

Commencement Exercises Friday Night

Exercises of Public School Departments Have Occupied Time This Week.

Exercises of the various departments of Floydada Public School have attracted much interest locally since last Saturday night when the pupils of the primary department rendered their departmental program to a large and interested group of parents and friends. This exercise included several drills, a playlet and Tom Thumb wedding, each of which was thoroughly enjoyed. A nominal admission charge was made to defray the expenses and to purchase needed books for the primary library.

"SIGNS OF THE TIMES"
 Rev. Hayes Howell of Tulia, preached the baccalaureate sermon for the graduating class of the high school on Sunday night. His subject was "The Signs of the Times." It was well worth the hearing.

Tuesday evening the intermediate department program was rendered. This consisted of musical and reading numbers and a play by the boys of the class entitled "The Boy Scouts."

Wednesday evening the annual high school play was rendered. The play chosen for the year was "Peter Piper's Troubles." This was well-rendered in four acts. Eight of the high school pupils were included in the cast.

Tonight the Seventh Grade's annual program will be given, making their graduation from the Intermediate to the high school school department.

COMMENCEMENT TOMORROW NIGHT

Tomorrow night the Commencement Exercises of the graduating class will be held. There are ten members of this class this year—eight girls and two boys. They are: Mary Jane Probasco, Kate Cleo Bullard, Laura Kerlio, Lonie Eola Steen, Florence Wagner, Pearl Lillian Brasher, Myrtle Iona Thompson, Bernice Irene Henry, Wells Henry and Irvin Carl Bishop.

SCHOOL YEAR SUCCESSFUL
 The school year has been a

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STATISTICS ARE DRY, BUT INTERESTING

In Europe, the number of persons out of every thousand population who have bank accounts is, in the various countries, as follows:-

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CHILDRENS DAY

Sunday June 6th, day set Apart for Special Program by M. E. S. C. Sunday School.

Sunday June 6th, will be observed locally by the Methodist Church Sunday School as Children's Day. In the evening a special program will be rendered. This program is as follows:

Song by School.
 Invocation.—Rev. H. E. Smith
 Song.—By little folks.
 Reading.—Pauline Rushing.
 Piano solo.—Marie Hughes.
 Male Quartette.
 Reading.—Sabra Thagard.
 Piano selection.—Ora and Ola Slaughter.
 Reading.—Marie Henry.
 Quartette.—J. B. Bartley's class.

Why we should contribute to Children's Day.—Earl French.
 Benediction.—Rev. G. W. Shearer.

C. H. Featherston went to Crosbyton last night to meet Herman P. Paris, of Clinton, Mo. returning to Floydada this morning. Together they left today for Motley County where they are making land inspections.

Piano—Expression Recital

The joint expression and piano recital rendered by the pupils of Miss Mattilee Smith and Mrs. A. N. Gamble at the school auditorium last Friday evening was well rendered. A large audience attended.

Southwestern Engineer Visits South Plains.

Ed Greber, engineer for the Southwestern Telegraph & Telephone Company, visited this section of the south plains last Friday.

Nothing definite is known as to the intent of Mr. Greber's visit to this section but it is thought likely that his visit here is a forerunner of improvements which are to be made in the facilities for handling long distance business.

When the Floydada exchange was rebuilt two years ago, the plan was to connect this place by copper circuits on the Santa Fe right-of-way. The poles were laid and some of the other work done, before a halt was suddenly called.

Floydada people would be very glad to hear a definite announcement that better long-distance facilities would be accorded this place during the next summer.

Spur to Roaring Springs Mail Line Established.

A daily auto mail line has been established between Roaring Springs and Spur, by the way of Afton and Dickens, and the service will begin on the 17th day of May. The contract has been let to V. C. Smart, of Spur, who is now with the Bryant-Link Company.

The mail will leave Roaring Springs about eleven o'clock each morning, making the trip to Spur and return within six hours, thus giving the people a three-hour mail service along the route.—Spur.

successful one throughout. Probably the best proof of this is the fact that the school has been granted affiliation with the university during the past month, upon the first application made. The school year closes with harmony prevailing through out, among the faculty, school board and patrons.

Kansas City Livestock Market in Detail.

Kansas City Stock Yards, May 17, 1915. Cattle made a net gain of 15 to 25 cents last week, and closed with good prospects. A supply of 7500 head today enabled salesmen to dictate prices to the extent of strong to 10 higher than the close of last week. A new top on yearling heifers was made, at \$9.25, and heavy steers sold actively up to \$8.50. More of the good Colorado pulp fed steers were here, of big weights at \$8.25 to \$8.50, similar to cattle that brought \$8 to \$8.15 last Monday. Butcher grades sold stronger, best cows bringing \$6.25 to \$7.75, and bulls bring \$6.00, to \$6.75, veal calves up to \$10.50. Quarantine cattle were in small supply, but steers are quotable at \$6.75 to \$8.25, medium yearlings at \$7 this morning, cows \$6.40. Feeders and stock steers are firm today almost back up to the high point of two or three weeks ago, best feeders around \$8.25, stock steers as much, bulk of sales \$7.25 to \$8. A feature here today is a train of hay fed Montana steers, including beef steers weighing around 1200 lbs. at \$7.75 to \$8, and some block feeders at \$8.25. The trade expects moderate receipts for some time ahead, with a robust demand for beef, which should result in an advancing market. Hogs opened strong to five higher, apart of a load of sorted hogs selling at \$7.70, but the top otherwise was \$7.65, and bulk of sales \$7.45 to \$7.60, packers getting their hogs steady to 5 lower, receipts 8000. Trade prophets favor higher hog markets, but reliable market authorities say that packers are in possession of too much produce for hog sellers to count on prices going much higher till after the June run is in. Sheep and lambs sold 10 higher. Receipts were 10000 head but no choice fed stock was included. Prime fed Western lambs would bring \$11.50 here, Texas shorn wethers sold at \$7.75 here today, a record price for any market. Texas shorn yearlings, \$8.75. Texas goats to killers 5.35, a big string of brushes at \$5.95 Arizona shorn ewes \$6.35, shorn yearlings \$9, spring lambs \$11.15. Moderate receipts are in sight for balance of the week, and the market appears safe for the present.

J. A. RICKART,
 Market Correspondent.

Notice: to Whom it May Concern:

Notice is hereby given that the Commissioners' Court of Floyd County, will meet in special session on May 31st, 1915, to sit as a Board of Equalization.

E. P. Thompson,
 County Judge.

2tc.

Judge E. P. Thompson returned Wednesday from the north end of the county where he had spent two days on official business as superintendent of schools.

Program Junior Missionary Society.

For Sunday, May 23rd.
 Bible Lesson—Dan, 6-10 to 23.
 —Marvin Steen.
 Roll call answered by Scripture Verses.

Reading—Loreta Thompson.
 Reading Myrtle Henry.
 Missionary Story—Vaughan West.

Reading—Paulina Rushing.
 Knowing Jesus makes a difference—Bonnie Johnson.
 —Missionary Lesson.

Come to Floydada.

Redistricting Has Been Submitted

Legislature will have Opportunity to Give West Texas More Congressmen.

Congressional redistricting of the State of Texas is a possibility during the special session of the legislature. The governor sent a message Tuesday submitting this to both branches of the legislature.

Beside the appropriation bill and the Gibson Insurance bill, for the consideration of which the legislature were first called in session, 24 other subjects have submitted, 23 of them on the 17th and the most important—redistricting,—on the 18th. The other 23 subjects the legislature will consider are:

"Probably most important on the list is a recommendation for a commission of five members, to serve without pay, to study judicial reforms and make recommendations of changes to cure some of the evils of the present system.

The Galveston drydock bill was submitted and also the division of Duval county, which means another bitter factional fight. Other subjects of the messages were laws declaring prairie dogs a nuisance; suspending the time for payments on former sales of school lands and lands belonging to various funds; printing laws more expeditiously; making appeal bonds in criminal cases valid while cases are on appeal; the Happy independent school district; and granting the Imperial Sugar Co. the right to sue for \$254,000 on claims; providing rigid inspection laws relating to butchers; requiring a bond from every butcher and requiring that he buy no carcass unless it be accompanied by the hide, and that he keep a record of all marks and brands and also keep his books open for inspection; abolishing exemption of counties from having hide and animal inspectors; permitting interurbans to merge where rates are controlled; relating to the impounding of surface water and their unlawful diversion; the Crowell independent school district in Foard county, and fixing compensation for jail guards."

The Gibson Bill, over which there has been the strongest fight, and which has passed the house is probably being voted upon today by the Senate. Tuesday the opposition had a majority of one vote. The opinion prevails that the governor will be able to get a majority before the vote is cast. This means that the present insurance law, known as the Robertson Law will be repealed and that foreign companies will be allowed to work in Texas under considerably altered conditions to what have prevailed the past seven years.

Two Harleys Delivered This Week

Last Tuesday Wm. Salisbury, Harley-Davidson dealer, delivered two new Harley-Davidson Motorcycles, one each to Jake Griffith and John Livesay of Lockney. They were here to receive them in company with J. H. Gruver, of Lockney.

Floyd Barber of Lockney also bought a Harley-Davidson with side-car attachment during the past month.

The models delivered were of '15 make, 11 h.p., with three speeds.

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BASEBALL DOPE

Floyd Vs. Matador Ball Game Today

This afternoon Floydada and Matador Baseball teams are playing ball at the Floydada Park. A large crowd is witnessing the game.

Matador has one of the strongest teams in this section. They are reputed very heavy hitters. This is their first game with Floydada this season. Last year they won four out of five games from this team.

---And Crosbyton Tomorrow

Tomorrow Crosbyton will come to Floydada for two games, one in the morning and one in the afternoon. They are reported to be strengthening their team with good material from nearby teams, and will likely be stronger than they have been in the last two games.

The record of the local team for six straight wins this season is not equalled by any team with which they have played or likely to play this season. One of the three games this afternoon and tomorrow they may lose. But the boys are confident as usual and will fight for each game till the last man is out in the ninth. One thing to note: The batting of the locals will be stronger than ever before, Hindman and Hall both being heavy hitters when in their stride which they will hit beginning this afternoon. This is a prediction but it will hold good. Stokie Bishop's stick work will also be better than it was the last game with Lorenzo.

Center Bests Sandhill in Good Game Saturday.

Last Saturday afternoon Center Baseball team bested the Sandhill boys by a score of 4 to 0, at the Floydada Baseball Park. The game was well-played.

In the first three innings Center scored on costly errors by the Sandhillites, at the same time playing air tight defensive ball themselves throughout the game. In the last five innings neither side scored. Sandhill started a batting rally in both the seventh and eighth innings but failed to bunch hits sufficiently off Batson to score.

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G. B. MARSHALL DEAD

Died at 10 O'clock Monday at Tioga, Texas; Buried Here This Afternoon.

The children of G. B. Marshall received word Monday night from their mother at Tioga, Texas, that their father had died that evening at 10 o'clock. Mr. Marshall had been sick for many years but the end was unexpected as he was thought to be considerably improved. He had traveled extensively the past year for his health and was at Tioga for this reason.

L. A. Marshall left Tuesday morning for Quanah where he met his mother returning with the body home for interment. They reached here Wednesday afternoon and the burial was held at the Floydada Cemetery following funeral services conducted at the Baptist Church by Rev. Weathers this afternoon. The deceased came to this county from Clay some four years ago.

He had made many friends among a large acquaintanceship here.

He leaves a widow, one son, four daughters and several grandchildren.

Rev. Allen Weathers who is here and conducted the funeral services is a former pastor of the deceased.

Pentecostal Holiness Meeting in August.

