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Walker—Houston

On Wednesday evening at 9 o'clock, the wedding of Miss Mittie Ann Walker and Mr. Sterling Clay Houston, was solemnized at the home of the brides parents, in the presence of a large number of friends and relatives. The house was very tastefully decorated in white and green, sweetpeas and evergreens being banked in profusion in the parlors, sitting room and dining room.

Before the bridal party entered the parlor, Miss Angela Tom rendered a very sweet and appropriate selection on the piano; the wedding march was played by Misses Elta and Willie Campbell on the violin and piano. Miss Zetta Walker, sister of the bride entered with Mr. Jim Tom, followed by the bride and groom, and the impressive Catholic ceremony was performed by Rev. A. Filling, pastor of the local church.

The bride's gown was white over satin, and she carried a beautiful bouquet of roses and ferns.

In honor, Miss Zetta Walker, the bridesmaid, wore a very dainty and elegant dress in pink.

Immediately following the ceremony a delightful reception was held, the bride and groom receiving the congratulations of their friends in the sitting room.

The whole scheme of white

and green was carried out in the dining room. In the center of the bride's table was the wedding cake, which was cut by the bride. Mr. Alfred Tom cutting the ring; Miss Ola Epley the coin; Mr. Jim Tom the thimble; Miss Iva Houston the needle.

The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Walker, and is a well known and popular young lady of rare accomplishments and charming qualities. She taught in our Public School last term.

The groom is a prominent young business man, holding the position of Assistant Cashier at the First National Bank.

The many handsome and costly presents received testify to the popularity of the young couple.

Those attending the wedding from a distance were: Mr. and Mrs. Horace Harding, of Odessa; Miss Amy Atwood, Big Springs; Miss Willie O'Bryan, Upland; Miss Bernice Deavenport, Big Springs; Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Moran, Midland.

To Creditors

Parties knowing themselves to be indebted to the City Meat Market please call and settle at once. We have to pay cash for cattle.

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Good morning sir! Did that deed you paid for give you a good title? A. L. Green, Abstractor.

Gumption on the Farm

Celebrate the Fourth by planting a little more sweet corn.

The man who is governed by a good wife is well and wisely ruled.

Whistle and hoe, save as you go; Old age won't be so dull then, you know.

Soap-suds will kill plant lice. So will tobacco extract, kerosene emulsion or whale-oil soap.

Steel tools put in a barrel of air slaked lime will never rust. I have always kept my blades and such tools in lime.

Now get in the rutabagas. They'll come in nice for stock feed next winter. A turned under timothy sod will do for them.

Keep the cultivator going in the corn until out inassel. Shallow—please! About two inches deep is right. Muzzle the horses and they'll work better.

Secrets of successful turnip growing: have the seed bed very fine, then roll it; sow the seed soon after a rain, and cover the seed by lightly rolling the ground.

The nick of time in spraying potatoes for blight is before the blight strikes them.

It is discouraging to look out and see a nice field all turned black. We hope this will not be the way with yours.

It beats all how soon potato-

bugs will trim up a patch if you get to thinking of something else and forget them! Better keep your thinking cap on, and hustle those bugs out so quick their heads will swim.—Farm Journal.

An exchange says two men were some time ago disputing over their respective churches. One was a Christian and the other a Presbyterian. Finally one of them called a neighbor who was passing by and asked his opinion as to which he thought was the better in which to be saved. "Well, neighbor," he said, "my son and I have been hauling wheat nearly forty years. There are two roads that lead to the mill; one is the valley road and the other leads over the hill, and never yet has the miller asked me which road I came, but he always asks, 'Is the Wheat good?'—Bowie Cross Timbers.

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There is all the difference in the world between a kicker and a knocker. A kicker stands for progress while a knocker is a clog. A kicker sees where conditions can be remedied and tries to improve them, but a knocker is just a plain grouch who enjoys hearing himself grumble. A kicker will say "Our town is as good as any. But it has its drawbacks. Let's get rid of them and make our town the best, bar none". A knocker will say, "This is the slowest and dirtiest town in the State, and it's no use trying to change it, for its people are mossbacks and you can't do anything with them."

Well to come to the point. Kick all you want to, but DON'T KNOCK. Take a dose of Rip Van Winkle's ale if you want to, and go to sleep for twenty years (as he did), but DON'T KNOCK. The town can get along without your encouragement, if need be, but you are robbing your own people whenever you knock. If you can't boost, DON'T KNOCK.—Midland Reporter.

