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O'Donnell Is Assured Natural Gas, Franchise Granted

Citizens Vote Unanimously In Favor Granting Franchise

Most important mass meeting held Wednesday night at the town which was attended by twenty-five or thirty representatives of O'Donnell. The meeting was called for the purpose of voting on the gas franchise proposed by the West Texas Gas Company last week. After discussion those present voted unanimously to grant the franchise. Representatives of the West Texas Gas Company will meet with the city council tonight (Thursday) at which time it is supposed the franchise will be granted, and O'Donnell will have gas from the strongest gas field in the world, near Amarillo.

The West Texas Gas Company is a subsidiary of the Prairie Gas Company and represents a capital stock of \$1,000,000 which enables it to competently fill every requirement in their franchise. The city council has petitioned the franchise they have made a thorough investigation of the details of the franchise and feel like it is all concerned. The franchise will be completed by the main line gas by October 1, 1928.

The gas for O'Donnell will be the beginning of a new era of development in the future progress of our city. It means the saving of hundreds of dollars to the people of O'Donnell. Water comfort and the most abundant fuel obtainable. It will mean the locating of industries in O'Donnell that in the past we have been unable to attract. It offers many opportunities to outgrow the town which O'Donnell needs to obtain to ever grow and develop to a city worth while.

The fact that the Index was on Thursday evening at O'Donnell in order to make the early mail, which time is two days before the Council meet with the West Texas Gas Company officials unable to learn just what contract was entered into with the city council. However, we will give the details next week.

DRILLING WILL BE RESUMED ON WILDCAT

The Penn Drilling Company wildcat seven miles southeast of town is still shut down. Some delay has been caused in making the change from the rotary to the standard equipment due to the failure of some material to arrive on scheduled time. However, the work of changing is now steadily going forward with all possible speed and it is believed that by the last of the week the change will have been made and drilling will be resumed with the standard string of tools.

When the standard string of tools have been set to work all eyes will be turned in that direction as it is supposed production will be found within the next few hundred feet.

Leasing has been more active the past ten days than it has been for some time. Considerable acreage has been purchased east, west, north and south of O'Donnell. A cash consideration of \$1.00 per acre is being paid for most of the acreage.

O'DONNELL EXPECTS FIRST BALE SOON

O'Donnell is expected to receive her first bale of cotton of the 1927 crop by the last of next week, according to information reaching the Index this week.

ONE MIGHT THINK ALL OF THE COTTON IN THIS TERRITORY IS LATE, BUT THIS IS NOT THE CASE. IT IS ESTIMATED THAT SOMETHING LIKE TWENTY PER CENT OF THE CROP IN THIS TERRITORY WAS PLANTED BEFORE THE RAINS IN JUNE AND THIS EARLY COTTON IS AS FINE AS ONE EVER SAW. GROWN BOLLS ARE PLENTIFUL EVEN IN THE JUNE COTTON. IT IS NOT KNOWN JUST WHO WILL BRING IN THE FIRST BALE AS SEVERAL HAVE EARLY COTTON AND ARE EXPECTED TO BEGIN PICKING AT AN EARLY DATE.

Last year O'Donnell received her first bale on Thursday, September 2, which was brought in by Grady Best which was raised four miles south of town. The bale weighed 440 pounds and was classed as middling. A nice premium was given Mr. Best by the business men of O'Donnell.

With favorable conditions from now until fall, O'Donnell is expected to harvest as much more cotton this year than last as the young cotton as well as the old is looking as fine as any ever grown in this county and is expected to make a good yield.

WILL DEVELOP SILICA BEDS IN LYNN COUNTY SOON

J. B. Nance Leases Land South of Town To Dallas Lawyer And Capitalist

J. B. Nance this week sold to E. P. House of Dallas all the silica, pumice stone, and volcanic ash rights on his 480-acre tract of land lying six miles south of Tahoka, for a cash consideration and for 25 cents per ton for all the silica that may be mined on the tract after one year from date.

Mr. House is a prominent lawyer and it is understood that he represents other interests in the deal. He represents that it is the intention of himself and associates to begin development and mining of the property at an early date, according to Mr. Nance, and in the course of time a great many men will be employed at the plant which will be established on the land. Parties who have investigated represent that vast beds of silica underlie this tract of land, possibly a million tons or more. Mr. Nance is himself very uncertain as to the magnitude of the enterprise and the volume of the business which will be developed, but he has been told that a large plant would be required and that this enterprise will develop into the biggest thing that has ever come to Tahoka. Just how much it will amount to commercially only time will tell, but silica has many uses and is a valuable commercial commodity.

The development of this industry will be watched with a great deal of interest by the people of Tahoka.—Lynn County News.

PLANS BEING MADE FOR PAVING NO. 9

The meeting held at Tahoka last Thursday which was attended by representatives from almost every town along the route of State Highway No. 9 between San Angelo and Amarillo and which was held in the interest of a connected system of paving on this section of that highway set the machinery in motion which we believe will eventually give O'Donnell a paved highway and possibly another railroad outlet which will connect the plains country and the Gulf of Mexico.