It has been arranged for the Pentecostal Holiness Meeting to be held in August at the tabernacle in Floydada. The meeting will run possibly three weeks.

This meeting is to be the central meeting for this part of the state, and a large out-of-town attendance is anticipated.

We are praying for a great meeting.

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SOOTHED THE CRYING CHILD

Escaping Convict Proved to Mother That She Need Have No Fear in His Presence.

Tenderly petting a young and crying baby which he had picked up from its crib, escaped convict Peter Tosti succeeded in convincing Mrs. Charles Kelley of San Rafael, Cal., after he had gained entrance to her home, that he would not harm her and her two children.

Tosti told Mrs. Kelley that all he wanted was something to eat and a change of wearing apparel for his prison stripes.

Mrs. Kelley was awakened by the crying of her two babies, who had been disturbed by the convict. As she awoke she saw Tosti pick up the younger one and soothingly begin to rock it. He kept this up until the child fell asleep. Noticing that Mrs. Kelley was awake, Tosti addressed her, saying:

"Don't be afraid. I am fond of children and I would not harm two like these—or their mother."

After this he kept up a running fire of conversation, and as soon as he had foraged in the kitchen for some victuals he left, apologizing for his intrusion. With Tosti went Mrs. Kelley's husband's overcoat.

Tosti had served only two years of a ten-year sentence for grand larceny committed in Merced county when he escaped from San Quentin.

HAS TO DRAW ON ENGLAND

France Feeling the Scarcity of Coal Consequent on the German Control of the Mines.

France is now compelled to call on England for coal, which was formerly mined in the north of France. Practically all the mines in that district have either been destroyed by the German artillery or are being operated by Germans. At Lievin and Courrieres the German army is carrying on extensive mining operations and producing great quantities of coal, which are being shipped into Belgium for the use of the German military forces.

France is no longer able to draw coal from Mons and Charleroi, which formerly supplied large quantities for exportation. Consequently, the residents of northern France are largely dependent upon English mines for coal, which has become very scarce.

Frequently towns and villages near the fighting lines are entirely without coal for a week. This works great hardship on hospitals, sadly in need of the fuel for hundreds of thousands of wounded and the sick soldiers of the allies who are being cared for in French towns.

Hospital Barges.

Northern France is rich in waterways, and hospital barges are already running between Paris and the battle-front, under the auspices of the Union des Femmes de France. The hold is enameled white and fitted with 40 beds, and at the end is the nurse's retiring-room. The barge-master's cabin is converted into a living-room for two surgeons. There is an operating-room, too, with washing gear, an electric plant, and a perfect system of heating. To convert a Seine barge into a gondola of this kind costs a bare \$500, and the results are beyond praise—especially to fracture cases, to whom the sailing road is agony.

The wounded are hoisted in by means of small cranes, and the barge is then towed by steam or motor yachts lent by wealthy persons, who are more than glad not only to lend their boats free of charge, but to navigate them in person, thus sharing in the work of mercy.

Dyeing War Horses.

Ever since the war broke out experiments have been made with a view to dyeing the coats of white horses, but simple as it may seem to the uninitiated a satisfactory result has not yet been obtained. Numerous inventors came forward with vaunted dyes, but after the preliminary tests only one liquid seemed to resist the rain satisfactorily. A battery of 24 white horses was consequently treated, and sent out on duty in all weathers. When they returned after a week or ten days all the beasts were of a beautiful bottle green, and are expected to retain that hue for some time to come.

Automatic Post Office in Paris.

The first of the automatic post offices which are shortly to be installed at different points in Paris is already working in the great waiting room of the Gare St. Lazare. It is very much of the type of the ordinary automatic machine, but distributes, instead of chocolates and matches, stamps of the required denomination, postal cards and letter cards. The machine takes only French money, but conscientiously returns such coins as it does not accept as current. At each side of the machine are ledges on which the client can scribble his correspondence, which he can then place in the letter box.

Claims Important Discoveries.

A Savannah, Ga., man has claimed to have discovered a chemical which when applied to growing cotton turns it jet black. He also claims to be able to grow roses of a pure velvet black and he believes his discovery will revolutionize the cultivation of plants generally.

The Idea.

"How is it, my man, that you can afford to give up working now?" "Sure, sir, I'm going to be married."

VALUE OF DOGS IN WARFARE

European Armies All Employ Them, and Testimony Is That They Give Good Service.

While there has been devoted a good deal of attention to the use of dogs in ambulance work, the sentry dog has figured little in dispatches. The sentry dog was urgently recommended a year or two ago by some of the higher French army officers, but they received no encouragement from the war office. Now the need is acutely felt and a corps is being trained as rapidly as possible. A dog of this kind will invariably give warning of the approach of an enemy long before the soldier sentry is aware of it. In one section of the northern front, where dogs have been used for the past month, no night attack of the Germans has been successful.

Not every dog will make a good enough sentry. They need careful selection and equally careful training. Many animals that are excellent as watch dogs or in guarding their master's property, prove worthless when removed suddenly to a new environment and stationed under a stranger.

The English at present have dogs working with about thirty battalions of their army. The Russians also use them rather extensively on sentry duty.

It is said that the Germans, whenever they enter new towns, make it a rule to collect and train all likely dogs, and to kill all others. Many of their signalmen go out accompanied by dog scouts, who give warning of the approach of the enemy.

IMPRESSIONS OF A HINDU

Learned Eastern Visitor Frankly Confesses That He Is Unable to Understand Americans.

Not seldom I feel among Americans as the Egyptian is said to have felt among the Greeks, that I am moving in a world of precocious and inexperienced children, bearing on my own shoulders the weight of the centuries. Yet it is not exactly that Americans strike one as young in spirit; rather they strike one as undeveloped. It is as though they had never faced life and asked themselves what it is; as though they were so occupied in running that it has never occurred to them to inquire where they started and whither they are going. They seem to be always doing and never experiencing. A dimension of life, one would say, is lacking, and they live in a plane instead of in a solid. That missing dimension I shall call religion. Not that Americans do not, for aught I know, "believe" as much as or more than Europeans; but they appear neither to believe nor to disbelieve religiously. . . . But even in Europe—and far more in India—there has always been, and still is, a minority who open windows to the stars; and through these windows, in passing, the plain man sometimes looks.—Rabindranath Tagore.

Civilization's Peril.

America is closer to the heart of Europe than at any time since England's colonies became independent states. To the most isolated farmhouse it has been known for a half year that we are not remote from the portentous events beyond the sea; that the fate of our brothers over there, in some way which we do not well discern, involves us also. We are, whether we like it or not, full shareholders in the civilization which is imperiled. Our commerce and industry, our prosperity and well-being, our culture and religion, the foundations of our common humanity, and the ideals of our common aspirations, are all at stake.—Edward T. Devine in the Survey.

Kicks Chick; Breaks Leg.

A pugnacious Plymouth Rock rooster and a woman's attempt to kick have furnished a case for the doctor. The rooster belongs to W. E. Coughenour, a dairyman of Dunbar, Pa. It has been creating trouble by chasing children, and Mrs. Coughenour, who takes care of the family henery, made up her mind to give the vicious bird a lesson.

Going out to the flock to give the chickens their morning meal, she was attacked by the rooster. Mrs. Coughenour took careful aim, and delivered a powerful kick, intended to put the bird out of business. She missed, her foot struck a stone, she fell disabled, and a physician found her leg broken.

Why They Were "Bad Company."

A soldier, charged with being drunk and disorderly, mentioned, in extenuation of his offense, the fact that he had been compelled to travel up from camp in very bad company.

"What sort of company?" asked the magistrate.

"A lot of teetotalers!" was the startling response.

"Do you mean to say teetotalers are bad company?" thundered the magistrate. "I think they are the best company for such as you!"

"Begin your pardon, sor," answered the prisoner, "ye're wrong, for I had a bottle of whisky and I had to drink it all mesel!"

Their Use.

"Why do you advocate blanket street-paving bills?" "To cover the beds of the streets, of course."

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Attending Cumberland Assembly at Memphis, Tenn.

J. L. King left Tuesday morning for Memphis, Tenn., where he goes as a delegate from the Amarillo Presbytery to the General Assembly of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, which will be in session there beginning the latter part of this week. Mr. King will be absent from home upward of two weeks.

J. H. Shelby and wife left Tuesday morning for Snyder, where Mr. Shelby has accepted a position with H. G. Towle, jeweler.

Chapco little chick food at Duncan Grocery. 2tc.

A. H. Manning spent the mid-week in Canyon on business.

Large Battleship Model Features Naval Display.

San Diego, May 18.—Augmenting the large display maintained at the San Diego Exposition by the United States Navy will be the government model of the battleship North Dakota which will be placed in the exhibit in the Commerce and Industries building in a few days. This model, probably is the largest one which the government has ever built. It costs \$15,000 to construct. In being shipped west it was damaged and has just been repaired at the Mare Island navy yard.

The Navy exhibit at the Exposition is of particular interest to the public at this time for one of its features is an immense Whitehead torpedo, quite similar to the torpedoes which have been sinking so many ships in the European War. Visitors are taking keen interest in the exhibit and the lectures given each day by an officer of the Navy are well attended.

Bamboo fishing rods and fishing lines at Duncan Grocery. 2tc

Virginia Minister to Preach Here Next Sunday.

Elder J. T. Showalter, of East Radford, Virginia, will preach at the Church of Christ here Sunday morning next.

He is the father of Prof. M. V. Showalter, of Lockney, and is out on a visit with him there. All who desire to attend have a cordial invitation.

New crop of bermuda onions at Duncan Grocery. 2tc.

Mrs. Lee Shropshire, of Plainview, spent Sunday and Monday visiting in Floydada with her daughter, Mrs. F. M. Butler.

G. C. Fairey, of Lockney, was in town over Monday night on business.

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Sheriff's Sale

The State of Texas, }
County of Floyd. } By virtue of a certain Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of Floyd County, on the 5th day of May 1915, by Tom W. Deen, Clerk of said Court against A. R. Meriwether, George W. Brewster, Jim Beall, Roy Phillips and A. J. Shropshire, for the sum of four hundred and ninety-eight and 30-100 (\$498.30) Dollars and costs of suit, in cause No. 898 in said Court, styled J. A. Baker versus A. R. Meriwether et al and placed in my hands for service, I, A. C. Goen as sheriff of Floyd County, Texas, did on the 5th day of May 1915 levy on certain Real Estate, situated in Floyd County, described as follows, to-wit:

All of Lots No's 1, 2, 3 and 4, in Block No. 13, as shown by the town plat of the town of Lockney, Floyd County, Texas, as recorded in Volume 6, Page 591. Deed records of Floyd County, Texas, and levied upon as the property of said A. J. Shropshire. And on Tuesday, the 1st day of June 1915, at the Court House door of Floyd County, in the town of Floydada, Texas, between the hours of ten A. M. and four P. M. I will sell said real estate at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said A. J. Shropshire by virtue of said levy and said Order of Sale.

And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the Floyd County Hesperian, a newspaper published in Floyd County.

WITNESS my hand, this 5th day of May 1915.

A. C. GOEN,
Sheriff Floyd County, Texas.

Wright Pace to Spend Year in Pennsylvania.

Wright W. Pace left last week for Cherry Tree, Pa., where he will spend a year preaching for the Church of Christ at that place and at churches in adjoining communities.

Wright is a young preacher of ability and his friends here will watch his work with interest.

He is the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Pace who lives in the sandhill community.

A Card of Thanks.

We take this method of thanking our many friends for their kindness toward us during the brief illness and death of our loved one, D. C. Allmon, who was so suddenly called from us. We shall ever hold in our memory those who were so faithful in this hour of trouble.

Mrs. D. C. Allmon
And Children, and
J. L. Allmon.

