lufkin Land and Lumber company mill which has been closed down since the beginning of the financial scare, started up last week to run full time and six days in the week.

It is learned that there is a well-defined movement looking to the incorporation of Spindle Top, including the towns of Guffey and Glady, with the idea of forming a corporation.

Williamson county has a permanent Good Roads organization, whose purpose is to take steps to secure to Williamson county roads that will at all times be in good condition for use.

A martyr to duty, Dr. Wm. D. Gross died at his home in Philadelphia from blood poison caused by the infection of a cut upon his thumb, received about three weeks ago in performing an operation.

The officers and directors of the San Angelo Business Club have organized for work by selecting Will Cunningham for secretary and establishing an office. An active campaign is promised for a greater San Angelo.

It is reported that in the spring the Gulf Pipe Line Company will begin laying a second line from the Tulsa oil field to Beaumont. The single line is heavily taxed to carry off the oil at present, and new wells are being brought in.

It is stated that Dr. Simmons, owner of the great Simmons Ranch in Atascosa and Live Oak counties, containing 95,000 acres has bought forty miles of steel with which to lay the first section of a railway from San Antonio to and through his lands.

The Corporation Commission of Oklahoma has issued a promised order that passengers shall not be required to surrender their tickets unless they are provided with a seat while traveling on passenger trains.

One of the largest and perhaps the last rice sale of consequence of the present season took place at Haywood last week when the Raywood Rice and Canal company will sell 10,000 sacks of rough rice under the system of competitive bids.

Last year 762 cars of the fine onions were shipped out of Laredo section, and this year there will be 1600 cars. The business is growing wonderfully, and all are giving attention to the raising of onions.

By a method of preservative treatment used for piling in harbors and salt water generally, the forestry service hopes to outwit the marine borers, of which the teredo of the Gulf of Mexico is one of the most troublesome types.

K. K. Logett, aged eighty-nine years and his wife, aged eighty-four years, were buried at Keller Monday, having died but a few hours apart Saturday. They had been married sixty-five years.

The Sullaway bill calling for an increase in the pension to the widows of Mexican war veterans from \$9 to \$12 per month, has passed the house of representatives. It is estimated that there are 9500 widows of veterans of this war in the United States.

THE WEEK'S EPITOME

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

NEWS FROM EVERYWHERE

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

The ordinance recently passed by the board of aldermen of New York City forbidding women from smoking in public places was vetoed by Mayor McClellan.

There was a desperate fight in the office of United States District Attorney Robert P. Whitehouse at Portland, Maine, when an indicted smuggler attempted suicide.

The Wichita and Southern Railway has completed its line to within one and one-half miles of Olney. It has ties laid into that town, but lacks the steel, which is expected daily.

The Annona Lumber Company's drying kiln was burned Saturday night at the company's saw mill, five miles south of that place, entailing a loss of \$300 or \$400, with no insurance.

A woman and her infant child were killed in a collision between two freight trains on the Oregon Short Line Monday. The wreck was at Layton, north of Salt Lake City.

Falling to recoup his fortune lost in speculating, Edward C. Brooks aged thirty-five years, committed suicide at the Produce Exchange building in New York by taking cyanide of potassium.

The Palestine Railroad Young Men's Christian Association at Palestine was damaged by fire, smoke and water Saturday to the amount of nearly four thousand dollars, fully covered by insurance.

William Perkins, a former resident of Rose Pine, La., who had been residing in Arkansas, killed himself by shooting. The act of self-destruction resulted from despondency over financial affairs.

By an overwhelming majority, Tulsa, Okla., voted for a special charter and with it the commission form of government. This is the first city in Oklahoma to adopt this plan of government.

Major Charles W. Anderson, aged eighty-two years, a member of General Forrest's staff and general freight agent of the Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis railway, is dead at his home near Florence Station, Tenn.

Dr. George R. Tabor, ex-State Health Officer of Texas, now a resident physician of Dallas, was elected to the Presidency of the International Tuberculosis Congress at a meeting of the Executive Council of the congress which was held in New York during the past week.

The jury in the case of Jeck Early, charged with the murder of City Marshal J. Terrell Calloway of Mount Calm, who was killed on October 24, 1905, after being out thirty-six hours returned a verdict finding him guilty of manslaughter and assessing his punishment at two years in the penitentiary.

Application has been filed to organize the Home National Bank of Stanton with \$2,500,000 capital stock.

The first brick was laid on Sherman's new \$50,000 high school building Thursday morning shortly before noon.

It is announced that Swift & Company, the great packers, will build a great plant at Portland, Ore., to cost not less than \$6,000,000. Over 2000 acres of land have been bought for the plant.

It is a sensational rumor that King Leopold of Belgium is the next in line of victims marked by the Red Hand.

The total poll tax payments and exemptions in Dallas County and city amount to 20,922.

Senator Cullom's bill to provide for participation by the United States in an international exposition to be held in Tokio, Japan, in 1912, has been reported favorably from the committee on foreign relations.

Representative Smith has introduced a bill appropriating \$25,000 for establishing a weather observatory at Abilene.

Low prices and slack demand for oil have played havoc with developments in Oklahoma.

There is more than \$250,000 lying in the treasury of the city of New York, which is due to former employees of the city, but which has not been called for, accumulating during the past twenty-five years.

from a shotgun took effect in his breast.

A party of Pittsburgh capitalists, in company with Col. Paul Montgomery, has arrived at Sherman to look over the situation with a view of boring for Petroleum oil.

Something like 500 school books have been presented to the Texas Text Book Board for competition for State contract.

Prof. R. B. Cousins, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, has officially announced for re-election to his present position.

The Isthmian Canal Commission has awarded a contract for four million barrels of cement to be used in constructing the locks and dams.

It is announced that the new railway now building from Salt Lake City to San Francisco by the Goulds will use electricity for motive power.

A thousand bushels of cotton seed are being sent out from Waco in four-pound packages by the Government, under the free seed distribution.

The Secretaries of Commercial Associations of Texas are arranging for a "Safe and Sane" legislation convention to be held in Fort Worth March 15.

Fire in Fort Worth Sunday morning in the White House Restaurant, on upper Main Street caused damage estimated at \$3300. One man had a narrow escape.

George Stuart, a negro, was electrocuted in the state prison at Trenton, N. J., Tuesday, for the murder of John Snell in Camden county several months ago.

In raiding a bootlegging joint at Pawnee, Ok., Sheriff Pomeroy and a force of deputies found among some rubbish a bomb sufficient to blow up the entire town.

As a consequence of a shooting at fray at Luling Wednesday afternoon S. J. Wyatt of Gonzales, a bystander, and Jim Dukes of Luling are dead. Ed Reedy was arrested.

Mrs. Mary I. Sherrer died in Brocton, N. Y., Monday at the age of 102. She read without glasses and had vivid recollections of Andrew Jackson and the war of 1812.

Secretary Paddock of the Fort Worth Board of Trade has issued formal invitation to the state Democratic executive committee to hold the next convention in this city.

An election was held at Oran to decide whether the town should be incorporated for municipal purposes. The result was as follows: Votes for incorporation 108, against 42.

At Shawnee, Ok., Leander Adams, ten years of age, a son of a widow, was killed Sunday afternoon by a Santa Fe freight train. His head was severed from his body. He was walking in company with a playmate on the right of way near Main Street when struck.

Bids for three aeroplanes, ranging in price from \$10,000 to \$25,000, which must have a speed of at least forty miles an hour and carry two persons with a combined weight of 350 pounds and sufficient fuel for a flight of 125 miles, have been accepted by the war department.

It is reported direct from headquarters that the proposed Shawnee Central Railroad, surveyed during the summer between Checotah and Shawnee by the Missouri, Kansas and Texas, will be under course of construction within a very short time.

The farmers in the Miles section are planning for the 1908 crop on a large scale. Last year's partial failure emphasizes the importance of a strenuous effort. The prospect is made bright by the fact that the winter rains have been good.

Mrs. M. E. Bean, an old resident of Lamar County, who has eight children living, celebrated her eighty-fifth birthday anniversary Sunday at her home in Brookston. She is still hale and hearty.

Caston Thetford, son of Walter Thetford, who lives about two miles northwest of Groesbeck, went in Sunday and surrendered to Sheriff Pritchard, saying that he had killed Manuel Acosta, a Mexican. Thetford was released on \$500 bond.

A vote was taken at Krum Saturday to determine whether or not the voters of that school precinct were in favor of levying a tax to build a school building. The vote was 67 to 1 in favor of the tax.

J. T. Munson has presented the city of Denison with 130 acres of land for the purpose of providing a public park. The land is situated just outside of the city limits, beginning at the north end of Houston Avenue, and is valued at \$26,000.

The lower house of the West Virginia legislature has passed a bill prohibiting the manufacture and sale of liquors in that state. If the senate passes the bill the matter will be before the people.

The directors of the American Tobacco Company have declared the regular quarterly dividend of 2 1/2 per cent and an extra of 2 1/2 per cent on common stock. These dividends are the same as those declared three months ago.

PROTECT THE HOME

NATURAL LAWS EVIDENCED IN COMMUNAL RELATIONSHIP.

PRACTICES THAT DESTROY

Necessity for Harmonious Co-Operation If the Highest Interests of the People of a Community Be Best Subservied.

Cities and towns are the natural outgrowth of the inborn desire in man to fraternize in a protective as well as in a social way. Primitive man illustrated a high type of individualism. Examples of his methods can be found in the barbarous, wandering tribes in some sections of the world today. As far as possible, he existed independent of his fellow creatures. Like the wild animal, he tracked down his prey and subsisted the best he could. A natural law binds together creatures of certain types. As intelligence in man developed, a sense of interdependence directed that tribal methods of living in community be put in force. This was necessary for self-protection and for defense against attacks of common enemies.

