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WAREHOUSE AND MARKETING TALK GETS LITTLE HEARING.

State Representatives Believe Law is Most Constructive One.

The discussion of the warehouse and marketing law of Texas by Messrs. Biggers and Sparks, representatives of the state in promulgating its application, received but slight attention at the hands of Floyd County farmers last Saturday afternoon. About eighteen farmers of an unusually large crowd in town heard the talks at the district court room.

The gentlemen made quite reasonable talks, free of demagoguery, presenting plain problems of marketing and warehousing and suggested remedies which can be made under the law. Their talks specially stressed the value of the law to cotton raisers, "Who, in three months, dump a year's supply of raw material on the world market, and compel somebody to purchase it whether or not it is desired." Cattle and other interests, they declare, will come in for an equal benefit from the application of the law.

Whenever sufficient interest is manifest locally Mr. Biggers is organizing warehouse companies under state supervisions. There are one hundred and sixty-six in the state at this time.

Poker Players Contribute "Occupation Tax" at Ralls.

Sheriff Mitchell visited some card-shufflers at the stock-pens last week and collected occupation taxes from four. Poker playing in Ralls comes a little high when "Brute" calls for the donation, and his calls are getting so frequent that it might show better financial and business judgement for the boys to court an introduction to Mr. Work.

A. D. White Contracts for New \$1800 Residence.

A. D. White let the contract this week for an \$1800 bungalow which will be begun at an early date. It will be located at the north end of Tenth street, just west of the location of his present dwelling.

Pelphrey & Ross have the contract.

Chamber of Commerce Regular Session Monday Night.

Monday is the date for the regular first-Monday night session of the Chamber of Commerce.

Secretary Linder urges a full attendance of the membership.

Childers Builds More Walks.

Dr. R. A. Childers has completed this week sidewalks for sixty-two and one-half feet more of residence frontage.

He is one of the most consistent believers in the value of walks in Floydada.

Mrs. P. H. Flynn and children returned Tuesday from Tulia, where they have been the guests of Mrs. Flynn's sister, Mrs. H. N. Portfield.

On their return home they were accompanied by Mrs. Y. J. Hunnicut, of Gatesville, who will be her sister's guest here for an extended visit.

BORN.—To Mr. and Mrs. Alloway, of Sandhill, Friday, May 26th, a daughter.

To Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Salisbury, city, Tuesday, May 23rd, daughter.

Mrs. Walter Campbell Hostess to Carnation Club.

Mrs. Walter Campbell entertained the Carnation Club last Thursday afternoon from two thirty to six.

The time of meeting was changed from two thirty to three o'clock.

Mrs. Glad Snodgrass and Mrs. T. B. Triplett were received as new members.

Several games of rook were played, at the end of which, it was found Mrs. Starks had won high score.

A dainty two course luncheon, consisting of tuna salad, olive sandwiches, ice tea; ice cream and cake, was served.

Those present were Misses King, Slaughter, Felton, Mesdames Jenkins, Buckingham, Donaldson, McMillan, Starks, Montague, Cannaday, Pope, Boerner and Truitt.

The club will meet with Mrs. Mrs. R. K. Bruner June 8th. All members are requested to meet at the home of Mrs. W. L. Cannaday promptly at one o'clock, preparatory for the start to the country.—Reporter.

Floyd County Sand Will be Used For Foundations.

Dr. R. A. Childers is planning a new residence on his property adjoining the sanitarium property one and a half blocks southwest of the business portion of town, and will likely have the construction begun the latter part of this week.

The foundation work will begin at once. Incidentally, Floyd County sand will be used in the foundation. This sand is to be hauled by wagon from Sandhill Community. It has been used to some extent here and found to be quite satisfactory.

The best and oldest walks in Floydada are on the west side of the square. The sand used in their construction was taken from Blanco Canyon.

Phillips-Sands Co. New Grocery and Feed Dealers.

J. N. Sands and L. V. Phillips, under the firm name of Phillips-Sands Company, have bought the Williams Bros. Stock of groceries on east side, assuming charge Tuesday.

The new firm will deal in groceries and retail feeds of all kinds.

They will occupy the building heretofore occupied by Williams Bros.

Bassett Will Talk on Dairying Saturday Afternoon.

Julian M. Bassett, of Crosbyton, will talk on dairying Saturday afternoon at Floydada on invitation.

Mr. Bassett's practical experience in dairying under local conditions, will make his talk all the more instructive.

W. A. Robbins Building.

W. A. Robbins is excavating on lots at the corner of Tennessee and Third Streets preparatory to building a residence, contract for which has been let to Pelphrey & Ross.

Rev. B. L. Baits returned last Friday from Birmingham, Ala., where he had been attending the annual Assembly.

He has been serving on the committee on tithing, and was continued on this committee the ensuing year.

Accompanied by her little niece, Eria Gamble, and sister, Tillie Bishop, Mrs. Nora Cox left Tuesday morning for Amarillo, where they are visiting with Mrs. T. W. Young.

KENT AND STONEWALL WOMEN ROBBED OF TRESSES.

Spur Paper Says Theft of Switches While Women Sleep Continues.

For some time past considerable excitement has been evidenced in Kent and Stonewall counties from the fact that a number of girls and married women have had their hair cut from their heads while they slept. T. H. Tallant returned last week from near Jayton and reported that Mrs. W. J. Lewis just recently lost about half of the hair from her head, she having been awakened from her sleep as the hair stealer was using the clippers. A number of other women have had their hair completely cut from their heads while they were asleep.

It appears that the party or parties who are doing this hair-cutting use some character of drug which they throw into the room and which makes all in the room unconscious for a limited time, and during this time the hair is removed from the head of the victim.

The people in both Kent and Stonewall counties, many of them, now keep guns by their hands as they work, and they intend to use it when an intruder appears. It is supposed that these hair switches will be sold to dealers in such a line in other sections of the country.—Texas Spur.

The Entre Nous Club.

What was the 42 and 84 club will now be known as "The Entre Nous," a name voted upon Thursday, May twenty-fifth when the club met with Mr. and Mrs. George Linder.

Six tables were arranged for 42. At the close of the game it was found that Mr. Rittenhouse held high score with Mr. Donaldson as a close second.

A business meeting was held presided over by the Vice-President. Four new members were voted in: Mr. and Mrs. N. W. Williams and Mr. and Mrs. Wistar Ross.

Delicious refreshments consisting of strawberry short cake with whipped cream and ice tea were served by the hostess assisted by Mr. Tate Fry.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Buckingham, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. McCleskey, Mr. and Mrs. Rittenhouse, Dr. and Mrs. George Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Donaldson, Mrs. Lon Smith, Miss Moorhouse, Messrs Holloway, Reagan and Hicks.

The visitors from out-of-town were: Miss Vera Fry, Lockney, Miss Maggie Warren, Dublin, Mrs. G. P. Mounts, Chico, and Mrs. Steve Williams, Tulia.

The next meeting will be with Miss Irick, Thursday evening, June first.

Starkey School Closing with Picnic on Blanco Canyon.

Starkey School closed last Friday with a picnic for the pupils, teacher and patrons on Blanco Canyon where the day was spent most pleasantly.

Mrs. R. C. Dycus was teacher of the school for the term just closing.

Miss Julia Sanders, of Rusk, and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Campbell, of Jones County, are visiting this week with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Sanders, east of town.

T. J. Sanders, of Plainview, was here over Sunday to Tuesday visiting Mr. Sanders and family.

Tin Cans Get Entrance for Boys and Girls to Picture Show.

Tin cans, usually counted worthless, were worth a copper apiece last Monday night to the boys and girls of Floydada, ten of them tied neatly on a string giving their holders title to free entrance for the night to the MeandY Theatre. Mr. McMillan's announcement made Saturday evening got the desired results, as evidenced by the pile of cans in the lobby by the time the show opened Monday evening.

Mr. McMillan remarked Tuesday as he dumped the cans into the rubbish wagon that there were some few hundred more cans with holes punched in them ready for the dumping grounds than had been the day before.

Pool Halls Continue to Run in Quanah, Hardeman County

The pool halls are in operation again. Last week the proprietor of one of them sent Senator Decker to Childress, where he obtained a temporary injunction restraining County Attorney Spencer and Sheriff Walker from interfering with or prosecuting him for conducting the pool hall. Judge Nabors heard the application, and entered the restraining order, which is set down for hearing in June, when it will be determined whether or not the injunction shall be dissolved or made permanent.—Quanah Observer.

Mrs. Price Entertains.

Mrs. J. A. Price was hostess to a select number of friends Monday afternoon, when she had as her guests at an informal social gathering Mrs. John G. Ranft, Mrs. R. A. King, Mrs. Mollie Johnson, and Mrs. S. C. Vanderlip.

Mrs. C. Surginer assisted the hostess in serving refreshments in two courses, consisting of cake and strawberries and ice cream and cake, which followed a greatly enjoyed afternoon of social conversation.

Brooks Club Organization Date Postponed to Saturday.

On account of conflicting dates the organization of Brooks Club was not entered into last Saturday, as had been planned, and a new date was set for the ensuing Saturday at three o'clock.

E. C. Nelson, Jr., will make an address and W. A. Robbins will also speak, following which the organization will be formed.

Ms. Ed Johnson Will Recover.

Mrs. Ed Johnson, daughter of Mrs. J. W. Adams was treated surgically at a Corsicana Sanitarium last Friday; her sister, Mrs. Glad Snodgrass being with her at the time.

The operation was considered quite critical. She is now considered past the crisis and is expected to recover rapidly.

Jeffery Sales.

Roy K. Bruner and Robt N. Hamilton purchased Jeffery "Fours" through E. C. Nelson, Floyd County agent, last week.