J. H. Donaldson left last Friday for Waco to attend the Texas Bankers' Association Meeting. From Waco he will go to his boyhood home in Parker County to spend a short visit. He was accompanied from Tulia by his brother.

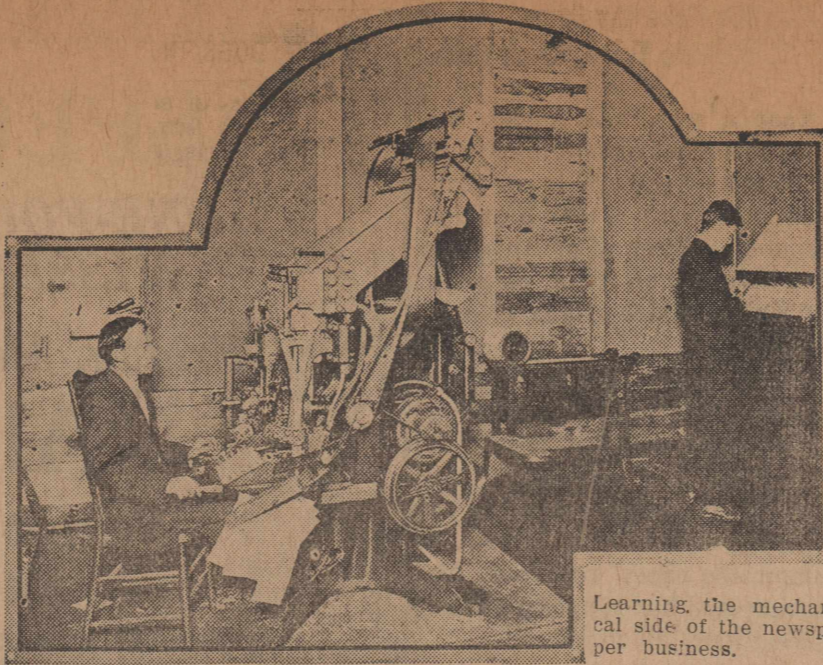
Farmers Organizations Co-operating with A. M. College.

College Station, May 15.—Sixty four county and ninety three local farmers organizations for diversification and marketing are now cooperating with the Extension Service of the A. and M. College of Texas, according to figures submitted by Clarence Ousley, Director of Extension, to the Appropriation Committee of the House of Representatives last week.

The bulk of those associations were organized directly by the Extension staff of field men, although many of them organized voluntarily and asked to receive the service of the College.

The extension plan is based upon continuous service, twelve months in the year. Field men are sent to the member associa-

THE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM



Learning the mechanical side of the newspaper business.

This photograph shows a linotype machine in use in the School of Journalism of the University of Texas. Recognizing the importance of newspapers to the commonwealth, realizing that the press is the most potent molder of public opinion, and that a free and enlightened press is an important factor in all progress worth while, the regents of the University of Texas established last year a School of Journalism, where the youth of the state of journalistic ambitions might receive competent instruction, be grounded in the best traditions of journalism, and inspired with the highest ideals of service. The school enrolled fifty students during the first year. Considerable stress is put upon the mechanical and business side of newspaper publishing, with a view to being of service, particularly to the rural and small town press of the state.

Community Co-Operation

Copyright Farm and Ranch-Holland's Magazine

Motor trucks and automobiles have already revolutionized transportation in the city. People go everywhere in the city in automobiles, and wholesalers and retailers are delivering their goods in horseless trucks. The old-time dray-wagon is seldom seen in the city and the street cars are running nearly empty.

And now the passenger-carrying automobiles and the freight carrying motor truck are invading the country. Here they are destined to find their greatest usefulness—in many sections are already finding it. They are hauling, by regular runs and routes, passengers and freight between country towns or communities and railroad towns, putting such rural communities

on the railroad. Such an enterprise requires good roads—the better, of course the better. To get good roads community cooperation is necessary, and to maintain good roads the same sort of cooperation must be kept up.

CARE OF ORCHARD.

"Cultivation, pruning, and fertilization are three essentials in the care of fruit trees during the months of May and June" says Dean E. J. Kyle, of the School of Agriculture at the A. and M. College. "The orchard ground should be broken with a turning plow just deep enough to turn the grass and weeds under. The ground should be harrowed thoroughly and the harrow should be used every ten days or two weeks until harvesting time. This cultivation makes it easier for the tree to get plant food and moisture.

"Trees that do not seem healthy or thrifty should be well pruned. Trees that have set but little fruit should be pruned back severely, and those trees which have set no fruit at all should be pruned back still more severely to insure a good fruit-
age next season.

Trees that are not thrifty should be fertilized, and especially those that are suffering from peach leaf curl. Scatter ¼ of a pound of nitrate of soda for a radius of six feet around these trees. Do not sprinkle the soda nearer the trunk of the tree than two feet. Plow this into the soil. If the nitrate of soda is not available use one pound cotton seed meal."

"Pasturage is the big thing in the month of May in the care of dairy cows. Cows pro-

duce more milk when running on good pasturage than under any other conditions. Provide 4 to 6 acres for each cow when native grass is used; from ½ to 1 acre where Bermuda or Rescue grass is grazed. It is also advisable to feed a quart of cotton seed meal daily, in the evening.

"Extreme care should be exercised in the handling of milk in warm weather. Immediately after milking cool the milk to as low a temperature as possible. See that the utensils are kept clean. Never mix old and fresh cream or milk until ready to churn or to be sent to the creamery", says Professor J. W. Ridgway, Professor of Dairy Husbandry at the A. and M. College of Texas.

Life in your community will then be very satisfactory and satisfying, and your young people will be glad to stay on the farm.

Creamery butter at Duncan Grocery.

Silverton Teacher out on \$5,000 Bond.

W. G. Sears, the superintendent of the Silverton Public School, was released last Thursday afternoon on a bond of \$5,000 following the examining trial which lasted two days. He is charged with the murder of J. O. Long, sheriff of the county. His bond was signed by his brothers and local citizens of Silverton.

The prominence of the two caused the court proceedings to attract no little attention.

High School Enjoys Picnic

The pupils of Floydada High School enjoyed a picnic on Blanco Canyon last Friday. They went to the canyon early in the morning, carrying their lunches, and spending the entire day.

Henry Haines Home From Amarillo Sanitarium.

Henry Haines returned home last Friday from Amarillo, where he had been for sometime in the Sanitarium. He was operated on there for appendicitis.

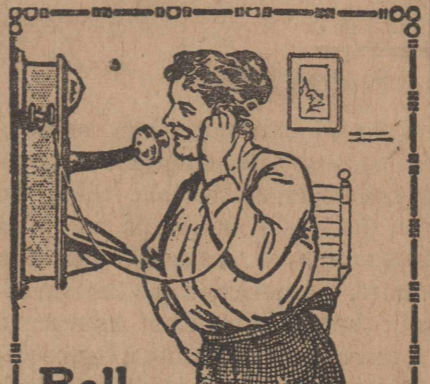
He was to have been home much sooner but his case was much more difficult than anticipated, and required longer attention.

Ware House Law is Given Endorsement

Fort Worth, Texas, May 18.—At a meeting of the Texas Cotton Conference here Thursday, which was attended by representative business men, bankers and farmers from throughout the state, resolutions were adopted endorsing the Texas Warehouse Law in its present form. By unanimous vote, the legislature was requested to refrain from making any change in the present statute, and was asked to give the law, as enacted, a fair trial and provide liberal appropriations for its execution. The morning session was devoted to a discussion of the cotton marketing problem and to outlining the future policy of the organization. Hon. F. C. Weinert, manager of the state warehouse department, explained in detail the different features of the warehouse law.

A committee composed of Nathan Adams of Dallas, E. P. Wilmot of Austin, M. G. Young of Blooming Grove, P. L. Downs of Temple, J. A. Thompson of Corsicana, Al McFaddin of Victoria, and J. A. Kemp of Wichita Falls was appointed to attend the meeting of the Texas Bankers' Association in Waco May 18th and lay before that body the plans of the Texas Cotton Conference and solicit the cooperation of the bankers of Texas in financing and marketing the Texas cotton crop.

Charles Spencer and mother, of Plainview, were in Floydada Saturday last on business.



Bell Connection Adds to Farm Cheer

It was a blustery March evening, but inside the cozy sitting-room of the Brown's all was cheery and bright.

Mrs. Brown stepped to the telephone. Her husband smiled—for he knew the pleasant custom for years had been to call the daughter, in the distant village, each week.

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Newell Funeral Services Held Saturday Afternoon.

The funeral and burial services for L. H. Newell, Jr., who died Tuesday of last week in Denver, were held Saturday afternoon, the funeral being conducted by Pastor Elder at the Baptist Church, at 3 o'clock.

Mrs. Newell reached home with the remains Friday afternoon. Many friends of the family met them at the station. The body was taken to the Newell home southwest of town Friday evening and lay in state until the time of the funeral Saturday afternoon. Banks and stores were closed during the afternoon as a mark of respect to the deceased, and the church was crowded with friends. The pall bearers were E. C. Nelson, W. I. Cannadav, C. Surginer, W. T. Montgomery, S. A. Greer and G. V. Slaughter.

Out-of-town relatives who were here were: E. J. Newell, of Hereford, only surviving brother; Judge James Hughes, wife and children of Hereford, Mrs. Hughes being a niece; Mrs. J. W. Stallings, of Sweetwater and Mrs. G. E. West, of Dallas, sisters. The Hereford relations returned home Monday, Messdames Stallings and West remaining until Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. McKinnon, who were for some ten days previous in Roswell, New Mexico, where Mr. McKinnon received a large shipment of cattle for the C. B. Livestock Co., spent a short time the first of the week visiting here with Judge A. P. McKinnon and wife, James McKinnon, Jr., spent the time with his grandparents here while Mr. and Mrs. McKinnon were in New Mexico.

Miss Maggie Power left Wednesday for Magazine, Ark., by way of Abilene. She will spend her vacation with friends at these places.

V. O. Williams left last Thursday for his home at Snyder, where he will spend a month on a vacation and visit.

Public Sale

One school house, about 24 by 32 feet, good boxed house, weatherboarded. Known as the Campbell School House. Also one acre land.

Will be sold at Public Auction, at the School house, on Saturday, May 20th at 2 P. M.

Subscription Prices:

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Why a Demoralized Maize Market?

One of the things that are worrying the people of Floyd County at this time, is the continued demoralized condition of the maize and kaffir market. When the market was somewhat sluggish last fall everybody believed that the condition was temporary. There was no doubt in everybody's mind that the condition would change shortly. Following the slump there came a re-action of stimulated prices. It was the natural thing and many who held counted on \$20 maize throughout the remainder of the selling season from December to August. But the slump "came back," and depressed prices have had a stangle hold since. 85 to 92 cents has been the price for three months. Last week even a greater slump came and the price fell practically 10 cents per hundred,—right in planting and cultivating time with a feed shortage reported from every quarter outside of West Texas and New Mexico.

Maize and kaffir have practically the same feeding value as corn. That is, analyses of the two products show almost to a 100th part the same properties in about the same proportions of the two feeds. Yet corn commands, as it usually does at this time of the year, a big price. It has a much greater value on the markets than does maize at all times of the year, though the intrinsic value is about the same. Just why such a condition should exist at present as a demoralized maize market confuses even the best-informed. All the "dope" on the market has been upset and the predictors and prognosticators have missed every guess.