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All news, such as local and neighborhood news items, thankfully received, if accompanied by senders real name, not necessarily for publication but for verification.

Obituaries, Cards of Thanks and Resolutions of Respect will be charged for at the rate of 3 cts per line.

Which will control your vote next month, your appetite or your home?

Is the saloon a good thing for Texas? If so keep it, if not, vote it out on the 22nd.

Don't side step the question and say local option is preferable to Statewide prohibition, but come up like a man and say whether you are in favor of the saloon or not. That's the issue.

The fishing is not always better on the other side of the stream. It generally looks that way, but when you get over there you see your mistake. Moral, stay in Martin county, and you won't have any more.

Late cold spells killed the east Texas fruit crop, the prolonged drouth has cut short farm crops from every section of Texas and even in many other States, and from the sum of it all we conclude that our people are as fortunate and our prospects as good as those in other places.

Who says prohibition is a failure? the saloon keeper, the brewer, the distiller. Yes they say it always and ever. Who else? The gambler and boot-legger, the dive keeper, the whiskey druggist, the blind-tiger men, the editor who accepts their well paid ads. They are doing their level best to make it a failure. Who wants to belong to such a crowd?—Crosbyton Review.

Land of the Hobby

Hobbies of public men will creep out in the summer days. To find President Taft sweltering over a golf ball, Vice-President Sherman on the front seat at a ball game, Senator Frye fishing, Senator Tillman in the garden, Secretary Knox behind a spanking pair of horses—these "avocations" are now looked upon as a matter of course, and not hobbies. But when one hears of Champ Clark knuckled down to a good old-fashioned game of Democratic marbles and "playing for keeps," the well-seasoned reporters are amazed and join in a chorus of "Van Dubbs"—and no fudging.

Hobbies date back to time immemorable but according to a prominent Swedish visitor, they have thrived most in America, the land of their adoption. "America," he declares, "is the land of the hobby. Every American must have his particular craze, whether it be chasing

butterflies or forming trusts. All things are secondary to the omnipotent hobby."

But the hobby, whether it concern rules of living, the sciences, fancy gardening or what not, has its uses. "For most of us the earth is a dull planet."—or so, at least, the popular Arnold Bennett has averred, and the hobby, which must stimulate enthusiasm and ambition, necessarily makes mundane existence less tiresome. Its tone is optimistic, says Balzac: "A hobby is the exact mean between pessimism and monomania. Let no man, therefore, deride the hobby, which in a country of aggressive ideals usually assume a practical basis and makes for the common good.—National Magazine.

What Will He Make?

I have a profound respect for the boys. Grimmy, ragged, tousled boys in the streets often attract me strangely. A boy is a man in the cocoon—you do not know what he is going to become—his life is big with many possibilities. He may make or unmake kings, change boundary lines between states, write books that will mold character, or invent machines that will revolutionize the commerce of the world.

Wouldn't you like to turn time backward and see Abraham Lincoln at 12 when he had never worn a pair of boots? The lank, lean, yellow, hungry boy—hungry for love, hungry for learning, tramping off through the woods for twenty miles to borrow a book and spelling it out crouched before the glare of the burning logs!

Then there was that Corsican boy, one of a goodly blood, who weighed only 50 pounds when 10 years old; who was thin and had to be sent supperless to bed, or locked in a dark closet because he wouldn't "mind," who would have thought he would have mastered every phase of warfare at 26; and when told that the exchequer of France was in dire confusion would say: "The finances? I will arrange them."

Very distinctly and vividly I remember a slim, freckled boy, who, was born in the "Patch," and used to pick up coal along the railroad track in Buffalo. A few months ago I had a motion to make before the supreme court, and that boy from the "patch" was the judge who wrote the option granting my petition.

Yesterday I rode horseback past a field where a boy was plowing. The lad's hair stuck out through the top of his hat, his form was bony and awkward; one suspender held his trousers in place; his bare legs and arms were brown and sunburned and briar-scar red. He swung his horse around just as I passed by and from under the flapping brim of his hat he cast a quick glance out of dark, half bashful eyes, and modestly returned my salute.

When his back was turned I took off my hat and sent a God bless you down the furrow after him. Who knows? I may go to borrow money yet, or to hear him speak, or to beg him to defend me in a lawsuit; or he may stand with pulse unfastened, bare arm, in white apron, ready to do his duty, while the cone is placed over my face and Night and Death come creeping into my veins.