Towns represented at this meeting included Slaton, Lubbock, Wilson, Tahoka, O'Donnell, Lamesa, Big Spring and San Angelo. Feasible plans for the paving of Highway No. 9 were discussed and at the conclusion committees were appointed to work out some definite plan of action in the near future which will lead to the paving of this important highway.

The matter of extending the Sante Fe line from Lamesa to connect with the other main lines via San Angelo and San Antonio to Corpus Christi, which would give the South Plains country a direct outlet to the Gulf port, held considerable interest at the meeting. In order to advance the idea of getting such a road built it was decided to form an association of the towns represented at the meeting. Upon the motion of L. A. Wilson, secretary of the Slaton C. O. C., the association's name was selected to be the Plains to Gulf Railway Development Association.

Carl Roundtree of Lamesa was named president, A. B. Davis, Lubbock, secretary, and the following directors were chosen: S. E. Staggs, Slaton; T. J. Williams, Wilson; C. H. Cain, Tahoka; O. L. Slaton, Lubbock; E. M. Wilder, O'Donnell; Dixie Kilgore, Lamesa; R. L. Price, Big Spring; W. L. Foster, Sterling City; A. Broome, San Angelo; E. M. Turner, Sparenburg, and A. D. Brown, Ackery.

Joe Garner returned Friday from Quanah where he spent the week-end with home folks and friends.

TAPPING TIME



O'Donnell Schools To Open Sept. 5th

According to J. M. Payne, member of the board of trustees of the O'Donnell Independent School District, the public schools of O'Donnell will begin their 1927-28 term on Monday, September 5th.

The O'Donnell schools is this year entering upon a new era of advancement. Under the supervision of Prof. J. A. Rickard and his splendid corps of assistants the schools have made wonderful progress in the past few years. This year the school will begin its first year as an affiliated school having received the necessary additional credits by the State Department of Education to put it in the affiliated class along with the other leading schools of the state.

Prof. J. A. Rickard is still in Austin where he has been attending the University of Texas this summer. He is expected to arrive in O'Donnell within the next few days, and will begin the preparation for the opening of the 1927-28 term which is expected to be one of the greatest years in the history of the school.

MALOUF DRY GOODS CO. WILL MOVE TO POST

M. J. Malouf Dry Goods Co. has announced he will close out his stock of merchandise in O'Donnell and move to Post, Texas where he will enter the same line of business. His closing out sale will run until the first of September at which time he will move the remainder of the stock to his new location.

Mrs. J. B. Miles left Tuesday for a ten days visit with relatives and friends in Fort Worth and Temple. J. B. says he is chief cook and bottle washer now and has already extended the editor who is also on the bachelors list, an invitation to come to his house for a square meal. The invitation was readily accepted.

Mr. and Mrs. L. N. Nichols and daughter Clara Ruth, returned Tuesday from their two weeks vacation spent at Decatur and Amarillo. They report a splendid vacation and Mr. Nichols is again making his daily runs on the route.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. House left last week-end for a two weeks visit to cool Colorado and other places of interest.

ANTI-THEFT ORGANIZATION TO BE FORMED

Stop the thieves! The stealing of chickens, pigs and farm articles must stop! Anti-theft organizations are driving out farm thieves in other communities, and unorganized countries will suffer even more unless they organize.

A meeting has been called for Saturday, August 27th at Tahoka, at 2 P. M. The purpose of the meeting will be to organize in our county an anti-theft association which will pay rewards for the capture and conviction of thieves, and otherwise protect the property of the public in general. The meeting will be a county wide affair and everyone is requested to come and bring your neighbors and friends. This movement to stamp out farm thieving is a drive throughout the midwestern states.

It is hoped that a large representation of the citizens of the county will respond and co-operate in making the organization doubly effective. Remember the date and place, at Tahoka, Saturday, August 27th at 2 P. M.

Mrs. C. H. Oliver, Jr., of Abilene is visiting this week, her parents, Rev. and Mrs. W. L. Henderson. Mrs. Hal Singleton, Jr., returned Sunday from a two weeks visit to Gorman and Abilene, and Mrs. Oliver accompanied her home.

W. O. Christopher and daughters of Shallowater stopped over Wednesday night with his brother J. M. Christopher and family. The party was enroute to New Mexico where they expect to visit relatives and friends.

Mr. R. C. Carroll and family returned last Friday evening from a week's vacation spent in their old home county, Baylor, where Mr. Carroll spent several days fishing at Lake Kemp which resulted in the capture of one "Pollywog." All reported a splendid visit. Mrs. Carroll's mother, Mrs. Arnold, accompanied them home for a visit.

CAN O'DONNELL AFFORD TO STAND IDLE

(An Editorial)

Why does O'Donnell need a water system?

There are a thousand reasons why we need a water system, and we can only think of one reason why we should not have a water system, and that reason is offset in a dozen different ways.

