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DEPARTMENT HASKELL PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

The present age is especially noted for higher moral, christian and educational standards than ever before, and with these new ideals of life comes a corresponding and more stringent demand for greater support and attention to these phases of development.

The same qualifications are being demanded of the man at the head of progressive and successful business establishments, and of the professions as of those who fill the pulpit, that is, he must be a man of force and character and with educational attainments. Since these all important stations in life of tomorrow are to be filled by the schoolboy of today, the responsibility for the degree of efficiency attained in these new ideals, and the maintaining of these high standards rests very largely upon the public school system of today.

To meet these pressing demands universities, colleges, and other institutions of higher learning throughout the land are receiving greater endowments, heartier support and a more liberal patronage, which movement is a great step forward; but the cry, the need, and the solution to the problem is in better organized, better equipped public free schools, with more thoroughly qualified teachers of professional training, backed and supported by a co-operative, liberal, and more enthusiastic patronage.

The people all over the land are awakening to this great need, and great movements are being advocated by the leaders and promoters of education, to better our present conditions.

Our city schools are, generally speaking, well organized, prepared and equipped for good efficient teaching and training of the child, and receive great support and co-operation, but the movement now is for the improvement of the country, the village, and the town schools, where religious differences, community gossip, and personal antagonistic feelings so frequently come in and interfere with the progress of the school.

With the great sweep of educational history, no situation of a like nature ever presented itself for solution, and no greater opportunity was ever offered for service than that of the amelioration of these perplexing conditions. The stringent need of improvement in the country, the village and the town schools was urgently advocated by the conference of Southern Education at Little Rock, Ark. last April and again at the Southern Educational Association at Chattanooga, Tenn. in December, the two great organizations that have for their purpose the raising of the standard of education throughout our South-land. This improvement of the rural and town schools is the main theme of the Conference for Education in Texas. These organizations have struck the keynote to the solution in devising plans of bringing about greater co-operation of teachers, parents, and boards of education. The mothers club movement is aiding wonderfully in bringing this to

pass. If only a Father's Club could be organized that would bring them in closer contact with school life and stamp more indelibly upon their minds the great need of our schools,

Instead of personal antagonistic feeling in a community, of petty grievances, private and public criticism of school, teachers, parents and boards of education, there should be harmony, unity and a united effort to make our schools the social center of the community, thereby improving them. when these conditions are realized, there is a greater day in store for Haskell. New and brighter hopes and aspirations for our young people, and a broader field of opportunities for them to make more thorough preparation for the higher callings and stations in life.

The grade teachers had their regular semi-monthly meeting Monday afternoon at the north ward building. Miss Roebuck conducted a recitation in Texas History, which was in all respects a model one. Both teacher and pupils demonstrated that nothing but the very best methods are being used in this class. The teachers all seemed very much pleased with the work, and complimented in the very highest of terms, Miss Roebuck's methods of teaching.

The High School students and faculty were very highly entertained at their chapel exercises last Monday morning, with a musical recital given by Miss Maxwell's class. The program consisted of a piano solo each, by Misses Meadors, Simmons, and Huckabee, and a duet by Misses Francis and Carrie Sherrill, each of whom performed in a pleasing and graceful manner, and the appreciations of their selections

was shown by long continued applause, compliments and invitations to give us another similar recital soon.

A traveling photographer spent some two or three days in our midst this week taking pictures of the schools, faculty, athletic clubs and our school buildings. The pictures will be on exhibit at the Dallas Fair.

The Sophomore class that has just finished a course in Greek History, had a very interesting debate on the following subject: "Resolved that Greece would have contributed more to civilization if she had been formed into a centralized government." The class was divided into two equal sections and gave their arguments in writing. The decision was rendered in favor of the negative.

The base ball team is arranging a schedule for the season. They expect to play Rule, Anson and Stamford before school closes.

The second basket ball team will play Anson next Saturday.

Very enthusiastic games of basket ball between the north ward boys and girls teams and south ward teams were played last Thursday resulting in a score of girls team 11 to 7 in favor of South Ward, and boys team 24 to 13 in favor of the north ward.

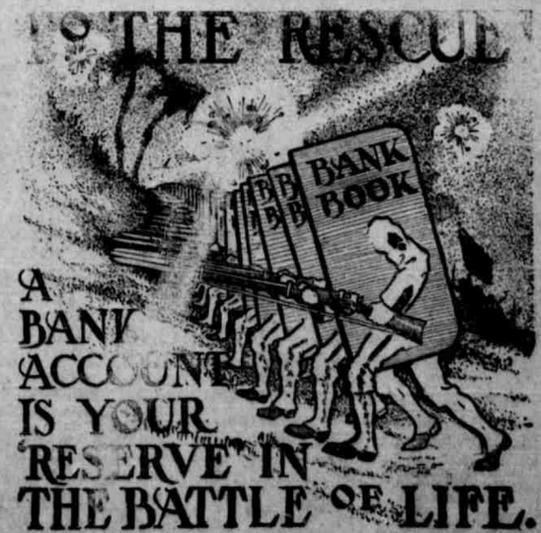
SOUTH WARD

The following are the names of those on the third and fourth grades who made 90 last month.

Third grade, Olsa May Chitwood, 90 3-7; William Sherrill, 91; Dorothy Dean, 95; Otis Avery, 91 3-7.

Fourth grade, Lula May Ramsey, 92; Herman Roberts, 92 1-7; Nettie Flenniken, 91 2-7; Marion Eming, 98; Clarence Courtney, 91; Richard Sherrill, 93 2-7.

These grades were received last week to late for publication.



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A BANK ACCOUNT IS YOUR RESERVE IN THE BATTLE OF LIFE.

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possess these qualities, and speedily restore to the bowels their natural peristaltic motion, as essential to regularity.

A Fairly Wet World.

The Pacific ocean covers 68,000,000 miles, the Atlantic 30,000,000 and the Indian, Arctic and Antarctic 42,000,000. To stow away the contents of the Pacific it would be necessary to fill a tank one mile long, one mile wide and one mile deep every day for 440 years. Put in figures, the Pacific holds in weight 340,000,000,000,000,000,000 tons.

The Atlantic averages a depth of not quite three miles. Its water weighs 325,000,000,000,000,000,000 tons, and a tank to contain it would have each of its sides 430 miles long. The figures of the other oceans are in the same startling proportions. It would take all the sea water in the world 2,000,000 years to flow over Niagara.

Simple, Rather.
He—You are the only woman I ever loved.
She—Do you expect me to believe that?
He—I do. I swear it is true.
She—Then I believe you. Any man who would expect a woman to believe that cannot have been much in the company of women.

Scott's Rebecca in "Ivanhoe."
The character of Rebecca, in Scott's "Ivanhoe" was taken from a beautiful Jewess, Miss Rebecca Gratz of Philadelphia. Her steadfastness to Judaism, when related by Washington Irving to Scott, won his admiration and caused the creation of one of his finest characters.

Women Appreciate

Step-savers and Time-savers.

Post Toasties

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Battle Creek, Mich.

Uncle Sam's Champion Juvenile Corn Growers

BY WALDON FAWCETT



THE United States government is now at work upon one of the most ambitious and, by the way, one of the most interesting projects it has ever undertaken. It is nothing short of a scheme for moving the "corn belt." Or perhaps it would be more accurate to call it a crusade for extending the "corn belt," for there is no desire to interfere with the growing of our greatest agricultural staple in that broad section of the country where corn has long been the principal standby of the farmer. The new plan of the department of agriculture—for of course that is the branch of our government machinery that has charge of this new activity—is simply in effect to make two blades of grass grow where only one grew before.

Although all the world has been gasping in astonishment these many years past at the bumper crops of corn this country turns out each year, the experts of the government some time since came to the conclusion that great as was the national corn yield it was not as big as it ought to be. Furthermore, they thought they foresaw a time when, with our rapidly growing population, the corn crop would not be any too big for our own American appetite and, of course, if that came to pass, we would lose more or less of our foreign trade, for a vast quantity of Yankee corn products now find their way to dinner tables overseas.

On the theory of a stitch in time the agricultural sharps proceeded to get busy over this impending problem. First they set about increasing the yield of corn per acre and latterly they have entered upon the even more significant mission of extending the corn growing area. As our readers are aware most of the corn crop has been grown heretofore in the middle



AMERICA'S MOST ECONOMICAL CORN GROWER
—STEVE HENRY OF LOUISIANA

west—in states such as Illinois, Iowa and Nebraska. But the government experts scouting around soon came to the conclusion that as good or better corn than America had ever known could be raised in prolific quantity in the south if only the people south of Mason and Dixon's line could be aroused to the possibilities lying dormant at their doors.

Waking up these southern farmers to their neglected opportunities is the present work of one of the most efficient organizations in Uncle Sam's agricultural corps. It was nothing short of an inspiration that the experts hit upon the plan of proving that their corn "fairy tales" could come true through the medium of the farmer boys of the south. The lads were enlisted in this country wide "demonstration work" and 46,000 of them have lately been giving their fathers object lessons right at home. What is more, many of the fathers have taken the lessons to heart and after seeing with their own eyes what phenomenal yields can be made if corn be cultivated as the "book chaps" at the agricultural department prescribe they have become converts to the new ideas and have announced that henceforth they will cultivate corn the way their sons have been doing these past few months. It will mean only a fraction more time and work and means production doubled or trebled or quadrupled.

Of course the government gave instructions to these lads as to how to till the soil in the most advantageous manner, but the enthusiasm which resulted in corn harvests that have made the whole world sit up and take notice was inspired by competitive contests for the winners in which all sorts of prizes were offered—township prizes, village prizes, county prizes, state prizes, and goodness knows what, all in the way of trophies culminating in each state in a "grand prize" in the form of a sightseeing trip to Washington, all expenses paid, for one boy. Of course, the government did not offer these prizes. Uncle Sam has no money available for such purposes, but the department of agriculture engineered the whole scheme and got the public-spirited citizens of more than a dozen states so interested that they put up the prizes mentioned. Individuals such as bankers and merchants and organizations such as boards of trade, county superintendents of education, chambers of commerce, etc., contributed to the list of prizes which in the grand total footed up to more than \$40,000.

This whole movement, alike to other similar educational crusades, has been under the direction of the division of farmers' co-operative demonstration work of the department of agriculture and the field officers of this institution have brought about systematic effort on the part of the youthful corn growers by organizing what



THE NATIONAL PRIZE WINNERS



UNCLE SAM'S CHAMPION JUVENILE CORN GROWERS GROUPED AROUND SECRETARY WILSON AND DR. KNAPP

are known as corn clubs. There are great numbers of township clubs all over the land—the township being the standard unit of organization—and there are county clubs in about 600 different counties. Circulars of instruction, prepared by Dr. S. A. Knapp, the government expert, who is the Solomon of this movement, are prepared and sent several times during the year to each individual boy who is enrolled in this work.

Seed selection and the preparation of the soil are taken up first in these courses of instruction by mail (supplemented by the advice of the field workers of the department who are continually traveling about to supervise and give practical instruction.) All the boys who won the biggest prizes paid very careful attention to the instructions on this score and plowed their acres from eight to sixteen inches deep and thoroughly pulverized their seed beds. Even more careful advice is given the boys on the very vital subject of fertilization and one reason why so many of these lads have at the first go off gotten better corn crops than their fathers have ever been able to produce with all their experience back of them is that the youngsters have none of the contempt of the old fogies for new-fangled ideas and have been not only willing but eager to master a general knowledge of nitrogen, potash, phosphorus, etc., as agricultural aids and the effect of leaves, wood mold, barnyard manure, etc.