Be patient with the boys—you are dealing with soul-stuff. Destiny awaits just around the corner.—Elbert Hubbard.

Dots by the Commercial Secretaries

Uncle Sam has been following the plow. He has just completed the rounds in his Texas Oat field and has figured out the cost of production in 1909, and makes the following report:

To prepare for the Oat crop costs \$1.62 per acre; seeding \$1.10; planting 4 cents; harvesting \$1.36; preparing for the market \$1.78; miscellaneous 46 cents; interest on land value \$3.28 total of production \$10.11 per acre. The crop sold for \$16.07 per acre making a net profit of \$5.96 per acre. The average yield was 34.7 bushels per acre and sold for 46 cents per bushel. It cost 29 cents per bushel to produce the crop, leaving a net profit of 17 cents per bushel. The average value of Oat land is placed at \$37.35 per acre and the average size of the Oat field was 37.4 acres.

Uncle Sam is an up-to-date agriculturist and he likes the Texas farmer and is trying to teach him the value of book-keeping.

Uncle Sam has just completed an inspection of his pastures and he finds the Texas grass in better condition than that of any other agricultural State in the Union. Grass is the cheapest of all animal foods and we have more pastures and better pastures than any other State in the Union.

The first bale of cotton raised in the world, 1911, was produced at San Benito, and sold on the Houston market, June 9th for over a Thousand Dollars. This beats the world record for early production, at least since the records have been kept.

King Cotton has pinned all the blue ribbons on Texas and each year we break our own record.

The June crop reporter issued by the Federal Department of Agriculture reports 33,418,000 acres of cotton in the United States and of this acreage Texas is credited with 10,350,000. We have approximately one third of the cotton area of the United States and 19 per cent of the world acreage. The cotton condition in Texas is reported at 105 per cent as compared with last year and the recent rains in the cotton belt districts of the State have bettered the condition of the plant.

According to the Federal Census Reports during the past decade the city population has increased 76 per cent, demanding more buildings and new cities. The 1900 Census showed 191 municipalities and in 1910 we have 312 showing an increase of 121 cities which is increase in cities of 64 per cent. Of new cities, we find San Angelo the largest in population, having 10,321 inhabitants. The new cities are in the main due to the building of new railroads.

We show an increase in assessed value of town and city lots during the past decade of \$307,425,283 which is an increase of 60 per cent.

The business houses and offices of Texas is estimated to cover 75,000 acres of floor space and the large increase in volume of business is forcing unprecedented activities in city building thruout the State.

In value of Real Estate, city property runs as high as \$3,000 per front foot and farm value goes as low as 50 cents per acre.

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Eat some of the eggs yourself. If they are worth money to anybody, they are to you.

Already the fowls are assuming a rusty appearance. It is near their molting season.

Do not let up in your warfare against the destructive louse army. Lice are working havoc, and too severe measures can not be adopted to destroy them.

Use the small eggs. Give your customers the large ones. So shall they call you a square dealer and stick by you and bring you more customers. Besides, it's only fair and makes you feel better.

Makes us laugh when the old rooster find a worm and cackles over it till he gets all the hens in the yard around him and then just gobbles the worm up himself; but isn't that about what lots of folks do?—Farm Journal.

Tallness is a Handicap

Is there any connection between success and stature? Have tall men to strive harder to succeed than short men? I asked a doctor who has studied the question of success to success they

a big man succeeds, succeeds in spite of his inches not because of them," he said discussing the subject with the Daily Mirror.

It must have struck many people that the big men of the world have been—and often are—small men. Napoleon, Nelson and Lord Roberts are the names of three short men which occur to one at once. Now there is a perfectly sound medical explanation of this.

For all practical purposes the small man has the same sized heart, lungs and brain as the big man, or at least to speak more accurately, the vital organs, although they are actually larger the larger the body, do not increase in size in anything like proportion.

For instance a 5-foot man has a heart weighing about 10½ ounces, a 6-foot man's heart weighs barely twelve ounces, whereas in proportion it should weigh something over 12½ ounces. Proportionately the taller man has less heart power. Yet his heart has to do the harder work. It has to do the harder work. It has to raise the blood higher.

The result of this is frequently seen in everyday life. Tasks that tire out a big man and leave him 'limp' are less likely to have the same effect upon a small man. The latter has a greater capacity for sustained energy because he has proportionately a greater heart power.