Some folks say, "It would increase our taxes." Yes, perhaps it would increase them slightly. That is the one reason we had reference to in the above paragraph. The one and only reason is because our taxes would be raised, but if you will stop and figure it out for yourself you will find the reason isn't sufficient and is costing the tax payers of O'Donnell more than enough to build a first class water system, and still we are doing without it. And as long as we do without it our fire risk will remain as great as ever; our insurance rates will be as high or higher with each increasing year; our town can never be made beautiful; and the health of the town and community will remain in danger because of the lack of pure water to drink, and last but not least, we are denied the privilege of taking our annual bath with any ease and comfort. A No. 3 wash tub is small for the average person. What a situation! Can you imagine one more unsatisfactory? ?

The fire protection alone would be worth the small increase in taxes, besides it would cut the insurance rate in half which would more than pay for the water system, to say nothing of the increased valuation of property in O'Donnell just as soon as such a system is installed.

It may be that some folks don't want to see property values rise in our little city. It may be they don't want to pay the small increase in taxes in order that they may reap greater savings in many other ways. In that case, it would be wiser to vote for a water system, wait for the rise in property values and sell out for a big profit. A chance to make some money!

Can we afford to do without a water system when it means money saved to build one, and perhaps the existence of our town due to adequate fire protection, and a more beautiful and better place in which to live.

IMPORTANT MEETING TO BE HELD AT ABILENE AUG. 18

Stamford—The official call for the mass meeting of citizens of West Texas in particular and Texas in general to be held in Abilene, Texas, August 18, for the purpose of discussing water rights of Texas has been issued from the headquarters office of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce upon authority of President J. A. Kemp of the Texas Conservation Association and of R. W. Haynie, president of the regional organization of the West.

Governor Moody, Attorney General Pollard, and the Board of Water Engineers, as well as other state officials, have been invited to attend the meet. The water rights problem is attracting state wide attention of leading business men, farmers, and other interested parties and it is expected that a record breaking crowd will be on hand August 18 to take part in what is scheduled to be an open discussion.

In the official call as issued it is stated that the Texas Conservation Association and the West Texas C. of C. expect to oppose resolutely any efforts that will place the agricultural, livestock, or industrial interests of the State in jeopardy. The call announces, also, that the conference will disseminate information relative to the rights of landowners with regard to run-off waters and the need for protection thereof. Such action as is deemed necessary and justified will be taken at the mass meeting.

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office at O'Donnell, Texas, under the
Act of March 3, 1897.

According to a story carried in
last week's Hockley County Herald,
the Commissioners Court in special
session let the contract for the con-
struction of Hockley County's new
court house to the Clickner Con-
struction Company of Hutchinson,
Kansas. The amount of the contract
on the building being \$128,569.00.
Work will begin as soon as the ma-
terial can be assembled. The build-
ing is to be of fire proof construction
throughout, the floors and wainscoat-
ing to be of marble. The exterior
is to be of stone to the windows of
the second story, from this point up-
ward the walls will be of brick.

Having moved my stock of lamps
and electrical supplies to my home
premises, please call 136 if in need
of any of above. H. E. Gillespie.

WANT TO TRADE for several
small houses in or around O'Donnell.
See Waldo McLaurin. tfc.

Sell your Cream and Produce to
Singleton Hardware & Grocery Co.
Highest prices paid for Chickens,
Eggs and Cream.

J. B. Miles was made grandfather
again on August 7th when a son was
born to Mr. and Mrs. Claude Tomlin-
son.

Messrs Albert Debusk and Snook-
um Shoemaker carried Mrs. King and
children to Oklahoma where they
will visit relatives and friends for a
few days.

D. S. Todd of the Pride commu-
nity west of town was carried to a
Lubbock sanitarium last of the week
and underwent an operation Satur-
day and again Sunday for the drain-
age of the antrum and frontal sinis.
Mr. Todd is reported as doing fine
since the operation.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish through the columns of
this paper to express our heartfelt
thanks to the good people of O'Don-
nell for their kindness and assistance
rendered during the illness and death
of our dear daughter and sister.

Words can never express what we
feel toward each and everyone of
you. May God's blessings rest upon
you, and may you be surrounded by
such friendship when trouble comes
to you, is our prayer.

Mrs. S. E. Taylor and family.

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Mrs. W. H. Crunk who recently
underwent a major operation in a
Lubbock sanitarium is getting along
nicely and is expected home last of
the week.

Mrs. C. P. Tate accompanied Mrs.
M. C. Hamilton and daughter Paul-
ine, to a Lubbock sanitarium where
both mother and daughter underwent
a tonsil operation on last Sunday.
Both patients are back home and do-
ing nicely.

LOST—A book in glazed chintz
cover entitled, "Man, Whence, How
and Whither," by Annie Besant and
C. W. Ledbetter. If found please re-
turn to Lynn County Motor Co. at
O'Donnell, and receive reward.