The whole plan of computing and comparing yields in this country-wide corn-growing competition is done in the most systematic and business-like manner. With swarms of keenly interested boys watching each other's crops like hawks there is not much opportunity for deception of any kind, but in addition to this insurance of publicity of methods and yields the department of agriculture has its own officers in the field all the while and they rigidly investigate any suspicious reports just as the field workers of the United States census have been probing into the enumeration in any town or city that seemed to show an undue increase in population since the last census. Be it said to the credit of the boy corn growers that almost none of them have fallen under suspicion on any score.

In making up the records of the young corn growers and awarding the prizes that are offered the government officials take into consideration other things than the mere crop yield, regardless of cost of cultivation and every other factor. Indeed, in making awards there are considered in addition to yield, the cost per bushel, the best ten ears of corn raised and the written history of the crop prepared by the boy who raised it. Not all the boys who won the big prizes and were personally congratulated by President Taft in the White House at Washington made the largest yields in their states. The economical side was always taken into consideration in giving out the prizes and in apportioning the diplomas of merit which Secretary Wilson personally presented to the boys who called on him at Washington.

The boys who have won rank as Uncle Sam's champion corn growers in every instance "made good" by exhibiting their prize products at their respective county fairs where their neighbors could see with their own eyes what they accomplished by the new method of tilling the soil. In many counties the distribution of the county prizes for corn growing was made a red-letter event this past autumn and as many as 1,000 to 1,500 persons have assembled at a county seat

to see prizes awarded to lads who are pointing the way to increased averages of corn production in the south, and incidentally to a partial solution of the increased cost of living. And no old-time farmer can asner that the showings made in this twentieth-century corn growing are spurs of no practical significance. On the contrary the government officials have applied modern bookkeeping methods to the business side of the proposition and the reported costs of production can be accepted as fair actual costs.

The yields made during the past season by these young corn growers have been truly astonishing and some of them are almost past the belief of farmers who have been getting an average of, say, 32 to 40 bushels of corn per acre in choice corn country in the middle west. In one Mississippi county 48 boys averaged 92 bushels per acre. In one South Carolina county 20 boys produced 1,700 bushels of corn on 20 acres. In another county in that same state 142 boys averaged 62 bushels per acre. One lad made \$1,000 from a single acre of corn. Jerry Moore of Winona, S. C., the champion corn grower of the world, got the amazing yield of 228 bushels to the acre. Steve Henry of Louisiana carried off the highest honors for economical farming, producing on his acre nearly 140 bushels at a cost of only 13 cents per bushel. Joe Stone of Georgia, youngest and smallest of the national prize winners, is only eleven years of age, but he produced 102 bushels to the acre at a cost of 29 cents per bushel. Next season the scope of the corn-growing competition is to be greatly extended and the government may also strive to get the country girls of the United States into a similar competition, only, of course, it will not be corn growing but vegetable gardening with canning and preserving as a "side line."

Those Church Suppers!

Church sales, dinners, teas and the like are not only means for promoting social enjoyment and incidentally of replenishing the treasuries of the organizations which provide them. These functions serve a real and valuable economic purpose, as is indicated by the lady whom Edna K. Wooley quotes in the Toledo Blade. This lady, weary of the work of providing three meals a day for her family, consisting of herself, her husband and her daughter, finds a new joy in living at this time of year, and explains why: "Last night we went to a roast beef dinner. Tonight we are going to a Methodist progressive supper. My husband hates those progressive suppers, because we start with soup at the church, you know, then go to some house for the meat course and finish up at some other house for the dessert. He says when he sits down to a meal he likes to finish the job on the spot, instead of getting up every little while, putting on his hat and coat and galloping out into the cold and cruel world to resume his eats at some other stand. But I think it's fun. It's a blessed change. Tomorrow night we go to a Presbyterian church supper. That's only 25 cents, too, and I don't see how they do it for the money. The next one after that is an Episcopal turkey supper, and the next is also a turkey supper at the Unitarian church. Then comes the Disciple and Congregation church suppers, and by that time you'll see my cheeks sticking out with rich living. What would we poor home cooks do if it wasn't for the church suppers? They give us a rest from the eternal routine of planning and cooking the daily meals. Nobody that hasn't tried that three-meal-a-day business knows what a grind it gets to be. I don't believe there's a man on earth who would stand for it."

WHERE IT WAS LACKING



She—You puckered up your lips so then that I thought you were going to kiss me.
He—No; I got some grit in my mouth.
She—Well, for goodness' sake swallow it! You need it in your system!

Ready With Proof.

An earnest preacher in Georgia, who has a custom of telling the Lord all the news in his prayers, recently began a petition for help against the progress of wickedness in his town with the statement:

"O thou great Jehovah, crime is on the increase. It is becoming more prevalent daily. I can prove it to you by statistics."—Everybody's Magazine.

Important to Mothers

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

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"Meet Me in Heaven."
"Don't you think she's taking a great deal for granted?"

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Dr. Pierce's Pellets, small, sugar-coated, easy to take as candy, regulate and invigorate stomach, liver and bowels and cure constipation.

The Breed.

Stella—Is her coat Persian lamb?
Bella—No; Podunk mutton.—Judge.

Cattle drink pure water at less cost to you, if you have a bottomless tank. Booklet, "A" free. Alamo Iron Works, San Antonio, Texas.

It is unquestionably true that wealth produces wants, but it is a still more important truth that wants produce wealth.—Malthus.

FILES CURED IN 6 TO 14 DAYS. Your druggist will return money if FARMER'S BLOT fails to cure any case of itching, black, bleeding or protruding files in 6 to 14 days.

Magnify your personal rights and you are sure to create some social wrongs.

Take Garfield Tea to arouse a sluggish liver—all druggists sell it.

Afflictions mark the difference between iron and steel.

Doctors Said Health Gone

Suffered with Throat Trouble

Mr. B. W. D. Barnes, ex-Sheriff of Warren County, Tennessee, in a letter from McMinnville, Tennessee, writes:

"I had throat trouble and had three doctors treating me. All failed to do me any good, and pronounced my health gone. I concluded to try Ferrus, and after using four bottles can say I was entirely cured. Unable to Work."

Mr. Gustav Himmelreich, Hochheim, Texas, writes:

"For a number of years I suffered whenever I took cold, with severe attacks of asthma, which usually yielded to the common home remedies. Last year, however, I suffered for eight months without interruption so that I could not do any work at all. The various medicines that were prescribed brought me no relief. After taking six bottles of Ferrus, two of Leucina and two of Mennalin, I am free of my trouble so that I can do all my farm work again. I can heartily recommend this medicine to any one who suffers with this annoying complaint and believe that they will obtain great results."

KATY CONSOLIDATION O.K.'ED BY COMMITTEE

HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORTS FAVORABLY ON BILL.

NO AMENDMENTS ARE ADDED

Several Amendments Are Looked For When the Bill Comes Up for Consideration Before the House.

Austin, Texas, Feb. 21.—Last week the Katy Texas Central consolidated bill, without any amendments or riders whatsoever, was reported favorably by House committee on common carriers. There was no opposition expressed then, and none has been heard by the committee at all as to the bill itself.

Messrs. Byrne and Nichols of Hill, however, urged to the committee amendments providing that the Katy shops should be maintained at their present approximate extent, at Smithville and Hillsboro. The committee refused both of these amendments.

TO RECLAIM RED RIVER LANDS

A Movement in Texarkana Section Crystallizes

Texarkana: W. J. Mathron, an engineer from the United States Agricultural Department, has arrived from Washington, having been detailed to make a preliminary survey of certain overflowed lands (about 170,000 acres) in Red River bottoms, which it is proposed by a number of public-spirited citizens of Texarkana and vicinity to reclaim and make tillable by levees and a drainage system.

A bill creating a levee district of the territory to be reclaimed is now pending in the Arkansas Legislature at Little Rock, and if it passes the sum of \$300,000 will be raised by a levee tax to put the project in effect. It is practically certain that in the event the movement is successful in Arkansas the people on the Texas side will take similar action to reclaim large bodies of bottom lands in Texas and lying just west of and adjoining the lands to be reclaimed by Arkansas.

GOVERNOR'S PEN. DOCUMENT

Advise Quick Disposal of Railway—Penitentiary Plans Discussed.

Austin: The Governor has issued a lengthy and thoroughly comprehensive message treating of the State penitentiary system and the State railway. He advocates many reforms of many features of penitentiary management and convict care. He faces deplorable conditions in the financial, material and physical or personal management of the penal institution of the State. His recommendations cover many features, and have the ring of genuine soundness. He especially recommends the abolishment of cruelties, the reformation rather than punishment of the unfortunate prisoners.

Santa Fe Shops at Sweetwater.

Sweetwater: The contract for the Santa Fe shops here has been let. Superintendent Nyenbuis is now on the ground and active work will begin at once. The round house will contain eighteen stalls and there will be eleven other buildings in addition to a large concrete oil reservoir. This is in addition to the section house and tool houses already in yards. The work will occupy a large force of men for the next twelve months.

Two Victims of Powder Explosion.

Hamilton: An explosion of forty-five cans of blasting powder at the railroad construction camp between here and Comanche killed Frank Mays and John Gallis and probably fatally injured Will Cox. Cox was in the act of opening a can of blasting powder with a stick when it exploded, at the same time setting off the other cans nearby. The construction camp was in charge of Paul Gallis, father of one of the victims.

Aviator Alights on Water.

San Diego, Cal.: Using one of his hydro aeroplanes, Glen Curtiss alighted on the water alongside the cruiser Pennsylvania and was hoisted on board. Soon afterward the aeroplane was dropped back into the water, and the aviator flew away to his hangar on North Island. The test was made to show the Navy Department that an aeroplane equipped like that of Curtiss does not need an especially constructed platform on a ship's deck to make it of practical use to the navy.

A New Desirable Peach Discovered.

Weatherford: John W. Gilliland, a banker of Holdenville, Okla., paid Dr. E. D. Bullington of Dallas, for his father, Rev. S. E. Bullington, a minister of this county, a thousand dollars for a single peach tree. The peach is a free stone, ripens in September, and is said to equal the Elberta or Mamie Ross. The banker will purchase and place on the market. A nursery company at Weatherford is to propagate the trees.

STATE RAILWAY IS A BURDEN

A Miserable Ending to Texas Experiment in State Ownership of Railways.

Austin, Feb. 21.—Concerning the bill which he introduced to authorize the sale of the State railroad, running from Rusk to Palestine, a distance of thirty-two miles, which road was completed under an act of the Thirty-First Legislature, Senator Henry B. Terrell of McLennan says: "It will be remembered that that act made it the duty of the penitentiary board to dispose of the property upon the completion of the line, but, as the project was one of Ex-Gov. Campbell's pet schemes, no effort was ever made, so far as I am advised, to dispose of this property, operated at considerable loss.

"The recent report of the auditor of the system shows that this line of railroad, which cost the people of Texas fully \$500,000, is being operated at a loss of several thousand dollars per month, and Gov. Colquitt, in his recent message, recommended the sale or lease of the property, and that some action be taken immediately.