"It should also be remembered that the little man scores in having less bulk to carry about. That is why short men so frequently excel in athletics."—London Mirror.

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SHERIFF'S SALE

The State of Texas, County of Martin,)

By virtue of an Order of Sale, issued out of the Honorable District Court of Martin County, on 3rd day of June A. D. 1911, by the Clerk thereof, in the case of L. C. Slagle, versus W. E. Clark, No. 355, and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell for cash, within the hours prescribed by law for Sheriff's Sales, on the First Tuesday in July A. D. 1911, it being the 4th day of said month, before the Court House door of said Martin County, in the town of Stanton the following described property, to wit:

Lots Nos. 7 and 8, Block 5 in the town of Stanton, Martin County, Texas, levied on as the property of W. E. Clark, to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$240.40, in favor of L. C. Slagle and costs of suit.

Given under my hand, this 5th day of June A. D. 1911.

J. R. Arnett, Sheriff.

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Force of Habit

On his way home that evening Brill unconsciously felt several times the crackling papers in his pocket. Whenever he did so he swelled with chest and remembered how moved and happy and cheerful he was. For the first time since his marriage, which was six years before, Brill was entirely out of debt. He had that day paid the last note the bank held against him.

All those six years he and Ida had been paying for the house. They had bought it to start housekeeping in, in bold defiance of the advice of their elders, who bemoaned their leading themselves with debt at the very outset of their married life. If they wanted to do such a crazy thing, was the general cry, why didn't they go into it more moderately? The idea of two persons with their income purchasing a \$5,000 place when one costing \$1,200 would have suited their resources so much better!

Their relatives rehearsed the various calamities which might follow their rash venture. If John didn't die he might lose his job and what if either of them should have a long and lingering illness? Besides, both John and Ida were pleasure loving and never in the world would have the moral courage to make the necessary sacrifices.

In the first enthusiasm of having such a nice house to live in the debt did not loom ominous.

"Why," Ida said, gayly, "it's so perfectly splendid, having this instead of a stuffy four-room flat like everybody else has that I shan't mind giving up things a bit!"

That was at first. When days followed days they began to look at each other seriously over the papers covered with figures. They loved the theater and now they had to give it up. In fact they had to give up almost everything they had enjoyed, even their friends. If their friends entertained them it meant that they must entertain in return.

Life resolved itself into a grim struggle to make their payments. Ida's clothes got shabby and Brill learned to walk by a cigar case and keep his eyes straight ahead. They learned to stay at home evening after evening and they took to peering about as a diversion and to the multiplication table and long division as a necessity. So it had been a long, hard struggle and now Brill was glad it was ended.

"It seems queer," he said at dinner that night for the twentieth time, "to think that it's all over—that we haven't got to scrimp and pinch and save money for anything special! We can have a better time now!"

"We'll enjoy life," Ida said dreamily, resting her chin on her clasped hands. "Think of all the things we can do!"

"Well, what shall we do?" asked Brill? His wife regarded him with a puzzled look. "Why, I don't know," she said, slowly. "All the things we've wanted to and couldn't since we were married, I suppose. And it will be fine not to have the worry."

They stayed at home that evening, fitfully reading and discussing the fact that they were out of debt and removed from the necessity of scrimping. When Brill started downtown in the morning he remembered to throw out his chest as he descended the front steps, for did he not own his home and have his full salary to spend?

They had a fine time for a while discussing the treats they would have. They did go to the theater and they bought some new clothes and Ida joined a literary club. But after a while Brill grew restless.

"I don't know what's the matter with me," he said. "I guess it's just nerves. I don't feel right. Something seems wrong somehow."

"There doesn't seem much to do," his wife agreed. "I can't get up an interest in anything."

They grew silent and abstracted. Brill developed a habit of idly making marks with his pencil on the blank pad of paper on which they had done their figuring during the past year.

NATIONAL COAL BIN IS BIG

Growth of Production in United States—Four Times as Much Bituminous as Anthracite.

In 1814 20 tons of coal were mined in the United States. By 1820 the amount had increased to over 3,000 tons; in 1830 to 286,000 tons. By 1840 the production had reached nearly 2,000,000 tons, and in 1850 was over 6,000,000. From this time the increase has been rapid and continuous. In 1883 production passed the 100,000,000 mark, in 1899 it was over 200,000,000, in 1903 over 300,000,000, and in 1907 exceeded 400,000,000 tons.