STRAYED—Bay horse, weight
about 1100 pounds, 9 years old, un-
branded with slight collar marks and
star faced. Seems to want to range
toward Tahoka. Reward to finder.
Notify Fred Alexander. 2tc

Mrs. W. H. Guthrie returned Mon-
day from a ten days visit with re-
latives and friends at Wichita Falls.
She reports crop conditions good in
that section of the country.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Singleton
and children are spending a week's
vacation with relatives and friends at
Gorman. They are expected home
the last of the week.

Mayor E. M. Wilder is sporting a
brand new Imperial Landau Chevro-
let this week having purchased same
from Gantt & Hubbard, local dealers
first of the week.

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**Prizes For All Who
Attend Lubbock Fair**

Lubbock, August 17.—There will
be prizes for all who come to the
Panhandle South Plains Fair this
year, September 27, 28, 29, 30, and
October 1st, the directors have an-
nounced. In addition to the premi-
ums offered for winners in the live
stock, women's, poultry, agricultural
and other departments, which runs
into the thousands of dollars, several
other major prizes will be offered to-
gether with a large number of small-
er prizes.

Five Cars and A Windmill

An automobile will be awarded
each day of the fair to some visitor
by the Fair Association. A 10 foot
standard bearing windmill will be
awarded by Axtell Company to the
South Plains farmer exhibiting the
best 10 heads of milo maize. Other
concerns will have guessing contests
drawings, etc. with smaller prizes.

**County Exhibits Draw Big Cash
Money.**

Exhibits is also attracting much atten-
tion. The prizes offered for county ex-
hibition. Two hundred dollars has been
hung up for first money, other prizes
range in order as follows: \$175,
\$150; \$125; \$100; \$75; \$50; \$50;
\$50; \$50; and ten prizes of \$25
each. This assures a county more
than their expenses in addition to the
advertising value to be received from
exhibiting here. Every South Plains
county is expected to exhibit and a
majority of them have already signed
a contract blank.

The live stock barn will be filled
to capacity with beef cattle, dairy
cattle, horses, mules, swine, sheep,
and other stock. The poultry build-
ing will be crammed full of prize
winning fowls. Merchants are to
have attractive booths in the indus-
trial building and the machinery
shed will have the latest in the way
of farm machinery and implement
on display. The Women's building
will be a place of beauty with the
women of the South Plains vying for
honors in culinary, art, textiles, etc.

Attractions Spectacular

Football games, fire works, carna-
val shows, acrobatic acts and other
attractions will answer the demands
of the pleasure seekers. Four high
school foot ball games will be played
in addition to the Tech vs. St. Ed-
wards University game, October 1.

Honorary vice-presidents in South
Plains towns have been assisting in
many ways in boosting the exposi-
tion in their section of the South
plains. A. B. Davis, manager of the
fair says. R. C. Carroll of O'Donnell
is an honorary vice-president.

**MRS. C. C. WYATT, COLO-
RADO, TEXAS, WRITES**

I have had rheumatism severely at
times. Rheumalax was recommended
by my druggist. I took a bottle and
forgot that I had ever had rheuma-
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ment and heartily recommend it to
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Mrs. Ben Cowden and children
and Mrs. B. Brewer returned Tues-
day morning from a visit to Mineral
Wells. Mrs. Cowden's mother, Mrs.
McNally, accompanied them home
for a visit.

Mrs. Ada Edwards and daughter,
Miss Kate, left Monday for their
home in Illinois, after a visit with
Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Smith. Mrs.
Smith and Mrs. Edwards are sisters.

Joe Sikes left Tuesday for Breck-
enridge to join his children where
they will make their future home.
Joe stated before leaving O'Donnell
that he was contemplating entering
the grain and feed business at
Breckenridge.

Mrs. Thurman Wells and daugh-
ters, Beverly and Jim Ellen, spent
the week-end in Lubbock the guests
of relatives and friends.

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**SOMETHING TO
THINK ABOUT**

By F. A. WALKER

WHAT ARE WE?

A COLLEGE professor has dug up
from the misty past the twenty-
five century-old doctrines of Democ-
ritus to show us that the "life entity"
theories lately announced by Edison
are not in the leastwise new or novel.

Edison, as you have read, pro-
pounds the idea that life is the re-
sult of the association of an in-
numerable number of invisible, im-
mortal "entities" which while they
are in combination continue the ex-
istence of whatever thing they com-
pose.

These combinations may in one case
be a plant, in another a human body.
In either case when death comes
these entities separate and except in
the case of mankind resolve them-
selves into other shapes and forms.

In the human those entities which
were characteristic of the person and
which constituted his personality,
may remain associated and constitute
in their continued existence the after-
death life.

An interesting theory, but not a
new one.

There have been many guesses, be-
liefs, theories, suppositions as to what
we are, what constitutes personality,
and what lives after death.

It is true that 25 centuries ago
Democritus, a very learned man,
evolved the theory that everything in
the universe was constituted of in-
visible atoms. These atoms he believed
to be self-existent, that is, no atom
depended upon another for its life and
was therefore everlasting.

The varying association of atoms he
believed made up the various forms of
life which continued only as long as
the association was maintained.

Democritus had, for those times,
some very original ideas.