W. L. Morris is also a Jeffery owner, having bought a four some weeks ago.

S. I. Farnsworth, of Lockney, candidate for sheriff and tax collector, was in town Tuesday canvassing with the voters.

Fred Shell, Dr. G. A. Lindsay and Editor A. C. Hyatt, of Ralls, were in Floydada Monday for a short time.

Floydada Eastern Star Chapter Installs New Officers.

Wednesday evening the new officers of the local Eastern Star Chapter were installed at the well attended meeting, following which a social meeting was held.

The following are the officers installed at the meeting: Worthy Matron, Miss Stella Tubbs; Worthy Patron, Tom W. Deen; Associate Matron, Mrs. Fannie Jenkins; Secretary, Mrs. Ella B. Starks; Treasurer, Mrs. Mary Surginer; Conductress, Mrs. Olive Liston; Associate Conductress, Miss Mattilee Smith; Chaplain, Mrs. Anna Willis; Marshal, Mrs. Ella B. Maxey; Adah, Miss Myrtle Thompson; Ruth, Mrs. H. O. Pope; Esther, Mrs. Corine Williams; Martna, Mrs. Addie Montague; Electra, Miss Lonie Steen; Warder, Mrs. Fannie Thompson; Sentinel, Tom P. Steen.

At the Christian Church.

Regular services next Sunday, Bible school 9:45. Preaching and Communion, 11, a. m. Service, 8:30 p. m.

It is out that we only have part-time preaching, but I wish to say that we have preaching Every Sunday. So come. Our meeting will begin the second Sunday in June, conducted by Earnest C. Mobley of Amarillo, Texas. We will have a union service at the Tabernacle, at 8:30 p. m. This will be the first service of the meeting. We earnestly beg the cooperation of all the Christian people of Floydada. "Come, let us reason together."

J. F. Mathews, Pastor.

Home Bakery Now Operating.

The Home Bakery, recently purchased from W. M. Steen by Mrs. W. B. Dare, has been set in order and the first baking was sold locally last Thursday.

Paul Huber, of Kansas City, is the Baker employed by Mrs. Dare. The products of the bakery have been quite satisfactory to date, both bread and other pastries.

W. A. Fish, representing the Dallas Branch of the Ford Motor Company, spent Monday afternoon in Floydada with the local dealers, Messrs. Barker Bros.

Ocie Husky left the first of this week for Wichita Falls, where he plans to spend the summer in the office of Dr. J. T. Traylor.

Read it in The Hesperian.

TWO LOCKNEY BOYS ARE KILLED IN NEW MEXICO.

Shooting Occurred on Homestead of Neighbor Who Claims Defense of Home.

Paul and Fred Woolfolk, sons of R. N. Woolfolk, a prominent citizen of Floyd County, living near Lockney, were killed Wednesday of last week in Colfax County, New Mexico, and Dr. Bries, who lives on an adjacent claim, gave himself up to the officers as the slayer, declaring that the boys had made improper advances toward his wife.

The father of the boys left for that place immediately following receipt of the news of their death, and returned home with the bodies, burying them in Lockney Cemetery Sunday afternoon.

The boys formerly lived with their father near Lockney but were living out a claim in New Mexico at the time of their death.

Aside from the slayer there were no eyewitnesses to the tragedy. The boys were reputed of exemplary character in this county.

Milita Boys in the Fort Bend Country on Border.

Sunday, May 28th, Company L, Fourth Regiment, Texas National Guard, now in the service of the United States, left Camp Wilson near San Antonio, entraining for the border. They have been assigned to patrol duty in the Fort Bend country.

The boys are in fine spirits, according to reports, marching from the field to the strains of "Dixie."

Cumberlands Change Service Hours from Afternoon to Evening.

Rev. B. L. Baits pastor of the Cumberland Church announces that the regular first and third Sunday services which have been held in the afternoon heretofore will be held beginning at 8:30 in the evening from this date.

Morning services will continue at the usual hour.

J. C. Martin, staff representative of the Wichita Beacon spent Wednesday afternoon and night in Floydada for his paper.

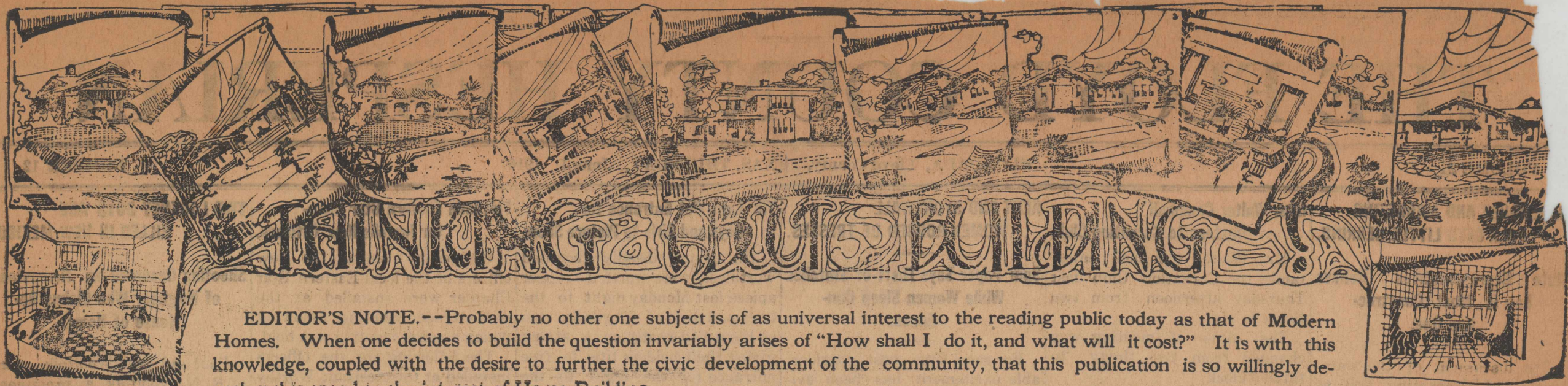
A. C. Hatchell of Plainview, candidate for district attorney, is spending the mid-week in Floydada canvassing.



SYSTEMATIZE your household expenses by opening a bank account for your wife. Give her a check book and teach her the use of it. Pay the butcher, the grocer, the baker, with a check. Then at the end of the month you'll find out just how much it costs you to run the home. When payment by check is made there never is any doubt as to whether or not a bill is paid. The check is a receipt. Besides, a checking account will give your wife a business education. The number of ordinarily bright women who know absolutely nothing of banking is surprising. If you are a husband, father, brother, you cannot tell when death may overtake you, and it is well that your wife, daughter and sister know something of banking.

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EDITOR'S NOTE.--Probably no other one subject is of as universal interest to the reading public today as that of Modern Homes. When one decides to build the question invariably arises of "How shall I do it, and what will it cost?" It is with this knowledge, coupled with the desire to further the civic development of the community, that this publication is so willingly devoting this space to the interest of Home Building.

We have secured the services of "Ye Planry," Inc., in editing this department, and each week illustrations of Practical Modern Homes will be shown. The following articles on home attractiveness, together with the practical suggestions on just how to build the new home, will be of material help to you.

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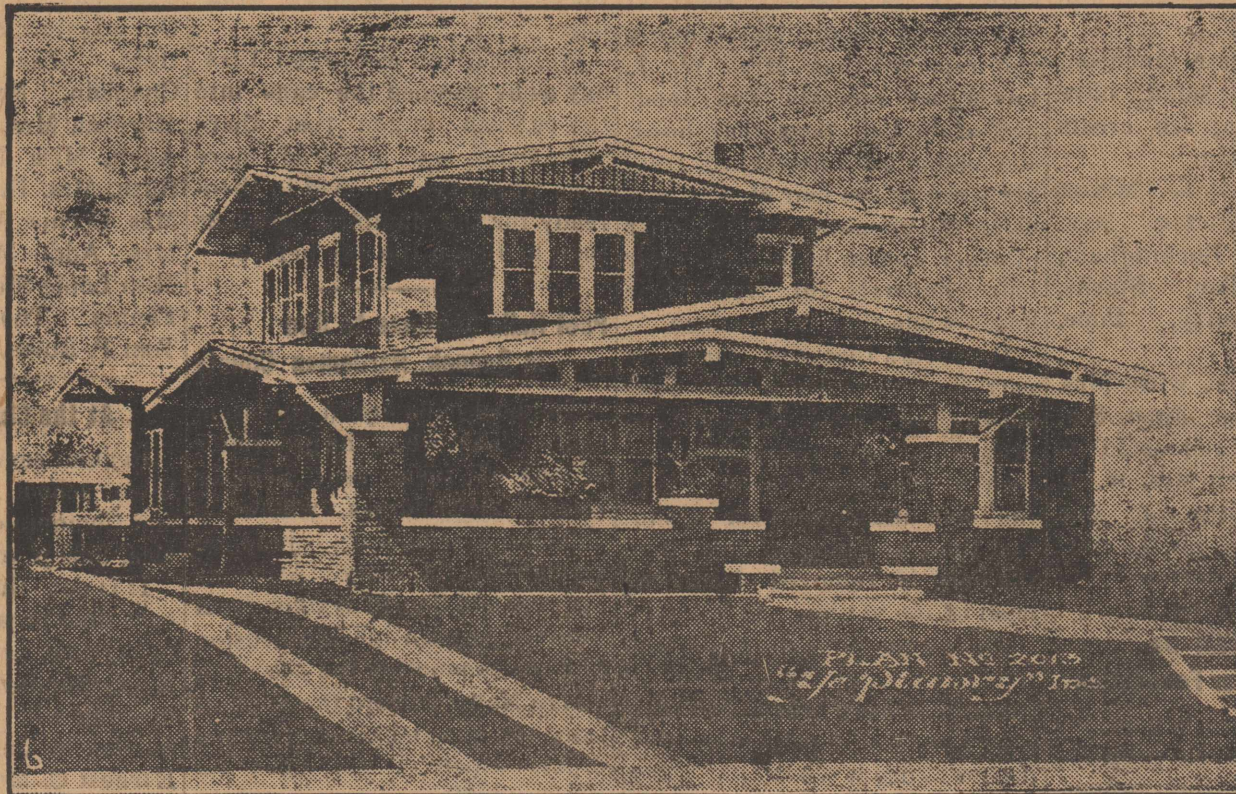
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A Few Practical Features for the Home

IN PLANNING YOUR HOME you will find that among the most essential details that demand careful attention are the features that tend to make the home comfortable for living, both in summer and in winter, the means of ventilation, arrangements of rooms to make heating simple, etc.