In 1870 Great Britain produced over half of the world's supply of coal, while the United States and Germany each furnished a trifle over 15 per cent., leaving 17 per cent. for the production of the rest of the world. In 1902 Germany furnished about the same percentage of the world's supply as in 1870; Great Britain's proportion had decreased to less than 30 per cent., while the United States furnished more than one-third of the world's production. In 1870 England had produced more than the United States and Germany combined, while our country was third in rank. In 1902 the United States was easily in the lead, with Great Britain and Germany following.

Though the average individual, with his mind on kitchen range and household furnace, thinks of anthracite when coal is mentioned, our yearly production of bituminous quadruples that of anthracite.—Independent.

SMALL IN NATURE'S SCHEME

Professor's Figures Show That Mankind Really is Not Much, All Things Considered.

How little mankind signifies in the scheme of nature is shown by a rather morose calculation of the Italian Professor Zuccarini, who has figured out, among other things, that estimating the world's population as 1,500,000,000 the whole human race at present living could stand comfortably shoulder to shoulder in an area of 500 square miles.

Taking the number of generations in the past 6,000 years as 200, the room taken up by them all on the above plan would only be half the size of Germany, or for the sake of comparison less than the area of the state of Colorado. To bury all the people on earth would need a grave yard little larger than that area.

If the dust left by each body be estimated at one-tenth cubic yard, which is a liberal estimate, it would cover only 40 square miles to a depth of about three feet. This certainly seems insignificant compared with the great coral reefs and other immense deposits built up by the shells of tiny infusoria.

BOOKS AND BEECHES.

At the Hoe sale in New York a bibliophile said:

"Book is a word that comes from the German buche, or beech. But what connection has a book got with a beech? I'll show you."

The bibliophile led the way to a superb Caxton that had just been sold for \$3,800.

"This volume, you see," he said, "is bound in boards—not pasteboards—real boards, beech boards. That is how all books were bound when printing began. Yes, when printing began in Germany, each incunabulum, or early book, was bound in buche—in beech boards half an inch thick, covered, perhaps, with leather, tipped and clasped with brass, and studded with precious or semiprecious stones."

GIFTS OF RICH WOMEN.

Mrs. Andrew Carnegie gave \$20,000 to build the infirmary of the Chapin Home for the Aged and Infirm on Long Island, and Mrs. W. L. Cooper gave \$25,000 to build a chapel, which shall be known in memory of her husband as the Cooper Memorial chapel. A year ago she and her husband celebrated their golden wedding by a gift of \$5,000 to the home and he died shortly afterward.

THREE GREAT MEN OF EUROPE.

Lord Byron said that Europe saw three great men in the early part of the nineteenth century, but no one now, in the early part of the twentieth century, could guess at the names of more than one of the three. It may be that Lord Byron was joking, but it is quite possible that he was serious when he named the curious trio.

Third in his little list he placed himself, the second person was Napoleon Bonaparte, and the first and foremost was George Bryan Brummell, Beau Brummell, "King of the Beaux" and "Le Roi de Calais."—Jerrod's "Beaux and Dandies."

ENGLISHWOMAN'S LOVE LETTER

Bertie—I've been having a lovely game with this post office set you gave me, auntie. I've taken a real letter to every house in the road.

Auntie—How nice! And where did you get all the letters?

Bertie—Oh, I found a big bundle tied up with pink ribbon in your desk!—London Punch.

JOKE ON THE CLERK.

Senator Depew went into a hotel in Georgia and said to the clerk, "Where shall I autograph?" "Autograph?" asked the clerk. "Yes, sign my name, you know." "Oh, right here," Senator Depew signed his name in the register. In a little while in came some Georgia crackers. One of them advanced to the desk. "Will you autograph?" asked the clerk, with a smile. "Certainly," said the cracker, "mine's rye. What's yours, fellers?" The clerk treated. Then he leaned back and glared at the senator. Senator Depew felt sorry for him and was somewhat conscience stricken. "Too bad," he said. "That is what comes from speaking a foreign language in your own country."

Statewide Prohibition and the Bailey Issue

"Statewide prohibition and the Bailey question are now the paramount issues in Texas, and it is the province of every citizen to vote his convictions on these questions, but when they are finally settled we submit a few subjects for the consideration of the public," says the Texas Commercial Secretaries' Association.