He was the son of a very rich fam-
ily in Thrace, and when he came into
his fortune he spent it all traveling
and studying, declaring at the end of
his journeys that "I of all men have
traveled over the greatest extent of
country and have listened to the most
experienced of men."

He had probably traveled a less-
distance than you would go in a sum-
mer vacation motor tour, but he was
held by those who knew him to be
"almost divine" in his wisdom.

Democritus was known as "The
Laughing Philosopher," although his-
tory gives no reason for the mirthful
appellation.

Maybe he, in his wisdom, laughed
at the impossibility of proving his
own theories, as perhaps Edison
smiled as he made public his doctrine
of "life entities."

"What we are" and "Why we are"
have long puzzled mankind.

After centuries and centuries of
honest studying, earnest investigation
and wisest theorizing we are still as
far from an accurate determination of
established fact as when we began.

We know we are, and there, so far
as absolutely provable fact goes, we
stop.

We know that we are conscious of
a surrounding universe which one
philosophy tells us is real and another
tells us is unreal, existing only in
thought.

Science tells us that all matter is
energy, that the indivisible atom of
Democritus is easily divided into its
electrons, which are not matter at
all, but electricity and that matter is
really nonexistent.

What we seem to see, it may be
we do not see at all, and what we
seem to be, may, after all, be not at
all what we are.

If a woman once lets herself get
eaten up by an emotion, everything
she sees, hears, thinks or feels is only
that much more food for it.

FOR THE GANDER—

History don't record no single case
of a man that ever lost his drag with
a woman from bin' her flowers—
even the wrong kind.

There's no excuse for not knowin'
the kind of flowers your girl likes. It
ain't the sort of thing women is in the
habit of makin' no particular secret
about.

A man that knew how to buy a
woman flowers could get away with
anything short of 'allitosis.

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Banking House, Fur. & Fix.	14,629.50
Cash and Exchange	21,005.50
	\$192,822.50

LIABILITIES.

Capital Stock	\$ 25,000.00
Surplus	5,000.00
Undivided Profits	4,421.50
DEPOSITS	133,401.00
Bills Payable	25,000.00
	\$192,822.50

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CAMERON Representative of the Electric Service Company O'Donnell.

any information about electric light service call E. Cameron at Texas Electric Service Company, Lamesa, Texas, Phone No. L. D. 11 or Lamesa Texas, Phone 237

Thrifty Man Spends in Right Direction

"I've blown in \$5,000," remarked the cheap-looking fellow as he figured with a stub pencil on the back of a dirty envelope.

"Must have had a heck of a time," suggested a member of the party. "Just to have \$5,000 to blow in would give me a kick."

"No. I never had the \$5,000 at once and I didn't get any kick out of it. The best I ever got was a \$10 kick and mostly it was quarters and half dollars. I just figured that I blew this \$5,000 in during the last ten years. It averaged about \$10 a week. Not much of a good time out of \$10."

The old-time spender's story has a lesson in it. It is easy to spend ten \$10 bills separately. But if you have the ten bills all at once, the \$100 isn't so easily blown in.

A \$100 bill is something to invest rather than to spend. It suggests the possibility of investment, rather than dissipation. When saving up the \$100 you also get out of the cheap spending habit. Two bits, a half, six bits, a dollar, all take on new values once you begin to learn that taken together in quantities they really amount to something. Petty and thriftless spending loses its appeal.

Thrift is a habit easily acquired. It doesn't necessarily mean cheapness nor niggardliness, nor tightness. It means only that you spend in the right direction.

Not many people, unless they keep books on themselves, realize how much they spend uselessly. It goes in such small amounts that they lose sight of the totals. It is in the main waste.

The price of a new chair, a library lamp, needed silverware or some other bit of furniture or electrical appliance for the home is often "blown in" for nothing at all.—Chicago American.

Primitive Old Tavern

The old George tavern is about the only hotel left in London where a guest is shown to his bedroom by the light of a candle.

The ancient tavern contains many relics of Charles Dickens, and pictures and photographs of London as it appeared in his day. It is situated in a courtyard which is reached by turning up a narrow lane out of Borough High street, near London bridge.

All bedrooms are furnished with huge old-fashioned four-poster beds. It is the only remaining hostelry in England's capital with an open wooden balcony running along outside the bedroom windows.

Shelves behind its tiny bar are laden with old pewter quart pots, relics of the old coaching days when thirsts were big and capacities unlimited. Hung upon the walls are cumbersome pistols, which were carried by the old night watchmen.

Ray Pierces Fog

The time is coming when every ship will carry an "invisible" searchlight to pierce fogs, and every automobile will carry a dark lamp for the same purpose. This is the prediction made by J. L. Baird, inventor of television. He has invented a dark ray which, he claims, will pierce thick fogs or smoke. The invention is called "noctovision" and has been demonstrated at his laboratory in London. Admiral Mark Kerr of the British navy declared that in his opinion the invention is the biggest thing discovered for sea and air travel in many years. By the use of chemicals the scientist created an artificial fog in the laboratory so thick that his assistants were choked in it. Admiral Kerr saw Baird transmit a doll's features through this fog.