As far back as evidence can be found relative to man's existence, there existed resident places corresponding to our present "home towns." With the advancement of civilization, methods of living became revolutionized. One resident of a community found that his interests were best subserved by dependence upon other members and by close co-operation with them. In modern life, there are many complex conditions which make necessary the recognition of obligations of one person to another. The small city or town of today affords an illustration of the highest type of communal relationship. Here is found ideals as to co-operation and a full recognition of the necessity of harmonious labor, not for self alone, but for others of the community. It is by this co-operation that the highest type of society is built up. It is by this harmonious action that churches are builded, schools maintained, public libraries for the enlightenment of the people supported, roads kept in condition and all conveniences for mutual interchange in the social and commercial life recognized as necessary.

A town cannot in itself exist. It must draw the subsistence for its people from the surrounding country. The basis of the city or town is agriculture. The growing of food stuffs must be in order that people shall live. An agricultural town of a thousand population cannot exist by itself alone, but must draw its support from the contiguous territory. Those residing upon the farms find the town an essential to their welfare and enjoyment. Thus a community must be considered an entire and indivisible social organization, in which each member participates in whatever prosperity and general advancement exists within it. Thus we find that all comprising the community have equal interest in increasing its prosperity, its wealth and all its moral, social, educational and commercial advantages. This participation is not exclusive to those residing within the limits of the town, but must be enjoyed by the residents and the workers on the adjacent farms, and all who labor within the radius of which the town is the center. Perforce of this, the town becomes the apex of the social activity, as well as that of a business nature. And the social and the commercial are so intertwined that one is necessary for the other.

A spirit of mutual co-operation should permeate all of a community. Each and every one comprising the communal organization of a district has equal interest with the others. There can be no affair important to the townspeople but which is also important to the farmers and others of the community; and there can be no affair of interest to the dwellers in the rural district but is of equal import to the residents of the towns.

How desolate, how monotonous and how isolated is the life on the farm without a home town. In human kind social instincts are predominating. Unless social desires are gratified there is despondency. The records of our insane asylums prove that from the isolated farms, where social intercourse through certain conditions is most restricted, comes the majority of inmates of these institutions. Without social intercourse intelligence is benumbed and ignorance prevails. Then how important it is to the residents of rural districts that the prosperity of the home towns be encouraged. There is the social feature, the educational, the moral and religious, and as important as any and most essential for the highest perfection, is the business relations. The more prosperous the home town the more prosperous are the farmers residing within its trade radius, because the livelier, the town the better the home markets.

There are complications in the business world today and the building up of systems of business that interfere with the highest development of the small cities and towns. Railroads, telegraph, telephone, rural delivery—all has tended towards enhancing life in the country. But these means have also encouraged business methods that work against the higher development of community interests. In order that the home town exists, there must be employment for those who reside within it. This employment is solely dependent upon the town's commercial and manufacturing interests. Thus we find that the home town is reliant upon the trade, not alone

those who reside within it, but of those in the surrounding country. Any system that robs the home town of this trade is contrary to highest economic law. Such a system retards progress and works against all within the community. Dependent upon the prosperity of the home town are the degrees of efficiency of the schools, the classes of churches, the libraries, the public halls, improvement of streets and public conveniences of every class and kind. In accordance with the increase of wealth new industries come into existence to give employment to a greater number of people, and thus carrying on an unbuilding process.

In summing up conditions as they relate to the community and the home town, it is patent to the man of intelligence that the patronizing of every home enterprise best subserves his interests, as well as the interests of all of the community. The patriotic man who would be a model citizen will make it his rule to put forth every effort to build up the local community. This effort should be directed to the patronizing of every home industry; to keep within the community as far as possible all the earnings of the people; to invest surplus capital in home enterprises; to improve the schools, the churches, the roads, develop every resource of the place; and with increased prosperity of the town more happiness, more contentment and more wealth results to all the worthy ones comprising the community.

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Remember that trusts and combinations are never builded up in the small towns. They find their origin and flourish in the large cities.

"SECONDS" OR "OFF" GOODS.

How They Are Disposed Of by Big Manufacturing Concerns.

Manufacturers who put out their goods under brands are watchful as to keeping their output up to the standard. Big concerns whose goods are widely advertised and are known for their excellency will not allow defective articles to go from their factories. Everything is inspected, and it must be perfect before the brand is allowed to be marked upon it.

In the large cutlery factories, the silverware manufacturing plants, the collar and shirt factories, and the like, regardless of what care is exercised, defects will be found in a certain percentage of the work turned out. In cutlery the temper of a blade may be uneven; the handle may be marred, the lining may be imperfect, and all such defects cause the knife to be discarded, that is, thrown out and not marked with the brand, if the maker has a reputation to maintain. In shirt factories the defective shirts are placed aside just the same, and so it is with hundreds of manufactured articles. All these articles are dead loss to the manufacturer unless they be remodeled, or disposed of at a cost covering the expense of the raw material and the time of employees used in their making. Thus manufacturers welcome a means of "playing even," of disposing of this damaged stock so as to prevent loss.

In many cases the damaged goods are sold to "job-lot" men who auction them off to small jobbers. But the majority of these goods are sold by contract to large houses located in the big cities, and it may be said that fully 50 per cent. of the goods that these houses handle are either of the damaged class known as "seconds" or "off" goods made or contract goods, cheaply turned out in sweat houses.

A number of concerns have contracts with these houses for all the "off" goods made. These goods are wrapped up in such a way as to cover their defects. The concern buys them for about 30 to 40 per cent. below prices at which perfect goods can be had in the markets. Thus it can be seen how some concerns can make low prices on goods that look about as well as regular dealers carry, but which are far inferior.

Were there only large cities, how poorly would fare the farmers and the others who toil for a livelihood.

Commercial Travelers Interested. There are more than 100,000 commercial travelers in the United States. These men are trade missionaries. They are a very necessary cog in the commercial wheel. While there are some who take the view that they are not producers, they are nevertheless important in the system of distribution of that which is produced. The successful traveling man is a close student of human nature. His vocation is such as calls for a high class of intelligence, particularly as to trade conditions and the lines which he represents. His keen observation of the trend of affairs has made him a pronounced home-trader. He realizes that his interest lies in protecting the business of the small city and town. Were trade in mercantile lines concentrated in the large cities, the field for the traveler would be narrowed. Thus we find him a strong combatant of systems that mean concentration. Circumstances have made him as equally interested in protection of local trade of merchants as the merchants themselves, and he is also interested on this account in the welfare of the people who are the customers of the merchants. The force and power of the great army of travelers in the United States is not to be considered lightly. Their influence is widespread. They will be found quite willing to work most harmoniously with the townspeople and the residents of rural districts in the matter of home protection.

That town which has not sufficient industries to employ its people is sure to go backward.

FARMERS' EDUCATIONAL AND CO-OPERATIVE UNION OF AMERICA

COST OF COTTON PRODUCTION.

A gentleman on a Dallas, Texas, street car was heard to remark a few weeks ago about as follows: "I've raised cotton, and the cost of production was not exceeding 5 cents a pound, and it is extortion for farmers to ask 15 cents." This is not the word for word statement of the gentleman, but was the spirit and exact substance of what he said. He spoke in some bitterness, too, and was inclined, one would judge, from his manner and tone, to lay the blame of the panicky times and hard lines resulting therefrom upon the Union farmers who were holding their cotton. He thought they ought to sell for what they could get for the products of their fields and the gifts of Mother Earth in payment for the hard toll of themselves and their families. His business was at a standstill. All business was languishing, and the farmer should sacrifice himself and the dear ones of his heart and his home that business might pick up.

Now, this gentleman is not an unkind man, nor selfish, nor unjust. He was, and is yet, in ignorance of the facts in the case and does not comprehend the fact that no interest or business can thrive, or even exist, as it ought to exist, and prosper, unless the farming classes are prosperous. He did not know, then, and does not even dream now, that this panic began in October last and just ending, was the deliberate, unscrupulous work of Eastern "captains of finance," for their own sinister purposes, utterly reckless as to what the effects might be on others so they prospered—a scheme, indeed, simply and purely for spoliation and to help along other ends they had in view for the further and continuous robbery of the people.

As to his estimate of the cost to produce cotton, let us look at that a little. He says he raised cotton at a cost of only 5 cents a pound. He did not do any such thing. At the time he farmed, some years ago, he might have produced cotton at an outlay of actual cash of only 5 cents a pound, but that actual cash outlay did not represent the entire cost of production. His time was occupied in the management of the affairs of his farm. Was his time worth nothing? His education and his skill were brought into full play and force in the preparation of his land, in the pitching of his crop, in its cultivation, in fighting and warding off crop enemies, in gathering his crop, in preparing it for market, in marketing it. Is all this worth nothing? Is the wear and exhaustion of body and mind and the worry and care incident upon the production of a crop worth nothing? Is the capital invested in a farm, in the teams and farming implements, in the feed stuffs for man and beast, needful in the year's work, worth nothing? Shall there be no interest on this investment added into the cost of production? All these things we have enumerated above enter into the expense account and cost bills in every other line of business under the sun, and why not into the business of farming, too?—Co-Operator.

Dodging the Mortgage. A farmer near McKinney, Texas, has marketed thirty bushels of turmps the past season from a quarter of an acre. The seed cost him 10 cents and he sold the product at 60 cents per bushel. He was well paid for the time he took to plant, take care of and market the turmps and he had something to sell when he went to town instead of going there to buy a wagonload of something he could have raised.

DON'TS.

Don't sell your cotton below 15 cents.

Don't be a grumbler. It does not do just what you say.

Don't think that you are the only man that has sense enough to run the world.

Don't go to the man for advice whose business interests are contrary to yours.

Don't think when you are idle that other people should not work.

Don't be a knocker. Be a builder. This is the time for building, and every man must do his part.

Don't be alarmed at some weary tales that you hear, as some men from different branches of the Farmers' Union have been "drapped" from the pay roll.

Don't forget that there are always drones in the hive. These drones or drift wood, must be thrown out, and sometimes when they are they make a fuss about it, for it is nice to eat without having to work.—Union News.