"Under the provisions of this bill it is made the duty of the Prison Commissioners and the Railroad Commission of Texas to place a minimum price on this property, taking into consideration the condition of the road and all of its equipments, and its value to the State under State management, operation and control.

"The Penitentiary Commissioners are then authorized to sell this property, and it is made their duty to make an honest and faithful inquiry to find and procure a purchaser of said railroad.

"Provision is also made in the bill that if sold or leased to any railway company now owning or operating a line in Texas it may operate this property in connection therewith and under the same supervision."

Seminole Closes Railroad Contract.

Seminole, Gaines County: The railroad committee closed a final contract with Col. Fred A. Beall of New York by the terms of which he is to build his proposed railroad from Kerrville, to Tucuman, N. M., through Seminole. This road will cross the Texas & Pacific at Odessa, and from there north through Shafter Lake and Seminole, and will cross the Santa Fe at or near Texloo. Seminole raised and donated a bonus of \$100,000 to be paid when it reaches here, except \$10,000, which is to be paid for the northern connection. Work will begin at an early date at Odessa and will be pushed to completion.

Big Panhandle Cotton Deal.

Vernon: P. C. Staley has sold to a cotton firm in Fort Worth, 3,600 bales of cotton for \$260,000. A single check was given for the full amount, the deal passing through a National bank of Vernon. This deal breaks the record for the Panhandle country for this year. Every bale of this cotton was grown and marketed in Wilbarger County, and it all goes to foreign points. The Fort Worth bank on which the check was drawn stated that it was the largest check that ever passed through the Fort Worth clearing house.

Sewed Up His Heart and He Lives.

Galveston: Harry Brenel, the man who just one month ago was stabbed in the heart so that it was necessary to place twelve stitches in the wound, is still alive and doing finely. In fact, if it were not for the rusty knife with which the wound was made having cut into the man's lung he would undoubtedly be about the hospital ere this. The wound in the heart is pebbled by the physicians and attendants to have thoroughly healed, but the hole in one of the lungs is still very dangerous.

Looke Made Chief of Choctaws.

Washington: President Taft has announced the appointment of V. M. Looker of Antlers, Ok., as Principal chief of the Choctaw Nation to succeed the late Green McCurtain, having previously revoked the commission issued to D. C. McCurtain for the same position. It is understood that in taking this action the president made it clear that the charges filed against McCurtain by Dennis Flynn, one of the attorneys for J. F. McMurray, did not enter into the matter.

Gregg Co. Appoints Woman Assessor.

Longview: Unanimously on the first ballot of the county commissioners, Mrs. J. Matt Owings was appointed tax assessor of Gregg county, being the first woman ever to hold office in the history of the county. Mrs. Owings' husband, her predecessor as county tax assessor, died Sunday.

Algo is arranging for the erection of a \$10,000 school house.

Wells for the Public.

Dallas: The artesian well at De Soto which is being dug by members of the community and the commissioners' court is completed with a total cost of about \$1,400, of which the court will pay \$600. This well makes seven public wells that Dallas county has dug or is digging at points along the public roads for the convenience of the traveling public. At Irving and Coppell wells are under way. At Grand Prairie one has just been completed.

MRS. SPELL'S SICK SPELL

Happy Ending to Experience That Might Have Developed Fatal Results.

Hayne, N. C.—"I was in a very low state of health last spring," writes Mrs. Z. V. Spell of this place, "and was not able to be up and tend to my duties. We consulted our family doctor, and he advised me to try Cardui, which I did, and soon began to feel better. I got able to be up and help do my housework.

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QUITE SO



Philip—These motorists seem to think the ordinary pedestrians are beneath them.

Harry—Well, they often are.

SUCCESSFUL TREATMENT OF PIMPLES AND BLACKHEADS

A speedy and economical treatment for disfiguring pimples is the following: Gently smear the face with Cuticura Ointment, but do not rub. Wash off the ointment in five minutes with Cuticura Soap and hot water and bathe freely for some minutes. Repeat morning and evening. At other times use hot water and Cuticura Soap for bathing the face as often as agreeable. Cuticura soap and ointment are equally successful for itching, burning, scaly and crusted humors of the skin and scalp, with loss of hair, from infancy to age, usually affording instant relief, when all else fails. Send to Potter Drug & Chem. Corp., Boston, Mass., for the latest Cuticura book on the care and treatment of the skin and scalp.

Woman as Bank Cashier.

Miss Ethel Boynton is cashier of the National Bank of Bayside, L. I., the only woman in the state holding such a position. She says that to be trustworthy a man or woman must first be kind, then he cannot find it in his heart to betray the trust that is reposed in him.

True pleasure consists in clear thoughts, sedate affections, sweet reflections; a mind even and stayed, and true to itself.—Hopkins.

Tightness across the chest means a cold on the lungs. That's the danger signal. Cure that cold with Hamlin's Wizard Oil before it runs into Consumption or Pneumonia.

He who cannot do kindness without a brass band is not so scrupulous about his other dealings.

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Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for Children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic, fits a bottle.

One might fight a lie and still not follow the truth.

A Dry Wash.

Representative Livingston of Georgia, who, disgusted at the bath-tub debate in the house recently, proposed that a little money might be made by renting the bath tubs out, said recently, apropos of this subject:

"We are now a good deal like Bill Spriggins on a zero morning.

"Bill's valet entered his bedroom one January morning and said with a shiver:

"Will you take your bath hot or cold, sir?"

"Thank you," said Bill; "I'll take it for granted."

OTS—250 Bu. Per Acre.

That is the sworn to yield of Theodore Harms, Lewis Co., Wash., had from Salzer's Rejuvenated White Bonanza oats and won a handsome \$0 acre farm. Other big yields are 141 bu., 119 bu., 103 bu., etc., had by farmers scattered throughout the U. S.

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Crutches or Biers.

Richard Croker, at a dinner in New York, expressed a distrust for aeroplanes.

"There's nothing underneath them," he said. "If the least thing goes wrong, down they drop.

"I said to a Londoner the other day: 'How is your son getting on since he bought a flying machine?'

"On crutches, like the rest of them," the Londoner replied.

The Handy Remedy for Eruption Caused by Poison Ivy or Wood Poison is Resinol Ointment.

I have used Resinol Salve for several years. I was badly broken out with eruptions caused by Poison Ivy. The itching was unbearable. My doctor recommended Resinol. It did its work fine. Being subject to wood poison, I now keep a jar of Resinol on hand. I have told others of it who had like results. Jno. H. Kohl, Benton, Kan.

On Her Side.

"I didn't know you had any idea of marrying her."

"I didn't. The idea was here."—Lippincott's Magazine.

TO DRIVE OUT MALARIA AND BUILD UP THE SYSTEM

Take the Old Standard GILBERT'S TONIC. You know what you are taking. The formula is plainly printed on every bottle, showing it is simply Quinine and Iron in a tasteful form. The Quinine drives out the malarial and the Iron builds up the system. Sold by all dealers for 25 cents. Price 50 cents.

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Taylor's Chokeberry Remedy of Sweet Gum and Mullen is Nature's great remedy—Cures Coughs, Colds, Croup and Whooping Cough and all throat and lung troubles. At drugists, 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle.

Even when you find yourself in hot water it is possible to get cold feet.

Garfield Tea cannot but commend itself to those desiring a laxative, simple, pure, mild, potent and health-giving.

Much moonshine goes into pious talks about making sunshine.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY

Take LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE Tablets. They refund money if it fails to cure. R. W. GILBERT'S refund money on each box. 25c.

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Taking Garfield Tea will prevent the recurrence of sick-headache, indigestion and bilious attacks. All druggists.

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The heart is a wonderful double pump, through the action of which the blood stream is kept sweeping round and round through the body at the rate of seven miles an hour. "Remember this, that our bodies will not stand the strain of over-work without good, pure blood any more than the engine can run smoothly without oil." After many years of study in the active practice of medicine, Dr. R. V. Pierce found that when the stomach was out of order, the blood impure and there were symptoms of general breakdown, a tonic made of the glyceric extract of certain roots was the best corrective. This he called

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A copy of the initial issue of the State Democrat, that is published at Austin has reached us. The paper is edited by W. V. Hawerton and is full of "hot stuff." It is anti-Bailey, anti-Lorimer, anti-Coiquet, and against the saloons running Texas politics, and only threatens the saloons with state wide prohibition in case they do not cease to meddle in Texas politics.

Hon. R. C. Dial of Clarendon, one of the strongest prohibition speakers on the stump spoke at the court house here last Sunday evening. His speech was a arraignment of the liquor tariff and supported his argument against it by quotations from Louis Wortham a leading anti-prohibitionist. Mr. Dale had a book full of clippings of the writings of men in public life and his knowledge and experience will make him a strong factor in the coming campaign.

THE DISPATION OF THE GOULD ESTATE.

Vivian Gould has discovered an obscure Lordlet of Europe and married him. They have sailed for Egypt to have a big time and show how lavish they can spend the earning of their American properties in foreign lands. Contemporaneous with this foolish alliance comes the news that the stock holders who have furnished the proxies to give George Gould control of the big system of railroads he has heretofore controlled, have transferred their proxies to Khau-Loeb & Co. of New York, and George Gould has resigned the presidency of the Katy system of railroads. The power of the Goulds in the financial world is on the wane. The children of the great American financier has turned from the worship of American ideals to the vanities European pomp. Their Lordlets and Ducklets will spend their substance in riotous living, and their estates will become the legitimate prey of high finance. It has been said that "the wages of sin is death." The indulgence of vanity is sin. Financial failure (death financial) seems to be the wages of the folly of the Goulds. They have distorted ideals. They have a contempt for a normal sane man or woman, and the institutions of this country. Manhood does not appeal to the modern American heiress.

The experience of her sister Anna taught Vivian no lesson. The perversions of her ideals was complete. It would astonish some normal people if they could know the silly deportment of such people and yet in every village and hamlet there are

men and women that would love to be in the class of the silly rich people. There are people living right in Haskell who are suffering from the effect of temporary prosperity, or temporary prominence. To be a sane normal man or woman under the temptations of temporary prosperity is a fiery test of true personal worth, and this little Lordlet of Vivian Gould's is not going to stand the test. It will be interesting to sociologists to follow them in their career.

LAWYER'S WHO OPPOSE JUDICIAL REFORM.

A communication from Representative George B. Terrell, which we printed a few days ago, sets forth with rare simplicity and force, it seems to us, the situation which confronts the people of this state with respect to the reform of our judicial procedure. That there are gross defects in our present methods of administering justice is everywhere recognized, and as Mr. Terrell says, by the ablest judges of the state. The docket of most courts are congested, and whether the case be civil or criminal, it requires often years to get a final adjudication of it. The process is as costly as it is tedious, and costly not only to the persons immediately involved in the suits, but to the people at large. Yet these evils, serious as they are, are the least of them. There can be no doubt that much injustice is endured by people of humble circumstances because of the interminable time and the excessive cost entailed by an appeal to the courts. It is equally certain that the present cumbersome and costly system gives to the man or corporation of large means an advantage which renders it easy for him or it to extort an unfair compromise from the individual of small means. Grievous as this evil is, our present absurd system of judicial procedure is productive of even a graver evil. That evil is the least with which criminals escape the penalties of the law. It is no exaggeration that under the system obtaining in Texas the deterrent force of law operates scarcely at all against those who are able to employ lawyers who are skilled in those sleight-of-hand tricks which the law countenances and encourages. Our present system of judicial procedure is, undoubtedly, one of the strongest anti-social forces that we have to contend with.