We have advanced objections to the bungalow and chalet types for southern climate, that because of their flat roofs and low ceilings they were oppressive in summer heat. This is absolutely a mistaken idea and the conclusion of inexperience or possibly founded on results obtained from living in a so called bungalow that was improperly constructed.

We frankly maintain that this character of architecture, when properly constructed, is by far the most practical obtainable, and to substantiate this claim we will endeavor to set forth a few reasons why, which if you will apply to your reason, will convince you.

The low flat roofs with the wide overhang or eave projection permit of splendid ventilation construction to be used in the gables with absolute protection from the weather, a feature impossible in the high sloping roof houses with narrow roof projection. This allows air circulation between the ceiling line and the roof, resulting in a marked relief from sun heat over a house with close, dark, unventilated attic.

As for low ceilings, where the windows reach almost to the full height of the room, a circulation and ventilation is afforded that you must admit is far cooler than a high ceiling where the heat and foul air bank up in the top of a room and remain there. This can be demonstrated by taking, as you climb, a stair in an open room. You will find that as you attain a height on a level with the ceiling line of the room the oppressiveness of the air is very noticeable.

In fact, actual tests made between a low, flat bungalow and the old-fashioned cottage with a steep roof and closed attic showed a difference in temperature of from ten to eighteen degrees, with the bungalow the cooler.

However, we wish to impress on the prospective builder that it is vitally necessary that the many details that will give this desired effect of ventilation require strict attention in the planning and construction. This result cannot be expected if you simply tell your contractor to duplicate Mr. Jones' house or allow your home to be built in a haphazard-like manner. To insure protection on these vital points it is wise to enlist the services of a trained and experienced architect who has successfully battled with these problems of home planning.

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New School Use of

Topographic Maps.

A recent writer in the civic and country welfare journal, "The Survey" describes the latest contribution to the "keeping of children on the farm" movement. In the country schools of Sauk County, Wis., the children make an inventory of the agricultural investment of the townships in which they live, and each special feature is represented on a topographic map. The results are "cow maps," "corn maps," and a census of farming machinery and farm and home conveniences. In this extensive as well as intensive educational work which together constitute a social survey of the county, the topographic maps of the United States Geological Survey are used as base maps on which to plat the special information gathered. In their use of these maps the school children obtain new ideas of geography and the real significance of maps. The standard topographic map is sold at 10 cents a copy by the Geological Survey, Washington, D. C.

W. E. Smith spent two days last week in Claude, Armstrong County where he visited a short time with his daughter, Mrs. Pennington.

J. E. Young, of Lockney, was shaking hands with friends in Floydada Monday afternoon:

A Serious Accident.

While Cal Byars was returning to his home in the Aiken neighborhood from Lockney last Tuesday night and team and they started to run but the tongue dropped down and turned the wagon over, throwing Mr. Byars out and breaking his left leg above the knee and his left wrist. Dr. Guest was summoned at once. Upon his arrival Mr. Byars was placed in a car and rushed to Plainview where the leg and wrist were set, and he is now in the sanitarium at that place.

Mr. Byars was resting very well at last reports. —Lockney Beacon.

Third Quarterly Conference.

The Third Quarterly Conference of the Methodist Church of Floydada was held Monday morning.

Conferences for the third quarter were also held at churches on Floydada Circuit, on which Rev. M. S. Leverage is pastor.

Accompanied by his family, W. F. Gregory for the past three years principal of the Sandhill School, will leave this week for Goodlet, Hardeman County, where he will take up stock-farming.

He has been quite successful at Sandhill as a teacher and school builder, and the county loses a proficient teacher in his leaving

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Hints to Baseball Fans.

Christy Mathewson, the famous pitcher of the New York Giants, in an article in the American Boy Magazine for June, gives some tips on pitching that are as interesting to the fan as they are to the young baseball pitcher. Christy tells how to throw all of the curves, including the "fade away," for which he is famous. The Giants' pitcher is very explicit in directing the young twirler to hold the ball properly. He says: "The fast ball should be held so that none of the fingers touch a seam. Take a baseball, and you will find it is possible to hold it so that none of the points of contact touch the seams. The advantage of this is that you get all the speed out of the ball with as little revolving motion as possible. When the fingers touch the seams, you drag the ball back just before you let go of it and are bound to put "English" on it, as the billiard players say. By "English," I mean that peculiar twisting motion which makes a ball break and curve in its course. I shall take that up later in discussing the curve.

"Now, every ball that is pitched should be held in the hand in the same way. It is not the manner of holding which gives the variety in pitching, but the style of delivery. Always hold the ball with the thumb and the first two fingers pressed against it. Big League pitchers, who are working every day, either in a game or practice, get callouses on their fingers where the ball touches them. Many boys have a mistaken notion that curves and shoots are obtained by the manner in which the ball is held. I have heard youngsters ask if two fingers gave an out and one an in and so on. This is not so.

"Be sure to hold the ball with the thumb and two fingers, and do not think you have to squeeze the life out of it. It is only for freak and difficult deliveries, such as the knuckle ball, that the ball is gripped otherwise than with the two fingers and thumb. You grip the ball slightly tighter for a curve than a fast one. Never wrap your hands around it, because then you will tip the batter that you are going to pitch a curve, and you will lose control and display general bad form. Always cover the ball with your gloved hand before pitching." —American Boy.

FIRST CLASS INSIDE BALL WINS FOR TEXAS UNIVERSITY.

Classed as Losers Team Wins Championship by Developing Inside Team Work.

"The real strength which the Texas 1916 baseball team developed," according to a prominent sport writer, enabling it to win the championship, was first class inside baseball. "Squeeze plays, double steals, delayed steals, and run and hit plays seldom failed of successful execution." He continues. "The opponents of the Texas team failed utterly at attempts to break up these plays, and could not execute them with precision when on the offense. The defense of the Texas infield was so well drilled on these essentials, that it seemed practically impossible for their opponents to consistently make headway on real inside baseball play. Balloon ascensions, so characteristic of inexperienced teams, were conspicuous by their absence with the one notable exception of the last game with A. & M.— up to this game, the team had never made more than four errors in a single contest, and in a number of games had played errorless ball."

Richest Cow in the World.

Now that a majority of the milk markets are buying their supply on the butterfat basis, it is with more than a passing interest that we note the Register of Merit record of the Jersey cow, Merry Maiden of Innesfells 317454, owned by Mr. J. F. Thompson of Maine.

The milk of Merry Maiden averaged 8.13 per cent fat for 365 days. This is the world's highest butterfat average for a year's record. Her lowest monthly test, was 7.18 per cent, made in the sixth month of her test, and the highest was 10.05 per cent made in the twelfth. The highest percentage of fat for a single milking was 11 per cent.

Merry Maiden started test at four years four months of age, under the supervision of the Maine Agricultural College. The final results show that she produced 560.4 lbs. fat from 6396.5 lbs. of milk.

Rev. Ward, of Childress, Dead.

Rev. Ward of Childress, father of W. M. Ward and of Mrs. J. J. Addington, died last week at his home at that place, according to reports which have reached friends here.

Rev Ward was a Baptist minister and had preached on two or three occasions at the local Baptist Church.

J. J. Addington, of Childress, was in Floydada Monday on business.

Freight is Hauled Cheap.

A layman has little idea of the reduction in freight rates during the last few years. In conversation with a Denver official a few days ago, he stated that when he began work with the road the company received 1.36 cents to haul a ton of freight one mile. Now the rate is nine-tenths of one cent per ton per mile. Or, as he expressed it, a two cent postage stamp would pay for the hauling of a ton of freight more than two miles. But few of us realize how cheap freight is hauled.—Childress Index.

Surginer Director of Panhandle Hardware Dealers Assn.

At their meeting held in Amarillo last week the Panhandle Hardware Dealers' Association selected Amarillo as their next meeting place.

C. Surginer, of Floydada, was elected a member of the board of directors which is composed of five members.

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For the avowed purpose of maintaining their inequality before law, women of Texas have organized The Texas Association Opposed to Woman Suffrage, and are giving publicity to their plans of organization.

Mrs. George F. Arnold, of Houston, is chairman of the Press Committee and Mrs. James B. Wells, of Brownsville, is president of the Association. In making the announcement of their plans they say: "We represent the the sentiments of a great majority of the women of the state who desire to maintain our inequality before the law; who hope to preserve to our daughters through all time the special privileges man made laws now grant to women."

Apparently it will be many years before Texas women will be voting. However, if it is coming, as some say, the quickest route is to loudly and vociferously protest against it.

The Texas male population, in the greatness of its collective soul, will see that the dear creatures get the franchise—provided it is sufficiently evident that the female of the species is bent on not having it.

In other words, we figure that a bet on woman suffrage winning in Texas depends on how loudly the women protest. In order to get more thoroughly "on the fence" on the question, we assert most boldly that we are "for the wimmen" right or wrong.

Not so many people as was expected are taking advantage of the opportunity offered by the city to have their cans and other unburnable rubbish hauled to the dumping grounds free of charge. The officials expected the scavenger to do a "land office business" on free days.