False Front

They used to tell a story of Newton Baker. During the war he had to make a hurried trip to Cleveland and took an ordinary berth in the Pullman car. After the train left Washington he went into the smoking room and some one said to him:

"I should think that you, being secretary of war, would be afraid to travel in so public a style. Aren't you afraid some one might try to do harm to you?"

Mr. Baker looked up and said: "Why, no one in the world would look at a little fellow like me and think he was secretary of war!"—Los Angeles Times.

Small Cobbler's Shop

Pat Kenny, a cobbler, claims to work in the smallest and strangest shop in the world.

Situated under a railway arch in Bermondsey, London, the tiny shop is only 4 feet square. It is entered from the pavement by a door less than 5 feet high and Kenny sits at his cobbling in the center of the masonry. "Trains roar over my head," said Kenny, "traffics rattles through the arch, footsteps echo all around, but I just go on mending boots and shoes as if I were back in a dugout in France."

Redwood Export Gains

Exports of California redwood lumber from the United States increased from 48,000,000 feet in 1925 to 47,800,000 feet in 1926, although the value of the exports dropped from slightly more than \$5,000,000 to about \$2,000,000. Australia, the largest market for this commodity, took 50 per cent of the exports.

Because of its durability, a number of South American countries use redwood for railroad ties. Among these are Peru, Salvador and Mexico. In Australia and New Zealand redwood is used mostly for millwork and finish.

West Texans Invited To Abilene Sept. 18

Abilene, Texas, August 17.—All West Texas will have a part in entertaining Col. Chas. A. Lindbergh, the World's most famous aviator, when he stops in this city on Sept. 26th.

Every West Texas town will be asked to send as representatives its mayors, newspaper editors and one young lady. These will be included in the reception committee that will greet "Lindy" when he lands at Kin solving field, Abilene's municipal airport.

Each of the feminine members of the reception committee will be asked to dress in red, white and blue, the national colors and incidentally the colors of the Air Mail Service, of which Lindbergh is a graduate.

West Texans will not only get to see the young colonel and his ship, "The Spirit of St. Louis," but in addition, the distinguished visitor will be introduced to a number of West Texas celebrities and to the "Spirits" of the different towns of this section. Each of the young lady sponsors will represent the "Spirit" of her home town and as such will participate in a spectacular pageant that will be given during the day of "Lindy's" visit here at the West Texas Fair grandstand.

Mayor Thos. E. Hayden, Jr., will head the honorary arrangement committee on which will be Mrs. Dar Moody, wife of the governor of Texas and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George L. Paxton of this city; Hon. R. W. Haynie, Abilene; president of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, and Mrs. J. U. Fields, Haskell, president of the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs.

The program for the affair is in charge of the aeronautics department of the Chamber of Commerce. T. N. Carswell, secretary of the chamber is active chairman of the arrangement committee. Other members are J. McAllister Stevenson, W. G. Kinsolving and R. S. Stephens.

An eight pound son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Roy Keen of the Joe Bailey community on Tuesday morning of this week. The mother and babe are both doing nicely according to latest reports.

Mother's Cook Book

If every one were wise and sweet, And every one were jolly; If every heart with gladness beat, And none were melancholy; If none should grumble or complain, And nobody should labor; In evil work, but each were fair To love and help his neighbor— Oh! what a happy world 't would be For you and me, for you and me.

SUMMERY GOOD THINGS

DURING the warm weather we like to think of juicy fruits, chilled dishes and desserts that are refreshing without being too much work. With a small freezer one may prepare the most delicious desserts and have such variety that the family will always look forward to the dessert with anticipation.

If you wish to start off your dinner with something especially cooling and unusual, serve the honey dew or cantaloupe melons topped off with a tart sherbet or ice.

Lemon Ice.

Take one and one-third cupfuls of sugar, three cupfuls of water and one and one-half cupfuls of lemon juice. Boil the sugar and water five minutes, add the lemon juice and cool. Freeze as usual. This will make one quart of ice.

When fine firm heads of lettuce can be secured, no other vegetable or fruit is needed to make a tempting salad. With the following "dressing" dressing it will be fit for the most honored guest:

Thousand Island Dressing.

Take one-half cupful of olive oil, the juice of half a lemon, the juice of half an orange, one tablespoonful of grated onion, three tablespoonfuls of chopped parsley, one-fourth teaspoonful of salt, six olives chopped or sliced, one teaspoonful of worcestershire sauce, one-half cupful of mayonnaise and one-fourth teaspoonful each of salt and paprika. Put all the ingredients into a jar, after having mixed the dry ingredients and dissolved them in the fruit juice. Put on a rubber and seal. Shake until the mixture is smooth. Set into the ice-box to chill and shake again when ready to serve. Finely chopped hard-cooked egg, green pepper and various other vegetables may be added for variety.

Figaro Figs.

Steam pulled figs until plump and soft. Split one side and insert half a marshmallow and a few nuts. Roll in sugar and serve on a paper doily-lined plate.