Most men will agree, we think, that in saying these things we do not overdraw the picture. Indeed, there are some jurists and lawyers, as Mr. Terrell says, who admit the existence of evils quite as bad as these we have stated. Yet every effort that is made to bring about some small measure of reform, for some reason or other, fail. The only relief measure that seems to have any chance of adoption in the Legislature is one to create more courts. Such bills as this usually command the support of most lawyers of the Legislature and their readiness to support those measures, contrasted with their opposition to all other reform measures, must suggest to every mind that they are more responsive to the prompting of their self-interest than to the needs of the people as a whole. There are some lawyers, to be sure, in and out of the Legislature, who, in considering this matter, subordinate their professional interest to their civic obligation. But they are exceptional, and notable for the smallness of their company.

It is not agreeable to The News to question the motives of any man or class of men, but there is in this issue of judicial reform an apparent conflict between the interest of the people and the

professional interest of the lawyers, and when we continually witness the spectacle of the latter favoring ever measure that will enlarge their own office-holding opportunities and lessen their power, and to simplify the practice of their profession, the evidence of the working of selfish motive is too palpable to be ignored, unless courtesy is to be made a greater virtue than courage. The legal profession profits from the multiplication of courts. To most of the offices thereby created only lawyers are eligible, and they have an interest, too, in avoiding that extreme degree of delay which would prompt men to sacrifice something of their rights in a private settlement rather than hazard the uncertainties of the law and its delays and costs. Inasmuch as the creation of new courts expedites the adjudication of cases, the people are advantaged to some extent, and if there were no other way in which to expedite the trial of cases, more courts ought to be created. But there is another way. A reform of the procedure would not only obviate the need of new courts, but make possible the discontinuance of a good many that are now in existence. That is the preferable method of reform, and that is the only sensible method of reform if the interest of the people at large is to be made paramount to the lawyers as such. Not only would that kind of reform lessen the cost of the judiciary to the people, but it would tend to diminish the value of legal service and best of all, it would operate powerfully to bring the laws into greater respect, and thus diminish crime.

It has been made manifest as Mr. Terrell says, and as we ourselves have asserted with a good deal of iteration, that there will be no genuine reform of judicial procedure in this state so long as the people content themselves with praying for the lawyers to give it to them. Hoping and even believing that the legal profession's sense of duty to the people would triumph over considerations of professional advantages, the people have waited a long time for them to do something. The vanity of the hope has been proved, the faith of the people has been mocked. Certain of the lawyers have shown that they will do nothing more than create new courts, and that they too much cherish the power which the rule of technicalities, quibble and absurd formulas give them to surrender it voluntarily. That being the case, the people must take the initiative in this matter and assert their power. They must if necessary bring about reform unaided by the lawyers, and in their own blundering way. It is they who pay the cost, it is upon them that lawyers thrive, and they are the victims of the present cumbersome and vicious system.

The News hopes that Mr. Terrell and those who share with him a full sense of the enormity of present conditions will bring to the fore that measure which proposes to create a judiciary commission. Let them use this measure to make a final test of the attitude of the lawyers in the Legislature. As for ourselves, we fear it is too large with possibilities to win the favor of a majority of the lawyers in the Legislature, and especially so if it is amended, as it ought to be amended, to provide at least one member of that commission should be a layman. But it is a reasonable measure that offers a fair concession to those who are set against any change whatever, and if the lawyers in the Legislature do not support this bill, then there will be no argument left for those timid people who are not lawyers, but who, desire an abundance of contrary evidence, delude themselves with the hope that the latter will give us any genuine reform.—Dallas News

The Free Press is in receipt of a copy of the Texas Almanac and state industrial guide published by the Dallas News. This is one of the most complete works of its kind ever published on the resources of Texas. Every family should have a copy of this book. It will answer many important questions concerning Texas resources as well as give political, social and business statistics. The almanac contains a list of Federal and State officers, the officers of the political parties and executive committees with their address and the platforms of the political parties and the vote for the different parties for state and federal offices by counties as well as the vote for various county officers. There has never been such a complete work published before.

ADVERTISED LETTERS

Feb. 13 1911
Haskell, Texas.
S. W. Williams.
Grover Williams.
J. G. Gann.
Miss Madge Glenn.
R. M. Moore.
J. P. Paine.
Feb. 20, 1911.
George Shelton.
Mrs. E. L. Williams.
May Adams.
Jim Spradley.

Entertainment

On last Thursday night, February 16th, 1911, a party was held at the home of G. A. Vincent in the north part of town. Miss Louise Lamar acted as hostess. A delightful time was reported by all present.

ALL TRUE

Father Time is the man of the hour.

It's plain no woman ever thinks she is.

A blind actor should be able to act with feeling.

Many a rich man has barley missed landing in jail.

He is a strong man who can overcome his smallest weakness.

Wise is the man who knows what to say—and then doesn't say it.

The average married man wastes a lot of sympathy on his wife's husband.

About falling in love, the worst feature is that so many fall out again.

Music hath charms—but much of the charm is due to the music's being at a distance.

Don't be satisfied with walking around on your uppers while waiting for a dead man's shoes.

When a man takes unto himself a wife he is apt to exchange a lot of little troubles for a big one.

Some men are born rich, some acquire riches and some get into politics and thrust riches upon themselves.

After a woman makes up her mind to have her own way she gets angry if some man doesn't get busy and restrain her.

Approaching a Walled City.

After the drab outskirts of Pisa, the Marzina and the dyked road, I gained Cascina, a walled, arched town at the limit of the Vico Pisano, gray within a red husk of walls, inextricably picturesque; then came Pontedera, walled again—and with each a thrill. That is a thing you may count upon—that flutter of expectancy and its full reward whenever you approach a walled town by road. By road, observe, but not otherwise. Seen thus, the wall must be negotiated; you must pass through the gates with other wayfarers. A walled city is like a walled bride. What is one about to embrace? There are no gradations, no straggling line of suburbs to water down the type before you reach the heart. The truth is flashed upon you, plump and plain. You leave the fields, you clear the gates—here is Cascina, here Pontedera, for good or ill.—From Howlett's "The Road in Tuscany."



B. B. CRISPY.

B. B. Crispy is still in Haskell, and this will be his fifth season and he has a good record. All parties that have a colt from him are requested to bring them to Haskell on the first Monday in March. We will give a season to each of his last year's colts shown in Haskell on the first Monday in March. Mr. F. L. Goose will take your name.

There will be other parties that will have horses here that day to show, so bring your colts and there will be a judge of what a colt is to class them.

Locals and Personals.

H. C. Wyché left Tuesday night for Waco, on business.

Feed stuff of all kinds, cash on delivery. Phone Sims, 170.

We take old furniture in on new as a payment.
Gambill Bros.

Mark Perry is back from Greenville, where he has been for quite a while.

COAL.—Texas Pacific and Colorado coal, at Sims, Phone 170.

John Lowry returned Sunday night from Wichita Falls, where he had been for several days.

For lowest prices on window glass and picture framing. See Gambill Bros.

FOR RENT.—The brick building formerly occupied by McNeil & Smith. David Garner, tf

We are prepared to do your job printing on short notice.

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

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Via of Bartlett, are visiting friends and relatives in the city this week.

I have moved my grain and feed business to the building formerly occupied by Williams and English.
T. J. Sims

Mr. and Mrs. M. Pace has returned from Corpus Christi. Mrs. Pace is much improved in health.

FOR SALE; a good jersey cow. S. A. Mantooth. 2t-pd

FOR RENT—A suite of rooms suitable for light house keeping. See Mrs. C. L. Terrell. 8-2t

FOR SALE;—A few good horses and mules. See E. A. Chambers.

We sell furniture on easy terms, a small payment down and weekly or monthly payments. Come and see us and get prices. Gambill Bros.

Mr. and Mrs. Craig of Ennis spent several days this week with their son R. M. Craig of this city.

A few sittings of first class Rhode Island Red eggs for sale. Dr. J. D. Smith. 8-tf

On last Wednesday night, a lamp exploded in the home of Mrs. Pritchett and threw oil all over her, but by some good fortune her clothes did not ignite. The house caught fire however and was burned. We have not learned whether or not Mrs. Pritchett had any insurance.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Merdors are rejoicing over the birth of a son the 22nd inst. As soon as the boy arrived he inquired for a hatchet, and could not be quieted until he had chopped down a small tree.

Mr. Henry Alexander returned Sunday night from Chicago and St. Louis. He states that he bought a large stock of goods on the strength of the good rains. During his three weeks away from home, he says the coldest weather he experiences was in Haskell upon his return.

WANTED—Hands to grub 100 acres of land. Also 200 bushels of good seed oats to sell. See I. S. Grindstaff, 7 miles north of Haskell, on Benjamin road. 8-3t-pd

If you want the latest in visiting cards we can please you.

First class feed at Sims.

If you want a sewing machine and want the best, we have them and sell them on easy terms. See Gambill Bros.

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When you have any grain to sell give me a chance to furnish an offer; and when you want to buy, let me help fill your orders on . . .

Grain, Coal and Feed.

PHONE 157.

Jailer retires.
The court increased the terms of the county court to six per annum and extended the length to five weeks for each term. The court will convene the 1st Monday in May, July, September, November, January and March of each year.

Worn Out
That's the way you feel about the lungs when you have a hacking cough. It's foolishness to let it go on and trust to luck to get over it, when Ballard's Horehound Syrup will stop the cough and heal the lungs. Price 25c, 50, and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by all druggists.

WOMAN'S MEETING PROGRAM MARCH 8th.

Program for Woman's Meeting of Central West Tex. District with Haskell Society in connection with West Texas Workers Conference, March 8, 1911.

Morning Session.
9:30 Devotional service—Mrs F S Groner, Stamford.
Words of Welcome—Mrs R L Philips, Haskell.
Response—A message from the president—Mrs O H Cooper, Abilene.
Minutes of last meeting.
Appointment of Committees—Enrollment: Resolution.
Song.
Foreign Missions—Mrs C Fox Clarke, Sagerton.
"Juvenile"—Mrs W H Wright, Rule.
"Y W A"—Mrs Otis E Carter, Seymour.
"Our training School"—Mrs C C McCargo, Anson.
Our old ministers.
Baptist sanitarium.
Closing prayer.

Afternoon Session.
1:30 Devotional service—Mrs H Pace, Anson.
Social society work—Mrs C H Steele, Anson.
Our organized work—Associational Union; District Union; B W M W; W M U—Mrs G L Paxton, Abilene.
Song.
Buckner Orphan Home.
G I H, Simmons College—Miss Breedlove, Abilene.
Cottage Home, Belton.
Home, Baylor University, Waco.
Song.
Report of Enrollment Committee.
Report of of Resolution Committee.
Minutes.
Closing song and prayer.

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

Fire at Compress

Between 11 and 12 o'clock Monday night a fire was discovered on the wharfs of the Hamlin Compress and before the blaze could be got under control 301 bales of cotton were destroyed and the wharf damaged to the extent of about \$2000, the total damages reaching close to \$23,000. The cotton belonged to San Angelo parties and was fully insured, as was also the compress property.