Sentiment is the thing that brings the enjoyment to all things. This is what makes one man enjoy what is repugnant to another. But in our order the first idea is business, and no amount of sentiment should dominate the right thing and the best thing to do under any and all circumstances.

Plant a tree in that unutilized corner. It will require little or no attention, and will work along day and night until one day it will reach the dividend paying point, and it will then never prove unprofitable.

Non-producing consumers are a menace and a curse to the human race. All that they use is lost to the world, for it is invested in a thing that yields no returns.

THE A. & M. COLLEGE.

A Texan, writing of the Texas State Agricultural & Mechanical College, has this to say, which is applicable to practically all State A. & M. colleges:

One excellent feature of the advantages at the Agricultural & Mechanical College is that they are easily within the reach of the poor man's son. The necessary expenses for the entire school year do not amount to much more than the sum they must pay for tuition alone at many of the universities and colleges of the country. And then a young man of grit and energy can keep up with his studies and at the same time by outside work earn money enough to defray a large part of his expenses. Students have not infrequently paid all of their expenses, and it has occasionally happened that some unusually thrifty fellow, in addition to making enough to pay all his college expenses, has laid by a snug little sum to begin life on. A graduate of the college was recently asked how much money he had when he entered the freshman class. He replied: "I had forty dollars at the beginning of the session, and I had forty dollars at the close of school in June." It is reported of another student who paid all his expenses by working, that during the four years of his college life he accumulated eight hundred dollars. Some of this amount, however, was earned during the summer vacations. An education acquired under such circumstances generally means a great deal more than one, the expenses of which are all paid by a parent or guardian. The young man who pays his own way through college learns thoroughly the value of a dollar, and he also gets some lessons in self-denial and independence that can not fail to be helpful to him in after life.

IN UNION IS STRENGTH.

No organization—religious, political, fraternal or industrial—that ultimately accomplished great good for the common people (and by this term we mean the very backbone of this country) has ever had smooth sailing. It has been assailed by traitors within and by a prejudiced public without, just as the Farmers' Union has been. And now that some little wave of discord has drifted into the portals of that organization. In the language of the Georgetown Commercial, let us urge "every member of the Union who loves his home and family, his rights and the great cause of justice, to stand firm today. Be steadfast, though the dark clouds come. There is victory ahead. Defeats and disappointments, panics and gambling will pass away. Put none but true, loyal, unselfish men on guard, local, county, district, State and National. Then all is well, and the Farmers' Union will triumph. Let us stand together now."—McGregor (Tex.) Mirror.

GET THE TREE-PLANTING HABIT.

Nothing so adds to the beauty of a home's outward appearance as pretty shade trees. It makes the home look permanent, comfortable, prosperous, inviting. When one sees a nice shady lawn, he feels like going in to rest, and he never comes home, tired, hot and dusty from his day's work, if he has such a yard of his own, that he does not breathe an involuntary prayer of thankfulness for God's blessed trees.

Nothing so adds to the outward appearance of town as streets lined with trees. The stranger feels perfectly at home, though he may not know a human soul, in the ordinary sense. It was a man of true feeling who wrote, "One touch of nature makes the whole world kin." Trees, nature's splendid exemplars, make the stranger wish to stay. Many Arlington people are planting trees. They are adding to the comfort and the beauty of their homes, and at the same time doing a great good for the town. Get the tree-planting habit.—Arlington Journal.

When the Union came to Williamson County in 1903 the Commercial said then—when it was unpopular to do so—when some newspapers were denouncing it as a political machine—that the farmer ought to organize. These newspapers and politicians began to cast aspersions on the Union, but it grew steadily. They then jumped in the band wagon when the Union became powerful and popular. But now that the crisis has come in its history—the time when all true farmers and patriotic citizens should stand together against a common enemy—the old enemy—the latter professed friends are growing cold and lukewarm in their support. The Commercial earnestly urges every member of the Union who loves his home and family, his rights and the great cause of justice, to stand firm today. Be steadfast, though the dark clouds come. There is victory ahead. Defeats and disappointments, panics and gambling will pass away. Put none but true, loyal, unselfish men on guard, local, county, district, State and National. Then all is well, and the Farmers' Union will triumph. Let us stand together now."—Austin Statesman.

Keeping busy is a good way to keep up one's courage. It is the busy optimist that makes life worth the living.

Shun the mortgage as you would the viper, and while you are helping yourself to industrial freedom help your less fortunate neighbor to walk alone.

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R. M. REED
of Stonewall County.

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For County Attorney:

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W. C. JACKSON

For Assessor of Taxes:

R. H. SPROWLS
E. W. MOSER.
L. D. MORGAN

For Public Weigher Prec. No. 1:

P. J. POLLARD
THEODORE BOWMAN

BRYAN 72, TAFT 48, HUGHES 38

In an editorial in its Sunday issue the Dallas News quoting from the New York Independent gives an idea of the strength of the candidates for the presidential nomination in their respective parties.

It says:
"The Independent, in a recent issue, requested its readers to anticipate some what the action of the coming political conventions by indicating what, in their view, are the chief issues which should be formulated in the platforms, and who are the candidates best representing those principles. As for expressions relating to issues, the Independent says: 'To not a few Eastern people and journals that have talked of 'Roosevelt's panic' it will be both startling and instructive to see how nearly unanimous the sentiment is in favor of maintaining and strengthening the present policy of the Government for the restraint of privilege. Indeed, that is the only issue raised except a few letters in favor of prohibition and socialism.'"

The letters received show that in the Republican party Taft leads with a poll of 43 per cent of the votes, closely followed by Hughes with 38 per cent. La Follette and Roosevelt tie, each with 7 per cent. The remaining 5 per cent are scattered between Knox, Cortelyou and Foraker. Cannon and Fairbanks are not even mentioned. In the Democratic party Bryan leads the field having 72 per cent of the vote, with the remainder distributed about equally between Johnson and Folk."

As to Mr. Bryan the fact revealed is just about as the Free Press has all along believed it to be, notwithstanding the efforts of the "interests," of politicians ostensible representing the people but in fact being either henchmen of the corporations or unduly afraid of them and of a number of the metropolitan newspapers and the special correspond-

ents of many others to make it appear that there is too much prejudice against Mr. Bryan to make it safe for his party to nominate him. It is the fashion of all these to throw out a little taffy to Mr. Bryan and his friends by praising his personal qualities and sometimes admitting his statesmanship but always trying to impress the fact that while he is a great and good man he is not the man to attempt to carry the election with although they go further and say that he would be permitted to name the candidate and, that, in fact, no man not having his full support could be elected president.

We have never for a moment believed that the true situation was presented in their specious pleading. The fact revealed by the Independent shows that the great majority desire the reforms advocated by Mr. Bryan and in part attempted by President Roosevelt to go forward. And they even more definitely show that Mr. Bryan is wanted at the helm. The 72 per cent credited to him almost three to one against the field for the Democratic nomination. The remaining 28 per cent being about equally divided between Johnson and Folk gives them 14 per cent each, or not quite one to five for Mr. Bryan.

Neither Mr. Folk or Mr. Johnson differs very widely from Mr. Bryan on material issues of the party and their supporters will vote readily for Mr. Bryan in the general election.

A PLATFORM.

R. B. Humphrey of Throckmorton, who is a candidate for Representative from this legislative district, has sent to us for publication the following statement of his position on some of the political questions of the time:

I am a Democratic because I believe in the political principles of the Democratic party, and am opposed to negro domination.

The government is an institution created and maintained by the people, and the first duty of those charged with its guidance is to see that it is at all times responsive to the people's will.

Local option is one of the blessings brought to us by Christianity, an evidence of our advancing civilization. The open saloon is an indefensible evil. I would like to see it banished from every voting precinct in Texas, and if elected, any legislation having that end in view will receive my ardent support.

Taxation is necessary, but excessive or unequal taxation is intolerable. The adjustment of taxation is a complicated and difficult problem, and in no other function of the public service is there required so much of patience, patriotism and intelligence. Uniformity and equality in the distribution of the burden should be always kept in view and constantly striven after. The wealthiest man and the richest corporations should bear their full proportion of the burden of government just as does the humblest citizen.

The upbuilding and improvement of our educational institutions, especially our rural schools should be encouraged in every possible legitimate way. More schools and better schools must be the purpose kept in view. It is well to spend the people's money in improving our advanced colleges and universities, but it is infinitely better to spend the same money out in the villages and rural communities helping the boys and the girls to get the elementary training which otherwise they could not get. I favor the establishment of an institution wherein may be taught those branches of learning which go to make up a commercial education. The State helps to educate lawyers, doctors, teachers, engineers and farmers. Why not help the worthy boy or

girl who seeks and needs a business training?

If the railroad passenger fare be reduced to 2 cents per mile, an increase in freight will result. I am opposed to any reduction in passenger fare which will result in an increase in freight rates. Every product of the farm or ranch, every bale of cotton and every animal shipped from our section has the price of the freight deducted from what the farmer or stockman receives. Every article of merchandise shipped to us has the price of the freight added to what the consumer must pay. How often does the average citizen travel by rail? Not once while he pays a freight bill fifty times. By all means, reduce the freight rate wherever possible, but do not reduce the passenger rate in order to get to increase the freight rate.

As I see it, "the Bailey question," so-called, amounts to just about this: One man says, "I believe Senator Bailey is an honest man," and another man answers, "I do not think so." How can any good result from the agitation of such a subject? If at the end of his present term, Senator Bailey is again a candidate for office then the question will be a vital one and its discussion will be in order. But at present he is not a candidate, and it seems to me an injustice to the people for his friends or his enemies to seek to make his personality govern the people in their choice of their law makers.

I do not believe that any candidate's opinion of Senator Bailey, whether favorable or unfavorable, is of itself sufficient to entitle the candidate to the public office he seeks. I believe the candidate's personality, and not Senator Bailey's personality, should be the determining factor in the coming campaign. The Thirtieth legislature acted on the Bailey question, and that action ought to be final unless something new is presented.