People of Floyd County know the value of maize as a feed. They have seen maize-fed hogs and cattle, including baby beeves, topping the markets regularly, at both Fort Worth and Kansas City, in competition with livestock twice as close to market and fed on all kinds of feed combinations, including corn. Feeders in Floyd County also know that maize-fed hogs "kill better" than corn-fed stuff. That is, they net a larger per cent of the hoot-weight when put on the block ready for the consumer. But we also note that feeders in other sections continue to buy high-priced corn in preference to maize at a much lower figure. These are facts we can't get around. The question is, WHY?

The South Plains must solve this question. This section, especially Floyd County, is a veritable granary of feedstuffs each year, and maize is the staple. Possibly publicity is the solution. California fruit growers solved their marketing problem this way and by careful organization. More people must know about the value of our product as a feeding crop. They will have to be taught how to handle and feed it. We as the salesman must do the teaching. Anything of merit can be sold if the buyer knows he is getting the best his money will buy.

Worth More Than a Hundred Million

The sinking of the Lusitania will be worth more than a hundred million dollars to the United States this summer. That's rather a peculiar thought to draw from such a horrible thing as the sinking of a floating castle with the loss of hundreds of lives and more than a score of the genius minds of America, but the statement will prove true this summer. Americans are the greatest travelers and money-spenders in the world, at least Americans think they are. They also have a morbid curiosity and a foolhardiness that is phenomenal. Now Americans were preparing to flock to Europe this summer in the hope of seeing some ruins and possibly get in hearing of the guns. Some of them will go anyhow. But the great majority have been shocked out of it by the sinking of this great ship by German craft within ten miles of the landing. This money will be spent sight-seeing elsewhere in the United States. Few Americans have seen much of their own country and care less to see it. But there is nowhere else to go in perfect safety. Hence, they will spend their money at home and that's how the dollars and cents come in.

The Swindler and His Speil

The swindler is abroad in the land. He is finding easy pickings in West Texas with various kinds of schemes. Most of them are coming in the persons of agents for reputable magazines and periodicals, offering to sell at prices that are ridiculously low.

A very simple way to protect yourself against them is simply to ask for their credentials. This will be in the form of a card or folder. If they have it you are dealing with a reliable party and a real representative of the company likely. If the agent does not have his credentials do not take the excuse that he left it in his other pocket. The honest solicitor knows that the swindler is abroad and is careful to have his credential with him. The right man won't make excuses. He does not have to. The swindler is not going to give you any evidence with which to convict him.

This is merely said by the way. We are not general advisers to the community at large, but we hate to see people slough their money off for nothing, and at the same time encourage a swindle that is growing all the time.

The next time an agent stops you with a flourish and tells you in a superior sort of way just why you've got to buy the whatever-it-is, gently but firmly stop him long enough to ask for his credential. He either will or will not produce, and you'll save money.

Help Keep Your City Clean

Now cultivate a batting eye and be prepared to swat the fly. And hand mosquitoes, too a bat, where'er you find 'em roosting at, and dab a brush or two of paint, on every spot where any ain't, and coax your climbing rose to climb, and keep in blos-

som all the time. To clean your yard work late and hard, throw your cans in your neighbors yard, he'll give them to the man next door, and he will pass them on some more, and ere night's shadows have come down the cans will all be out of town. He is a misfit man and mean,

who won't help keep his city clean.—Houston Post.

A Man Will Make the Same Mistake Twice, Given Time.

That a man will make the same mistake twice in his life if he lives long enough is a fact, however much you may hear this disputed. As proof of this we give herewith an item credited to "Ex" in which this is clearly shown.

Thirty years ago a Kansas newspaper reported a wedding which failed to take place. It apologized and corrected the error in the next issue. The other day in the Thirty-Year-Ago column the paper repeated the mistake and had to apologize and correct itself all over again.

About Typographical Errors

Palmer Rustler: To set an ordinary column of type requires 10,000 pieces of type. There are seven positions in which each letter may be placed, and there are over 70,000 chances to make transpositions. In the sentence, "to be or not to be," by transposition, it is possible to make 5,757,622 errors. After reading the above statement from a printer's magazine, do you wonder why you sometimes see an error in the newspaper?

State Press: It is of no use. The dear people simply will not permit themselves to be denied their right to make merry over typographical errors. They don't

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handwriting was so bad the printer made him say "She smelled to the groom like a pie on a shelf."

Now and Then

The little boys come fighting along the homeward way from school and you are astonished that they should do that way.

When you were young you used to be sweet and most polite and kept your neck and ears clean and never used to fight. You

told, you never gave your mother the least excuse to scold; you never swiped a melon, you always used to mind, and you, to hear you tell it, was always quite refined. That's what you tell the youngsters, who snuggle fondly by, and after that you tell them you never told a lie.—Judd Mortiner Lewis in Houston Post.

Woman's Missionary Society

We missed all who were ab-

per member. Some can't pay that much, others can pay more.

We were sorry to have Miss Maggie Power leave us for Magazine, Ark. She has been such a help to us. Her time not being hers she did not always attend but thoroughly enjoyed when she did. She always paid liberally out of her means, last year giving beyond a tenth. We mothers will miss her with our children in the Little Mission

The Page Amusement Company

MAY 18 -- FLOYDADA -- MAY 22

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GOOD--HIGH CLASS--VAUDEVILLE

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know and don't care how easy it is to make a perfectly respectable utterance show up in the form of a perfectly outrageous expression on the printed page. They want to laugh when they see such an error and, ding them, they simply will laugh! Consider the poor misfortunate who wrote of the departing bride that "She smiled to the group like a peri or an elf," and whose

never sneaked your shoes off and went barefoot in spring, you never broke a window with a misguided fling, you never left home problems until 'twas time for bed, and got five in conduct for every month which sped; and when your mother called you to tumble out at dawn, you never went on sleeping, or lay and stretch and yawn; you used to weed the garden and wait to be

sent Monday. We began promptly at 3 o'clock and heard a good program on tithing. After praying were rendered and open discussion on same, then presented to each one present a round celluloid bank to keep tithe money in. These banks were sent from Clinton, Mo., by Mr. Herman P. Faris to our Auxiliary and we heartily thank him for them. We are always glad for Mr. Faris to be in our town. He always attends services and is a man who does not let business hinder his service to his church. We elected Sister Smith to represent us at Memphis, May 28, to June 1. We are glad to send her and feel that it will repay us ten fold this year in our work. There was \$5.50 paid in \$1.70 on delegate fund.

Sunday afternoon when most people are resting, writing, reading or visiting. She was helping Mrs. Robbins with the little folks. Mrs. Rushing will take her place while she is gone, and I am sure she will enjoy the work, for she often met with them. Said it did her good. REPORTER.

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FOR SALE—I have at Petersburg, Texas, a large store house and two business lots also two resident lots that I will sell or trade for live stock. Property will be about \$1,300.00. If interested write or phone me at Mickey, Texas. Carl W. Smith. 2tc.

E. R. Borum, of Decatur, Texas, is visiting this week with his brother, J. U. Borum.

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THE HESPERIAN

Have your portrait made in some of those new Faultless Folders, at Wilson Studio, they are the very latest styles.

Death of Brother

G. B. Marshall

Brother G. B. Marshall was born in Hunt County, Texas, February 9th, 1863, died in Tioga, Texas, May 17th at 10 p. m.

Brother Marshall had been a great sufferer, having been sick for more than sixteen years. He professed faith in Christ in his 18th year and united with the Baptist Church. He was married to Miss Anna Fuller 31 years ago and to them were born nine children, five of whom are living.

This brother passed away peacefully, not fearing to answer the call of the Savior. His remains were brought to Floydada on the afternoon of the 19th and at the Baptist Church at three p. m. on the 20th, he was buried in the Floydada Cemetery in the presence of his many friends.

We extend to his family our deepest sympathy and hope that they may find comfort in the blessed promises of Dr. Marshall's God. That his children may seek to emulate his Christian integrity. God's repeated calls for our neighbors and friends are but to remind us that He will call us soon, let us be ready.

Rev. Allen Weather.
 Jno. F. Elder, Pastor.

Your Portrait.

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Sam Goslee returned home this week from Quanah where he had been the previous week. He has been absent from Floydada several months.

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FOODS OUT OF THE ORDINARY

Among Others, Elephants' Feet, Properly Prepared, is Considered a Delicacy.

The elephant in the Antwerp "Zoo" was treated as a captive of war, and was used by his capturers to carry wood for the fortifications the Germans have been so busy throwing up in Belgium to resist the advance of the allies, remarks a correspondent of the London Sketch. Possibly that elephant is still doing this work, but any German officers who have been in Africa must know that elephants' feet, baked in a pit filled with hot wood ashes, are considered great delicacies, and that an elephant's tongue is also not to be despised when boiled. In Paris, during the siege in the last war, all the animals in the "Zoo" that were eatable were eaten, and some of the bills of fare of great feasts at the restaurants during that period are still preserved as curiosities. A bear ham, when the animal has fed on wild fruits and nuts, is capital eating; monkey flesh is not to be despised; and some snakes, I am assured, are really delicacies, though I have never been bold enough to make an essay on such out-of-the-way food. Snails and a porcupine mark the utmost line of my gastronomic excursions into the strange. The porcupine baked in clay, which clay when broken off took with it the quills, was excellent; but the snails, at which I have made more than one attempt at Prunier's in Paris, were—ugh!

EMPTIED LAKE TO GET ORE

Engineering Feat Recently Brought to a Successful Conclusion Near Cobalt, Ontario.

When a lake interferes with modern industrial progress the lake must be abolished, according to a precedent established regarding Kerr lake, near Cobalt, Ontario, which is no longer in existence. It has been pumped dry because it stood in the way of the mining of a vein of silver extending under it. This vein was so rich that the mining company decided that it was worth the expense of pumping the lake dry. The pumping operation was unusual. It required four big centrifugal pumps, which were placed on scows floated on the surface of the lake. These pumps were large enough to permit the passage of solid matter up to four inches in diameter. The water was conveyed through pipes to another lake about half a mile away. The pumping operations required 38 working days of ten hours each, with the pumps bringing up water at the rate of 6,000 gallons a minute. The lake covered about thirty acres and contained more than 4,000,000 gallons of water.

Furthering Social Legislation. The Minnesota conference on charities and correction has organized a committee on social legislation, to include any organization, institution or society engaged in social service. The object of the committee is "to promote sane social legislation, to correct imperfect or faulty legislation and to discourage vicious or unwise social projects." Of the 175 possible members, forty-six have joined the committee.

The board of directors elected by the members meets weekly during the legislative session and submits in writing to the members such laws as are pertinent, asking for action, or advice, as the situation may demand. The two bills for which the committee has felt particular responsibility are: (1) To create a commission on the revision and codification of laws relating to children; (2) A law to establish a state reformatory for women.

Floating, but Also Freezing.

Those whose memory goes back nearly forty years will not have forgotten the stir made by Captain Boyton, the inventor of a pneumatic life-saving suit warranted to keep anyone afloat at sea. It was in connection with this device that James Creelman, the American journalist, who recently died in a Berlin hospital, gained his first opportunity. Captain Boyton arrived in New York in 1878 with his suit, and Mr. Creelman, then a junior reporter on the Herald, was instructed to test its qualities on behalf of that paper. Accordingly, one night Captain Boyton and Mr. Creelman donned their suits, jumped into the ice-filled bay at the Battery and floated down through the Narrows. The cold, however, was so intense that they had to be rescued. The journalist's story of this adventure was the first of many "scoops" he had to his credit.

"Bulgarian Bacillus" Fakes.

Dr. Arthur J. Bendick of New York has been investigating the various preparations of the Bulgarian bacillus that are sold. He finds that "the majority of the preparations contain only a small fraction of the number of living organisms that the manufacturers represent. Many of the preparations as sold at retail are sterile, containing no living bacilli of the Bulgarian type or any other living organism."

Woes of Authors.