Manager Youngin told the Herald that he was unable to account for the origin of the fire as it occurred at one corner of the wharf where there is never any fire for any purpose. Had it originated in the compress proper the entire plant would probably have burned, but as it was the flames were easily controlled with the splendid system of waterworks which is maintained by the compress.—Hamlin Herald.

A PUBLIC PARK FOR HASKELL CITY.

Thru the untiring efforts of the Civic club, the vacant lot just north of the Presbyterian church has been secured as a park and play ground for children. The use of this lot was donated by Mr. W. P. Whitman. The Civic club is very grateful to Mr. Whitman for this magnanimous donation; he has ever manifested quite a deal of interest in the legitimate development and growth of our city. The club feels proud to see our old-time citizen give his influence and substantial aid to this new enterprise. This lot is so well situated for this purpose. Already it has nice large trees and a good well of water. And with comparatively little cost can be converted into a beautiful little park. If any town needs just such a place, Haskell certainly does. What to do with the little folks or where to take them for recreation has always been a mother's problem. 'Tis but natural they want to be with other children. Now parents, all, become interested in this park that you may enjoy its privileges. If you can't help in a substantial way, lend your influence. "Talk Park." It must be cleaned and plowed and raked. Haven't you a boy and a shovel or rake? Of course you can do something. The town deeply appreciates the work these worthy women are doing, and let us say: "Fight on. Don't yield the battle field to friend or foe. Press to the front, receive the brunt and strike the blow, Be brave and true in all you do. Hold honor high. Be sure you are right, then force the fight and win or die."

Baby Hands

Will get into mischief, often it means a burn or cut or scald. Apply Ballard's Snow Liniment just as soon as the accident happens, and the pain heal quickly and nicely. A sure cure for sprain, Rheumatism and all pains. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 a bottle. Sold by all druggists.

BIG RAIN

Haskell was visited last Friday and Saturday with another big rain, sufficient to overflow tanks and streams. There has been a heavy crop of small grain sown and the outlook is the best for years. The rain was followed by a cold norther Sunday that registered 18 degrees above zero Sunday night, 20 above, Monday night, 14 above Tuesday. All fruit blooms that were open are killed, and only those that bud later will mature any fruit.

Farmers have their land in good shape and many of them will run their harrows over their plowed land and small grain. There has been a big change in farming methods in the last year or two, the farmers are trying to farm scientifically and if science prevails Haskell will make a bumper crop this year.

A Big Price

Is paid for neglecting rheumatism. A rheumatic cripple is worse off than one who has lost a limb. Ballard's Snow Liniment relieves all pains and cures rheumatism. We know it will. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by all druggists.

A king who left home set the world to talking, but Paul Mathulka, of Buffalo, N. Y. says he always keeps at home the king of laxative, Dr. King's New Life Pills, and that they're a blessing to all his family. Cure constipation, headache, indigestion, dyspepsia. Only 25c at Collier's Drug Store.

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PROGRAM FOR FARMER'S INSTITUTE

To Be Held in Haskell, Saturday, March 4, 1911.

Seed selection and breeding: Elements of Agriculture, Welborn, chapter XI; Elementary Principles of Agriculture, Ferguson & Lewis, chapter XX; Farm & Ranch, Feb. 18th, 1911.
Planting—time, methods, etc.: Ferguson & Lewis, chapter IV; Welborn, Chapter XVII; Campbell's Soil Culture Manual.
Tillage, methods and purposes: Ferguson & Lewis, chapters IX and X; Welborn, chapters XVI, XX and XXX; Campbell's Soil Culture Manual, the entire book, all of it is excellent; Campbell's Scientific Farmer for January on "Culture of Corn."
For general reference on the entire subject see Hand Book of Dry farming for 1911. This is all good and so much of it as to commend the entire book. Same for Campbell's Soil Culture Manual. A. Widdsoe is the latest.
Read all you can get your hands on and come prepared to tell what you have learned. Nearly every man has an experience of his own that would be of special value to some one else. Tell it and help your neighbors. Last meeting was marked by increased attendance and interest.

Program Committee.

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

TO THE CONFEDERATE VETERANS

Dear Comrade, it having rained, and of which all rejoice. The committee had good speakers, on the subject of state aid to all confederate soldiers.
I fear some are now suffering for the necessities of life, and if it was in my power I would warm and feed them. I know some thing of the hard ships of war. When the weather moderates come to town and join Camp Rains. Lets decide and have a county reunion, so most of us can attend.
Your friend and comrad,
G. J. Miller

Go to Jno. B. Lamkins Co. for scientific horse shoeing.

PROGRAM WEST TEXAS WORKER'S CONFERENCE.

To be Held at the First Baptist Church, Haskell, March 6-8, 1911.

MONDAY, MARCH 6th.
8 p. m.—Introductory Sermon, Otis E. Carter.
TUESDAY, MARCH 7th.
10 a. m.—"The Advantage of a long Pastorate," Bro. B. F. Whitten of Aspermont; J. H. Edmonds, R. E. Smith.
11 a. m.—"Shall the Baptists Lead?" M. E. Hudson.
2:30 p. m.—"Endowment of Our Schools," J. P. Boone, Jr., Dr. C. T. Ball.
3:30 p. m.—"Home Mission Work a Baptist Opportunity," W. P. Meroney, Jeff Davis, L. U. Comalander.
8 p. m.—"Prohibition Rally," J. H. Gambrell, J. D. Sandefor.

WED., MARCH 8th.
9:30 a. m.—"How to Enlist Church Members in B Y P U and S S work," C E Welch, W H Wright and E B Speck.
10:30 a. m.—"The Laymen from the Preacher's standpoint" C C Coleman.
11:00 a. m.—"The Preacher from the Preacher's standpoint" A A Hutto.
11:30 a. m.—"The Preacher from the Laymen's standpoint" L T Cunningham.
2 to 5 p. m.—Ladies meeting. (The program is published elsewhere in this issue.)
8 p. m.—Sermon, J P Boone, Jr.

FOR SALE OR TRADE:—Four, one year old heifers, and a fine young Jack. Can be seen on first Monday, south of court house. F. J. Craddock. Box 474, phone 288, Haskell, Texas. 8-1f

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMISSIONERS COURT.

The Commissioners Court has been quite busy this week checking up the reports of the officers. They made a trip to the Rule bridge to inspect same. They found that seventeen sections was washed out. Notwithstanding that this term closes the fiscal year and the volume of work was great it was dispatched quickly and the court will finish its work this week.
They approved the following quarterly reports. Haskell National Bank depository for Haskell Independent School district. Report of G. R. Couch Treasurer of said district. Reports of the following named Justices of the Peace. M. B. Moser. No. 4. J. S. Post, No. 1. J. B. Davis, No. 3. A. J. Smith, County Judge. Report of Guy O. Street District Clerk.
Petitions for road granted by the court were K. D. Webb et al; A. Mayfield et al; B. M. Pardu et al;
Approved bond of the Haskell National Bank as county depository.
The following were appointed presiding officers in the school districts, viz:
No. 1, J. B. Elkins, J. H. Cunningham and George Turnbow.
No. 2, Henry Carr, W. L. Ray.
No. 3, A. Burdett, C. L. Wagoner and J. A. Felker.
No. 4, J. P. Armstrong, C. F. Davis, and J. C. Harrison.
No. 5, W. P. Caudle, W. H. Scott, and B. Walters.
No. 6, J. S. Sloan, J. O. Jackson, and W. F. Hayes.
No. 7, J. S. Bartley, J. D. McCullough, and A. Carmichael.
No. 8, W. J. Bragg, I. N. Alvis and J. U. Bingham.
No. 9, F. W. Zelisko, J. P. Mosler and Will Dwyer.
No. 10, C. J. Reese, R. A. Taskerly and T. A. Park.
No. 11, Henry Free, J. R. Wheeler and J. W. Deer.
No. 12, Wheeler Lee, A. A. Gaunt, and J. T. Hister.
No. 13, W. G. Nix, L. L. Harris and T. J. Reed.
No. 14, Jno. W. Smith, J. R. Hutto and J. T. Casey.
No. 15, R. E. Lee, O. E. Wheeler, and J. F. Simmons.
No. 16, W. E. Johnson, H. E. Meton, and W. T. Dotson.

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MACHINERY WANTED.

It is perhaps an example of the irony of fate that Russia, our most formidable competitor in some branches of agriculture, should be obliged to depend, to a considerable degree, on American machinery for her success in the competition, says the Manchester Union. It is a fact no less interesting, though not unnatural, that American manufacturers of agricultural machinery are getting themselves in readiness to send to Russia all the machinery she is willing to pay for, provided she will make the trade an object to them by way of duty concessions. The Russian National Organization of Traders in Agricultural Machinery and Implements has laid before its government resolutions advocating the continuance of agricultural machinery on the free list, and the removal of the present duty on locomotives imported with threshing machines and steam plows. In these resolutions American manufacturers of agricultural machinery are naturally interested. They know that the Russian government earnestly desires the development of the southern part of its country into a corn-growing area, the fertility of the soil making this especially desirable; and they are quite reasonable in hoping and expecting that this consideration will be a factor in the Russian acceptance of the proposition to admit free of duty all utensils and machinery required in the cultivation of the product.

There are two sides to every question. Dean Bailey of the College of Agriculture at Cornell, presented the other side of a much-discussed matter when he talked to the fruit growers of the state at Sedus on the subject of abandoned farms. It is often declared that there is great loss of potential wealth in the abandoned farms. But Prof. Bailey says that much sentiment has been wasted on so-called abandoned farms; that farming has been suspended on some lands for good economic reasons, and that farming will not begin again upon them until conditions demand it. All this is true, of course. Buying an abandoned farm does not always open the road to prosperity for the buyer. The new owner may find conditions such that he cannot get along any better than the old owner who left the place. There is gold in sea water, but no profitable way has been found to extract it. There is land lying unused in abandoned farms—though the state agricultural department showed not long ago that there are fewer farms of this kind than the average person supposed.

While we have French, Italian, Chinese and Spanish restaurants, and one or two chop houses which would be quite English were it not for their German waiters, it would be difficult to name a single kitchen in the town that excels in the preparation of our homely American dishes in the very best fashion, says the New York Herald. Sad as it is to tell it, not one of our famous bonitances makes a serious effort to preserve the noble traditions of native cookery that are embodied in corned beef hash, pork and beans with a little molasses, fish cakes made from fresh cod, Indian pudding and chicken gumbo, not to mention such costly delicacies as terrapin and canvasback.

A suggestion has been made in New York, following the statement that the fire waste of the country is \$500 a minute, that a course of fire-fighting and prevention be established at one of the prominent colleges. The suggestion points to the fact that not one man or woman in a hundred thinks seriously of the ever-constant danger of fire until it is at hand, when the great majority promptly lose their heads at a time when every second counts. Training can develop that useful faculty called presence of mind, and there are many hints which would doubtless prove highly effective in both prevention and the salvation of life and property were they matters of common knowledge.

A woman in St. Louis, according to revelations in a divorce suit, was going to take the most unique revenge on her husband on record. She intended to take a lot of brunette hair found in his valise and bake it into a pie for his delectation. Only the imagination of a woman scorned could have conceived such a retributory scheme.