The public roads are the people's highway. It is the part of wisdom and to the benefit of all people that we have good roads. Present and repealed laws have seemed inadequate. Laws are needed which will absolutely prevent reckless or extravagant expenditure of the road and bridge funds, and insure that one county or community shall not be burdened for the sole benefit of another.

Girls' Club Organized.

Mrs. Mauldin requested that the Methodist girls meet with her last Saturday afternoon for the purpose of organizing a club for the younger girls. Quite a number of girls responded to her invitation and enjoyed a very pleasant social time besides organizing a Club.

The officers elected for the club are: Annie Allsbrook, president; Hallie Maye Parish, vice-president; Fannie Lee Fitzgerald, secretary; Allah Hester, treasurer.

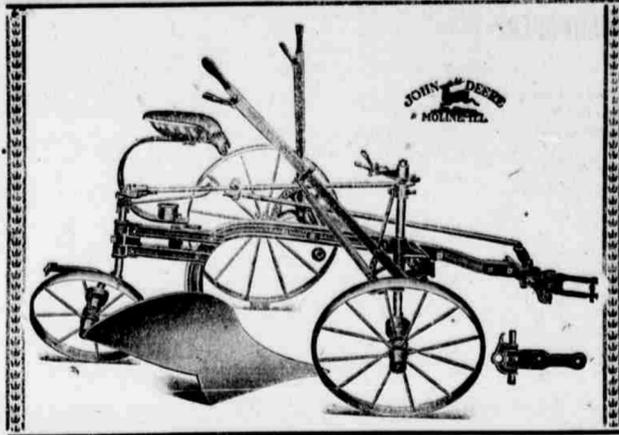
Some time was spent in selecting a name for the club and finally it was christened "Ever-Faithful." After discussing all business matters we adjourned to meet Saturday, Feb. 15th.

Fannie Lee Fitzgerald,
Sec'y.

Mr. B. P. Adams, who resides six miles southeast of town, with others of his neighborhood, was in Wednesday and petitioned the commissioners' court for a more direct public road. They think that with a direct road they will soon be able to get rural mail delivery.

Mr. J. A. Parish of the Rule neighborhood was over a few days ago and remembered the FREE PRESS in a substantial way. Mr. Parish said the farmers out there were making good progress toward getting ready for spring planting.

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Local and Personal

Dunbar Male Quartette, February 15th.

Mr. D. W. Fields visited the county capitol.

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Mr. W. B. Woods was doing business in the city Monday.

Dunbar Male Quartette, February 15th.

Mr. F. H. McCullough of the southeast part was in the city Monday.

Dunbar Male Quartette, February 15th.

Mr. C. E. Warburton of Oklahoma is visiting relatives in Haskell.

For quick sales list your property with the Haskell Real Estate Co.

Mr. G. H. Taylor of the northeast part was in the city Monday.

You can get tornado insurance from the Haskell Real Estate Co.

Mr. D. C. Nicholson of the east side was in town Monday.

Mr. J. S. Menefee of the Rochester community was in the city Monday.

Dunbar Male Quartette, February 15th.

Mr. Theodore Jones of the north part of the county was in the city Wednesday.

Biggest line of up-to-date stationery to arrive this week at Colliers' Drug Store.

Mr. T. D. Whitford, a substantial citizen of the Carney neighborhood visited the county capitol Wednesday.

Have your seat checked early for there will be a crowd to hear the "Dunbars" on Feb. 15th.

Mr. J. S. Lipscomb renewed for the Free Press when in the city Tuesday.

The "Dunbar Male Quartette" is one of the finest in America, don't fail to hear them Feb. 15th.

Mr. John W. Hunt and wife, who have been visiting the families of Messrs J. T. Hunt and C. D. Grissom, left Tuesday for their home.

The infant son of Mr. W. C. Bishop, who resides five miles east of town, died Sunday night of pneumonia and was buried Monday in the Haskell Cemetery.

You will miss a treat if you don't hear the "Dunbar" "Quartette" Feb. 15th.

Master Chester Jones who is attending Simmons College at Abilene visited friends in Haskell and parents in Rule Saturday and Sunday.

Biggest line of up-to-date stationery to arrive this week at Colliers' Drug Store.

Mr. W. T. Overby of the south side was in the city Wednesday.

Don't forget that Feb. 15th. is the date of the "Dunbar Male Quartette".

Mr. John Gardner of the Paint creek community was in town Wednesday.

The "Dunbar Quartette" is the finest that has ever been to Haskell, they will be here on Feb. 15th.

My Stock of groceries is now complete. Everything fresh and sold under full guarantee to be first class. Our prices are strictly cash. Although we may wait on you a few days, you will bear in mind that the account should not run and become a burden to your merchant. Cash makes low prices—we will treat you right and only ask the same back. Let us do business with you on this basis. S. L. Robertson.

Mr. B. C. Duke returned a few days ago from a visit to his old home in Kentucky. He said he was in the "night riders" district while there.

There is no other place within 125 miles of Haskell that will get the Dunbar Quartette, don't fail to hear them, it is a rare treat for Haskell, people.

Mr. W. H. Murchison made a professional visit to Sagerton the early part of the week.

See our complete line of embroidery with flouncing to match. Alexander Mercantile Co.

Mr. E. G. Bennett, one of the oldtimers of Wild Horse prairie, was doing business in town Monday.

Go to the Haskell Real Estate Co. for fire insurance and bonding.

Mr. H. Warnock, who is improving a new farm six miles south-east of town, was in Tuesday and became a subscriber to the FREE PRESS.

Begin NOW to make arrangements to see the "Dunbars" on February 15th.

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Mr. M. A. Clifton handed us his renewal for the Free Press and Dallas News the other day. Mr. Clifton has been a regular subscriber to the Free Press for nearly eighteen years.

Mr. G. W. Hubert of Knox City was in Haskell Tuesday.

Rock Island Plows.

Now is the time when Breaking plows are in use, and if you are not acquainted with the superior merits of the

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We are carrying a full line of the Rock Island implements which are now more widely used in many sections of the country than any other.

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He "Followed Copy." Mrs. Marble, after the death of her husband, went to Mr. Stone (a dealer in headstones) and consulted him in reference to an inscription. She said: "Put on it: 'To my dearest husband,' and if there be any room left, 'we shall meet in heaven.'"

Entering the cemetery and going to her husband's grave, she noticed the headstone, and quickly rushed to see how he had engraved it. The poor old widow's heart beat with pain when she read the following on the headstone: "To my dearest husband, and if there be any room left, 'we shall meet in heaven.'—Port Chester Record.

Gleomy Outlook.

Long Winded Orator (lowering his voice to an impressive whisper)—"Have you ever, O, my friends, allowed yourselves to wonder where you will be and what you will be doing when another century shall have rolled around?"

Wearied Auditor (in an equally impressive whisper)—"Yes—we'll still be here waiting for you to finish your speech!"

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"When the medical profession fully understands the nature and range of the phosphate of potassium, insane asylums will no longer be needed.

"The gray matter of the brain is controlled entirely by the inorganic cell-salt, potassium phosphate.

"This salt unites with albumen, and by the addition of oxygen creates nerve-fluid, or the gray matter of the brain.

"Of course, there is a trace of other salts and other organic matter in nerve-fluid, but potassium phosphate is the chief factor, and has the power within itself to attract, by its own law of affinity, all things needed to manufacture the elixir of life. Therefore, when nervous symptoms arise, due to the fact that the nerve-fluid has been exhausted from any cause, the phosphate of potassium is the only true remedy, because nothing else can possibly supply the deficiency.

"The ills arising from too rapidly consuming the gray matter of the brain cannot be overestimated.

"Phosphate of Potash, is to my mind, the most wonderful curative agent ever discovered by man, and the blessings it has already conferred on the race are many. But what shall the harvest be when physicians everywhere fully understand the part this wonderful salt plays in the processes of life? It will do as much as can be done through physiology to make a heaven on earth.

"Let the overworked business man take it and go home good-tempered. Let the weary wife, nerves unstrung from attending to sick children or entertaining company, take it and note how quickly the equilibrium will be restored and calm and reason assert her throne. No 'proving' are required here. We find this potassium salt largely predominant in nerve-fluid, and that a deficiency produces well-defined symptoms. The beginning and end of the matter is to supply the lacking principle, and in molecular form, exactly as nature furnishes it in vegetables, fruits and grains. To supply deficiencies—this is the only law of cure."

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"I am an enthusiastic proclaimer of Grape-Nuts as a regular diet. I formerly had no appetite in the morning and for 8 years while nursing my four children, had insufficient nourishment for them.

"Unable to eat breakfast I felt faint later, and would go to the pantry and eat cold chops, sausage, cookies, doughnuts or anything I happened to find. Being a writer, at times my head felt heavy and my brain asleep.

"When I read of Grape-Nuts I began eating it every morning, also gave it to the children, including my 19 months old baby, who soon grew as fat as a little pig, good natured and contented.

"I wrote evenings and feeling the need of sustained brain power, began eating a small saucer of Grape-Nuts with milk, instead of my usual indigestible hot pudding, pie, or cake for dessert at night.

"I grew plump, nerves strong, and when I wrote my brain was active and clear; indeed, the dull head pain never returned."

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THE EDGE OF THINGS

By FRANCIS B. L. HOWE

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Theodore sat on the wall that divided the lawn and the kitchen garden and kicked his heels viciously against the unresponsive stone. They were small feet but they kicked with an energy quite out of proportion. Dore surveyed them with rueful satisfaction, noting with a fierce delight that green stains had appeared on his white trousers. In short Theodore was looking on the world and its vain attractions "through a glass darkly."

The red setter came bounding across the lawn to the forlorn little figure on the wayside wall, his flaming red flag of a tail hoisted to the breeze.

The boy's only greeting was a pull at the glossy coat of such astounding energy as to bring forth a yelp of wounded pride.