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Corn-Hog Price Ratio Has Now Reversed

PRICES OF CORN AND OF HOGS TEND TO ACT AS IF THEY ARE ON A TEETER BOARD



While the recent advance in corn prices, coupled with the decline in hogs, has made the corn-hog ratio unprofitable for feeders, the hog situation is unlikely to become as unfavorable as in 1923 and 1924, according to the Sears Roebuck Agricultural Foundation. Increased market supplies, together with decreased export sales of hog products, have been responsible for forcing hog prices downward, while prospects of a small corn crop following the moderate crop produced last year at a time when feeding demand is increasing, caused the sensational advance in corn.

At the present time, 100 pounds of live hogs at farm prices will only pay for about 9 bushels of corn, compared with 18 bushels last year and an average of 11 bushels since 1910. Since approximately 8 1/2 bushels of corn are required to produce 100 pounds of pork, including the cost of maintaining the sow, the present ratio does not leave enough margin to cover other costs besides feed.

For a year and a half, the corn-hog ratio has been highly profitable, perhaps the most profitable for any like period on record. While production has been stimulated as a result, it has not acquired any such momentum as it had four years ago. Hog growers should be able to readjust production without the extremely low prices which developed when they were liquidating their herds after the last peak of expansion was reached.

Periods when the feeding ratio is profitable for eighteen or twenty-four months tend to alternate with similar periods when it is unprofitable. This tendency should be kept in mind in making plans for fall litters, as it indicates that mild curtailment of production is advisable. After another year it may be time to expand breeding herds once more. Farmers who follow up-to-date methods of feeding by balancing rations or using self-feeders, furnishing forage crops in season, giving minerals, and taking sanitary precautions in order to avoid disease losses, will be in position to show a profit even while prices are on a low basis, the Foundation states. Inefficient producers whose costs of making pork are high will lose money and will be forced to contract their herds.

How It Started

By JEAN NEWTON "DRY" WINE

EVEN in these prohibition days it can hardly be said that alcoholic beverages are taboo as far as conversation is concerned! And so we are all familiar with the reference to certain wines as "dry wines."

Distillers will tell you that in making wines the fermentation is controlled in accordance with the type of product that is desired. In some wines it is checked at an early stage, and the product is a sweet wine. Wine that is permitted complete fermentation, however, is classified as "dry."

Why the term for a completely fermented or sour wine? Let us turn for a moment to another figurative use of the word "dry," our slang expression "dry wit." Mr. Webster defines it as characterized by a quality that is "severe, hard, sharp," and gives further significance of "dry" as "lacking sweetness!" When we learn, then, that in a dry wine the fermentation has eliminated all but 1 per cent of the sugar, the aptness of the term is easily comprehensible!

Do You Know

That: ...??

THE expression "booby" today denotes a dunce or a spiritless person.

It originates from a bird, a sort of a pelican called a booby. This bird is a very submissive animal. It allows itself to be attacked by other birds and without resistance gives the fish or food which it has caught for itself. Hence the submissive and spiritless fellow is aptly called a booby.—Anna S. Turnquist (© 1927, by Western Newspaper Union.)

Lightness and Light You can't judge too much by appearances. Lantern-jawed people deal least in light conversation.

J. R. Sanders made a business trip to Haskell and Knox counties on last Saturday. He was accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Mayo who will spend a two weeks vacation with relatives and old friends in and around Haskell.

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J. C. McCarley is now riding in a Chevrolet coach having purchased same from Gantt & Hubbard, local dealers.

Geo. D. Foster and son Rundell, sojourning in the mountains of New Mexico and Colorado, enjoying a two weeks vacation.

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What's Doing In West Texas By W. T. C. C.

WEINERT—Cotton in this community is reported as good. There is but little complaint of worms, this coming from the sandy land district. A good rain is needed. Many farmers here are spending more time on poultry, turkeys, hogs, and better type milk cows.

HAMLIN—Considerable improvement has been made in Hamlin property recently. A local filling station, tailor shop, and another business concern have been worked on, making them more modern and convenient. Three new modern new residences are being erected in the southern part of town and other building is under way.

PANHANDLE—The name of "Panhandle Chamber of Commerce

and Agriculture" has been adopted here due to widening activities of the commercial organization. Roy Arnold has been re-elected secretary for another year, and new officers have been chosen. Fifteen new directors will look after agricultural interests of the section.

DOCTOR ORDERS VINOL FOR NERVOUS WOMAN

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Gas Showing Found In Brownfield Test

Gas has been found in the Kingland well over in Terry county about twenty-five miles west of O'Donnell, according to reports reaching the Index office. The showing is in what is known as the Brownfield test on section 7, block A-1, in the E. L. Survey, and is eleven miles southeast of Brownfield.

The gas showing was found at 2,230 feet, and drilling was stopped until workmen telephoned officials of the company in Amarillo for orders. The gas has not been gauged, but is reported as a good showing.