Mathe reports that 12,299 hunters killed 5,551 deer in the state during the hunting season just closed. Next year there will probably be enough of them to surround the game and choke it to death.

Telephone girls with sweet voices and manners marry rapidly, and in Spokane they are required to obligate themselves to stay single six months. That is unconstitutional, but the poor girls have to stand it in Spokane.

TEXARKANA VETO SUSTAINED BY HOUSE

MAJORITY OF HOUSE STAYS WITH THE GOVERNOR.

VOTE FOR VETO 62 AGAINST 95

Motion to Stand by Its Own Action Falls in the House by Majority of Three.

Austin, Feb. 22.—The message which Gov. Colquitt sent to the House of Representatives, the body in which the measure originated, vetoing the Texarkana charter bill, is an elaborate discussion of his objections to the initiative, referendum and recall, which he declares are contrary to the provisions of our Constitution and not in consonance with the principle of local self-government, of which he has been a conspicuous advocate. Further he shows that in opening his campaign for Governor he announced his opposition to the initiative and referendum.

Gov. Colquitt was sustained by the House of Representatives by a vote of 59 to 62, upon the motion to pass the bill notwithstanding the Governor's objection.

It would have required a two-thirds vote of the House to pass the bill over the Governor's head, but the motion actually failed to receive a plain majority. More than half of the members of the House present voted on the Governor's side.

Gov. Colquitt is very pleased over the result, although it was expected. He says that if the prohibition issue had not been involved in legislative proceedings, there would not have been twenty-five votes for the bill upon this occasion.

As the measure originated in the House the veto message was directed to that body, and the action there has finally disposed of it.

The vote against the Governor was: Ayes—Austin, Baker of Hood, Baker of Panola, Barrett, Bolin, Bonner, Broughton, Brown, Burns, Cable, Cathey, Caves, Coffey, Cox of Eastland, Craven, Cureton, Davis, Fant, Galtner, Gilmore, Goodner, Gross, Hall, Hamilton of Childress, Hamilton of McCulloch, Haney, Heney, Henry, Hillyer, Humphrey, Johnston, Lane, Lawson, Lee, Logan, Mangum, Martin, Maxwell, McDaniel, Minton, Morris, Nickels of Hill, Nichols of Hunt, Oliver, Pharr, Porter, Randolph, Rogers, Ross, Russell, Self, Stamps, Stead Stepter, Tarver, Terrell of Cherokee, Walker, White, Woods, Woods. Total—59.

Noes—Bagby, Bierschwale, Birdsong, Brooks, Brookshire, Buchanan, Buffington, Byrne, Camp, Campbell, Chapin, Corder, Cox of Rockwall, Cranke, Crisp, Dillard, Donegan, Dotson, Dunn, Elliott, Flourney, Fountain, Gelptner, Harmon, Haxthausen, Hellig, Herder, Highsmith, Hill, Hornby, Hubbard, Hunt, Keeble, Kennedy, Kraitcher, Landry, Lensch, McEwen, McNeal, Mikeska, Mulcahy, Robertson of Bell, Robertson of Travis, Rucks, Savage, Schlick, Schluter, Shanon, Singleton, Smith of Atascosa, Smith of Houston, Spradley, Sandifer, Stevens, Stone, Terrell of Bexar, Turney, Wahrumund, Watson, Williams of Dallas, Williams of McLennan, Yarbrough. Total—62.

Absent, Excused—Messrs. Brownlee, German, Maddox, Parker, Rowell, Teel. Total, 6.

Absent, Eunexcused—Messrs. Graham, McDowra, McKinney, Wortham. Total, 4.

Proposition to Dam Nueces.

San Antonio: To build a dam across mouth of the Nueces river and build a causeway across Nueces bay 250 feet wide for a wagonway and automobile speedway, railroad and interurban tracks is the project of J. E. Franklin, president of the St. Louis Trust Company and the Crystal City Railroad. This would furnish water for irrigation and domestic use and that a large fresh-water lake would be created which would supply Corpus Christi with water sufficient for all purposes.

A \$10,000 Barn Fire.

Eddy: Saturday night Charlie Dunning's barn and contents were destroyed by fire, burning two carloads of oats, several hundred bales of hay and several tons of cotton and all his farming implements and thirty head of young mules from 1 to 5 years old and twelve head of calves. The loss totals \$10,000.

Cutting a hole in the roof and then sliding down a pipe, William Woods, Lee J. Turner and a man named Wade escaped from the jail at Belton. They disappeared in some woods about a mile north of town.

New Railway Makes Eyes at Denison.

Denison: E. R. Sutton of Philadelphia, Pa.; R. L. Robertson and Jake Hamon of Lawton, Ok., promoters of the Lawton, Duncan & Ardmore Railway, were here and met several prominent business men and discussed the subject of bringing their line into this city. Before leaving they stated that they would return soon and would make a proposition. Ardmore and Lawton have each promised a bonus of \$100,000. Duncan will give \$50,000 and twenty-two miles of right of way.

THE PESTS OF MEXICO



SHADOW OF CIVIL WAR HANGS O'ER PORTUGAL

REVOLUTIONISTS MAKE CAPITAL OF SMALL DEMANDS.

IMMEDIATE ACTION THREAT

Former Member of Cabinet and Former Minister of Foreign Affairs Are Expelled.

Lisbon, Port: Relations between the government and the navy have again reached almost the breaking point because of a demand of the navy for the reinstatement and appointment to the command of the battleship Almirante Reis of Capt. Jose Cerejo, one of the naval heroes of the revolution, who has been pensioned off the active list by former Premier Franco on account of his disloyal attitude.

The Minister of Marine objects to Capt. Cerejo holding this command, as he believes such a concession would be tantamount to placing the Government in the hands of extremists, who are supporting the naval officers in their demands. The navy has expressed a determination to remove the Minister of Marine, Amaro Azedo Gomes, by force, and the Minister is very popular, and the Minister of the Interior, Antonio Almeida, who is very popular, has exhausted every argument to induce the extremists to exercise patience, pointing out that such a step would result in Civil War.

Jose Azvedo, formerly Minister of Foreign Affairs, and Coutinho Chagas, also a former member of the monarchist Cabinet, have been expelled on the ground that their presence in Portugal would constitute a danger to the new institutions.

Claims Cure for Insanity.

London: Dr. Oswald of the Royal Asylum of Glasgow reports the discovery of a permanent cure for insanity. His search has revealed, he says, a substance which, when injected into the blood of a patient who is suffering from a mental disease, not only cures, but makes the patient immune from further attacks. The discovery was first made by a German professor and perfected by the research department of the Glasgow Asylum.

Seven Perish in Flames.

Sutton, Va.: Seven persons lost their lives in a fire which destroyed the home of J. D. Hardin in this city early Sunday. Only Mr. Hardin escaped, the six remaining members of his family and a little girl who made her home with the Hardins perishing in the flames.

Despondent Farmer Suicides.

San Antonio: Despondency over financial reverses caused Charles Obst, aged forty-four, a farmer living six miles north of here, to hang himself in his feed house. The body was found by Thomas Blackwell, when he went to feed the horses.

Armours to Quit Missouri.

St. Louis, Mo.: Officers of the Armour Packing Company have served notice on Secretary of State Rosch that the company would withdraw from business operations in Missouri. What reasons prompted the decision were not stated in the communication received by the secretary of State.

Historical Character Passes Away.

Muskogee, Okla.: Captain S. B. Callahan, who died here, had, since the death of Senator Vest of Missouri, been the sole survivor of the second congress of the confederacy. He represented the Creek and Seminole Indian nations in that organization, and had been a striking figure in the history of the Indian country since 1823 when the Creeks were forced from their homes in Alabama and Georgia to the Indian Territory, now Oklahoma.

ANNEXATION IDEA CAUSES FITS

English and Canadian Seriousness is Source of Amusement to Washington Government.

Washington, Feb. 16.—The semi-jocular remarks which Champ Clark, the Democratic speaker-to-be, made in the House yesterday during the debate in the Canadian reciprocity agreement to the effect that he believed the Stars and Stripes would one day float over the entire Western Hemisphere stirred up most unexpected trouble today. President Taft took occasion to write to Representative McCall, introducer of the reciprocity bill, a letter disclaiming and deprecating the annexation talk and to follow it with personal remarks to visitors even more emphatically.

The news that Mr. Clark's allusions had created excitement in Canada and in England occasioned great surprise and considerable amusement at the Capitol. The man most surprised of all was Mr. Clark himself.

Ottawa, Ont.: Commercial union, followed by annexation to the United States, is the inevitable meaning of the pending reciprocity agreement as interpreted by the conservative opposition in the Canadian Parliament. This sentiment dominated a three hours' speech by John E. Foster who, under the conservative government, was finance minister and tariff maker. His speech is considered typical of a long series to come from both sides, and it is not expected a vote will be reached for at least three weeks.

London: The Morning Post bases an editorial on a Washington dispatch, declaring that American public men openly predict that reciprocity will lead to the eventual annexation of Canada by the United States.

The editorial appeals to Unionists and "those Liberals not yet blinded by partisan prejudices" to close their ranks and fight to save the empire, which is threatened with danger.

The Chamberlain section of the Unionist party is making a strong effort to rally its followers. A series of meetings has been arranged to be held in London and the provinces to stir up a vigorous campaign in favor of imperial preference.

Waco-Hamilton Service Starts.

Waco: At 11 o'clock Wednesday morning the first train over the Cotton Belt went through to Hamilton from Waco by way of Gatesville. There was quite a crowd of citizens to witness the departure of this train, which is the consummation of a hope entertained in Waco for many years of going by a straight line from this city to Hamilton. Among the passengers were about a dozen commercial travelers. From Waco to Hamilton by way of the Alexander junction is 127 miles, whereas it is only seventy-five miles over the Cotton Belt.

Santa Fe-Cleburne Shops to Enlarge.

Cleburne: Announcement that over \$50,000 will be expended in the enlargement of the Santa Fe shops here is made by Mechanical Superintendent F. T. Dunlop. The enlargement is necessary on account of a heavy increase in work all over the gulf lines of the company.

Smith County Convicts to the Roads.

Tyler: By order of the Commissioners' Court the county farm, consisting of 848 acres situated eighteen miles north of here on the International and Great Northern Railroad, will be sold. The money realized from the sale will be used in purchasing modern road machinery and the county hereafter will work its convicts on the public roads.

Railway Doing at Waco.

Waco: At a public meeting General Manager F. G. Pettibone of the Santa Fe announced that freight and passenger service will be inaugurated into Waco over the Cotton Belt from McGregor the last of March. The arrangements contemplate among other service a train from San Angelo into Waco by summer, and this is believed to be part of an arrangement with the Cotton Belt for handling passenger traffic from Memphis to the Pacific coast.

THE BEAR CREEPS INTO CHINA

Soldiers Ordered into III District, Where Trouble Centers—Deny Serious Situation.

London, England: The relation of Russia and China are strained to the breaking point. Russia has notified the governments of Great Britain, France and Germany of her intention to make a military demonstration on the Russo-Chinese frontier owing to China's persistent violation of the St. Petersburg treaty of 1881.

Russian troops will be sent forth to the district of III.

The extent of the demonstration, it is added in the diplomatic note, will depend entirely upon the attitude assumed by China.

The vital questions involved are free trade in Mongolia, the extra territorial rights of Russians in China and the establishment of a Russian consulate at Keobdo, Mongolia.