The only requirement of the city is that the property owner pile his cans in a convenient alley and notify the scavenger, who will haul them to the dumping grounds on the next hauling day. Time that is not used in hauling from private premises is used in keeping streets and alleys cleared of cans.

Safe, Simple and Cheap.

The man who buys a farm or a town lot receives a more or less voluminous and cryptic document called an abstract of title. Probably seven times out of ten, being unlearned in the law of land titles, he is incapable of judging whether or not the abstract shows a perfect title. He must rely upon the opinion of an attorney or upon the guaranty of a title-insurance company. In exceptional cases there may even be flaws in the title that the abstract does not show. In any cases the attorney's opinion or the title-insurance company's guaranty costs considerable money.

The first feature about a genuine Torrens System is that it provides a sure, indefensible title, guaranteed by the state and expressed in a certificate so simple that anybody can understand it.

To describe the system briefly: Title to a piece of land is examined and found to lie in a certain person. It is then registered in that person's name and a certificate of ownership issued. When that person wishes to transfer the land all he need do is to surrender his certificate, and a new certificate is then issued to the purchaser.

There is no going back of the certificate. No re-examination of records is necessary. True, claimants to the title whom the records did not show may turn up—for example, a woman who claims to have been a widow of a grantor; persons who claim to have been heirs, and so on. These claims may be valid at law. To provide against them an insurance fund is created. Experience in this country shows that one-tenth of one per cent of the value of property transferred is ample for this fund; that is, when land worth ten thousand dollars is transferred under the Torrens System it con-

tributes ten dollars to the insurance fund.

Claimants such as those referred to above cannot disturb the certificate holder's title to the land. They cannot even cast a cloud upon it. If their claims are valid they are compensated out of the insurance fund. There is no going back of the certificate.—Saturday Evening Post.

Fire Waste.

The most startling fact about the fire waste problem in Texas is that 75 per cent of it is preventable. That is to say 75 per cent of the destruction and loss is due to fires originating in, or that are promoted by unnecessary and inexcusable conditions. Both experience and statistics combine in furnishing irrefragable proof as to the quantity of fire waste that is preventable. Notwithstanding the fact that so much of it is preventable, and that the people as a whole are paying the bill, the attitude of the average citizen toward fire prevention is one of apathy and indifference. You may call the attention of the every-day business man to ordinary fire hazards that menace his property and the answer will, in the majority of instances come, "Why, I'm insured against loss by fire." The fact that "Jones pays the freight is lost sight of.—T. F. Baker, Chief Inspector State Fire Insurance Commission.

Billy Sunday had 'em going in Kansas City. He preached to 80,000 people Sunday. Monday's Kansas City papers were largely taken up with accounts of the meetings. For instance, the Kansas City Times table of contents gave the following: Morning sermon, page 7; afternoon sermon, page 4, night sermon, page 6; Mrs. Sunday's sermon to women, page 5. After these great meetings Sunday on Monday the evangelist endangered his popularity by accepting an

invitation to act as one of the umpires at a base ball game between the Indianapolis and Kansas City teams.—Clarendon News.

Turning Feedstuff Into Hogs.

A volunteer remarks that the discovery that kaffir corn makes good whisky merely indicates another way of turning feedstuff into hogs.—Daily Texan.

N. Y. HERALD SAYS HUGHES IN LEAD FOR NOMINATION.

Roosevelt is Second, With Senator Root Factor in Republican Fight for Nomination.

The New York Herald declares that Supreme Justice Hughes, of New York is twice as strong as any other Republican in favor among delegates to the National Republican convention, which is to be held at Chicago on June 7th. Their report is based on reliable correspondent's reports and indicates that Roosevelt stands second with Senator Root of the same state as an important factor in the race for nomination.

In its article the Herald continues.

Theodore E. Burton of Ohio will become a formidable factor, if the three New York State men are dropped from the calculations. His Ohio delegates, forty-eight in number, are earnestly for him, and intend to make an heroic stand for his nomination in case they see the slightest chance of landing the honor. Senator Albert B. Cummins will head the list of candidates with instructed delegates. He will have several States behind him and will command the loyal support of a great many delegates from the West, where he is a popular favorite. While it is not believed that he can be the nominee of the convention, it is quite likely that the Republicans from the Middle and Northwest will put up a plucky fight for him.

Senator Sherman, Illinois favorite son; Senator John W. Weeks of Massachusetts and Governor McCall of the Bay State will all appear with stanch friends in the convention. Chas. W. Fairbanks will start out with his own State of Indiana solidly behind him. But it is the present belief that all the favorite son booms will crumple up under the advance of the candidacies of Justice Hughes and Mr. Roosevelt. The present outlook is for the Burton boom to collapse last, and after the hardest struggle against opposition.

The Herald this morning presents the appended table showing how the 985 delegates to the Republican national convention presumably would stand today as between Justice Hughes, Theodore Roosevelt and Elihu Root, if the favorite sons are eliminated and the delegates are left free to express their own individual preferences. Messrs Hughes, Roosevelt and Root appear to be the three men upon whom all eyes are turned.

Hughes.....	435
Roosevelt.....	198
Root.....	53
Any organization candidate.....	104
Uncertain and scattering.....	195
Total.....	985

Judge J. N. Stalbird, of Lockney, was transacting court business in Floydada Monday.

HAVE YOU WEAK LUNGS?

Do colds settle on your chest or in your bronchial tubes? Do coughs hang on, or are you subject to throat troubles? Such troubles should have immediate treatment with the strengthening powers of Scott's Emulsion to guard against consumption which so easily follows. Scott's Emulsion contains pure cod liver oil which peculiarly strengthens the respiratory tract and improves the quality of the blood; the glycerine in it soothes and heals the tender membranes of the throat. Scott's is prescribed by the best specialists. You can get it at any drug store. Scott & Bowne, Bloomfield, N. J.

Ideas and Designs in HOME FURNISHINGS

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GROUND LIGHTS IN WARFARE

Used to Illuminate Actual Territory Over Which Enemy May Advance—Prevent Attacks.

Whenever there is a night attack the battlefield is made almost as light as day by means of searchlights, special star shells which burst in the sky and throw out a brilliant light, and ground lights. These ground lights are used to illuminate the actual ground over which the enemy may advance, and many thousands have been used by English soldiers, especially when the two lines of trenches are very close to one another.

The lights consist of a skeleton circular frame of iron covered over with canvas and filled with a composition of resin, tar and other combustibles. As a rule they are fired from trench mortars towards the German wire entanglements, a short fuse lighting the composition. This burns with a dazzling flame for a quarter of an hour or more, and as long as it is burning the surroundings are lighted up sufficiently to prevent any German attack being made without instantly being seen.

How Appendicitis Can be Prevented

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For District Attorney, 64th Judicial District:

AUSTIN C. HATCHELL.

GEO. L. MAYFIELD.

KENNETH BAIN.

For Co. and Dist. Clerk.

TOM W. DEEN.

For County Judge:

E. P. THOMPSON.

For County Attorney:

C. K. HOLLOWAY.

For Treasurer Floyd County:

MRS. ADDIE THAGARD.

For Tax Assessor:

FRED A. GRIFFITH.

A. A. WHYTE.

ROBT. E. JONES.

T. F. CASEY.

B. C. WILLIS.

For Sheriff & Tax Collector:

J. B. JENKINS.

J. A. GRIGSBY.

SAM. L. FARNSWORTH.

R. M. (BUD) BROYLES.

For Commissioner Pre. No. 1

W. E. SMITH.

G. D. FRENCH.

V. F. HODGE.

For Commissioner Pre No. 4

W. F. WEATHERBEE.

J. H. TACKETT.

For Public Weigher Precincts, No. 1 and 4:

W. M. COLVILLE.

S. B. McCLESKEY.

For Justice of Peace, Pre. No. 1

T. J. MCNEELY.

J. C. GAITHER.

For County Surveyor:

GEO. A. LIDER.



EXCURSIONS

Account Auction Sale Hale County School Lands, Plainview, Texas, June 12-15, 1916. Will sell round trip tickets for \$1.10. Dates of sale, June 10 and 11. Time limit, June 17.

Round Trip Excursion Fares

Account 10-day summer excursions to Aransas Pass, Corpus Christi, Galveston, Palacios, Port O'Connor and Rockport, Texas. Dates of sale: June 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30, also July 7, 14, 21 and 28, and August 4, 11, 18 and 25. One first class fare costs \$1.00 for the round trip. For further particulars phone or write

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Pure South Texas comb honey. tf. White Sells for Less.

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Have YOU ordered YOUR groceries from J. A. Seale & Son? Try them during June 1tc

Automobile repairs and accessories at the Main Garage. We want your work. H. O. Pope. tf.

STRAYED—One red cow branded Z on left hip and swinging H on left thigh. Finder will notify me and I will pay reward. 1tp. S. E. Campbell, Route 3.

Hides.

We are in the market for all kinds of hides. See us before you sell. 4tc. Moore & Jones.

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"You are charged with nonsupport of your wife? What have you to say for yourself?"

"Well, judge, I done got her three more washings a week than any other cullud lady in de block."

NO MONEY RETURNED.

"Do you mean to say you won't give me my money back for this book just because I have read it?"

"Yes, madam, but what is the matter? Is the print imperfect, or anything like that?"

"No."

"Then why are you not satisfied with the novel?"

"Why, I don't like the way it ends."—Harper's Weekly.

A HARASSED "LION."

"Do you see that little man over there in the corner trying to answer questions put to him by half a dozen different women at the same time?"

"Of course I see him. Poor devil!"

"Well, he's a famous explorer. He's made some important discoveries."

"Hum. He looks to me now as if he would be tickled to death if he could discover some way out of his difficulties."

AND NOW.

"Has Scribbler written any more problem novels?"

"No; he ran out of ideas, and now he's looking for some novel problems."—Judge.