Dore's arms were about his neck as he said: "Seuse me, Reddy, I only wanted to see if you was 'pertend' too," then, with a deep sigh, "I guess me and you is the only really things around here."

Yesterday, oh fateful day, Dore had learned a lesson that had straightway clouded his fair sky, and since which he had looked out on the world through earnest brown eyes which never before had held a look of unbelief.

He had mentioned casually, in the tone one can afford to adopt when one possesses a young and beautiful aunt, that his Aunt Eleanor was going to take him to ride behind her bran new ponies. "An' she ain't never rode behind them herself yet," he added, proudly.

To which Batty Jones had scornfully replied: "Aw, what yer givin' us? She ain't no more your aunt than she is mine. I could call her 'amnt' too if I liked. My ma said so an' she knows 'cause my pa used to be coachman fer them 'fore he come here."

That night after a silent tea in the nursery Dore walked upstairs, undressed and crawled into bed before Mary had a chance to help him.

"Did you say your prayers, Master Theodore?" she asked.

"No," said Dore, soberly.

"Well come and say them now, that's a good boy, so Mary can go downstairs."

Then it was that Master Theodore, standing as erect as a downy mattress on jumpy springs would let him, and holding tightly to the head board of his little brass bed, replied: "I shall probably never say my prayers again, Mary, so please don't speak of it. There isn't any Aunt Eleanor—there isn't any Santa Claus and how do I know there's any God?"

Then he lay down and pulled the covers up snugly while the deeply shocked Mary rushed from the room fumbling her beads, too perturbed to hear the boy's "Good-night, Mary; I hope you will sleep well," for he always remembered his manners, did this little chap.

For a long time he lay very quiet thinking it all out. He wasn't hurting anyone by believing these things and they made him happy. What business had anyone to tell him? Then his mind would fill with righteous wrath, but his sturdy little spirit at last asserted itself and as he fell asleep he muttered: "I'm glad I know, anyhow. I don't want to b'lieve 'pertends'."

Still there were tears on his cheek for his dear Aunt Eleanor, the sweetest illusion of them all, and he sleepily hoped that Batty Jones would not call her "auntie," even if he could if he had a mind to.

All that was last night. This morning he was not quite sure whether he was glad he knew or not.

First he thought he would go away out of sight of the road where the enchanting pony cart would not be visible to eyes that somehow would watch in spite of their determination not to. Then he dug his heels more tightly into the crevices of the wall and decided to stay right where he was, so close to the road that he could almost shake hands with those who passed.

All this was of course perplexing, but the problem that made the deepest wrinkles in the boy's forehead was what to say to this whilom "Auntie" when she appeared.

Clearly he could not tell her that he could not ride with her because she was a "pertender." That would not be polite to say to a lady and Dore's ideas of chivalry were deep rooted.

"Hallo, Dore! Ready?" a gay voice called. "Jump in beside Rags. We're going to have a famous drive."

Dore looked from the beautiful girl and the bull pup beside her to the ponies impatiently champing on the bit and back to the girl again. This was very embarrassing. He felt his face grow hot. Some boys would have looked sheepish and would have fidgeted. Master Theodore did neither. He stood in the dusty road, cap in hand, and the sun beat down on his closely-cropped head, but he only planted his feet more firmly as he looked the girl squarely in the eyes and said slowly: "No, thank you, I don't think I'll go to-day."

An amused smile crept into the girl's eyes. She had often laughed with his father over what she called the lack of "dribility" of this small youth.

"I'll drive around the block and let you think it over," she said. She

smiled him a "good-by," the ponies started up, and he was left alone. Something like a sob arose in his throat. He was afraid he had been rude, but he could not tell a lady that she was a "pertender." Better to let her base his rudeness upon refusing to ride with her than that.

A few paces away the cart stopped, and Aunt Eleanor looked back expectantly, but he shook his head and she drove on.

He suddenly awoke to the consciousness that the sun was very hot on his bared head, and putting on his hat he crossed the lawn and entered the house.

His father would not be home till night; his bicycle was tame; his pony had lost its savor. The one thing that still had about it the glamour of brighter days was The Picture in his father's study. Father's favorite arm-chair stood under this picture and Dore could not remember the time when he had not said his prayers kneeling beside it as his father sat there. But this was before father became so busy and had to stay so late nights in the city.

Dore took off his hat and looked at The Picture as he had looked at Aunt Eleanor a few minutes ago.

"You weren't a 'pertender' were you, ma'am?" he asked, politely. "They told me that God took you away. It seems like they don't want me to have anything, don't they? I'm sorry, cause I think from your face I would like you, ma'am."

Then even while standing there a thought broke in upon him, a thought so delicious and yet so audacious he held his breath as he clung lovingly to it.

If Aunt Eleanor could not be a truly auntie, couldn't she be a truly mother?

Nipper Brown had had three mothers. Now Nipper was the garbage gentleman's boy, and if he could have had three, couldn't this little lad have one?

He sat down in one of the big slippery chairs to think it over. He suddenly remembered that last night he had refused to say his prayers. He would not make a truce now and say them just because he wanted something, but, he said aloud: "I will just mention it before I go to bed tonight and p'raps God might hear, who knows?"

Dore sat up in bed blinking at the light and rubbing his eyes to get the sleep out.

"What is it, Mary?" he asked.

"Sure 'tis yure father wants you downstairs, Master Theodore, jist as you be."

The boy crawled out of his little bed, gathered the folds of his long night

dress together and holding it high, went down the stairs.

The study was lighted and his father and Aunt Eleanor stood there.

When pretty Aunt Eleanor, the color coming and going in her pretty cheeks, had snuggled him up close in her warm bare arms and explained what it was all about the child was silent. The girl and the man looked at each other in dismay.

Suddenly he sat up very straight and asked wistfully, for he dared not hope too much:

"Aunt Eleanor, did God truly tell you to ask father if you could be my mother?"

The girl's eyes danced as she said: "Yes dear."

"Father, did God tell you to say she could?"

"He certainly did, my little man," his father said with face aglow.

Then Dore slipped off the girl's lap and said very earnestly: "I'll go upstairs and say my prayers now, and I'll get down on both knees, too. I didn't mention any names but he got it all right."

They kissed him and let him go, and as the door closed the girl lifted a tremulous face in which tears and smiles strove for mastery as she said: "O Jack, I feel just as though he had said: 'God bless you, my children.'"

And Dore, upstairs, as he crept back into bed, said in a comfortably confidential tone:

"That was 'most as quick as tele-phonin' Lord."

Hilarious.

Eva—I understand that when Kathleen eloped from the house at 2 a. m. her father made strenuous efforts to raise the window of his room.

Edna—Wanted to intercept her, I suppose?

Eva—No; wanted to shout: "Hurrh, ma, she's gone at last!"

UNCLE SAM'S WORST SENTENCE.

"Dismissal with Ignominy" Means the Most Absolute Disgrace.

The severest sentence which the United States government can inflict is undoubtedly "dismissal with ignominy," which is meted out to officers of the army and navy who are guilty of great offenses.

It is the nearest thing to ostracism that can be reached in the modern state. When the sentence "dismissal with ignominy" is passed upon an officer it means that his brother officers may never speak to him again during his life. If this officer has a relative in the service, no matter how close the connection may be, there must never again be communication between the two.

If it is a young man who is thus dismissed and he has a father in the army or navy, they are cut off forever unless the father should choose to quit the nation's service also.

And when the sentence is once passed it is unchangeable. A man who simply violates the laws of the country even to the point of treason has a chance for pardon, but once he receives the document bearing the phrase "dismissal with ignominy," it stands just as long as there is breath in his body.

Even if he wishes to enlist in the service as one of the men in the ranks this would not be allowed. When caught he would be punished for "fraudulent enlistment."

In the old days the greatest punishment was to cashier an officer. Then he would be taken out before an assembled body of troops or sailors and his insignia of rank would be taken and his sword broken. Now this has given way to a more complete method of exposing his shame. When an officer is "dismissed with ignominy" it is ordered by the president that notice shall be sent to all members of the service and the crime and the punishment is published in the newspapers not only around the headquarters where he was last on duty, but also in the state from which he comes or in which he usually makes his home.

A Technical Explanation. It is said that unless one can impart information one does not really possess it. The late Prof. Angelo Helliprin used to tell a story, says the Washington Star, illustrative of this point. The professor himself had a most learned and lucid mind. Not only could he master a question; he could lay it so clearly before you that you became master of it, too.

Two commercial travelers on the way from Reading to Philadelphia once got into an argument over the action of the vacuum brake.

"It's the inflation of the tube that stops the train," declared the first traveler.

"Wrong, wrong!" shouted the second. "It's the output of the exhaust."

So they wrangled for an hour. Then, when the train arrived in Philadelphia they agreed to submit the matter for settlement to the engineer. That gentleman, leaning condescendingly from the window of his cab, listened with an attentive frown to the two travelers' statement of their argument. Then he smiled, shook his head and said:

"Well, gents, yer're both wrong about the workin' of the vacuum brake. Yet it's very simple and easy to understand. When we want to stop the train we just turn this 'ere tap, and then we fill the pipe with vacuum."

Working the "Rope Trick." How the "wonder worker" of India performs his "rope trick" is told by a correspondent who witnessed the feat in a busy street of Surat in broad daylight: "I was writing in a room overlooking this thoroughfare, on the first floor of the house, when my friend called to me. Stepping on to the veranda I saw a small group of people gathered round a man and a boy. The man threw a long rope straight up in the air and the boy then climbed up the rope, the lower end of which was held by the man. Having reached the top of the rope, the boy balanced himself, in various postures, on the point of the rope and then disappeared from sight. Afterward he appeared again on the ground and he and the man quietly walked away. The small group of people dispersed and I went back to my writing."