There have been rumors recently of an intention by Russia to bring pressure to bear upon China because of alleged violations of the Russo-Chinese treaty. That the situation was acute, however, has been denied both by the Chinese foreign board and the Russian legation at Peking.

IT'S THE NEW ELIXIR OF LIFE

A Millionaire Experimenter Has Cured Pneumonia and Tuberculosis.

Chicago, Ill.: Medical men are deeply interested in the announcement by Dr. Herman Hille, millionaire chemist and discoverer of twenty-seven important chemicals and methods, that he has discovered what is practically an elixir of life.

Dr. Hille is a graduate of Heidelberg and holds degrees from other big universities. He was associated with Prof. Roentgen in developing the X-ray and stands very high in his profession and is entitled to respectful attention.

All diseases are caused primarily by malnutrition, due to the fact that some substances necessary to the body are absent, or present in insufficient quantity. Physicians have sought to remedy this by introducing inorganic chemicals in the form of medicine. The results have been imperfect, because in that form they are difficult to assimilate and act as poisons. They must first be transmuted into organic form.

Dr. Hille displays a flask of brilliant amber-colored fluid which he claims contains every element that enters into the human body. Fifty physicians have been helping Dr. Hille in his experiments for two years and the results are pronounced startling. Dr. Hille is independently rich and will give his formula to the public within a short time.

MEXICAN SOLDIERS ON THE RUN

In Lower California the Insurrectos are in Control.

Mexicali, Mex., Feb. 17.—Defeated and in full retreat, the army of Gov. Vega of Lower California is hurrying back tonight toward Escondido by way of the Cocopah Mountain pass southwest of here. Vega himself is wounded. This was confirmed by couriers who got into communication with the fleeing Federals. One insurrecto bullet pierced Vega's neck and another his left side, causing a serious wound. In a litter rigged like a Sedan chair, he is being carried southward by his men.

Handsome Farm Prizes in Dallas.

Dallas: The agricultural committee of the Chamber of Commerce, in compliance with the board of directors, has reported a plan for awarding in prizes the \$1,000 offered by the Chamber to be given as cash prizes for the best yield of cotton and corn in Dallas County this year. The committee conferred with Col. Henry Exall, president of the Texas Industrial Congress, in formulating the plan. This plan, which has been approved by the board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce, is to offer \$300 as the first prize, \$200 as the second, \$150 as the third and then seven \$50 prizes. They are to be offered for the best two acres of cotton and the best two acres of corn raised in Dallas County in 1911.

Terrill Raises \$100,000 Bonus.

The \$100,000 bonus required for the building of the Memphis, Dallas & Gulf railroad to Terrell, has been raised. The completion of this herculean task was announced by the firing of anvils and the ringing of bells and other evidences of general rejoicing. The campaign was waged under the auspices of the Terrell Commercial club backed by every business interest of the city. Mr. M. W. Raley, president of the First National bank, who has given notice that the money will be diverted to other enterprises unless the railway gets busy at a very early date.

The St. Louis Shirt & Ramper Co. is negotiating its removal to Dallas.

Negroes Hold Up Preceptor.

Clarksville, Tex.: While en route from Manchester in the northern portion of this country, near Red River, to Clarksville after a prospecting tour, a citizen of West Texas named Yarbrough was held up and relieved of \$50 in cash Monday morning, by two negro men, who used a shot gun as a method of persuasion. Yarbrough came to Clarksville from West Texas several days ago, and went to Manchester by the purpose of inspecting a tract of land.

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Probably Got Off.
Apropos of certain unfounded charges of drunkenness among the naval cadets, at Annapolis, Admiral Dewey, at a dinner in Washington, told a story about a young sailor.
"The sailor, after a long voyage," he said, "went ashore in the tropics, and it being a hot day, he drank, in certain tropical bars, too much beer."
"As the sailor lurchered under his heavy load along a palm-bordered avenue, his captain balled him indignantly."
"Look here," the captain said, "suppose you were my commander, and you met me in such a condition as you're in now, what would you do to me?"
"Why, sir," said the sailor, "I wouldn't condescend to take no notice of you at all, sir."

And It Was All Imagination
"I wonder how much imagination governs some persons' senses?" remarked a visitor at the St. Regis yesterday. "For a Christmas present I sent to a young woman of my acquaintance one of the most elaborate sachet cases I could find. It was such a beautiful thing that I didn't put perfume in it, for some women prefer to use a certain kind all the time, and I thought I would leave it to the recipient to put her own particular sachet powder in the case. You may imagine I was somewhat amazed to read this in her enthusiastic letter of thanks: 'It's perfume has pervaded the whole room.'"
—New York Press.

IT'S FOOD That Restores and Makes Health Possible.

There are stomach specialists as well as eye and ear and other specialists.
One of these told a young lady, of New Brunswick, N. J., to quit medicines and eat Grape-Nuts. She says: "For about 12 months I suffered severely with gastritis. I was unable to retain much of anything on my stomach, and consequently was compelled to give up my occupation."
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Read "The Road to Wellville" in page "There's a Reason."
How good the above is! A man who suffered from this kind of stomach trouble.



The MAN in LOWER TEN

by MARY ROBERTS RINEHART
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SYNOPSIS.

Lawrence Blakeley, lawyer, goes to Pittsburg with the forged notes in the Bronson case to get the deposition of John Gilmore, millionaire. A lady requests Blakeley to buy her a Pullman ticket. He gives her lower 11 and returns lower 10. He finds a drunken man in lower 10 and retires in lower 7. He awakens in lower 7 and finds his clothes and bag missing. The man in lower 10 is found murdered. Circumstantial evidence points to both Blakeley and the man who stole his clothes. The train is wrecked and Blakeley is rescued from a burning car by a girl in blue. His arm is broken. The girl proves to be Alison West, his partner's sweetheart. Blakeley returns home and finds he is under surveillance. Moving pictures of the train taken just before the wreck reveal to Blakeley a man leaping from the train with his stolen grip. Investigation proves that the man's name is Sullivan. Mrs. Conway, the woman for whom Blakeley bought a Pullman ticket, tries to make a bargain with him for the forged notes, not knowing that they are missing. Blakeley and an amateur detective investigate the home of Sullivan's sister. From a servant Blakeley learns that Alison West had been there on a visit and Sullivan had been attentive to her. Sullivan is the husband of a daughter of the murdered man. Blakeley's nose is ransacked by the police. He learns that the affair between Alison and his partner is off. Alison tells Blakeley about the attention paid her by Sullivan.

CHAPTER XXVIII.—Continued.

"Married!" she said finally, in a small voice. "Why, I don't think it is possible, is it? I—I was on my way to Baltimore to marry him myself, when the wreck came."

"But you said you don't care for him!" I protested, my heavy masculine mind unable to jump the gaps in her story. And then, without the slightest warning, I realized that she was crying. She shook off my hand and fumbled for her handkerchief, and falling to find it, she accepted the one I thrust into her wet fingers.

Then, little by little, she told me from the handkerchief, a sordid story of a motor trip in the mountains without Mrs. Curtis, of a lost road and a broken car, and a rainy night when they—she and Sullivan, tramped eternally and did not get home. And of Mrs. Curtis, when they got home at dawn, suddenly grown conventional and deeply shocked. Of her own proud, half-dishonest consent to make possible the hackneyed compromising situation by marrying the rascal, and then—of his disappearance from the train. It was so terrible to her, such a Heaven-sent relief to me, in spite of my rage against Sullivan, that I laughed aloud. At which she looked at me over the handkerchief.

"I know it's funny," she said, with a catch in her breath. "When I think that I nearly married a murderer—and didn't—I cry for sheer joy." Then she buried her face and cried again.

"Please don't," I protested unsteadily. "I won't be responsible if you keep on crying like that. I may forget that I have a capital charge hanging over my head, and that I may be arrested at any moment."

That brought her out of the handkerchief at once. "I mean to be so helpful," she said, "and I've thought of nothing but myself! There were some things I meant to tell you. If Jennie was—what you say, then I understand why she came to me just before I left. She had been packing my things and she must have seen what condition I was in, for she came over to me when I was getting my wraps on, to leave, and said, 'Don't do it, Miss West, I beg you won't do it; you'll be sorry ever after.' And just then Mrs. Curtis came in and Jennie slipped out."

"That was all?"

"No. As we went through the station the telegraph operator gave Har—Mr. Sullivan, a message. He read it on the platform, and it excited him terribly. He took his sister aside and they talked together. He was white with either fear or anger—I don't know which. Then, when we boarded the train, a woman in black, with beautiful hair, who was standing on the car platform, touched him on the arm and then drew back. He looked at her and glanced away again, but she smiled as if he had struck her."

"Then what?" The situation was growing clearer.

"Mrs. Curtis and I had the drawing-room. I had a dreadful night, just sleeping a little now and then. I saw his cigarette case in your hand. I had given it to him. You wore his clothes. The murder was discovered and you were accused of it! What could I do? And then, afterward, when I saw him asleep at the farmhouse, I—I was panic-stricken. I looked him in and ran. I didn't know why he did it, but—he had killed a man."

Some one was calling Alison through a megaphone, from the veranda. It sounded like Sam. "All—oh," he called. "All—oh! I'm going to have some anchovies on toast! All—oh!" Neither of us heard.

"I wonder," I reflected, "if you would be willing to repeat a part of that story—just from the telegram on—a couple of detectives, say on Monday. If you would tell that, and—how the end of your necklaces got into the machine bag—"

"My necklaces!" she repeated. "But in that case, I picked it up in the—"



For at Half After Five Johnson and I Were on Our Way Through the Dust to the Station, Three Miles Away.

Allison turned and called through her hands. "Coming in a moment, Sam," she said, and rose. "It must be very late: Sam is home. We would better go back to the house."

"Don't," I begged her. "Anchovies and juleps and Sam will go on forever, and I have you such a little time. I suppose I am only one of a dozen or so, but—you are the only girl in the world. You know I love you, don't you dear?"

Sam was whistling, an irritating bird call, over and over. She pursed her red lips and answered him in kind. It was more than I could endure.

"Sam or no Sam," I said firmly. "I am going to kiss you!"

But Sam's voice came strident through the megaphone. "Be good, you two," he bellowed. "I've got the binoculars! And so, under fire, we walked sedately back to the house. My pulses were throbbing—the little swish of her dress beside me on the grass was pain and ecstasy. I had but to put out my hand to touch her, and I dared not."

Sam, armed with a megaphone and field glasses, bent over the rail and watched us with gleeful malignity.

"Home early, aren't you?" Allison called, when we reached the steps.

"Led a club when my partner had doubled no-trumps, and she fainted. Damn the heart convention!" he said cheerfully. "The others are not here yet."

Three hours later I went up to bed. I had not seen Alison alone again. The noise was at its height below, and I glanced down into the garden, still bright in the moonlight. Leaning against a tree, and staring interestedly into the billiard room, was Johnson.

CHAPTER XXIX.

In the Dining Room.

That was Saturday night, two weeks after the wreck. The previous five days had been full of swift-following events—the woman in the house next door, the picture in the theater of a man about to leap from the doomed train, the dinner at the Dallas, and Richey's discovery that Alison was the girl in the case. In quick succession had come our visit to the Carter place, the finding of the rest of the telegram, my seeing Alison there, and the strange interview with Mrs. Conway. The Croson trip stood out in my memory for its serio-comic horrors and its one real thrill. Then—the discovery by the police of the sealink bag and the bit of chain; Hotchkiss producing triumphantly Stuart for Sullivan and his subsequent discomfiture; McKnight at the station with Alison, and later the confession that he was out of the running.