"Smiley has a nasty disposition. 'Has he?' 'Yes, he has. I asked him to loan me that new book of his.' 'Yes?' 'He offered me \$1.25, and told me to go and buy one.'—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

MADE ALL THE DIFFERENCE

Change of Ownership Seemingly Caused Change in Hearing Faculties of Neighbors.

Champ Clark has invented a little fable of two men and a dog, and more than once used it to point a moral. Jones and Smith were next-door neighbors. Jones had a dog that barked a considerable part of every night. Finally Smith said to Jones: "See here, Jones, we have always been friends, and I hope you won't take offense if I tell you that the barking of your dog is driving me and my family mad for want of sleep." "That's queer," said Jones. "I haven't noticed that the dog barked any to speak of." Two or three evenings later Smith came home leading a dog—the dog—by a string. "Now," said he to Mrs. Smith, "we will soon have a chance to sleep. I didn't like to shoot the beast while he belonged to Jones, so I have bought him. Nobody can blame us for killing our own dog. I'll get some chloroform tomorrow." A month passed and Jones and Smith met. "Well, Smith, you haven't chloroformed the dog yet." "No," said Smith, "the truth is we have become rather fond of him. He is so lively and playful." "But doesn't his barking at night annoy you?" "I haven't noticed it." "Well," said Jones, "the brute keeps us awake half the night. I don't see how you can endure it."

WAYS OF ACQUIRING GRACE

First of All Probably the Necessity of Holding Chest Correctly—Crossing the Arms.

A good carriage has much to do with success in acquiring grace. Never mind about your shoulders; they will fall naturally into their place if the chest is correctly held. The woman who holds her chest up will glance at you pityingly when you speak of indigestion, backache and similar physical worries.

The secret of health is to adjust all the parts of your machine. Lift your chest, and all the other organs in your body will slip into the place nature designed for them. Learn to hold your chest forward in walking, even straining against it, as a horse strains against a harness. Hold your head easily balanced on your shoulders.

Crossing the arms gracefully is an art that never seems to be understood outside the theater. Most women who assume this position fold the hands down inside the arms. The hands should be laid out straight, one crossing the right arm and the other just holding to the left.—The Delineator.

Liked Americans Best.

American ambulances, such as are doing admirable work in France just now, were far and away the most efficient in the service of the wounded during the war of 1870. So, at least, said Mr. Labouchere. "It is the dream of every French soldier, if he is wounded, to be taken to the American ambulance," he wrote. "They seem to be under the impression that even if their legs are shot off, the skill of the Esculapi of the United States will make them grow again."

Of the nurse, too, he wrote in admiration. "I have a great weakness for the American girl," he admitted. "She puts her heart into what she is about. When she firms she does it conscientiously, and when she nurses a most uninviting looking zouave or franc-tireur she does it equally conscientiously, when there is nothing more to do for them sitting patiently reading to them or playing cards with them."

Nine Photos to a Passport.

New passport regulations put into force by the English and French governments should prove a boon to photographers. Any American who desires to get from England to Holland or France must be armed with at least nine photographs of himself. It now takes three days to get the credentials necessary to make the trip across the English channel, and at every turn the applicant is met with a demand for his photograph. Under the changed regulations pictures of travelers are available in many places should any question arise as to the identity of persons suspected of being spies. Under the three-day limit plan secret agents have an opportunity to make a full investigation of the credentials of all applicants for permits and can look up the records of persons who may be under suspicion.

Death of Danish Poet.

Danish literature has just lost one of its prominent men by the death of the poet, Thor Lange, aged sixty-four years. Besides some notable translations of Greek tragedies and Longfellow's "Golden Legend," he excelled in Danish versions of the ballads of Russia, his country of adoption since 1876, when he was appointed lecturer at Moscow university. His name, says the London Athenaeum, will long be remembered in Denmark, for his love of her historical past led him to erect memorial stones or crosses on spots where stirring events had taken place.

Adaptability.

As a funeral trolley car on its line did not pay, an Atlantic City railroad turned it into a tango car, with facilities for dancing parties. It is this kind of resource under difficulties which has made us the wonder of modern nations.—Kansas City Journal.

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at Floydada State of Texas, at the close of business on the 1st day of May 1915 published in the Floyd Co. Hesperian, a newspaper printed and published at Floydada, State of Texas, on the 20th day of May 1915.

RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts, personal or collateral	\$90,947.76
Loans, real estate	3,206.80
Overdrafts	349.66
Bills of Exchange	2,780.09
Real Estate, banking house	8,792.99
Other Real Estate	3,000.00
Furniture and Fixtures	2,287.65
Due from Approved Reserve Agent, net	40,637.47
Due from other Banks	
Bankers, subject to check, net	1,943.58
Cash Items	945.46
Currency	4,510.00
Specie	889.31
Interest on Depositors Guaranty Fund	1,309.07
Other Resources as follow:	
Asst. C. Fund	116.15
Cash Collection	1,631.57
Total	163,347.56

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock paid in	30,000.00
Surplus Fund	3,240.00
Undivided Profits, net	1,462.22
Due to Bk's and Bankers, subject to checks, net	115.96
Individual Deposits subject to check	103,709.23
Time Certificates of Deposit	23,322.40
Cashier's Checks	1,497.33
Other Liabilities as follows:	
Suspense	.42
Total	163,347.56

State Of Texas County of Floyd, I, Jas. K. Green, as cashier of said bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Jas. K. Green, Cashier.

Sworn and subscribed to before me this 11th day of May A. D. nineteen hundred and fifteen. Witness my hand and notarial seal on the date last aforesaid.

Chas. H. Veale,

Notary Public Floyd County, Texas, State of Texas, County of Hale. I, W. A. Robbins, as President of said bank do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

W. A. Robbins, President.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 18th day of May, 1915.

C. S. Williams,

Notary Public Hale County, Texas.

CORRECT-ATTEST:
 P. M. Felton
 S. L. Rushing
 J. D. STARKS,
 DIRECTORS

Interesting Items

OUR COUNTRY'S DEFENSE

"I haven't been in physical combat with another human being since I was a boy," says Secretary of War, Garrison. "Right now I can say to you that I wouldn't fight another

man; that I wouldn't descend to a rough and tumble fight in the street—but I know, and you know, that I might walk out into that corridor and meet a man who would insult me in such a way that I'd punch him in a minute. There are some insults that can't be attended to in any other way. Besides which there are some assaults upon and threats against one's life or one's property that are made with force and can only be successfully met by force.

"Now then, nations are just individuals. We may say there is nothing that could force the United States into a war—but down in our hearts we know this isn't so. We know the nation might be insulted, just as you or I might be, or that its existence or vital interests might be threatened—and that we would fly to arms in a minute. And that is why the War Department is worried about our army; why it is worrying about the country's defenses."—The American Boy.

CRUISERS COAL ON THE RUN

The British cruisers which are guarding the steamship lanes against German raiders do not dare to relax their vigilance for an instant. It is dangerous for them to stop to take on the necessary coal, and so an ingenious method has been devised to enable them to take coal on the run. The collier that is to supply a cruiser with coal gets into touch with her by wireless and meets her at the appointed spot. The collier pulls up behind the cruiser and when about four hundred feet astern two hawsers are passed from the warship and one fastened on either side to be used as tow lines. Another cable is stretched from the masthead of the collier to the deck of the warship. The warship steams ahead at the rate of ten or twelve knots an hour, followed by the collier. Great bags holding a ton of coal are hoisted to the masthead of the collier and attached to a carrier that allows them to run rapidly down to the deck of the cruiser, where the load is automatically released. The carrier is then drawn back to the collier. By this means coal is loaded onto a moving warship at the rate of sixty tons an hour.

MOVIES OF FLYING BULLETS

Imagine photographing a moving revolver bullet; then imagine, Continued on Page 8

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THE HESPERIAN

Y. M. B. L. To Take Census of Plainview May 25th.

Plainview, Texas, May 16th—Cash and an honorary membership are prizes the Young Men's Business League of Plainview are offering for a suitable slogan for the organization.—This body which was organized recently, has a membership of fifty. It plans the intensive development of the territory immediately adjacent to Plainview.

Plainview has enjoyed a remarkable growth in the past five years and to avoid waiting until the next United States Census for accurate information regarding Plainview the Young Men's Business League has set Tuesday May 25, as a day for taking a census of Plainview. The plan includes a supervision committee and division of the town into sections, each member of the league enumerating the census of the section to which he is assigned. Affidavit to the census, approved blanks, and other things necessary to having the census officially recognized by the national census bureau are planned.

The matter of road extension has been taken up by the league. Improvement of existing roads and opening of new roads is the program.

Stay-At-Home University Course

There is an increase of from 25 to 40 per cent each month in the enrollment for correspondence courses in the University of Texas, over the enrollment for corresponding months last year. Dr. Payne, head of this division of the Extension Department, thinks that this increase may be due to the financial depression in Texas preventing students coming to the University but who are yet ambitious enough and want to do University work by correspondence. There have been about 6,000 students taking correspondence work in the Extension Department during the past five years, and the present enrollment exceeds 1,200.

In stating the case for correspondence instruction Miss Sarah L. Clapp, who completed seven university courses by this method, says:

"After having earned seven university degree credits through

the medium of correspondence instruction in six subjects—English, Latin, Greek, History, Philosophy, and Mathematics—I can assure anyone who wishes to take up this work that it is a quite feasible means of pursuing one's university course.

"A recent high-school graduate, I entered on correspondence work with some misgivings as to the adequacy of my preparation. The grades I received demonstrated that high-school training prepares one as well for correspondence as for residence work. My work in Greek consisted of the beginners' course; and my present residence instructor testifies to my having acquired a satisfactory foundation in the language.

"Among my courses were English 2, Philosophy 1, Latin 3, and Mathematics 15, showing that comparatively advanced work may be taken to advantage in this way.

"Though four was my usual number of courses and I had music as an extra, for several months I carried five correspondence courses, at the same time practicing at the piano two or more hours daily. Nearly two years were required to complete the seven courses.

"Time for preparation of a lesson is virtually limited only by the inclination of the student. Accuracy and careful attention to detail are developed. One learns to depend on oneself. Patience becomes a primary virtue. Further, it is a great merit of correspondence work that it gives one absolute control over the textual knowledge of a subject. It is even possible to obtain through correspondence that elusive something, the personal touch, which means so much to a student."

J. M. Massie Building Residence

J. M. Massie, junior member of the firm of W. M. Massie & Bro., is building a residence in West Floydada east of the W. M. Massie residence.

The foundations for the building were completed early this week.

"Our Home" Amarillo High Patent Flour, best for light bread, \$1.90 per sack at Duncan Grocery.

SENSE AND NONSENSE

Flippant Fancies

Hardships of war—battleships. Highballs have laid many a man low.

You don't have to set a trap to catch a cold.

Not all drummers beat drums—some beat hotels.

Many a financial upset is due to a small tip.

The centipede with one foot in the grave isn't very old.

Poets are born, not made—and the birth rate isn't high.

Some people try to raise the wind by blowing about their prospects.—Boston Transcript.

Pointed Paragraphs

Plumbers prefer the piping times of peace.

An honest man is indeed a good thing—for his creditors.

After a woman has told a third of the story men can guess the rest.

Somehow a man who doesn't know right from wrong nearly always does wrong.

The man who attempts to serve two masters is liable to arrest for bigamy.

After a man has been married two weeks he can understand why love is blind.

If all the brides are as beautiful as the reporters would have us believe, where do all the homely married women come from?