PARALLEL.

"We used to have a dog that would howl when somebody played the piano."

"That's nothing; I know women that act the same way."—Judge.

A CUT ABOVE IT.

Farmer—I'll give you five dollars a month and board!

Applicant—Aw, shucks! What do you think I am, a college graduate?

ALL RIGHT.

"Arthur, dear, the doctor says I need a change of climate."

"All right, the weather man says it will be cooler tomorrow."—Judge.

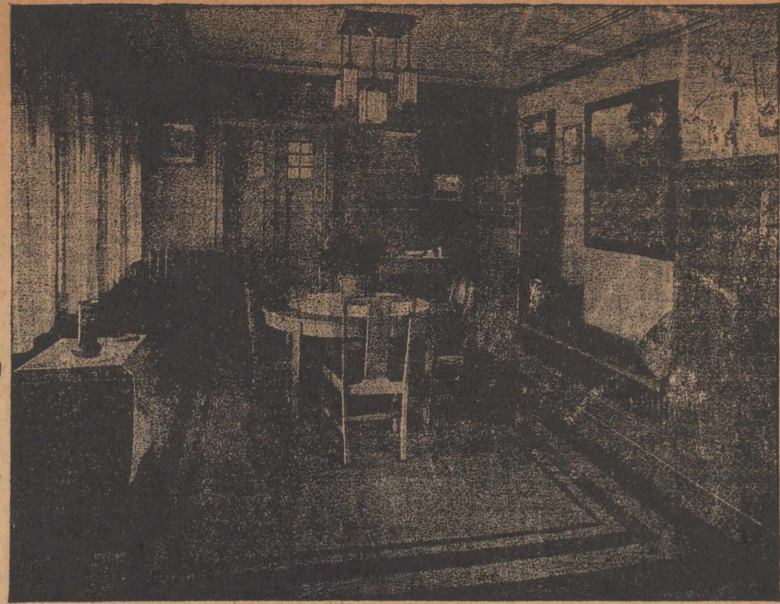
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ed by the use of some of our pretty patterns of Rugs in various fabrics, or in the case of your dining room or kitchen Linoleum from our patterns would be most attractive.

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Floydada, Texas

PENALIZED FOR BEING POOR

Unfortunate of World Have Still More Misfortunes Thrust Upon Them at Every Turn.

The poor are penalized for being poor. It costs them something to occupy that undesirable position in life. They actually have to pay because they have no money. There does not seem to be any remedy for it, but it is a fact that the unfortunate of the world have still more misfortunes thrust upon them.

The fellow who is able to lay in a year's supply of fuel gets it at a certain price. The fellow who can buy only a small amount at the time pays a great deal more than his fortunate neighbor. The man who could afford to pay almost any price for his food secures it in quantities at low rate; the man who lives from hand to mouth pays double for the same grade of foodstuffs. And so it goes—the poor paying the penalty of being poor.

We do not propose to state the remedy for this condition of affairs, for the simple reason we do not know the remedy. We are stating only facts. But they are such facts as ought to cause everyone to think; they are such facts as ought to cause the strong among us to determine to find a remedy—such facts as ought to be kept before the people until someone among us is developed wise enough and good enough to solve this awful problem which is brought home to millions every hour of the day.—Dayton News.

DOUBTFUL RECEPTION.

"So you once met the king of a cannibal island on your travels?"

"Yes," replied the fat man.

"Did you enjoy the experience?"

"I can't say that I did. He seemed to like me, but I didn't know whether that was due to a friendly interest or was merely the manifestation of a debased appetite."

Judge McKinnon will Announce for County Attorney.

Judge A. P. McKinnon, of this city, announced last night that he would be in the race for county attorney of Floyd County, and authorized The Hesperian to make his formal announcement in its next week's issue.

POINT OF VIEW.

Wife (during the spat)—Come, dear, we have no occasion to quarrel in this manner. Of course I do some very foolish things at times—and so do you. You'll admit that, will you not?

Husband—Certainly I'll admit that you do. That's what I've said all along.

Wife—Wretch! I'm going home to mother.

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MAXWELL VICTORY POPULAR ONE.

Eddie Rickenbacher's Success at Sheephead Bay Speedway Occasions Rejoicing.

Eddie Rickenbacher's victory at the Sheephead Bay speedway last Saturday, when he drove his Maxwell racing car ahead of the field and galloped away with the chief prize of \$10,000 and the Metropolitan cup is a very popular one. The crack cars and crack drivers of the world were entered in the tourney and the fact that an American driver in an American-made car won the event has occasioned much rejoicing.

A number of telegrams of congratulation have been received at the general offices of the Maxwell Motor Company in Detroit. Some of these were from New York newspaper men, who testified to the fine performance of both driver and car and declared that the victory was a most pleasing one.

Rick's feat in sending his Maxwell over the course of 150 miles in 93 minutes, 31 seconds, an average of 96.43 miles per hour for the whole distance is a remarkable one, and his victory is no more than he deserves in the light of his career.

Edward Victor Rickenbacher was born in Columbus, O., about thirty years ago. He has been identified with automobile competition for the last ten years, making his first appearance as a mechanic on the Frayer Miller entry in the 1906 Vanderbilt cup classic.

The first eight years of his racing career was veiled in obscurity, and it was not until July 4, 1914, that he leaped into fame. On that day he won the first 300 mile event run on theumbo dirt tract at Sioux City. He had his most successful sea-

son last year when he was the only driver to win three open speedway events. He repeated his victory of the year previous at Sioux City, showed the way to the field at Omaha and took first money at Providence. In addition to these victories, he finished third in the Chicago motor derby, his Maxwell being the first American car to complete the 500 mile grind.

No Indictments in Poisoning Case at Childress.

In the poisoning case at Childress last week in which one man lost his life and another came near dying, from drinking whiskey which contained, or was supposed to have contained, strychnine, no indictments were returned by the grand jury, though that body worked two days or more on the case.

A woman and a man to whom the whiskey was supposed to have belonged had been custody waiting the report of the grand jury. When this body failed to arrive at a conclusion as to whom the guilty party might be, they were released.

Oil Found at Abilene.

At the depth of 1890 feet drillers in a test well near Abilene last week struck oil in small quantities and slightly deeper the flow grew to 25 barrels per day.

It was thought that with pumps the flow could be increased to 100 barrels per day. The well will also be "shot" in an effort to make it a gusher.

The report of finding the oil has created quite a little excitement in that section of the state.

Miss Mable Yearwood and Bernice Henry have returned from Denton, where they have been the past term attending the College of Industrial Arts.

CATTLE SCABIES NEAR THE VANISHING POINT IN TEXAS.

Less than 4,000 Square Miles Left of 1,250,000 Originally Quarantined.

Washington, D. C. Seven Texas counties and a portion of another one are released from Federal quarantine for cattle scabies by an order effective July 1. This order marks almost the last stage in the fight against this disease, which began in 1905. At that time 1,269,844 square miles were quarantined on this account. After July 1 only 3,817 square miles of this area will remain in quarantine.

The area still infested by cattle scabies includes four Texas counties—Castro, Lamb, Bailey and Cochran. The counties released by the new order are Dallam, Sherman, Hartley, Oldham, Hockley, Yoakum, Gaines and the remainder of Parmer County.

In the released area it is probable that occasional dipping will be necessary for some time to prevent any reappearance of the disease. Such outbreaks, however, should be purely sporadic and can be controlled by State quarantines of the immediate localities affected.

When Editors Were Doctors.

Keene's Bath Journal, which ceased publication recently, was one of the oldest newspapers in the provinces. Known as the Bath Journal, it was founded in 1742 by Thomas Roddeley, whose portrait in wig and ruffles, by Hoare, forms a picturesque reminder of the period. His daughter married John Keene, the journal from this union passing on to and through a succession of Keenes, hence its title Keene's Bath Journal.

As was the custom in bygone days patent medicines were sold in provincial newspaper offices, and in the drawers in which the pills and medicines were kept at the Journal office were until recently in their original position. It was nothing unusual for the editor in the throes of writing his editorials to have to step down from his seat to serve a box of pills.

The pages of the Journal were for a long period largely taken up by advertisements of various "cure alls."—London Times.

Hillcrest School to Close Tuesday of Next Week.

The Hillcrest School will close Tuesday, May 30th, after a nine month session. The school has been under the supervision of C. L. Rose who reports a very pleasant as well as profitable one. Mr. Rose says in his three years experience in Floyd County as teacher, he has never found more school interest among the patrons or more enthusiastic pupils: "Even though our per cent of promotions is not so great, we feel that all have attained a degree of efficiency and thoroughness that should be appreciated in every instance."

Raising Patriotic Pigs.

To devote all his time to raising hogs and the breeding of a red, white and blue pig, George C. Griffith, a friend of August Belmont and a Harvard graduate, has given up the practice of law in Boston. He will spend his time at his farm in Peabody. A blue hog is his latest successful experiment. August Belmont named the breed the "Sapphire swine." He now has on his farm 9,000 black, red, and white and blue pigs and he proposes to blend the last three strains into a "patriotic pig."—Oklahoma Live Stock News.

J. D. Pelphrey and wife, of Plainview, were visiting relatives in Floydada Sunday.

"The Proof of the Pudding Is in the Eating"

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Substitute for Gas.

New York, May 23—Louis Enricht has sold the secret formula of his penny and a-half-a-gallon substitute for gasoline for \$2,000,000.

Enricht's neighbors in the little village of Farmingdale, down on Long Island, thought Enricht dreaming when he claimed he could operate an automobile with a mysterious green liquid he invented.

But the Maxim Munition Co. figured the formula so good it has agreed to pay \$1,000,000 in cash and \$1,000,000 in stock to the inventor.

The process of manufacture, according to Enricht, is very simple.