And yet, when I thought it all over, the entire week and its events were two sides of a triangle that was narrowing rapidly to an apex, a point. And the said apex was at that moment in the drive below my window, resting his long legs by sitting on a carriage block, and smoking a pipe that made the night hideous. The sense of the ridiculous in very close to the sense of tragedy. I opened my screen and whistled, and Johnson looked up and grinned. We said nothing. I held up a handful of cigars, he extended his hat, and when I finally went to sleep, it was to a comforting brown that waited in each air and a

faint aroma of good tobacco. I was thoroughly tired, but I slept restlessly, dreaming of two detectives with Pittsburg warrants being held up by Hotchkiss at the point of a splint, while Allison fastened their hands with a chain that was broken and much too short. I was roused about dawn by a light rap at the door, and, opening it, I found Forbes, in a pair of trousers and a pajama coat. He was as pleasant as most fleshy people are when they have to get up at night, and he said the telephone had been ringing for an hour, and he didn't know why somebody else in the blankety-blank house couldn't have heard it. He wouldn't get to sleep until noon.

As he was palpably asleep on his feet, I left him grumbling and went to the telephone. It proved to be Richey, who had found me by the simple expedient of tracing Alison, and he was jubilant.

"You'll have to come back," he said. "Got a railroad schedule there?"

"I don't sleep with one in my pocket," I retorted, "but if you'll hold the line I'll call out the window to Johnson. He's probably got one."

"Johnson!" I could hear the laugh with which McKnight comprehended the situation. He was still chuckling when I came back.

"Train to Richmond at 6:30 a. m.," I said. "What time is it now?"

"Four. Listen, Lollie. We've got him. Do you hear? Through the woman at Baltimore. Then—the other woman, the lady of the restaurant—he was obviously avoiding names—'she is playing our cards for us—No—I don't know why, and I don't care. But you be at the Incubator to-night at eight o'clock. If you can't shake Johnson, bring him, bless him.'"

To this day I believe the Sam Forbes have not recovered from the surprise of my unexpected arrival, my appearance at dinner in Granger's clothes, and the note on my dresser which informed them the next morning that I had folded my tents like the Arabs and silently stolen away. For at half after five Johnson and I, the former as uninquisitive as ever, were on our way through the dust to the station, three miles away, and by four that afternoon we were in Washington. The journey had been uneventful. Johnson relaxed under the influence of my tobacco, and spoke at some length on the latest improvements in galleys, dilating on the absurdity of cutting out the former free passes to see the affair in operation. I remember, too, that he mentioned the curious anomaly that permits a man about to be hanged to eat a hearty meal. I did not enjoy my dinner that night.

Before we got into Washington I had made an arrangement with Johnson to surrender myself at two the following afternoon. Also, I had wired to Alison, asking if she would carry out the contract she had made. The detective saw me home, and left me there.

Mrs. Klopston received me with disguised reserve. The very tone in which she asked me when I would dine told me that something was wrong.

"Now—what is it, Mrs. Klopston?" I demanded finally, when she had informed me, in a patient and long-suffering tone, that she felt worn out and thought she needed a rest.



ing basket in her hands, "It was an orderly, well-conducted household. You can ask any of the neighbors. Meals were cooked and, what's more, they were eaten; there was none of this 'here one day and gone the next' business."

"Senseless," I observed. "You're tired, that's all, Mrs. Klopston. And I wish you would go out; I want to bathe."

"That's not all," she said with dignity, from the doorway. "Women coming and going here, women whose shoes I am not fit—I mean, women who are not fit to touch my shoes—coming here as insolent as you please, and asking for you."

"Good heavens!" I exclaimed. "What did you tell them—her, whichever it was?"

"Told her you were sick in a hospital and wouldn't be out for a year!" she said triumphantly. "And when she said she thought she'd come in and wait for you, I slammed the door on her."

"What time was she here?"

"Late last night. And she had a light-haired man across the street. If she thought I didn't see him she don't know me." Then she closed the door and left me to my bath and my reflections.

At five minutes before eight I was at the Incubator, where I found Hotchkiss and McKnight. They were bending over a table, on which lay McKnight's total armament—a pair of pistols, an elephant gun and an old cavalry sabre.

"Draw up a chair and help yourself to pie," he said, pointing to the arsenal. "This is for the benefit of our friend Hotchkiss here, who says he is small and fond of life."

Hotchkiss, who had been trying to get the wrong end of a cartridge into the barrel of one of the revolvers, straightened himself and mopped his face.

"We have desperate people to handle," he said pompously, "and we may need desperate means."

"Hotchkiss is like the small boy whose one ambition was to have people grow ashen and tremble at the mention of his name," McKnight jibed. But they were serious enough, both of them, under it all, and when they had told me what they planned, I was serious, too.

"You're compounding a felony," I remonstrated, when they had explained. "I'm not eager to be locked away, but, by Jove, to offer her the stolen notes in exchange for Sullivan!"

"We haven't got either of them, you know," McKnight remonstrated, "and we won't have, if we don't start. Come along, Fido," to Hotchkiss.

The plan was simplicity itself. According to Hotchkiss, Sullivan was to meet Bronson at Mrs. Conway's apartment at 8:30 that night with the notes. He was to be paid there and the papers destroyed. But just before that interesting finale," McKnight ended, "we will walk in, take the notes, grab Sullivan, and give the police a jolt that will put them out of the count."

I suppose not one of us, slewing around corners in the machine that we were on the right track, or that Fate, sourry enough before, was playing into our hands at last. Little Hotchkiss was in a state of fever; he alternately twitched and examined the revolver, and a fear that the two moments might be synchronous kept me uneasy. He produced and dilated on the scrap of pillow slip from the wreck, and showed me the stiletto, with its point in cotton batting for safekeeping. And in the intervals he implored Richey not to make such fine calculations at the corners.

We were all grave enough and very quiet, however, when we reached the large building where Mrs. Conway had her apartment. McKnight left the power on, in case we might want to make a quick get-away, and Hotchkiss gave a final look at the revolver. I had no weapon. Somehow it all seemed melodramatic to the verge of farce. In the doorway Hotchkiss was a half dozen feet ahead; Richey fell back beside me. He dropped his affection of gayety, and I thought he looked tired. "Same old Sam, I suppose," he asked.

"Same, only more of him."

"I suppose Alison was there? How is she?" he inquired irrelevantly.

"Very well. I did not see her this morning," Hotchkiss was waiting near the elevator. McKnight put his hand on my arm. "Now, look here, old man," he said, "I've got two arms and a revolver, and you've got one arm and a splint. If Hotchkiss is right, and there is a row, you crawl under a table."

"The fence I will!" I declared scornfully.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

Proof of Devotion.

"Before we were married," said Mr. McKnight, "I showed my affection for Hotchkiss by surrounding her." I suppose you might call that devotion now? "Yes, I show my affection now by repeating her desire that I shall not try to kiss."

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When this latter negro was stooping over to pick up a brick, the former accidentally let one fall, striking him directly on the head.

Instead of its killing him, he merely looked up, without rising, and said: "What you doin' thar, nigger, you made me bite my tongue."—The Circle.

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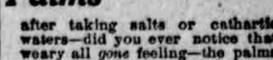
A controversy has arisen in England as to which school has the right to claim greatest age. There are two schools which were founded in the early part of the seventh century—the King's school, Rochester, and the King's school, Canterbury. Justus, on his appointment to the see of Rochester in 604, made provision for a school in connection with the cathedral. Augustine established the Canterbury school about the same time. St. Peter's at York dates back to the seventh century.

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CULBERSON DECLARES AGAINST LORIMER

Washington, Feb. 21.—Commenting on the Lorimer case and stating his attitude in the matter Senator Culberson said to the correspondent of The News today:

"I have carefully read and considered the entire testimony in the Lorimer case. It satisfies me that his election was brought about by bribery and corruption of the most flagrant character and consequently I shall support the resolution which declares the election illegal and void.

"When the charges of bribery and corruption were first mooted members of the Illinois Legislature who were implicated begun at once to manufacture testimony in rebuttal. Among other things they denied under oath that they were in St. Louis when the money was paid them. This denial was completely overthrown by signature in the register of the Southern Hotel in St. Louis and other testimony which is now admitted to be true. Letters dated back a year were then written to create the belief that the meeting in St. Louis was for the purpose of arranging a banquet and not to divide the corrupt fund.

"Throughout the investigation by the Senate subcommittee counsel for Senator Lorimer interposed objections to testimony particularly as to the corrupt 'jackpot' fund, which I think bore directly upon the question at issue, and Senator Lorimer failed to avail himself of his right to testify in the case, subject to cross-examinations, although his election was openly charged to have resulted from promises of patronage and the payment of money. Under all the circumstances this attempt by the Illinois Legislature to manufacture testimony, and this action of Senator Lorimer and his counsel raise a distinctly unfavorable presumption at the outset.

"Following this, the direct and affirmative testimony convinces me that bribery and corruption were practiced in the election. There has been no attempt to deny that Mr. Lorimer promised his influence in the matter of postoffice patronage in at least one case in consideration that a legislature would vote for him. There was much positive testimony that actual bribery was attempted in some cases without success, and in other cases that bribery was fully accomplished by which seven to eleven votes were corrupted. This affirmative testimony of legislators was corroborated in material respects by contemporaneous and physical facts not susceptible of being invented or fabricated for the occasion.—Dallas News.

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Springfield (Mass.) Republican: An excellent organization for safeguarding the life of illegitimate children and insuring their proper upbringing is in operation at Bielefeld, Germany. When the young mother registers the birth of her child (a proceeding which is compulsory) the official who registers the child must within a fortnight notify the fact, with the address of the mother, to a woman appointed by the municipality. She has a salary. It is her first duty to visit the mother and ask what she can do. If the mother is an otherwise well-behaved girl she is permitted to be her child's guardian. The father of the child is never allowed to take charge of it. If, however the father has of his own volition offered to give the amount laid down by law, it is then the next duty of the official guardian to get work for the girl, to see if any relative who may have offered to take charge of the child is a suitable person, and to appoint one of her official voluntary helpers to pay periodical visits to see that all works properly.

Another obligation of the official is to hunt up the father and bring him into court if he omits to fulfil his obligation. If he does not make his payments the official can have the court order the man's employer to deduct the amount and hand it to her. Literally there seems to be no possibility that the man should evade his obligation.

Take another great social obligation in Bielefeld in which the services and sentiment of women give the operation of the law a character that is rather motherly than official. Working in conjunction with the police and the prisons is a woman of sympathetic demeanor, whose business is primarily to look after the women prisoners. But her work has grown, and to her little room attached to the court go women of every sort in distress. The power given to this kindly large hearted woman is astounding. If a woman has no home after serving her sentence she is taken for a time into a hostel till suitable work wherever possible in the land is found for her. The municipality pays the rent of this hostel. Everywhere in Germany one is struck with the mingled good sentiment that one must not let people get down into the depths, and this infusion of tenderness is incontestably due to the participation of happily married and sympathetic women.—Ex.

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