Our idea of an optimist is a man who hopes for the best, prepares for the worst, and swallows the dose fate ladles out to him with cheerful grin.—Chicago News.

azine. He sold his son-in-law a share in a cow and then refused to divide the milk, maintaining that he sold the front half. The buyer was also required to provide the feed the cow consumed and compelled to carry water to her three times a day. Recently the cow hooked the old man and now he is suing his son-in-law for damages.—Ex.

New Use for the Daily Newspaper

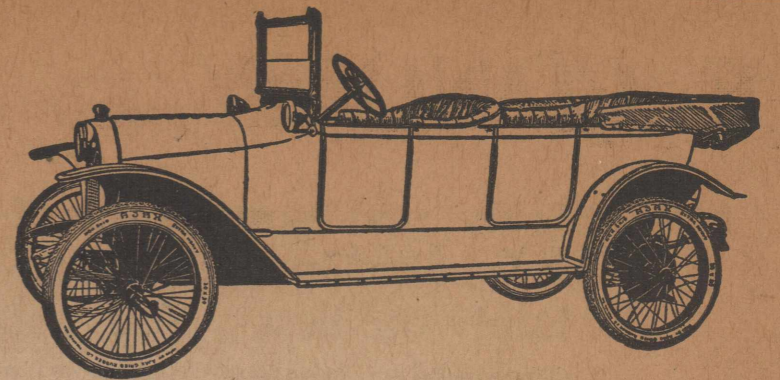
The Emporia Gazette tells of an Emporia woman who had been away on an extended visit. Her husband tired of his own cooking and cast about for a way to get her home without actually admitting that he was lonely. He was sending her the Gazette each day, so he began cutting items out of the paper before he sent it. The woman's curiosity got the better of her and in a few days she came home to see what her husband had been up to that he was endeavoring to keep quiet.

STORY OF A LUCKY EDITOR

Moves from the Northwest Texas; Finds Himself a Rich Man Overnight.

Wichita Times.

Editors as a rule are unlucky in all their financial ventures, but occasionally there are exceptions to this rule. A few years ago Ward J. Sheldon came to Wichita County from some one of the North or Northwestern States and settled down at Electra. At that time there was nothing at Electra excepting a general store, a hotel, drug store, blacksmith shop, post of-



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lucky editor! The Times extends heartiest congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Sheldon.

Attends Hardware Dealers' Convention in Roswell.

C. Surginer left Sunday morning for Roswell, N. Mex., where he has been the first part of this week attending the annual meeting of the hardware dealers association of West Texas and Eastern New Mexico.

Yes, Women Understand Politics

In Illinois elections last week the women were allowed to vote for the first time, and indeed some strange things are reported. In one town of 1,500 people a woman seventy four years old was elected mayor. In another town a number of women have been arrested on charges of having bought votes, from other women, at \$3 each. Quite a number of precincts and counties that heretofore have refused to vote out the saloons, at this election went into the dry column. All these things would lead one to the opinion that women are quite able to understand politics, alright.—Plainview News.

BORN—To Mr. and Mrs. Harry Weatherly, Monday, May 17, a son.

Floyd Barber, of Lockney, was in town Monday afternoon.

While here he registered for a license number for his new Harley-Davidson motorcycle. He is carrier on route two out of Lockney.

Reported Fine Trip.

R. L. Marquis and J. W. Reid returned from their trip to Floyd county where they visited the country schools last week. Owing to the rains they were unable to make all the the schools scheduled. The gentlemen are highly pleased with the school conditions in Floyd county and report that they found many of the former students of the West Texas State Normal College all of whom are doing good work. They are very grateful for the kindness shown them by Judge Thomason, who is county judge and ex-office superintendent of the county schools. He is a very capable man and takes an exceptional interest in the welfare of the schools.

Mr. Marquis commented upon the splendid roads of Floyd and Hale counties where intelligence has been used in grading and dragging the roads—Canyon News.

If you have clean cane seed, big German millet or bright maize heads for sale, see Ross Bros.

For marble monuments, see S. B. McClesky.

Watch our Window each week for the Weekly prize to be given each Wednesday, vote recording day, to Club members in our contest.

C. Surginer & Son

A Kansas man, having been jilted by his betrothed after he had made a long trip to marry her, started proceedings to recover damages to the extent of the expense incident to the trip. Whereupon, according to press reports, the girl reconsidered and married him. At any rate he can be sure of getting an economical wife.

Behind the Bars

The Sunday was a wet one and she was allowed to accompany her parents to church. It was her first experience of that kind.

The minister was of the energetic, pulpit-thumping type, and he preached from a rostrum railed in, above the people. He excelled himself this day in the thumping tactics and had worked himself up to a pitch of excitement.

Esther was cowering close to her mother's side, and when he reached a point which he emphasized more than all others, she exclaimed in a frightened whisper:

"Ma! what would we do if he got out?"—Pittsburgh Chronicle-Dispatch.

An Irate Neutral

"With which side do you sympathize in this war?"

"I don't believe," replied Mr. Growcher, "that I can define my attitude as one of sympathy. My sentiment is one of comprehensive indignation."—Washington Star.

The meanest man on record is said to be a farmer who lives in Kansas, according to Eagle Mag-

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CROP REPORT, TEXAS AND UNITED.

**Bureau of Crop Estimates, in Cooperation with Weather Bureau,
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.**

Houston, Texas, May 8, 1915

Estimates, as of May 1, 1915, with comparisons, made by Bureau of Crop Estimates, are given below:

	TEXAS	UNITED STATES
WINTER WHEAT:		
May 1st forecast of production, 1915	Bus. 20,900,000	693,000,000
Final estimate of production, 1914	Bus. 14,066,000	684,990,000
RYE:		
Condition May 1, 1915	Per cent of normal 95	89.8
Condition May 1, 10-year average	Per cent of normal 80	90.6
MEADOWS:		
Condition May 1, 1915	Per cent of normal 97	89.8
Condition May 1, 10 year average	Per cent of normal 87	88.6
PASTURES:		
Condition May 1, 1915	Per cent of normal 98	97.2
Condition May 1, 10-year average	Per cent of normal 87	86.4
SPRING PLOWING:		
Per cent done May 1, 1915	87	78.3
Per cent done May 1, 10 year average	89	68.0
SPRING PLANTING:		
Per cent done May 1, 1915	72	65.3
Per cent done May 1, 9-year average	78	54.8
HAY:		
Tons of old crop on hand May 1, 1915	142,000	8,470,000
Tons of old crop on hand May 1, 1914	74,000	7,832,000

PRICES TO PRODUCERS			
WHEAT:	Per bushel, May 1, 1915	Cts. 142.0	140.0
	Per bushel, May 1, 1914	Cts. 93.0	83.9
CORN:	Per bushel, May 1, 1915	Cts. 96.0	77.7
	Per bushel, May 1, 1914	Cts. 89.0	72.1
OATS:	Per bushel, May 1, 1915	Cts. 57.0	53.4
	Per bushel, May 1, 1914	Cts. 50.0	39.5
POTATOES:	Per bushel, May 1, 1915	Cts. 112.0	50.5
	Per bushel, May 1, 1914	Cts. 119.0	71.5
HAY:	Per ton, May 1, 1915	Dols. 9.50	11.80
	Per ton, May 1, 1914	Dols. 12.00	12.31
COTTON:	Per pound, May 1, 1915	Cts. 9.1	9.1
	Per pound, May 1, 1914	Cts. 11.6	12.2
EGGS:	Per dozen, May 1, 1915	Cts. 14.0	16.8

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Death of Lewis H. Newell, Jr.
Brother Louis Newell, was the son of Father L. H. Newell and wife. Born in Hunt County, Texas, on June 16th, 1863; Died in Denver, Colo., May 11th, 1915 at 9:30 a. m. He was brought up in a good religious home, and in 1908 was converted and caused to love the same Christ of his parents. United in holy wedlock

to sister Lenora Block on Dec. 31, 1893. To them were born 5 children, three sons and two daughters. He had been sick a long time and fought a hard battle for his life, wanting to stay with his family and friends. He had lost by death a dear brother just a few months before that seemed to remind him of the nearness of the end with him.

His wife was with him when the end came. He was composed and expressed his readiness to go. He was brought back home on the 14th and buried in the Floydada cemetery at 4 p. m. on the 15th inst. His many friends with a large family relation gathered at the church expressing their great grief at his going. He is the sixth son of the dear father and mother who has preceded them to the other world. He leaves a brother, five sisters father and mother, with a bereaved wife and five children to grieve his going.

We tender to the bereaved family our deepest sympathies, and can only commend them to the Grace and care of our God. Tenderly,
Jno. F. Elder, Pastor.

Disturbed by Cannonading.
The Times and other English publications have contained numerous accounts of the disturbance noted among the pheasants of northeastern England during the North sea battle of January 24, apparently indicating that these birds heard the cannonading—so plainly as to be much excited thereby—though in most places it was imperceptible to the human senses. An alternative suggestion, offered by Doctor Davison, is that the disturbance of the birds was due to the sudden swaying of low trees and shrubs under the effect of inaudible air waves.—Scientific American.

Licorice in California.
The experience of Sutter county, California, with licorice will be watched with interest in other parts of the state. The growth already made is satisfactory, and a good crop is expected this year. Over 1,000,000 pounds of the root were imported in the fiscal year of 1913, in addition to a great quantity of paste. The source of supply has been Asiatic Turkey. Because of the trade restrictions there on account of the war the California growers of licorice anticipate larger profits this year.

Just a Habit.
Blondine—Mrs. Giddigadd has been married five times.
Brunette—Gracious! Can't she find a husband to suit her?
Blondine—Yes, but she has a mania for wedding presents.

SONGBIRDS OF GREAT VALUE

Rarest, Varieties Command Large Sums When They Are Offered for Sale to Fanciers.

The recent international bird show has provided some astonishing facts and figures regarding the value of songbirds. There are nearly one hundred classes of canaries. That they can be Norwich or Lancashire, Border or Yorkshire variegated, lizard, unflighted, clear, cross-bred, created, self or foul conveys very little to the average mind but leaves one marvelling at the variety of chirping little creatures whose feathers are every conceivable shade of yellow.

One marvels also at the variety of birds that could be kept as pets. Finches, linnets, redpoles, tomtits, robins, wrens, stonechats, babblers and long-tailed, short-tailed, wag-tailed and crested varieties of all of them in every size, from the minute hummingbird to the plump scarlet cockatoo, all vie for that popularity which up to the present has been the monopoly of the canary.

FOEMEN MADE MANY VISITS
Aged French Couple Kept Track of Number of Times Germans Had Been in Village.

Travelers in France just now have to stay at all sorts of queer places for the night. A correspondent writes to say that he was forced to stop for the night at a little village near Reims. "An old Frenchman and his wife, both over eighty years of age, gave me a room in the house," he writes. "Before going to bed the old people talked about the war. They had been living together in this same house during the Franco-German war and said the old man, 'it does not seem five minutes ago. While we have been living here, he went on the German soldiers during the two wars have been billeted in this house no fewer than twenty-two times. During this war they have been backwards and forwards on three or four occasions.' "These old French people—the woman looked very sweet in her snow-white cap—actually kept a score of the number of times the Germans had been through the village in war times. 'Do you think they have now gone for good?' asked the old man. 'Shall I ever have to make another mark on the score?'"

Bees to Fight Troops.
In the bush fighting in East Africa the Germans and their black troops placed hives of wild bees, partially stupefied by smoke, under lids on each side of narrow tracks along which our troops must advance. Wires or cords lifted the lids when touched by the advancing troops, and swarms of infuriated bees, recovered from their temporary stupor, were let loose on the attackers. The failure of the attack at certain points is said to have been due as much to this onslaught of the "little people" as to the German rifles and machine-guns, many men being so horribly stung on the face or hands as to be temporarily blinded or rendered incapable of holding their weapons. Over one hundred stings are said to have been extracted from one of the men of the Royal North Lancashires.—London Mail.