When Every Man is Coy. Feminine proposals are nothing new—in leap year or otherwise. It is said on good authority that Eve set the example when she baited Adam with an apple—or lemon, as certain excellent authorities claim of late. As no man ever told the truth about how he proposed, and still less about how the demure damsels helped him to do it, all this must remain in obscurity. Every man some time in his life has had a coy proposal. In this every year seems to partake a trifle of leap year.—Centralla (Wash.) Chronicle.

Punctilious Etiquette. He—Did you have an informal discussion at your club, my dear? She (primly)—Our discussions are never informal. We take up no subject which has not been properly introduced.

Not Diminishing. "Mrs. Gadder has such a way of attacking people without saying anything outright." "Yes, I was just a-sayin' the other day that she always was ready with a diminuendo against somebody."

STILL HAD USE FOR BOOTS.

Kafir's Newly-Acquired Treasure Put to Queer Use.

An army officer in charge of a native district in South Africa presented to the kafir boy who acted as his particular servant a pair of strong, heavily nailed army boots.

The boy was delighted with the gift, and at once sat down and put the boots on. They were the very first pair he had ever had in his life, and for several days afterward he strutted proudly about the camp with them.

But at the end of the week he appeared as usual with bare feet and the boots tied round his neck.

"Hello!" said his master. "Why don't you wear your boots? Are they too small for you?"

"Oh, no, sah," replied the kafir, "they plenty big. Berry nice boots, sah, but no good for walking or running. Make um fellah too much slow, sah. Keep boots now for wear in bed."—London Answers.

When He Skipped. Suddenly the lone woman awoke, and pressing a button flooded the apartment with light. In the full glare stood a burglar.

"I don't wish to alarm you," she said to him, "but in just a minute the hour of midnight will strike."

He did not seem impressed.

"Are you aware," she continued, "that the coming of the hour will usher in the new year?"

Still he stood mute.

"And that it will be leap year at that?" she added.

Then it was that he fed into the darkness.

STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, ss. LUCAS COUNTY. FRANK J. CHENEY makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. CHENEY & CO., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every false statement that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATARRH CURE. FRANK J. CHENEY. Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 5th day of December, A. D. 1906. A. W. GLEASON, Notary Public.

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Send for testimonials, free. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by all Druggists. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

IN BUG HOLLOW.

Dr. Moth—What's the matter? Artie Ant—I think I must have eaten too many marshmallows over at the swamp party.

The First Advertiser. The author looked up from the first chapter of his mammoth history of advertising.

"I wonder," he murmured, "who could have been the first manufacturer to advertise? It is an item that would fit in well here."

"There is no extant data on the subject," said the farmer, "but I have every reason to believe that the hen is the person you are looking for."

That's All. Edward Payson Weston, the veteran walker, talked regretfully in Chicago about walking's decay. "Pedestrianism," he said, "has died out shockingly. A little boy said to me the other day: 'What is a pedestrian?' I answered truly enough: 'Oh, he's just one of those fellows who kick up a row when an automobile runs them down.'"

"It Knocks the Itch" It may not cure all your ills, but it does cure one of the worst. It cures any form of itch ever known—no matter what it is called, where the sensation is "itch," it knocks it. Eczema, Ringworm and all the rest are relieved at once and cured by one box. It's guaranteed, and its name is Hunt's Cure.

Treadmill Still in Use. The barbarous custom of using convicts in treadmills is still practiced in some English prisons, declares Popular Mechanics, and an interesting picture shows the convicts at this trying task. The speed is about 30 steps a minute, and if a man misses a step a cross-bar strikes the calves of his legs.

Important to Mothers. Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA, a safe and sure remedy for infants and children, and see that it bears the Signature of *Dr. J. C. Watson* in Use For Over 30 Years. The Kind You Have Always Bought.

The Ruling Passion. The young man asked the banker "For his fair and only child; The banker nodded gravely, And then he grimly smiled. Amazed, the young man heard him Reply in business phrase: "I'll have to file your notice—Come back in sixty days."

On Diminutives. The Sphinx was asking a riddle. "Why does a man in love always want to call a 200-pound maiden his 'little girl'?" With one accord they gave it up.

To Break in New Shoes Always shake in Allen's Foot-Ease a powder. It cures sweating, itching, swollen feet, ingrowing nails and bunions. At all Druggists 25c. Refuse substitutes. Sample mailed FREE. Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

Of course there is nothing new under the sun, but almost any druggist can give you something just as good.

HELPFUL ADVICE



You won't tell your family doctor the whole story about your private illness—you are too modest. You need not be afraid to tell Mrs. Pinkham, at Lynn, Mass., the things you could not explain to the doctor. Your letter will be held in the strictest confidence. From her vast correspondence with sick women during the past thirty years she may have gained the very knowledge that will help your case. Such letters as the following, from grateful women, establish beyond a doubt the power of

LYDIA E. PINKHAM'S VEGETABLE COMPOUND to conquer all female diseases. Mrs. Norman R. Berndt, of Allentown, Pa., writes:

"Ever since I was sixteen years of age I had suffered from an organic derangement and female weakness; in consequence I had dreadful headaches and was extremely nervous. My physician said I must go through an operation to get well. A friend told me about Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and I took it and wrote you for advice, following your directions carefully, and thanks to you I am today a well woman, and I am telling all my friends of my experience."

FACTS FOR SICK WOMEN. For thirty years Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, made from roots and herbs, has been the standard remedy for female ills, and has positively cured thousands of women who have been troubled with displacements, inflammation, ulceration, fibroid tumors, irregularities, periodic pains, backache, that bearing-down feeling, flatulency, indigestion, dizziness, nervous prostration.

The Prevailing Excuse. "Jedge," said the prisoner, who had been caught with a chicken in a sack, "you oughter go easy with me." "Why? You stole the hen." "I admits it, Jedge; I admits it," responded the prisoner. "But it's solemn truf dat hen jest seemed to be my affnity; yes, sah!"

FILES CURED IN 6 TO 14 DAYS. PAIN, DISTRESS is guaranteed to cure any case of itching, biting, breeding or protruding files in 6 to 14 days or money refunded. 50c.

The fox may lose his hair, but not his cunning.—Dutch.

DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS

ALL KIDNEY DISEASES
RHEUMATISM
BRIGHT'S DISEASE
DIABETES BACKACHE

375 "Guaranteed"

HICKS' CAPUDINE CURES ALL ACHES

And Nervousness
Trial bottle 10c. All druggists

FREE TO ALL
D. M. FERRY & CO'S
SEED
1908

Ferry's Seeds are the best known and the most reliable seeds grown. Every package has behind it the reputation of a house whose business standards are the highest in the trade.

Ferry's 1908 Seed Annual will be mailed FREE to all applicants. It contains colored plates, many engravings, and full descriptions, prices and directions for planting over 100 varieties of vegetable and flower seeds. Invaluable to all. Send for it.

D. M. FERRY & CO., Detroit, Mich.

TO YIELD 8%

The 5 year, 6 per cent. convertible gold coupon notes of the El Paso Electric Company.

These notes may be had in \$100, \$500, \$1,000 pieces. Price 92 and interest.

Ask for circular 205.

STONE & WEBSTER

(Established 1886.)
604 First National Bank Building
CHICAGO, ILL.

Please Mention This Paper.

NEW STYLE OF OMELET.

Add This to Your List of Breakfast Dainties.

Sift together a scant gill of flour and one and a half tablespoons powdered sugar; also a pinch of salt. Stir smooth with one-half pint cold milk. Strain and add one-half lemon rind, and cook to a thick paste which will free itself from the sides of the pan. Cool it a little and add five whole yolks one by one. Then stir in very gently the stiffly beaten whites of six eggs. Put into the omelet pan two tablespoons butter, melt it, and pour in the omelet, and turn out the gas flame. Let it stand three minutes, then put in the oven from eight to ten minutes till the top begins to fry. Butter a large piece of paper, put it on a tin cover, and invert the omelet pan on it, turning out the omelet. In the pan heat another tablespoon butter, slide the paper into the pan, omelet up, and put in the oven five or six minutes more. Heat a large jar of apricot jam or orange marmalade. Remove the omelet from the pan, fold it, and, lifting it up very gently, fill it with the warm jam or marmalade. Sprinkle the top with powdered sugar and glaze on the grill.

TO KEEP ROOMS "PICKED UP,"
Use of Scrap Baskets Will Save Much Time and Labor.

Have a scrap basket in each room. By so doing you will find that even the children will drop scraps of paper and waste matter into them. You will be saved the countless steps to the kitchen stove, or wherever is the final receptacle of your rubbish that you are accustomed to make. You will be relieved of the tiresome task of bobbing up and down picking up the little pieces of thread, scraps of paper, bits of lint and dirt that are unconsciously dropped upon the floor or table for the want of a place to put them. Then when you tidy up in the morning you can start right in with your sweeping and dusting without first going through that awful "picking up" ordeal. Take one scrap basket and empty all others into it and dispose of it all at once. Very simple scrap baskets may be made by cutting out pieces of cardboard and covering with pretty wall paper or cheap denim and tying together with ribbons.

FOR HOP YEAST CAKES.

Easy Way to Have Useful Material Always on Hand.

Boil two handfuls hops in two quarts water until reduced to three pints. Strain the liquor and return to the pot. Thicken with one cupful of wheat flour mixed smooth with a little cold water. Let boil three or four minutes, then add six medium-sized potatoes, freshly boiled and mashed. Let the whole stand until lukewarm, then strain, add a cupful good yeast and set where it will keep luke-warm. When frothy, add a tablespoonful salt, stir in a little wheat flour and enough Indian meal to enable you to roll dough about an inch thick. Cut into small round cakes, spread on shallow platters and dry in a shady airy place. Turn twice a day while drying. When perfectly dry and hard, put in a paper or cloth bag, tie tightly, and hang in a cool, dry place. When you wish to use them for bread, soak in lukewarm water until soft. One will be sufficient to make three or four loaves of bread.

Tea Punch.

