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GUILTY LERAY BANK CASHIER COULDN'T GET BY JUDGE ELY

When the case of A. F. Richardson, former LeRay bank cashier, was called in the district court at Breckenridge last week, Mays & Mays, defense counsel, announced their client was in a Breckenridge hospital suffering from appendicitis. Judge Ely sent three physicians to make examination and as a result of their report ordered two appearance bonds of \$2,500 each forfeited and sent a deputy to bring Richardson into court. Richardson showed no signs of acute suffering throughout the trial. After deliberating the jury returned a verdict of guilty of embezzlement in amount of \$6,000 and assessed punishment at two years and six months imprisonment. Nine other counts, which would bring the total amount in default to \$50,000 are pending.

C. S. Boyles and a crowd of Cross Plains Boosters were in Cisco the latter part of the past week giving the Cincinnati Reds the once over.

TRADES DAY ATTENDANT DRINKS WOOD ALCOHOL

A Mr. Smith, who came to Cross Plains last Saturday evening and was camping on the horse trading grounds in the south part of town, came near dying from the effects of drinking wood alcohol. He came from the direction of Abilene and evidently knew what he was drinking, as the bottle containing the fluid bore the name of an Abilene firm and was plainly labeled "Poison." He doubtless came to Cross Plains to be present at our regular Trades day last Monday. Dr. Lindly was called to attend him during the night and succeeded in relieving him of the effects of the poison.

Mr. L. B. Jones of Coleman has purchased a building site in the south part of town and is now erecting a four room house. Mr. Jones and family will occupy the place at an early date.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Anderson were visitors in Cisco the latter part of the past week.

COUNTY-WIDE ELECTION CALLED FOR APRIL 16 TO VOTE ON \$1,000,000 ROAD BOND

Petitions have been circulated over the county asking the Commissioners Court to call a county wide election for the purpose of voting good road bonds in the sum of \$1,000,000 to build good roads into all sections of the county. These petitions were presented to the Commissioners Court which was in session Tuesday of last week.

The Court after due consideration of petitioners request called an election for Saturday April 16th for the purpose above stated.

According to the terms of these petitions the bonds of Road District No. 1, and we presume the bonds of the Cross Plains District also will be absorbed by the new bond issue if carried. This election if it carries will automatically eliminate the present highway tax and the tax rate for the new bond issue will be placed on the entire county. The tax will be equally distributed.

The tentative plan for the roads to be constructed is about as follows: The completion of the Bankhead Highway across the county from east to west, a road from Putnam to the county line towards Moran, also from Putnam to Cotton

wood; a road leading north from Baird to the county line, also south from Baird to Admiral, Cottonwood and Cross Plains; a road leading south from Clyde to Eula and Oplin, also from Clyde to the county line in the Hamby county—Clyde Enterprise.

ROXANA DRILLING ON RUDLOFF LOCATION

Drilling was commenced the first of this week on the Roxana well, located on the Rudloff farm 3 1/2 miles southwest of Cross Plains. This is the Roxana people's first test on their holdings in this territory and the progress of the well will be watched with unusual interest. The derrick and drilling equipment for this well are of extra standard make and it is the current belief that it will be completed within record breaking time, as the Roxana people have a limited time only to find the value and return to their holdings by the commencement of other wells.

The derrick is being moved this week from the Jim Barr location to Smoot tract.

The Lee derrick, we are informed is being moved to a location on the Webb tract.

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CROSS PLAINS, TEXAS

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COUNTY INTERSCHOLASTIC LEAGUE MEET APRIL 2

(Baird Star)

The campus of the Baird public school is a busy place these days, at recess during the noon hour and for some time after school is dismissed. The pupils over ten years of age are training for the track and athletic events and the literary contests, which are to be tried out on the school campus and in the school building at the Callahan County Interscholastic League Meet, to be held Saturday, April 2nd.