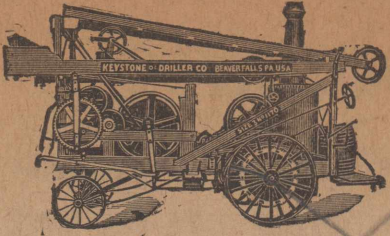
Gun Has No Recoil.
An officer of the United States navy has invented a gun that fires a six-pound projectile without recoil. This gun, because of the absence of recoil, is well adapted to use on aeroplanes or dirigibles. The gun has both ends open to the atmosphere. The shell has the projectile fitted into one end, and in the other end is a mass of birdshot. The shot is of sufficient weight to furnish the required reaction when the projectile is discharged from the other end of the gun. When the gun is fired the projectile is thrown from the muzzle at a high velocity while the shot is discharged from the breech at low velocity.

Criticizes Hospitals.
Mrs. W. K. Vanderbilt has given much time and money to the question of the selling of drugs and the treatment of those who become victims, which the city of New York takes care. She now declared the manner in which the city of New York takes care of the drug "fiends" a hideous farce. After ten days the victims are sent out of the hospitals "cured," and she says they leave shattered in nerve and unable to fight against the drug. Katherine Bement Davis, commissioner of charities in New York, says that between 35 and 50 per cent of all the criminals are drug fiends.

A Prudent Provision.
"Jones is nothing if not thorough. No matter how he starts out, he always gets to the bottom of things." "Then it is very lucky for him that he didn't start out as a sea captain."

The Difficulty.
Maud—Haven't you and Jack been engaged long enough to get married?
Marie—Too long. He hasn't got a cent left.—Boston Evening Transcript.

A Palpable Hint.
Mr. Slowboy (calling on girl)—You seem—er—rather distant this evening.
The Girl—Well, your chair isn't nailed down, is it?—Brooklyn Eagle.



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34,000 Contestants for Prizes of Texas Industrial Congress.

Dallas, Texas, May 15.—A final casting of the entries in the better farming campaign of the Texas Industrial Congress shows a total of 34,000 men, women, boys and girls from 149 counties who are studying modern agricultural methods. This is more than three times as many as have enrolled in any former year.

The entries in the several classes are as follows:

For the best four-acre model farm cultivated in cotton, corn, cowpeas and Kaffir, milo or feterita, 240; for the best acre of kaffir, milo or feterita, grown with or without irrigation, 516; for the best acre of corn, 2278; for the best acre of peanuts, 1766; for the greatest gain in live weight in feeding a steer, 128; a steer calf, 423; a hog, 2,231. For the best plats of wheats, oats, etc., (tracts to be not less than 5 acres in size) 115; for the best garden, 26,311.

The entries by counties follow: Anderson, 12; Anselina, 653; Archer, 1; Atascosa, 4; Austin, 7; Bastrop, 4; Baylor, 3; Bee, 47; Bell, 1,111; Bexar, 2,792; Bowie, 11; Brazoria, 1; Braozos, 2; Brown, 28; Burleson, 17; Burnet, 3; Calahan, 2; Caldwell, 10; Cameron, 9; Camp, 6; Cass, 20; Cherokee, 1,598; Clay, 7; Coke, 6; Coleman, 11; Collins, 588; Colorado, 17; Comanche, 8; Concho, 7; Cooke, 552; Coryell, 2; Cottle, 56; Crosby, 1; Dallas, 4,416; Delta, 3; Denton, 71; DeWitt, 3; Donley, 23; Eastland, 1; Ellis, 1,351; Erath, 12; Falls, 453; Fannin, 104; Fayette, 74; Fisher, 5; Floyd, 11; Foard, 5; Franklin, 8; Freestone, 11; Ft. Bend, 19; Galveston, 1; Grayson, 1,626; Gregg, 927; Grimes, 3; Guadalupe, 3; Hale, 25; Hall, 4; Hamilton, 1; Hardeman, 1; Hardin, 3; Harris, 3,308; Harrison, 381; Haskell, 4; Hays, 3; Henderson, 818; Hidalgo, 2; Hill, 87; Hood, 1; Hopkins,

16; Houston, 11; Hunt, 20; Jackson, 1; Jasper, 1; Jeff Davis, 3; Jefferson, 6; Jim Wells, 4; Johnson, 16; Jones, 1; Karnes, 6; Kaufman, 788; Kendall, 2; Kleberg, 14; Knox, 2; Lamar, 474; Lampasas, 2; La Salle, 8; Lavaca, 14; Lee, 1; Liberty, 4; Limestone, 9; Live Oak, 3; Llano, 3; Lubbock, 10; Madison, 1; Marion, 5; Matagorda, 4; McCullough, 8; McLennan, 1,591; Medina, 1; Milam, 7; Mills, 2; Mitchell, 5; Montague, 50; Motley, 4; Nacogdoches, 1,351; Navarro, 1,096; Nolan, 6; Nueces, 186; Palo Pinto, 1; Panola, 31; Pecos, 1; Potter, 1; Rains, 1; Red River, 181; Reeves, 2; Robertson, 3; Runnels, 11; Rusk, 59; Sabine, 2; San Augustine, 3; San Jacinto, 1; San Patricio, 2; Scurry, 7; Shackelford, 1; Shelby, 3; Sherman, 1; Smith, 1,176; Stonewall, 2; Swisher, 4; Tarrant, 3,082; Taylor, 557; Titus, 11; Tom Green, 6; Travis, 971; Trinity, 7; Upshur, 159; Uvalde, 3; Van Zandt, 277; Victoria, 14; Walker, 8; Washington, 6; Wharton, 9; Wheeler, 58; Wichita, 5; Wilbarger, 15; Williamson, 60; Wilson, 1; Wise, 38; Wood, 117.

LASSOED A GERMAN SENTINEL
Peculiar Circumstances Under Which French Soldiers Made Prisoner of Single Enemy.

The second lieutenant of a battalion of Alpine chasseurs tells how the lasso was utilized against the Germans in the Vosges.

"We occupied a wooded knoll," he says, "so well placed the Germans couldn't think of taking it by assault, so they set their miners and sappers at work. They arrived thus within a few yards of our trenches and had the audacity to place a sentinel there, well protected in a sort of armored box with loopholes in it. There was no way of driving him out. One day a chasseur, who had seen life on the American plains, asked permission to try his hand with a rope. At midnight he slipped out of the trench and crept close enough to throw a slip noose over the box, then another and another before the German realized what had happened. With the aid of a number of comrades the box with the German in it was dragged into our trenches."

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A. J. Ryals

James Hughes, Capt. of the 1st Texas Cavalry, was killed at the battle of Gettysburg. He was a brave and gallant soldier, and his death was a great loss to the Confederate army. His remains were buried in the National Cemetery at Gettysburg, Pennsylvania.

Donaldson, Butler, Stallings, Gann, and other names are listed in a directory or index.

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Interesting Items

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If you can make seventy-two photographs of it while it was covering a space of ten inches. This is a feat which has actually been accomplished with the aid of a moving picture camera. As the pictures were taken at the rate of one hundred thousand a second, and no camera shutter is made which could attain that speed, the pictures were made by means of a series of electric flashes, each spark or flash giving one exposure. The film used was mounted on a wheel, three feet in circumference which was revolved at the rate of nine thousand revolutions a minute in order that the pictures should not overlap each other.

In photographing a bullet passing through a stick, it was noticed that the bullet passed completely through the stick and was well on its way before the wood showed any signs of splintering. Then tiny splinters appeared, the stick began to split and finally broke after the bullet was some distance from the stick.—The American Boy.

J. J. Ryals returned last week from Oklahoma City where he had been since the latter part of December.

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Mrs. N. W. McCleskey Hostess to Carnation Club Thursday.

Mrs. McCleskey was hostess to the Carnation Club Thursday. The guests were ushered into the dining room and served to refreshing punch, Miss King presiding.

The house was called to order by President McMillan. The election of officers was held. Mrs. F. M. Butler, President; Mrs. Cannaday Secretary and Treasurer. There being no other business we adjourned to play Rook.

After a number of games were played Mrs. T. B. Triplett winning the high score, dainty hand made covers were spread for a luncheon consisting of delicious Herbert, angel food & loaf cake.

Present were: Mes-
srs. McKinnon,
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Dr. I. E. Gates was re-elected president of Wayland College recently at a board meeting of that institution.

Carbon Paper at Hesperian office

Terrific Rain in North End County

Last night terrific rain fell in the north end of the county, the extent of which The Hesperian could not determine this forenoon. The rain was very heavy at Lockney and was accompanied by hail. The heavy rain reached within a few miles of Floydada, only .15 inches falling here. In the Center community the rain is estimated to have been two or three inches. Swinging further east and south the rain became lighter.

Baseball Dope.

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Crosbyton Fans Want South Plains Baseball League.

The fans of Crosbyton some two weeks ago started a movement for a South Plains Baseball League to include the towns in this vicinity.

Post, Slaton, Lubbock, and Lorenzo are among the towns in the prospective circuit, which has met with considerable favor. The Slaton, Post and Crosbyton papers have each come out in favor of the project.

Mrs. C. C. McMillan left this morning for Lowell, Iowa, where she will spend a six-weeks visit with her father.

Sunday's Hail Does Damage

Hail last Sunday afternoon did some damage in the northeast part of this county, the section of country affected also extending east into Motley county.

Wheat and oat crops and orchards suffered the damage.

Considerable wind blew with the storm but no material damage is reported from this source.

Use Steam to Dry Grass.

The up-to-date, well-equipped farm seems now to have a method of protection during the hay season against the losses which have been experienced in so many cases by the wetting of the rain and the preventing of proper drying. Experiments show that grass can be dried by steam within thirty minutes from the time it is cut, then be ready to be stored away. The steam thus obtained is superior to sun-dried product, having more color and keeping fully as long. The steam is applied, of course, to the hay, and that has a simple, to of

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TREASURES OF ANCIENT ART

Archeologists Interested in Find of Prehistoric Ceramics in Brazilian Wilderness.

The last of Mr. Lange's expeditions described in "The Lower Amazon" was a trip to the interior of Marajo Island, at the mouth of the Amazon. Though a short distance from the city of Para, so inaccessible and forbidding is the country that it remains as little known as the other wildernesses of eastern Brazil.

The main purpose of this trip was to collect specimens of ceramic art done by prehistoric Indians and present in large quantities in the region of Lake Arary. The explorer found Pacoval Island, the little speck of land in the lake, a veritable archeological mine. The earth was full of bits of pottery, vases, funeral urns, idol heads, jugs and all sorts of tools and vessels. Some of the vases and urns bore bands in colors as fresh as if painted only the day before. Intricate designs and symbolic figures were skillfully executed. Altogether 4,888 specimens of these prehistoric ceramics were collected.

On this trip the explorer also makes observations, from the outside of the mondongos, those vast regions which are neither land, nor water, nor prairie, nor bush, but just ooze, where a four-footed animal can neither walk nor swim. Of such formations there are hundreds of square miles, the writer says, which have never been explored, and probably never will be.

NEED MAN'S CONSTANT CARE

Sheep Seems to Have Been Overlooked by Nature When Brains Were Given Out.

I never saw or heard of a weak or sickly shepherd. One of the oldest occupations in the world, it has never lacked strong, sturdy, fearless men, who face the wind and storm and cold, the dangers of robbers by night and the ravages of wild beasts at all seasons of the year. I have watched a shepherd guarding his flock at night, dressed in his heavy sheepskin coat, never lying down, but leaning on the heavy staff he carried in his hand. He did not sleep, because at intervals of a minute or less he would raise his head and give a peculiar reassuring call to the flock under his care and his faithful dog at his feet.