Put four tablespoonfuls Ceylon, English breakfast or green tea into a bowl, turn over it a quart of boiling water, cover and let it infuse on the back of the stove for ten minutes. Strain, add two pounds of sugar, let dissolve and boil for three minutes; then set aside for several hours. Two hours before serving the punch add the juice of half a dozen lemons and three oranges, a can of shredded pineapple and another of preserved strawberries or cherries pitted. Add a pint of grape juice, two large bananas sliced; half a dozen oranges, sliced, and a teaspoonful each bitter almond, vanilla and rose water. Just before serving add three quarts mineral water and pour over a block of ice in the punch bowl.

Baked Veal Steak.

Order a slice of veal steak cut three-fourths of an inch thick. Butter a dripping pan and sprinkle it with salt and pepper and a bit of finely chopped onion. Lay the steak on this. Sprinkle the top with salt, pepper, chopped onion, and a few bits of butter. Bake for 30 minutes in a moderate oven. Remove to a hot platter. Add to the pan two level tablespoonfuls of butter. When melted add two tablespoons of flour and stir in gradually one cup and a quarter of boiling water. Season with salt and pepper, cook three minutes, then strain it over the veal. Garnish with parsley.

Yellow Fashionable.

An unusual number of yellow dresses are shown among the exclusive winter designs, a fact which is accounted for by the French love of things artistic. They say that yellow is the color of artists, and certainly it could not be used more effectively on canvas or palette than it is employed by the best dressmakers of Paris.

Vanilla Wafers.

One-third cup butter, one cup sugar, one egg, 1 1/2 cups milk, two cups flour, two teaspoons baking powder, one-half teaspoon of salt, two teaspoons vanilla. Cream the butter, add sugar and egg, well beaten, and milk and vanilla. Add dry ingredients to liquid. Roll thin, cut and bake in hot oven.

CARE OF THE KITCHEN.

Clean Walls Are an Essential to Sanitary Cooking.

It is not only important to know how to cook, but it is equally important to know where to cook. Cooking in a dirty kitchen can never produce good food. The idea is simply preposterous, yet kitchen walls are left for months—sometimes for years without cleansing.

In the first place the kitchen wall should have a light tint that the merest fleck of dirt can be seen; that the sheerest cobweb can be brushed away; that the finest water bug can be discerned. It is all folly expecting clean food in a kitchen with dirty walls.

Never put a wall coating on a kitchen wall that is mixed with hot water or that has glue in it, or sour milk in it if mixed with cold water. Glue walls made from horses' hoofs colored up with cheap colorings do not indicate good housekeeping. The glue is constantly flaking off, falling into the food and the idea of food flavored with glue made from horses' hoofs is not appetizing.

Kitchen walls to be thoroughly satisfactory should be alabastined the same as every other wall in the house. They should be coated regularly in the spring and fall of each year with a light tint.

The care of the pantry requires constant attention. The walls should be brushed over every year, the dishes removed from the shelves which should be thoroughly wiped with hot water. If there are ant holes or any other insects in the pantries a thick putty of the wall coating can be made and all the ant holes, even small mice holes can be filled with it which will protect the pantry from the incursions of disagreeable insects and mice.

ANOTHER NARROW-MINDED MAN.



De Quiz—What do you call good winter weather?
De Whiz—Weather cold enough to make a man's wife think her own fire-side a better place than a matinee.

SHE COULD NOT WALK

For Months—Burning Humor on Ankles—Opiates Alone Brought Sleep—Eczema Yielded to Cuticura.

"I had eczema for over two years. I had two physicians, but they only gave me relief for a short time and I cannot enumerate the ointments and lotions I used to no purpose. My ankles were one mass of sores. The itching and burning were so intense that I could not sleep. I could not walk for nearly four months. One day my husband said I had better try the Cuticura Remedies. After using them three times I had the best night's rest in months unless I took an opiate. I used one set of Cuticura Soap, Ointment, and Pills, and my ankles healed in a short time. It is now a year since I used Cuticura, and there has been no return of the eczema. Mrs. David Brown, Locke, Ark., May 18 and July 13, 1907."

Satan Terrified.
There is as great genius displayed in advertising as in the higher branches of literature. No problem daunts the modern advertising man. In the window of a little bookstore in Eighth avenue, New York, was recently heaped a great pile of Bibles, marked very low—never before were Bibles offered at such a bargain; and above them all, in big letters, was the inscription: "Satan trembles when he sees Bibles sold as low as these."—Woman's Home Companion.

Not "Just as Good"—It's the Best
One box of Hunt's Cure is unfailingly, unqualifiedly, and absolutely guaranteed to cure any form of Skin Disease. It is particularly active in promptly relieving and permanently curing all forms of itching skin. Eczema, Tetter, Ringworm and all similar troubles are relieved by one application; cured by one box.

Took Two to Beat Her.
Timkins—Your wife seems to be quite a fluent talker.
Simkins—You bet she is. I never knew her to be outtalked but once.
Timkins—Indeed!
Simkins—Yes; and then it took two other women to do it.

OVER NINE MILLION (9,200,000) SOLD THIS YEAR.
Sales Lewis' Single Binder cigars for year 1907 more than.....2,200,000
Sales for 1906.....2,500,000
Gain.....700,000
Quality brings the business.

Making things appear to prove what we want them to prove, is one way; having them prove what they do prove is another way.

The very wisest advice: take Garfield Tea whenever a laxative is indicated! Pleasant to the taste, simple, pure, mild, potent and health-giving. Made of Herbs—not drugs.

The young man who hesitates during leap year is won.

THE TIME TEST.

That is What Proves True Merit.

Doan's Kidney Pills bring the quickest relief from backache and kidney troubles. Is that relief lasting? Let Mrs. James M. Long, of 113 Augusta St., Staunton, Va., tell you. On January 31st, 1903, Mrs. Long wrote: "Doan's Kidney Pills have cured me" (of pain in the back, urinary troubles, bearing down sensations, etc.) On June 20th, 1907, four and one-half years later, she said: "I haven't had kidney trouble since. I repeat my testimony."

Sold by all dealers. 50 cents a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.



GOT IT.

Cholly—Er—h'm did you ever hear your sister speak of me, Willie?
Willie—Sure; I heard sis say dat your head was shaped like a lemon.

DR. SIMMONS AND THE SOUTHWEST.

Dr. C. F. Simmons, whose advertisement appears in another column of this paper, has probably helped more people to acquire homes of their own in the most delightful and fertile section of the country, where life is really a pleasure, than any other man now living. Dr. Simmons is a Southerner by birth, a broad-minded, kindly gentleman, who is never happier than when helping others to help themselves. He would not misstate anything for all the wealth of the Rockefeller, and any of our readers interested in land in the sunny Southwest can enter into negotiations with him with the fullest assurance of a square deal at any and all times.

Women Not in Demand.

Mr. Arnold Shanklin, just returned from Panama, says that men who go to Panama seem to think a wife one of the first necessities, but generally they are provided with sweethearts, who either come to them properly chaperoned or they go back to the states for them. The government builds nice six-room houses for the married men, and there is a very pleasant social set being formed. He did not seem to agree with Miss Helen Varick Boswell that old maids or bachelor girls are wanted there, the inference being that the right sort of men are either married or about to be when they go to Panama.

This Cold World of Business.

The messenger boys paused outside the Army building, says the New York Sun. One of them was selecting a cigarette from a box. "Gimme one," said the smokeless boy.

"Naw," said the other, "they cost money."
"I'll owe you a cent," said the first boy. "Come on, I'll pay you after."
"They cost more than a cent," said the boy with the cigarettes. "Nothin' doin'." Your credit ain't no good." And they parted.

Don't Delay

The season of coughs and colds is not yet past—they will be prevalent for some months to come. Do not neglect or experiment with them. Use the safe and sure remedy—Simmons' Cough Syrup. It heals the soreness and stops the cough.

An Unlucky Answer.

Wealthy Aunt—Oh, I know you are all just waiting for my death.
Niece—Why, aunt, what an idea! It's a matter of perfect indifference to me.—Illustrated Magazine.

When Your Throat Feels Sore get a 25c box of Brown's Bronchial Troches. They give immediate relief. Contain nothing injurious.

It may be a blessed fortune for Socrates that Xantippe didn't keep a diary to be published 2,000 years after her death.

Taylor's Cherokee Remedy of Sweet Gum and Mullein is Nature's great remedy—Cures Coughs, Colds, Croup and Consumption, and all throat and lung troubles. At druggists, 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle.

The best swimmer is the first to drown himself.—Italian.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup. For children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c a bottle.

As a man dresses so he is esteemed.—Danish.

Millions in Oats and Barley.

Nothing will pay you better for 1908 than to sow a plenty of big yielding oats and barley with oats at 40c to 50c a bu. (Salzer's new Emperor William Oats averaged 50 bu. per acre more than any other variety in 1907) would pay immensely while Salzer's Silver King Barley which proved itself the highest yielding at the Wisconsin Agricultural Station during 1907 if you had planted 50 acres would have given you in 1907 just \$3,500.00 on 50 acres. It is an enormous yielder.

The Bird Told Her.
Henry eyed the canary solemnly. Then, threateningly, he pointed his finger and said emphatically: "Chirpy, I think a heap of you, but some things us just got to stop or—well, it won't be good for you. There's not a single thing I've done lately but what ma's found out. And it's always the same—she says a little bird told her when I want to know how she's heard about it."
"Now, Chirpy, you're the only little bird around here now. I'm just goin' to go straight through the pantry from top to bottom, and if ma hears about this from any little bird, Chirpy—why you're goin' to dekerate the inside of the cat, that's all."

Makes Pain Go Away.
Are you one of the ones who pay in toll

For your right of way through this life?
If so you will find Hunt's Lightning Oil
A friend which will aid in the strife.

To those who earn their own way by their own labor, accidents occur with painful frequency. Burns, bruises, cuts and sprains are not strangers to the man who wears corns on his hands. A better remedy for these troubles does not exist than Hunt's Lightning Oil.