Four ounces of a strange chemical mixture, green in color is stirred into five gallons of water. The solution goes into the auto's tank and the auto runs just as it would if fed with gasoline.

Henry Ford visited the inventor, who is seventy, and he came away, it is said, convinced that Enricht's discovery was genuine. The cost of manufacturing the liquid is about one and one-half cents per gallon.

Here is as much of an explanation of his invention as Enricht is willing to make: The addition of his "green mystery" to the "gas" tank of an auto releases the hydrogen gas in the water. The hydrogen passes into the carburetor, where it comes into contact with the nitrogen of the air, taken into the engine through the air intake pipe. The explosive energy to drive the engine is the result of this combination.

Just after he announced this discovery, Enricht stopped making his fluid, because he said he didn't dare go to drug stores to buy ingredients.

"I can't go anywhere without being followed by detectives working for oil companies," said Enricht.

Maxim company officials say they will produce a substitute that will be used by every auto owner and knock the bottom out of the high price of gasoline.—Wichita Beacon.

Baby Neice of O. P. Darsey Drowned at Whiteflat.

The year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Darsey, of Whiteflat, was drowned in a concrete tank last Saturday. While playing around the edges of the tank she is supposed to have lost her balance and fell. When her parents found her life was already extinct.

Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Darsey, of this place, left for Whiteflat immediately upon receiving word of their relatives' loss.

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Dr. W. F. Morris returned Monday from Wolfe City after a stay of several weeks in that city, -- his former home.

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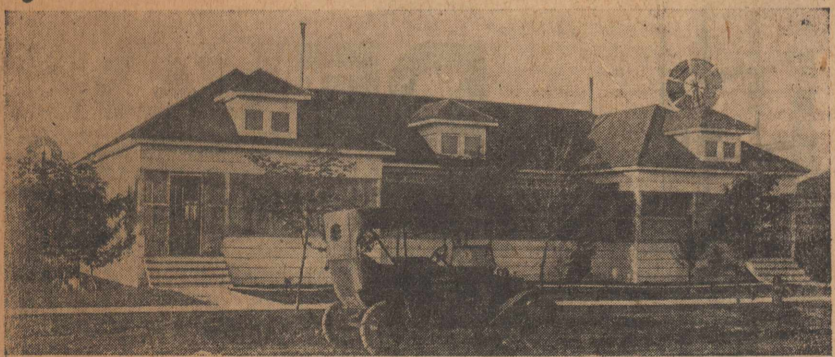
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The Diamond
From the Sky

By **ROY L. MCCARDELL**

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SYNOPSIS OF PRECEDING CHAPTERS.

A feud has existed between Colonel Arthur Stanley and his cousin, Judge Lamar Stanley, over an heirloom, the diamond from the sky, found in a fallen meteor by an ancestor. Also, the succession to the Stanley earldom in England may come to an American. When a daughter is born to the colonel and the mother dies the colonel buys a gypsy boy and substitutes him. Three years later the gypsy mother, having had no part in this bargain, steals the girl, Esther, reared in secret, and leaves her son undetected as the heir. The gypsy has obtained possession of the diamond from the sky, and a document with the Stanley secret. Years later Hagar, gypsy queen, returns to Virginia with Esther. Dr. Lee, the late Colonel Stanley's friend, adopts Esther. Arthur Stanley, son of Hagar, falls in love with Esther, and so does his companion and cousin, Blair Smythe, rightful male heir of Stanley. In stealing the diamond Blair causes the death of the doctor and tries later to put the blame on Arthur, who takes the gem. Arthur Stanley eludes his pursuers and joins Hagar, who reveals his identity and upbraids him for his wild life. Needing money, he pawns the diamond in Richmond. At a ball, at which an adventurer, Vivian Marston, wears the borrowed gem, Luke Lovell, Hagar's gypsy guard, steals the diamond. Arthur leaves Richmond and goes to the west. Quabba, organ grinder, befriends Esther. Tom Blake, a detective of Richmond, who is hired by Hagar, produces finger prints convicting Blair. Hagar proposes silence to Mrs. Stanley as the price of Hagar's and Esther's being received in Fairfax society. Blair strikes down Hagar and steals the finger prints, leaving the gypsy queen demented. Marmaduke Smythe, lawyer, arrives to announce Arthur is heir to the deceased Earl of Stanley. Learning Arthur is a fugitive he seeks Blair instead. To win Vivian, Blair steals the diamond, later marrying her and leaving for the west. Their train is robbed. Vivian losing the diamond, which a slain train robber drops in the desert. The \$100,000 he stole is found by Arthur, now known as John Powell, sheep herder. Luke Lovell, driven from the camp after learning Hagar's secret, leaves to seek Blair. Hagar is under treatment and Esther is in Richmond society. Abe Bloom, gambler, knows Blair's guilt and covets the diamond.

The diamond is later picked up by an Indian woman. Dr. Lee, Arthur learns died of heart disease. Becoming very rich he buys Stanley hall, sold at auction, through Blake, and also provides for Hagar and Esther. Luke Lovell buys the diamond from the squaw, but loses it in a fight. Vivian, desiring aid to ensnare Arthur, sends for Blair.

Vivian is saved from drowning by Powell, who is infatuated by her. Smythe finds the diamond and gives it to Esther to deliver to Arthur. Blair and Luke go to Arthur's yacht and find Esther there. Esther and Quabba escape while Blair and Luke battle. Blair in the meantime has joined Vivian in Los Angeles. Durand, "king of diamonds," a crook known to Vivian, goes to a saloon to try to discover the diamond. There he meets Luke Lovell. Esther and Arthur appear on the scene. The diamond is lost in a melee. Esther saves Arthur, who is injured, and he goes to Los Angeles in care of the physician-crook, Durand. Esther follows and is refused admittance to see him. In the meantime the diamond is found by two bill posters, one of whom murders the other for it. Arthur is "doped" by Durand. De Vaux and Vivian, although Blair, who has taken charge of Arthur's business affairs, protests.

The diamond passes in dice play from the bill poster to Santley, circus owner, who is killed, and the diamond is put up at auction as part of his estate. Blair and Vivian falsify a telegram from Blake to Arthur, making Arthur believe he suffered from hallucination in thinking he saw Esther. Luke is "railroaded" to prison by Blair. At the auction is Homer Graydon, an aged admirer of Vivian, who has promised to buy the diamond for her.

CHAPTER XLVII.
"Sold to John Powell!"

"ARE you all through, gentlemen?" reiterated the auctioneer. "I have been offered \$70,000 for this magnificent diamond. Its previous history is unknown, but local experts have pronounced it to be worth ten times the sum you offer. Where did it come from? That I cannot tell you, but by the decree of the court it is adjudged an asset of the Santley circus, bankrupt. As such the purchaser's title will be valid. Am I offered any more? Seventy thousand, seventy thousand, seventy thousand!"

Homer Graydon, wealthy spendthrift that he was, grew ashen faced. Seventy thousand dollars would tax him to raise, but Vivian Marston gave him an alluring smile, and as his pride was also at stake, he made an effort to smile back at Vivian and nodded to John Powell as if to say, "Go higher if you can!"

The rival bidder laughed recklessly. Once more he felt all the daring carelessness of his wild youth as Arthur Stanley of Stanley Hall.

"Eighty thousand!" he cried. "Vivian was in a flutter of unholy delight to realize she was the inspiration of the money mad rivalry between John

Powell and Homer Graydon as they eagerly bid for the bauble that had been a talisman of death. "Eighty thousand I am bid by Mr. Powell!" chanted the auctioneer. "Come, come, Mr. Graydon. Do not let superstition stop you. The lion would have killed the lady and the jealous husband would have killed Sam Santley even had this diamond not figured in the case perhaps. All great diamonds have their dramatic history. Remember the Kohinoor and Orloff diamonds. This diamond may be a lucky stone for all we know despite what has happened."

Arthur knew better. Blair knew better, and so did Vivian and the English lawyer, Smythe. So did Durand, the international diamond thief and swindler. And so did his accomplice and jackal, the dapper Count de Vaux. But Homer Graydon only knew that Vivian Marston's favor depended on the diamond.

"Eighty-five thousand dollars!" he cried; then he gulped and grew ashen pale again. To raise \$85,000 cash to pay for this bauble to give a woman would be his ruin.

"Ninety thousand!" cried John Powell.

Homer Graydon gave the auctioneer a negative jerk of the head in reply to his inquiring gaze.

"Ninety thousand! Ninety thousand! Are you all done? Ninety thousand, once! Ninety thousand, twice! Ninety thousand, for the last time!" He paused. "Going, going, gone! Sold to Mr. John Powell for \$90,000!"

Arthur scribbled a check as the crowd buzzed and swayed around him. Vivian gave a hysterical laugh and clutched Arthur by the arm as the auctioneer handed him the diamond from the sky. Then as the purchaser and his little coterie of friends passed through the dispersing crowd Vivian looked Homer Graydon in the face deliberately and turned her back upon him.

In her room at her modest hotel Esther debated nervously with herself. The rank injustice done Luke, who had been railroaded to prison by the influence of Blair Stanley and Frank Durand while Arthur had never interfered made her more bitter than she had been at the strange attitude Arthur had taken toward her since his recovery from his injuries. Rumors that his mind was affected as a result of his hurts were rife in Los Angeles, where those who had formerly called him "the golden man," now designated Arthur as "John Powell, the mad millionaire."

For herself she would never again intrude upon Arthur, surrounded as he was by sycophants and parasites, who worked him evil. But for Luke Lovell, done a great injustice, she would make one last appeal before she returned to Richmond and Hagar. The remorse and contrition of Luke that he had ever been loyal to her and Hagar, Esther felt genuine. She determined to take the English lawyer Smythe into her confidence, and found occasion to send Quabba to Smythe with a message.