New Campaign Issues.

There are 137,000,000 acres of land in Texas that have never been plowed; we have 40,000,000 acres of land that is located ten miles and over—some of it 150 miles—from a railroad. The Texas farmers ship \$1,500,000 worth of raw material to the foreign factory daily; we have vast beds of mineral wealth stored beneath the surface which have never been touched and the list could be extended indefinitely. We would like to place these subjects in the box for those who draw campaign issues to select from. The building of an empire is a question about which there can be difference of opinion sufficiently wide to give spice and vigor to a campaign and if, after the campaign is over we could get our orators and writers to discuss Texas development for a few months and present the merits of the plow and hammer, we would awaken to vigorous activity the wealth, talent and enterprise of the people and make Texas the greatest state in the Union.

The Purpose of Government.

Settle the prohibition and the Bailey issue either way and we have not brought another acre of land under cultivation; have not constructed another mile of railroad, built another factory, opened up another mine or given additional employment to labor. In this life, first of all things, we must have bread and making it easy for the bread winner is the first duty of government. Agriculture, commerce and industry are the cornerstones of government and we cannot induce men and money to come to Texas and develop our resources by merely wishing for them as a child yearns for the moon, but we must go about it with the zeal and enterprise that a business man undertakes to increase his business or a farmer improves his farm.

Texas Growing.

When the government completes the Panama canal and the plans for the improvement of the Texas harbors are fully consummated, our industrial horizon will be greatly widened and we will be brought face to face with conditions which will force us to enlarge our ideas of the commercial destiny of Texas. Faith is a good thing in government, but work is better and we should prepare to meet conditions as they unfold to us like the ten wise virgins of the Scripture—with our lamps trimmed and burning.

God the government and outside capital have done everything possible for Texas, and if we will only meet them half way we will soon build up a civilization that surpasses anything on the globe.

Local News

When you want Fire Insurance come to F. O. Aiken.

Messrs. W. J. Behrens and Sam Williams are working Stanton in the interest of the Missouri State Life Insurance Company, this week.

If it's feed you want see Self & Bradley.

Ross Green now has a position in the abstract office of A. L. Green.

Big lot of alfalfa on hand. Stanton Mercantile Co.

Miss Willie McCabe of Divide, Texas is here on a visit to her sister, Mrs. J. L. Hall.

Fresh bread is now kept in stock by the Lone Star Grocery.

There will be the regular services at the Baptist church, Sunday morning and night.

Let us send an ice cream freezer to the little ones and make them happy. Stanton Hardware & Furniture Co.

Misses Elta and Willie Campbell came in Saturday from Abilene, where they attended school.

Buy your Binder twine at Stanton Hdw. & Furniture Co.

Prof. T. D. Thomason came in Friday evening to spend a few days with his family.

It is easier to have errors in titles corrected before they grow old. Have your title checked over and know it is good. A. L. Green, Abstractor.

Mrs. J. P. Robertson returned Sunday from a visit to relatives and friends at Meridian.

Self & Bradley's feed store is the best feed on the market, and the prices are the lowest.

Born—Sunday 25th to Mr. and Mrs. Jim Henson twin boys.

Notice—Customers

In order to extend to our friends and customers, accommodations, we have made obligations which we must meet. If you are due us a bill that is past due, please give it your attention at a very early date, thereby enabling us to better serve you in the future. Yours Respt.

J. L. Hall, The Druggist

Save a dime by bringing your can for oil to Stanton Hardware & Furniture Co.

Miss Willie O'Bryan was a visitor in our town this week.

I have pointed out fatal defects in titles which have been corrected by the owners without cost, not even thanks to me. Have your title examined, it costs but little. A. L. Green, Abstractor.

W. F. Walker returned home Monday after a few weeks stay at Fort Stockton.

Did you ever see a sewing machine like that at Stanton Hardware & Furniture Company?

Mrs. J. S. Butler of Valley Mills is here on a visit to her daughter, Mrs. L. S. Richards.

My complete abstract of Martin record shows numerous errors in drawing deeds. There may be a fatal error in your title. A. L. Green, Abstractor.

W. F. Rogers is in El Paso this week on business.

If it's feed you want, see Self & Bradley.

Come to F. O. Aiken for abstracts, pioneer abstractor of Martin county.

Mrs. J. W. Hadden left Wednesday for Albany to attend the bedside of her sister who had been seriously injured in an automobile accident.