K. M. Nichols and son and daughter arrived Thursday from Colorado for a visit with his brother L. N. Nichols and family.

Golf set for sale at bargain. Complete outfit with six used balls. For particulars see A. D. Brown.

IDEA OF STEAMBOAT BELONGED TO FITCH

Belated Honors Paid to Unfortunate Inventor.

In the little town of Bardstown, Ky., a monument was unveiled on May 25 to John Fitch, recognizing him as the inventor of the steamboat.

It was at Bardstown that "poor John Fitch," discouraged by his failure both in this country and in France to get supporters for his invention, committed suicide. That was on July 2, 1798. A long time between that date and May 25, 1927!

The payment of these belated honors may or may not help to rest John Fitch's soul. However, with the unveiling over Fitch's burial place of the monument provided for by appropriation of congress, the right of Fitch to the title of inventor of the steamboat may be considered fixed. Whatever glory properly belongs to Robert Fulton for practical development of the steamboat need not be diminished by giving to Fitch the share due him for the invention.

John Fitch was born on January 21, 1743, in Windsor, Conn. Following a boyhood of practically no educational opportunities, he went to sea when seventeen. Later he worked as clock-maker, brassfounder and silversmith. In the Revolutionary war he was a gunsmith for the American troops, and with them went through the winter at Valley Forge. After the war he was a surveyor and trader in what was then the West. Then came his return to Pennsylvania, where he settled at Warninster, near Philadelphia, and produced, in 1785, his first model of a steamboat. Two years later, on the Delaware river at Philadelphia, he made a successful trial trip with a boat 45 feet long, 12-foot beam, and 12-inch cylinder engine. During the summer of 1790 he ran a larger boat, carrying passengers, from Philadelphia to Wilmington. That appears to have been the end of his venture. His backers dropped their support of him. In 1793, despairing of further aid in this country, Fitch went to France. But the French revolution was on. Peniless, he worked his way back, and so to Bardstown, where he ended his tragedy of an unappreciated inventor.

Among Fitch's papers now in the Library of Congress are the plans and specifications of his steamboats. In respect of the old controversy whether the invention was Fulton's or Fitch's, it might be noted that a committee of the New York legislature declared in 1817 that Fulton's steamboat was "in substance the invention patented by John Fitch in 1791."

Improved Sundial

Most sundials are more ornamental than practical, for calculations must generally be made to tell the time accurately with them. An indicator designed by Julius Wengenheim, a regent of the University of California, is said to eliminate this objection, registering the hour as closely as a watch and requiring no computation. It is a curved bronze plate so adjusted that it can be set for any latitude. Corrections are worked out with curved lines, and the measurements are indicated for the longest as well as the shortest day. Plans have been made to set replicas of the dial at various places on the university campus, to aid students in reaching their classes on time, and at Mount Hamilton, where astronomers may consult them.—Popular Mechanics Magazine.

Easy to Attain Long Life

A Korean "holy man," Sai Ki Nan, has been telling Tokyo how to live to be three hundred and fifty years old. He ran across his astounding secret, he says, a generation ago, when he found in some sacred books records of men who lived to be five hundred years old. The reason given for such extraordinary longevity was that these folk eschewed food almost entirely, lived on bark and water and spent their time in study. Sai Ki Nan, after diligent research, found the right sort of bark, built his hut in the forest and settled down to two hundred and ninety years more. He eats seven little bark cakes a day, sleeps two hours out of the twenty-four, gives himself a daily massage,

G. G. VAUGHN HONORED

On last Sunday, August 12th, G. G. Vaughn celebrated his fifty-fourth birthday with an old time family reunion at his home four miles north of town.

The morning was spent talking over old times. When the dinner gong sounded the guests were led out under the trees where a real chicken dinner awaited them, picnic style, and there in the center of the table stood a large cake with fifty-four candles burning on the top. Beside the large cake was a smaller one for it was the birthday of Mr. Vaughn's granddaughter little Fay Vaughn. Upon this cake there stood nine candles. So grandfather and granddaughter alike were honored.

The evening was spent kodaking and having a general good time, after which congratulations were offered and the guests retired to their respective homes.

Those present for the enjoyable occasion were: G. G. Vaughn and family, J. M. Vaughn and family, Mrs. M. E. Pearce and family, T. M. Pearce and family, John McLaurin and family, Sam Covey and family, Misses Golda and Ola Simmons, Messrs Golden Simmons, Arlington Priest, and C. M. Jennings.

Everyone left wishing G. G. could have birthdays more often without growing older.

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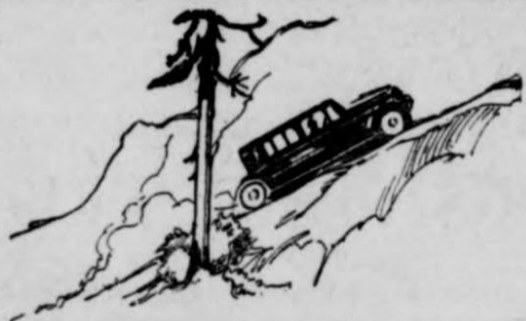
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