Lawyer Smythe was also preparing to leave Los Angeles. He had shipped his precious deer head by express with much misgiving and foreboding of harm befalling it ere it reached his dearly beloved England, where he was shortly to follow. Like Esther, the eccentric but loyal English lawyer was becoming discouraged and dismayed at the puzzling conduct of the American heir, a fugitive from justice in Virginia, flourishing under the name of John Powell, a thousand leagues from Stanley hall, Virginia.

"I confess it is an enigma to me," he explained to Esther. "Of course, Blair



They Found Luke Contrite.

Stanley, as the next in succession, cannot become the Earl of Stanley so long as Arthur Stanley lives. That Arthur Stanley lives under another name only adds to the confusion of the whole bally thing!"

Then Esther told him about Luke, and because he had a kindly heart in his queer body the English lawyer accompanied Esther to the prison on a visiting day. They found Luke contrite and tender both toward Esther and his gypsy sovereign, Hagar. He begged to be remembered to Hagar and that she be assured that once he was out of prison and had his revenge he would return to the tribe and serve Hagar faithfully as head man again. But

he was obdurate in his sullen determination to have his revenge in his own way.

"Go back to Virginia, Miss Esther," he said, "and leave the matter of my enemies to me. They have so much influence a poor gypsy could get no justice against them in the courts. If I told my story it wouldn't be listened to. But I can't be held here forever, and I will have a better revenge in a better way."

And in this frame of mind, mingled with his tender attitude toward her, Esther and the English lawyer left him. Luke looked strange and grim with his cropped head and shaved face in his prison garb. He was not the rugged, picturesque figure Esther had known since childhood. He seemed another being, a graven faced, implacable personification of a vengeance that could wait to strike.

Hardly had the newspaper sensation of John Powell's purchase of the diamond died down than "the mad millionaire," as he was called for eccentricities, broke into print again. Now the newspapers announced that to cele-



Smythe, in Armor, Persisted in Carrying His Great English Umbrella.

brate his recovery from his recent injuries Mr. John Powell would give a great fete, the first formal house warming of his grand new mansion. At this fete, the papers stated, the great diamond that had caused the tragedy and bankruptcy of the Santley circus would figure in a sensational surprise.

It was Vivian who had suggested the fete, a costume affair. Arthur, tormented as he was with the devilish suggestion of insane delusions and addicted to evil drugs, welcomed an excitement, any dissipation, to make him forget the attacks of remorse that ever and anon obsessed him. Like many others in the same situation, Arthur believed his evil companions were his good friends and true, for ever they fed his vanities and flattered and fawned upon him. Vivian lived in an elysium of reckless and costly luxury. There were high revels nightly by the mad millionaire and his friends in the gay resorts of Los Angeles, and now there was to come the crowning effort in wasteful and luxurious prodigality—the Powell costume ball.

Arthur abandoned all business affairs to Blair. Now that he had the diamond from the sky, Vivian was exerting every wile to obtain it. And Arthur promised he would present it to her fittingly at the fete.

But there is no honor among thieves. Already Durand was planning to cheat Blair after Arthur, as John Powell, was ruined. Durand broached this to Vivian, who played her cards tactfully and seemingly encouraged him in his treachery to Blair. Her one desire was the diamond, and that was to be hers the night of the fete. She could hardly wait for it.

The night came, as all nights will.

Esther had decided the best way to intercede for Luke would be to intrude upon Arthur at the fete and make him promise to secure Luke's release from prison.

Smythe accompanied Esther in a taxicab to the fete. He was attired as a knight in armor, but persisted in carrying his great English umbrella. He explained he did not wish to get wet and become rusted in his armor in case it rained. When informed that the rainy season in this section of the country was yet some months off Smythe had replied that rain knew no seasons. He had seen it rain in London when even the Times had predicted fair weather. So he would run no risk and would take his umbrella.

"I feel better when I carry something," he added. "When I carried my game trophy, the deer head, I did not need an umbrella. In fact, it did not rain while I carried it, which was remarkable. So now I shall carry the umbrella, especially as I have shipped the deer head to London, and I do hope it will not be stolen or injured in transit."

CHAPTER XLVIII.
"Choose Between Us!"

SMYTHE, a humorous figure in his helmet and armor and with the incongruous crook handle umbrella, led Esther to the one quiet spot in all the bedlam of pomp and revelry. This was a small upstairs reception or tea room, plainly but richly furnished, and with a large window that overlooked the lawns and flower garden. A wide branched palm in a handsome jardiniere screened a small divan or settee near the center of the room. Beside it was a small ornate table. A great door led to the billiard room and through the billiard room gave ingress and egress to the quiet spot. A few couples strayed in and out, but for the most part Esther was alone in this small tearoom after Smythe left her to apprise the master of the house that a lady wished to see him there.

In the great ballroom the gay set of Los Angeles were hilarious with wine and music. Blair, a handsome and striking figure in the full uniform of a Confederate officer, forgot his schemes and plans and enjoyed himself with all the abandon of his reckless nature. Durand, arrayed in a conventionalized costume as the king of diamonds, looked like that court card come to life.

"I am running true to form," he whispered to Vivian. "The pack called me the king of diamonds, and here I am, you see, costumed for the part!"

"You wouldn't have dared to dress in character abroad," laughed Vivian. "The police of Europe look too constantly for the king of diamonds!"

"You are right, my dear girl," replied Durand carelessly. "But, speaking of Europe, even the carnival at Monte Carlo was no gayer scene than this. Certainly our friend, the whilom John Powell, is giving a princely fete. But what is this big surprise he is to spring?"

"I haven't the least idea," confessed Vivian. "He is very secretive of late." Then her brow knit in a slight frown as she remembered that Arthur had promised to give her the diamond this night, but when she had sent him a note by her maid he had only returned her word that the diamond would be given her later in the evening. Where was he? What was his surprise?

"I thought you would come as the Queen of Hearts," remarked Durand, interrupting her train of thought. "When we despoiled Europe you were known in the pack as the Queen of Hearts, as I was known as the King of Diamonds. De Vaux, too, is chary of our old pseudonyms. He touted for our victims at the select and exclusive clubs in the various capitals of Europe. So he was called the Knave of Clubs. But he, too, seems to wish to forget. There he is, dancing with a dark oriental dancer. He is in the costume of a French zouave."

"Let us forget the past—and our pasts!" said Vivian bitterly. Then Durand exchanged a smile with a charmer attired as a Neapolitan flower girl and whirled away in the dance with her.

Outside Quabba and the gardener peered through the windows at the gay scene, in company with chauffeurs and coachmen.

Upstairs Esther waited nervous and impatient, half regretting she had



Esther Was Alone in the Tea Room.

come. Then she remembered Luke, unjustly in prison, and her resolution returned.

In the ballroom below Smythe, her eccentric yet faithful knight, wandered about seeking the master of the mansion.

Suddenly the music stopped. There was a fanfare of trumpets, and the rays of a calcium light were turned from the gallery toward the great purple velvet curtains at the end of the ballroom. These were drawn aside by two slim young girls in the costume of Tudor pages, and there between the parted velvet curtains, full in the great parcel of light directed at him, sat the figure of a cavalier on a great white horse with crimson trappings. Immoveable as a statue stood rider and steed. Then the band crashed a march, and through the ballroom to the center came rider and horse. Here they paused, and the rider made a sweeping bow to the startled assemblage.

It was Arthur Stanley of Stanley hall, Virginia, but known here, save to a few, as John Powell, rightly "the mad millionaire." He dismounted and took from his neck the great diamond in its curious locket and chain. He held

it in the nerve right beating on him, and it blazed and sparkled.

"Friends, my dear and welcome guests," he cried in a ringing voice. "I will tell you a strange story of the first finding of a great gem such as this. A gem known as the diamond from the sky!"

And there he told, and with a poetic diction he must have practiced, the story of the adventurer, Sir Arthur Stanley, founder of the Stanley family in Virginia and finder of the diamond from the sky.

While the revelers hung spellbound at the story, he told of how 300 years ago the reckless Sir Arthur, younger son of the first Earl of Stanley in England, had been banished to America to the English settlements in Virginia and had gone far up the Rappahannock river trails to steal away an Indian prin-



He Took From His Neck the Great Gleaming Diamond.

cess. He told of Sir Arthur's capture by the savage red men, his torture by stake and fire, and then the fall of the meteor in the night that had saved his life and deified him, for the Indians had taken it as a sign of the Great Spirit's displeasure.

Then he told of the finding of the great diamond in the cooled meteor and of his ancestor bearing it away and consigning it to his heirs to be worn when a descendant of his would be called to the English earldom. "It is called the diamond from the sky, the 'charm against harm,'" concluded the speaker dramatically. "For none save a true descendant of the adventurer who found it or the woman he loves can possess it lest it bring disaster and death!"

Thus Arthur concluded and a groom led the horse away. The crowd cheered, the band struck up a lilting measure and the dance went on.

Removing his plumed hat and wig, Arthur led Vivian upstairs to the reception room that they might be alone. As they ascended the stairs a great uproar of laughter rose in the ballroom.

Marmaduke Smythe had been standing on a chair to better see and hear the story of the diamond from the sky. In moving to get down to convey Esther's message to the dismounted speaker, Smythe had broken an electric light wall bracket and as a result his metal armor had short circuited a live wire. He was rescued with a smoking plume, hardly any the worse for the electrical



Arthur Begged Her to Take It and to Forgive Him.

mishap, when Vivian and Arthur entered the room where Esther waited. They did not see the slight figure behind the palm.

Vivian threw her arms around Arthur and kissed him.

Vivian realized the subterfuge that Esther was an apparition would no longer avail. She shrieked, "Choose between us!"

Arthur thrust her from him and through the door, the one entrance to the room, and turned the bronze bolt while Vivian screamed and beat outside in rage and baffled desire for the diamond.