No animal could possibly be more helpless than a sheep. The shepherd leatheth, restoreth, guideth the helpless, silly creatures who can do absolutely nothing for themselves. Men have trained dogs, goats, horses, but no one ever saw a sheep perform the simplest trick. When attacked by a dog or wild animal the sheep stands chilled by fear while the fleece is torn from his back and the bleeding flesh from his bones.—The Christian Herald.

Effect of Music.

The United States army has no separate appropriation for military music. Instruments are supplied as needed by the Quartermaster's department, and a small amount is allotted for the purchase of music. In the army register one may find the number of bands, their strength, and pay. That the effect of music on soldiers is reckoned as a necessary feature of the inspiring influence of the march is shown in the dispatches in the newspapers in these war days—the concerted movement in England to provide the armies with marching songs, the significance of weariness immediately inferred when the men are reported as "not singing," the various references to the military music of the various armies and its recognized importance. We are informed by the Prison association that "music in reasonable quantities is an excellent educational and disciplinary influence in prisons and reformatories. The whole effect is good. It can be carried to an extreme, however. Similarly, good congregational singing is useful." Most modern prisons, reformatories, and correctional institutions have bands.

Country Walled In.

Because natural barriers and the elements all but isolate Lake county, Oregon, in the winter and stop the wheels of justice, the senate of the state has passed a bill creating judicial districts in that county.

The author explained that on two sides the district was walled in by lofty mountains, deep in snow in winter, and that the nearest county seat to the north was 180 miles and to the west 150 miles, and for this reason the jails in winter were kept full because the courts outside Lake county could not be reached.

The district has no railroad except a branch line extending across the state line from Nevada, and in order to attend the legislature in Salem, the capital of Oregon, Lake county's representatives have to travel a circuitous route, passing through Sacramento, Cal.

Pot Watching.

Enforced economy is the only sane excuse for the woman who puts the best of herself into sweeping and pot-watching these days. And even then we sometimes have queer ideas on economy. Hundreds of women of limited strength are still struggling with coal-scuttles and ash-pans because "they cannot afford" a gas range or oil stove when, as a matter of fact, they can no more afford the physical labor required for the old-fashioned range than they can eggs at 75 cents a dozen.—Christian Herald.

ABOUT THE RANGE OF CANNON

When Fired at the Ordinary Battle Elevation, American 12-Inch Gun Outshoots English 15-Inch.

Since the Queen Elizabeth made its dramatic entry into the war there has been a great deal of nonsense written about the range of its guns, which, we have been told, outrange any other weapon in existence and can send their projectiles twenty-eight miles.

Of course, if 15-inch guns are in combat with 6-inch, the difference in range is considerable, but for all practical purposes the 12-inch gun has quite as long a reach as the 15-inch. Indeed, the United States government has appended a table to the Fortifications Appropriation bill which goes to show that, if anything, the advantage in this matter lies with the smaller weapon. According to this table, the range of the various guns when trained to an elevation of fifteen degrees is as follows: Twelve-inch, 24,874 yards; 13.5-inch, 21,658 yards; 15-inch, 21,193 yards. This shows a difference of two miles in favor of the 12-inch gun as against the 15-inch.

Range depends largely upon elevation, but as a rule naval guns are so mounted as to be incapable of firing at a greater angle than about twenty degrees. The official American table, however, credits the British 15-inch guns with a range of 46,290 yards if elevated forty-five degrees, a note being added to the effect that such an elevation is "not used." This represents close upon twenty-six and one-half miles, but firing at such a distance would hardly be effective because of the large angle of the fall of the shot and the consequently small "danger space."—Percival A. Hislam in the London Globe.

TREES TOLD OF BIG STORM

Forest Service Able to Determine Exact Date by the Wrinkles on the Trunks.

In cutting up logs for experimental purposes at the Madison, Wis., laboratory of the United States forest service it was noticed that in a number of them there were little diagonal streaks, or wrinkles, running across the grain, and that these appeared entirely on the same side of the tree. It was well known that these wrinkles indicated compression failures, such as result from too great a strain on the fiber at some time, either from bending in a storm, or from rough handling; but as all of the logs in question came from the same locality in Florida, and the markings were all on the north side of the log, it was assumed that they were caused by some severe storm from the south that had swept over that part of the country. By carefully counting the annual rings of wood, and knowing when these trees were cut, it was decided that the storm recorded by the wrinkles must have occurred in the year 1898; and inquiries verified the fact that at that time a hurricane had swept over that region.—Scientific American.

Flying to Business.

The announcement that the Aero club has established a landing place in New York city for business men who wish to fly daily between their country homes and their offices in town reminds us of Orville Wright's recent announcement from Dayton that the Wright stabilizer has been perfected so as to make aeroplaneing "as safe as sitting in a rocking chair."

With the aeroplane invading the automobile's field, the motor jitney cutting into the trolley's fat monopoly, and the motor truck taking increasing shares of the steam railroad's short haul traffic, in districts where good roads abound, it is evident that in transportation at least "the old order passes, giving place to the new."—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

Accumulated Something.

Gen. William Marshall, retired, of the United States army is one of the social lights of Washington. The general weighs something over three hundred pounds net. One day he was dining with President Roosevelt.

"General," said the president, "I am glad to see you looking well. You can never get any sympathy on account of your health. You seem to have accumulated flesh very rapidly these last few years."

"Mr. President," said the stout old soldier, "for God's sake don't begrudge me this flesh. I have been in the army for 32 years, and this is the only thing I have ever accumulated since my enlistment."

Airedale in Warfare.

In the British army the Airedale terrier is used extensively. His coat is of such nature that it is suited to any climate and he is a highly intelligent dog with a wonderful power of scenting and hearing, is of a desirable size and is often used as a scout or sentry as well as an aid to the Red Cross service. The Airedale can readily distinguish the smell of his master from that of a stranger. These military dogs are taught not to bark. When they scent the enemy they will give a low growl, and often will stand like a pointer. They are of great service as night sentries.

Where the Rich Ones Live.

Of the 1,598 persons in this country having incomes of \$100,000 and over, 626 live in New York city. Of the 135 with incomes of \$50,000 and over, 82—or more than one-half—are residents of New York.



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General Hugo, Father of Immortal Writer, as Magnanimous as He Was Brave.

Just a century ago, in 1815, as a French writer reminds us, Gen. Count Joseph Hugo, father of Victor Hugo, the famous poet, rendered his country the last service of an adventurous military career by defending for the second time the fortified town of Thionville. The first siege, although the garrison was weak and the military supplies wretchedly inadequate, lasted for forty-eight days—one day more than the famous siege of Lucknow. The place was abandoned only on the news of Napoleon's downfall, and was recaptured and held for him once more during the hundred days of his return. Thionville, which was renamed Diedenhofen by the Germans after the Franco-Prussian war, may sometime find itself again in the war zone, since it is only a few miles from the great stronghold of Metz, and that is only a few miles from the border of French Lorraine.

The fame of General Hugo is associated, however, chiefly with warfare of a more picturesque and dashing nature than siege operations usually permit. He served brilliantly in both Italy and Spain, and especially distinguished himself in putting down bandits and guerrillas. That he was a man as magnanimous as he was brave is attested by a little incident of his career that his son narrated. General Hugo, accompanied by a single trusted hussar orderly, had occasion, at the close of a day of fighting, to ride across a portion of the battlefield as dusk was beginning to fall.

"He heard a feeble sound in the shadows," wrote Victor Hugo. "It was a soldier of the Spanish army, who dragged himself along the roadway, pale, bleeding, gasping, and who cried, 'A drink! A drink, in the name of pity!'"

"My father, touched, handed his canteen to his faithful hussar, and said, 'Here, give a drink to that poor, wounded fellow.' Suddenly, as the hussar, stooping, leaned over him, the man, a Moor of some sort, snatched the pistol he carried and fired it at my father's head, crying, 'Carabamb!' The bullet passed so close that the hat fell, and the charger reared wildly backward.

"Give him the drink all the same," said my father.—Youth's Companion.

FISH FARMING NEW INDUSTRY

Method of Livelihood That Is Beginning to Attract a Good Deal of Attention.

A new method of livelihood, as well as a new method of living, is afforded by fish farming, which is a rapidly growing industry. It may be a lazy man's job, but for development beyond an addition to the family living, of course, it takes time and attention. A running stream or an acre of pond can be made to earn more money than a well-tilled five-acre farm, says the People's Magazine. The national government, as well as many states through their fish commissions, not only gives free instructions in fish farming, but will also supply the young fish or eggs most likely to thrive best in the locality. But best of all perhaps is the recognition that farmers all over the country are coming to, that a private fish pond is a splendid source of food supply. It was no long time ago when such a thing had not been thought of. Now generally there is a comprehension that such a private pond costs little to maintain, and is almost sure to furnish far more fish than any one family can eat. The demand for fish adapted to this kind of pond culture is greater than the supply, and farm-

ers enterprising enough to have ponds have no difficulty in selling the product. Many farmers sell eggs as well as fish to other farmers and to the governments of state and nation. Private fishing clubs are a great aid in the same way. Fish can be shipped anywhere if they are kept cool and moist, and this makes it easy to find a market almost boundless in extent. But fish, of course, are subject to diseases that at times cause large losses, and the official fish service is at work constantly finding out these diseases and their remedies. Most of these diseases, it is said, come through impure water caused by contaminated streams. If the water is kept pure, the fish farmer has little cause for worry as to his "crop."

SUPERIOR TO NATURAL ICE

Many Reasons Why the Artificial Product Has Advantages—Is More Sanitary.

Artificial ice made from distilled water, in a cleanly way, is free from disease germs; the same cannot be said of natural ice produced from waters of varying degrees of purity. There has been a too-common impression that water purifies itself in freezing, and even that ice made from polluted sources is sterile, and therefore safe.

It is true that freezing eliminates many of the impurities. As the temperature falls in the quiet winter nights and the sheet of crystal forms, the impurities, the organic matter, the mineral salts, the bacteria are thrust downward. But the elimination is not complete.

For two reasons ice made from polluted water is itself likely to be polluted. First, certain quantities of the foreign substances in the water, small, it is true, but none the less objectionable, are frozen into the ice. Second, ice is usually formed by alternate freezes and thaws through the early winter, followed by continued cold weather that finally closes the lake or river. The ice that is cut often includes, therefore, a certain amount of snow-ice or surface ice that has had no opportunity to eliminate its impurities, and retains everything that contaminated the water of which it was made.—The Companion.

Robin That Reasoned.

Showing the motherly care of a robin, an exchange relates the following beautiful instance:

"A robin's nest was filled with young ones in sight of a friend's window. The mother bird was away when a violent thunderstorm came up. As the heavy drops began to pour down she returned and the little ones greeted her with open mouth, expecting food. She pressed them down with her foot and sat on them with extended wing to shed the hard rain, and remained there till the storm was over."

"Was there not a process of reason here? She saw the heavy downpour of rain and, thinking of her exposed children, believed they would be hurt or drowned without her care, so she hurried back. This is called instinct, but instinct is concentrated wisdom without the process being shown."

Peculiar Incubators.

China is probably the only country where an incubator and a bed are employed in combination, but in the Shantung district this sight is common. Chickens are for the most part hatched by a native process of incubation, consisting in placing eggs in earthenware jars, which are set upon kongs or beds built of brick and clay and within which slow fires, generally of coke or charcoal, are kept burning. The eggs are carefully turned from time to time. The kongs used are generally those which serve the family for beds, each family throughout the country districts rearing a number of chickens in this way.