True life should be a perpetual climbing upward. We should put our faults under our feet, and make them steps on which to lift ourselves daily a little higher.—J. R. Miller.

ONLY ONE "BROMO QUININE"
That is LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE. Look for the signature of E. J. Gillette. The World over to Cure a Cold in One Day. 25c.

Is it not sheer madness to live poor to die rich?—Juvenal.

Syrup of Figs and Elixir of Senna
acts gently yet promptly on the bowels, cleanses the system effectually, assists one in overcoming habitual constipation permanently. To get its beneficial effects buy the genuine.
Manufactured by the **CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP CO.**
SOLD BY LEADING DRUGGISTS—50¢ PER BOTTLE.

SICK HEADACHE

CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS.
Positively cured by these Little Pills. They also relieve Distress from Dyspepsia, Indigestion and Too Hearty Eating. A perfect remedy for Biliousness, Nausea, Drowsiness, Bad Taste in the Mouth, Coated Tongue, Pain in the Side, BILIOUS LIVER, and all ailments arising from a disordered stomach. Chronic Constipation results from a displaced womb, or suffer from the many nervous affections during change of life. Write for our booklet explaining mode of home treatment. A positive cure for the above mentioned diseases.

Clovis, New Mexico IN THE PUBLIC EYE

The new and fast growing town of Clovis, N. M. Division Point of Four Railroads. Population 12,000 in Four Months. \$500,000 in improvements spent in that time. \$1,000,000 more contemplated. Send immediately before prices advance for maps and literature. Lots \$50 and up. E. J. CARLIN, Agent, El Paso, Texas.

GREGORY'S SEEDS

are the kind you can depend on. Catalogue FREE. J. J. H. Smead & Son, MARLBOROUGH, MASS.

STIFF, YES?
WET AND DAMP CAUSE COLD IN THE JOINTS
ST. JACOBS OIL
TAKES OUT THE PAIN AT ONCE, REMOVES THE STIFFNESS, PREVENTS ITS RETURN, TOO. FINE FOR BRUISES, SPRAINS AND SORENESS.
Price 25c and 50c.

\$210 Buys a Farm

Dr. Chas. F. Simmons has Cut Up His 95,000 Acre Ranch Just South of San Antonio and Will Sell You a Farm of From 10 Acres to 640 Acres, (Including Two Town Lots) for \$210. Payable \$10 per Month Without Interest.

Dear Sir—I have just returned from a trip over your Atascosa County property, and to say that I am surprised at what I saw, but fairly express my feelings. I had expected something pretty good, because I have considerable faith in your agents, whom I happen to know; but what I saw is far beyond my expectation. I drove hurriedly over probably twenty-five miles of ground, passing several of your flowing wells and tanks, and I don't believe that there is an acre of ground that is not fit for first-class cultivation. Upon my return to Little Rock I shall take out several more shares before they are gone, and will advise my friends all to take as many as they can afford. I have just written to my brother in Indiana, advising him to do this on my judgment. I certainly think your proposition is one of the most liberal propositions I have ever seen offered, and I certainly think that the people of South Texas will owe to you an everlasting debt of gratitude for the method you are using to settle this veritable garden of Eden with new people. I thank you for the courtesies extended me on my recent visit, and I trust the time will not be long when the division will occur, and I certainly shall return to Little Rock figuring on eventually coming back to Atascosa County. Yours very truly,
E. A. KINGSLEY,
City Engineer, Little Rock, Ark.

Write today for full particulars and photographs showing views on the ranch.
DR. CHAS. F. SIMMONS,
215 Alamo Plaza, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS.

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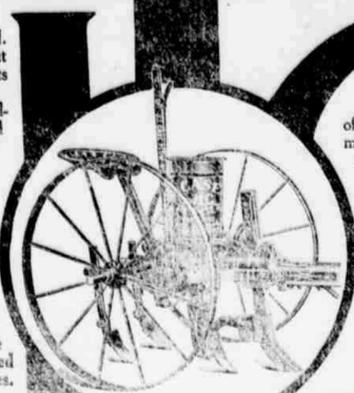
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Mr. G. W. Hubert of Knox City was in Haskell last Saturday and called around and subscribed for the Free Press.

I still have a few cases of canned yellow yams. Try them. G. J. Miller.

Mr. J. D. Speck, a prominent citizen of Carney visited the county seat Wednesday.

See H. W. Gebhard for bargains in farm land and city property.

Mr. U. Z. Irwin of the Cliff country sold a load of good corn in town Wednesday and became a subscriber to the Free Press.

The best line of buggy whips, lap robes and horse blankets at Ever's shop, Haskell.

Mr. D. M. McCrary of the south side was in the city Wednesday.

Baggage transferred to all parts of the city, ring No. 114 for Rupe & Pearsey.

Mr. W. L. Cox of the Howard community was in town Wednesday.

Our abstract books are complete and up-to-date. Get your abstracts from Sanders & Wilson.

Mr. G. E. Courtney, the broom man, was in the city Wednesday.

S. L. Robertson will be receiving from now on fresh, new goods every few days.

Don't forget that I am in the swim and will fix your plows or other implements on short notice and guarantee all work to give satisfaction.

Jno. B. Lamkin, The Blacksmith.

We are now showing the most complete line of embroideries and laces ever brought to Haskell. Alexander Mercantile Co.

Mr. E. L. Ridling of the northeast part of the county was doing business in the city Wednesday.

We can give you better service better satisfaction with pure McAlister coal, but as there seems to be a demand for cheap coal, we have added a supply of it to our stock. It is only \$5.00 a ton. L. P. Davidson Grain & Coal Co.

"White Dove" and "Dixie Queen" flour just received at S. L. Robertson's. White Dove is first-class and Dixie Queen a close second. Every sack is sold under a full guaranty.

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We have endeavored to serve the people of Haskell and adjoining country with the best that they have ever had, but if it is "jim crow" cheap coal you are hunting we can supply your wants at \$5.00 per ton. Davidson Grain & Coal Co.

Mr. Albert Youngblood of Stamford was in the City Thursday.

At Ever's harness shop you will find the largest assortment of saddles and harness ever carried in Haskell.

Mr. A. Fuller of the south side was in Haskell Thursday.

Why go without reading when you can get glasses properly fitted reasonable prices. Eyes tested free by J. D. Lovelady at French Bros. Drug Store.

All plow gear from a hame-strap to the best collar can be had at reasonable prices of Evers, the saddler at Haskell.

You had better let the Haskell Real Estate Co. insure your cow or horse. It don't cost much to insure and be safe against loss.

For sale or trade—three residences in Haskell, close in. For terms and price see W. P. B. Tucker.

Commissners Court.

This court convened Monday in regular quarterly session with all members present.

Besides the examination and approval of the reports of officers and other routine business, the folling orders for new roads were made:

Report of Eph Wells et al, jury of view accepted.

Petition of J. L. Sanford et al for road granted and jury of view appointed.

Petition of D. J. Wright et al for road granted and jury of view appointed.

Petition of J. H. Hilpold et al for road granted and jury of view appointed.

Petition of C. M. Baker et al for road granted and jury of view appointed.

Petition of C. W. Denson et al for road granted and jury of view appointed.

Petition of Edwd. Patton et al for road granted and jury of view appointed.

Court ordered Com. Ridling to have bridge built across Wild Horse creek on Ample road.

Overseer on Stamford and Gardner road ordered to build road on said road to cost not more than \$275.

Petition of J. R. Densmore et

al for road granted and jury of view appointed.

A telephone franchise was granted to J. L. Baldwin.

Petition of Rule for a Justice of peace precinct granted and lines made to conform to the Rule voting precinct and numbered 6.

Petition of M. Price et al for road granted and jury of view appointed.

Court on its own motion appointed a jury of view to establish a road in the Weinert community.

A similar order was made for the establishment of a road in the Carney community.

An order was made changing Haskell and Ample road where it crosses the Whitacre pasture.

Petition of Lee Pierson et al for road granted and jury of view appointed. Court on its own motion legalized the present road from Pinkerton to Rule, same to be without cost to the county.

On its own motion the court justice precinct No. 6 (Rule) a public weigher's precinct and appointed Hugh Williams public weigher in same.

If you find a smooth oval gold shirt waist pin please bring it to the FREE PRESS office.

The "Odd Fellows."

On last Tuesday, the "Odd Fellows" of this place, gave a supper at their new hall.

Preceding the supper the following program was carried out. Prayer, Rev. C. B. Meadow. Welcome, Address, W. H. Murchison. Response, Bruce W. Bryant. Male Quartette, Dr. T. A. Pinkerton, T. B. Russell, O. E. Patterson, Lew Ellis. Reading Miss Wells. Quartette Mrs. T. A. Pinkerton, Miss Lamar, Miss McNeill, Mrs. George Fields.

History of Odd Fellowship W. E. Sherrill.

Our wives, G. J. Graham.

Our Sweethearts, Bruce W. Bryant.

SUPPER

The supper was a feast consisting of Turkey oysters and other substantial edibles all sufficient for the wants of the inner man. The speaking was both instructive and highly entertaining, the singing classic, and all together the affair was pleasant and enjoyable.

S. L. Robertson offers for sale a good second hand open top buggy with harness, also a good gentle family horse—all for one hundred dollars.

Fine White Plymouth Rock roosters for sale or to trade for hens or eggs. Inquire at the FREE PRESS office.

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LOST—One deep red heifer, two years old, marked crop off right ear, branded N I C on right side. Finder deliver to me and get reward. J. T. Nicholson.

Call to Prohibitionists.

The prohibitionest of Haskell county are hereby called to meet in convention at the court house on Feb. 18 at 2 p. m to elect delegates to the Prohibition Democratic convention to meet at Ft Worth on Feb. 29th. J. T. NICHOLSON.

Dr. A. J. Nolen died at his home in Haskell at 4 o'clock Thursday afternoon after a long illness. His remains were embalmed and will be kept until the arrival of his old pastor to conduct the funeral services, which it is expected will be tomorrow.

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