But ere Arthur had thrust her from the room Vivian's clawing grasp had ripped his velvet sleeve and shirt, and his arm was bare to the elbow as he extended the diamond from the sky to Esther and wildly cried, he knew not why, for her to take it and to forgive him.

But Esther's eyes were wide and wild. Her gaze was upon his naked arm, scarred and marked from the needle thrusts of his drug addiction. She had read of such things in the newspapers. Now she knew—

"That is the reason!" she gasped in horror and disgust. And with indignant fervor she snatched the diamond from his grasp and threw it from her as an evil thing.

Stricken with shame and remorse, Arthur bowed his head on the table and sobbed. He had not seen or cared where the diamond had been flung, nor had Esther. It had hurtled through the open window and had fallen, only to be caught in the trembling branch of a rosebush far beneath.

Vivian's screams had not disturbed the noisy revelers in the ballroom, showering confetti and singing as they danced and drank, but Durand and Blair, mindful of the diamond, had followed. They found Vivian hysterically scrabbling at the door of the little room, and Blair burst it in.

Marmaduke Smythe was close behind the intruders.

"Where is the diamond? Where is it?" shrieked Vivian, shaking Arthur by the shoulder.

Marmaduke Smythe gave his arm to Esther, and they walked proudly out



"Where is the diamond?" shrieked Vivian.

in silence and left the schemers and their victim.

Below the gayety in the ballroom was at its height. Outside the dawn crimsoned in the east—and a hand reached to the rosebush beneath the window and bore away the diamond from the sky!

[TO BE CONTINUED.]

Strong on Grammar.

A lad just returned from boarding school upon being asked by "dad" how he stood in grammar at the end of the term came back with something like this, remarks an exchange: "Say, dad, take it from me, grammar was my long suit. On the start I was up against it hard. Couldn't get it through my noodle. Fell down every time I went to class. Finally I says to myself, 'Look here, old kid, it's up to you. You've got to cut out the funny business and take a brace or you'll see your finish, the surest thing you know.' Well, I studied, believe me. And, say, when it comes to the final exams, did I lose out? Not on your life. I was right there with bells on. There was certainly some class to the way I answered those quizzes. A cold mark of 95 when it was all over. Not so worse, eh? Can you beat it? How I did it I don't know. You can search me. But, anyhow, it's going some, eh, dad? None of 'em's got anything on me when it comes to grammar, that's a cinch."

The old gentleman managed to gasp, "Get the book."

Diplomacy.

"Look here, Charlie," said one young undergrad to another, who had been asked to run his eye over a letter which his friend had written to his father, in which there was the inevitable request for money. "You've spelled Jug 'g-u-g'."

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Laymen's Meeting at Fairview School House Second Sunday.

All day services to be held at Fairview on the second Sunday in June, are to be conducted by the laymen of the Baptist Church at Matador, according to an announcement made by Rev. C. A. Joiner, of Sunset, pastor of that church.

The program for the day includes services in the morning and afternoon, and dinner on the grounds.

Rev. Joiner anticipates a large attendance at that time, both of the membership of the local church and of others who will desire to worship with them.

W. K. Early and C. A. Joiner, of Sunset, were on business in Floydada last Monday.

Misses Mildred and Florence Green, who have been attending the College of Industrial Arts at Denton the past session, are home, having returned last Thursday.

Their brother, Bailey Green, who has been attending N. T. S. N. at the same place will remain for the summer session of that school.

Carr Surginer left Sunday for Hereford where he is spending the earlier part of the week on a combination business and pleasure trip.

J. A. W. Cozby and wife, and son L. B. Cozby and wife, of Motley County, were in Floydada with friends Monday afternoon and night, enroute home from Silverton where they have been visiting a brother of the elder Cozby.

Lakeview News.

Lakeview, May 29th.—It is still dry in this community.

Trammell Hicks, of Mickey, was in this community Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Woods, of McAdoo, passed through here Saturday enroute to Floydada.

T. F. Houghton and family, of Floydada, were in this community Saturday evening and Sunday.

Some visitors from Floydada attended the school closing exercises here Wednesday. Among the speakers of the day were Judg Henry, F. E. Savage, D. M. Hopper and Prof. Cook, teacher of the school. Educational subjects were discussed. Basketball and baseball games were played in the afternoon.

W. A. Banks and daughter, Miss Frona, were in town Saturday shopping.

Handy Higgins and family of Mickey, were visiting W. A. Callaway last Thursday and Friday.

J. D. Hopper and J. C. Raley were in town on business Saturday.

Miss Versey Taylor is visiting her sister, Mrs. Pit Wagner at Center this week.

Guess Who.

Nation Called on to Observe June 14th as Flag Day.

President Wilson has proclaimed June 14th as Flag Day throughout the nation and urges that it be observed in every community with special patriotic exercises, "at which every means shall be taken to give expression to our thoughtful love of America, our comprehension of the great mission of liberty and justice, to which we have devoted ourselves as a people."

The president suggests that special significance should be attached to the observance of the day in view of the "conditions and influences which have seemed to threaten to divide us in interest and sympathy."

Mrs. M. A. Neill and daughter, Miss Bernice, of Howe, Texas, are the guests of Mrs. Neill's daughter, Mrs. W. M. Lane. They will visit here for several weeks.

Mrs. Hugh Adkins, of Lubbock, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Lane, is also visiting with them.

I. L. Hicks, of Gaines County, was the guest of his son, Dr. I. W. Hicks, in Floydada Monday, while enroute to Rule, Texas.

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IN AGREEMENT.

"How is your boy Josh getting along with his employer?"

"Well," replied Farmer Cornstossel, "they have come to an agreement at last. Josh said he was goin' to quit an' the boss, he said so, too."

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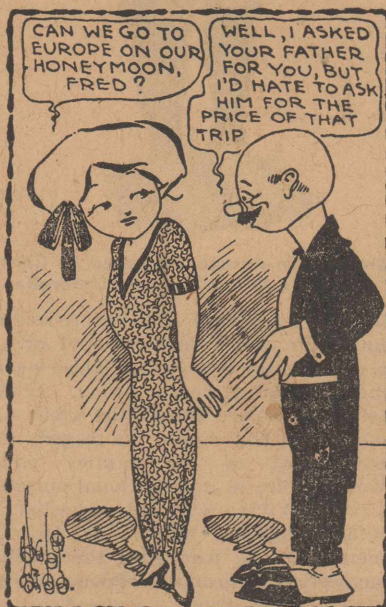
SAVING THE FENCE POSTS

Charring Has Been Found to Be One of the Best of the Methods Devised.

A common method of treating fence posts to prevent decay where they go into the ground has been charring the butts. But now comes the forestry department of the Missouri college of agriculture with the results of experiments showing that although charcoal cannot rot, it does crack so badly that the little fungi that cause rot get through and shorten the life of the posts so treated.

Charring, the experimenters found, failed to lengthen the life of willow, cottonwood, ironwood, hackberry or basswood sufficiently to make them satisfactory post materials, and probably white walnut, hickory, white elm, sassafras and red bud are not helped much either, although tests with them have not been continued long enough to give the final results. Charring appeared to give much better results in cases of black walnut, river birch, oak, hedge, sugar maple, black locust, honey locust, Kentucky coffee tree, dogwood, black ash and catalpa. The sapwood of catalpa, hedge, black walnut and black locust was almost completely burned in charring.

With the failure of the charring methods as a preservative from rot, the college men have turned to the use of creosote to save fence posts from decay.—Country Gentleman.



TRIBUTE TO COLLEGE MEN.

One of the finest recent tributes to the American college is to be found in an article written by an expert in salesmanship who has 160 men working under his direction. His theory is that "the most vital thing to a man is himself." Hence he wants as salesmen men who think most of their own success as sellers, and who will believe, with him, that "the primeval self is the controlling factor in most men."

Consequently, he says, he never employs college graduates. Why? Because, he explains, "the refined man is too apt to think of others, too liable to have had a big proportion of the selfishness worked out of him. For this reason I never look to college graduates." Nevertheless, there are college bred salesmen who have risen above the "primeval self" and who manage to get orders by thinking of buyers' rights as well as sellers' profits.—Christian Science Monitor.

A WORD OF APPRECIATION.

"Some philosophers say that objects which we call inanimate have thoughts and feelings."

"Maybe they have," rejoined Mr. Cumrox. "If such is the case the piano my daughter practices on is a mighty patient brute."

ALL SORTS.

"How's this—seven different styles of plug hats?"

"The line officers of our lodge. Each bought a plug hat the year he was elected."

IN CHARITY'S NAME.

Heiny—Don't you think Miss Hazel is passing fair?

Aimee—Well, to tell you the truth, I think she is already past it.

ASKED AND ANSWERED.

"What is the easiest way to destroy weeds?" we asked.

"Marry the widow," answered the old farmer.

DIETETIC REFORM.

"Do you use much meat in your family, Mrs. Comeup?"

"No indeed; we're all valetudinarians now."

'T WAS EVER THUS.

"Mrs. Youngwed says she is economically independent now."

"How is that?"

"She sells Mr. Youngwed kisses for 25 cents each. She made over \$20 last week and says it was ridiculously easy."

"It will seem more like work later on."

THE REAL THING.

Sapleigh—I—aw—undastand youah cousin, Algie, has—aw—just returned from deah old England. I suppose he—aw—brought ova the vevy latest Lunnon styles.

Miss Hiits—Yes, I believe so. Even his brain seems to be a little more foggy than usual.

WONDERS NEVER CEASE.

"This fellow is called a 'sure-fire' poet."

"You mean he sells his stuff as fast as he writes it?"

"Yes."

"Darned if I don't believe anything is possible nowadays."

THE CASE STATED.

"That fellow across the street looks like a wooden image."

"Maybe that is the reason why he is lumbering along."

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