Mrs. J. C. Stevenson went to Big Springs Tuesday to visit relatives.

Mrs. Roy Ebbersol and daughter, Miss Olga returned Tuesday from a visit to relatives at Abilene.

W. T. Parr of Roscoe is here this week prospecting.

Little Lucile Odom visited relatives in Big Springs Tuesday.

Mrs. Dr. J. F. Dorbant and daughter, Allie of Lampasas was here the first of the week on a visit to the former's uncle J. D. Stamps.

H. B. Cox has sold his Stanton property to E. L. Curtis of Crystal City.

Real Estate Transfer

The following real estate transfers were filed for record this month:

J. G. Burke to Mack Stuffer, S. W. 1/4 Sec. 22, Blk. 35, T. 3 N.; consideration \$1,920.00

Joe Bell, jr. to R. W. Vaughn, Lot 7, Blk. E, Bell's Addition; \$1.00 and other property.

R. W. Vaughn to Eugene Jones, Lot 7, Blk. E, Bell's Addition; consideration \$1.00 and other property.

R. N. Grisham to W. B. Tolleson 2 1/2 acres block, Stokes Addition consideration \$2,000.

S. W. Moller to W. T. Moore Lot 8, Blk. 19, consideration \$900 Caldwell, Whitaker, to Mrs. R. A. Fox, Lot 8, Blk. 68, consideration \$80.

A. E. Pool to J. B. Nichols 140 acres out of Sec. 46 of the B & C lands, consideration \$1,400.00

P. F. Whisenant to J. A. Walker, N. E. 1/4 Blk. 5, in Second Addition consideration \$165.

T. B. Hardin to W. N. Morrow 4 acres, part N. W. section 19, Blk. 35, T. 15, consideration \$350; and all sec. 14, Blk. 35, T. 15, consideration \$12,800.

That the fruit crop of Martin county is not a failure was proven by the basket of fine peaches brought to us by M. P. Baze one day this week. The peaches were very large and as fine flavored as we ever ate.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Chesser of Lockhart came in Monday to be with the former's father W. R. Jones who is very ill.

Buy a milk cooler from Stanton Hardware & Furniture Co. and make enough bitter extra to pay for it.

A. S. Killingsworth left for Abilene Wednesday.

B. B. Cauble and family returned Thursday from a trip to Albany, Ft. Worth and Mineral Wells.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Hinds of Houston are visiting at the home of W. H. Evans.

Baptist Junior League

Sunday, July 2

Song.
Prayer.
Roll call answered by verse of scripture.

Subject—Hungry.
Ex. 16:3—Hazel Richards.
Ps. 34:10—Letha Estes.
Jer. 38:9—Fay Ledbetter.
Lam. 4:9—Harris Wiman.
Song.
Luke 15:17—Orvan Fitzgerald.
2 Cor. 11:27—Mamie Estes.
Rev. 6:8—Emma Evans.
Is. 49:10—Dorothy Boone.

Song.
Matt. 5:6—Allene Hall.
John 5:35—William Connell.
Song.
Benediction.

Fourth of July at Midland

Midland is to celebrate the reviving business conditions of the whole West by holding a Fourth of July celebration such as the South Plains have never planned before, and in which the old time cow-puncher and the modern city man will mingle side by side.

The Midland people themselves own one hundred automobiles, and are offering silver loving cups and gold medals for the most handsomely decorated cars in the two mile parade to be held in the forenoon, with similar prizes for carriages, floats and horse-back riders. Being a riding country, a polo game by Midland's team, which holds many championship cups, will be a natural feature of the proceedings, while a touch of the old west will be seen in the "cigar race" by the cowboys.

For the representatives of the newer element a two days tennis tournament, again with silver loving cups as prizes, is to be participated in by the foremost Western players, and in the midst of these similarly characteristic entertainments, the indispensable free barbecue will welcome at noon three times the ordinary population of the city.

One who knows the West and the East alike, Will L. S. of the T. & P., will welcome visitors in the address of the and the evening will develop over to a reception and the quarters of the Midland together with skating, boating and what ever can contribute to the enjoyment of the visitors.

The T. & P. has recognized the importance of the attraction by offering return rates of one and one fifth fare throughout its line from Fort Worth to El Paso.

We are sorry to report that W. R. Jones, who had a stroke of paralysis last Saturday is no better.

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