On this occasion teams and individual contestants from every school in the county will be present, to strive their very best for the coveted privilege of qualifying for the district meet at Abilene.

The teachers are as much interested in these preliminary tryouts as are the pupils, and the campus looks like an Olympian Meet in

miniature.

It is expected that with the town people and rural visitors there will be at least a couple of thousand people on the ground and, if the day is pleasant, a good time will most assuredly "be had by all."

County Superintendent B. C. Chrisman has kindly furnished the day's complete program, as follows:

- Junior and Senior Spelling Contests..... 9 to 10 am
Essay Writing Contest... 11 to 12 am
Debates and Declamations 8 pm
- There are 27 track events, which will begin promptly at 10 o'clock a. m., in the following order:
- 1 120 yard low hurdle race Sen. Boys
 - 2 50 yard dash..... Junior Boys
 - 3 100 yard dash..... Senior Boys
 - 4 30 yard dash..... Senior Girls
 - 5 220 yard dash..... Senior Boys
 - 6 30 yard dash..... Junior Girls
 - 7 440 yard dash..... Senior Boys
 - 8 220 yard dash..... Junior Boys
 - 9 1 mile run..... Senior Boys
 - 10 440 yard relay..... Junior Boys

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TEXAS

- 11 50 yard dash..... Senior Boys
 - 12 Running hop, step and jump..... Junior Boys
 - 13 Running bound jump Sen. Boys
 - 14 Running bound jump Jun. Boys
 - 15 Running high jump..... Sen. Boys
 - 16 140 yard relay..... Junior Girls
 - 17 140 yard relay..... Senior Girls
 - 18 Running high jump Junior Boys
 - 19 Chinning the bar..... Junior Boys
 - 20 8 pound put shot..... Junior Boys
 - 21 Pole vaulting..... Senior Boys
 - 22 Pole vaulting..... Junior Boys
 - 23 Rural school basket ball championship..... Boys
 - 24 880 yard run..... Senior Boys
 - 25 12-pound shot put..... Senior Boys
 - 26 Discus throw..... Senior Boys
 - 27 One mile relay... Senior Boys
- County Superintendent Chrisman has sent the following rules of the contest to every school in Callahan county:
- The county will be divided into senior and junior divisions, with points in senior division counting for championship.
- Every school in the county should try and enter in some of the above events, and each teacher in the county will please mail to me the names of the pupils and each event they expect to enter from your school.
- If your school expects to put on an educational exhibit, please notify me as soon as possible, that arrangements may be made for space in the high school building for that purpose.
- The elimination in the circuits comprising the rural school boys' basket ball should be made according to schedule.
- Out-of-county judges will be secured to judge all events.

\$206 RAISED SUNDAY FOR METHODIST ORPHAN HOME

Rev. W. P. Gray, representing the Methodist Orphan Home at Waco, filled the pulpit at Methodist church Sunday night and delivered an interesting talk on matters relative to that institution. At the conclusion of his talk a free will offering, amounting to \$206.00, was given the home by the congregation.

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NYAL AGENCY

PACT BETWEEN RUSSIA AND GERMANY FORMED

ITALY TO FOLLOW SOON IN MAKING TRADE ACCORD WITH BOLSHIEVIKI

FRANCE NOW STANDS ALONE

Paris Press Caustic as Lenine's Victories Begin to Counter Severely Against Her

Paris.—There has been concluded at Moscow a trade agreement between Russia and Germany along the lines of the one arranged between Lloyd George and Krassine at London last week.

Russia has suddenly emerged from her commercial and financial isolation and presents a new problem for France and possibly the United States, which alone among the large commercial nations, still remains in the position of rejecting Russian overtures for commercial accord.

News from Rome is that the soviet delegation there, headed by M. Voronsky, will soon follow the lead of England and Germany. It is believed that Belgium is flirting with the soviets, and as Scandinavia and the Baltic states are already enjoying trade relations, it would appear that three-fourths of Europe is about to accept soviet Russia as a member of the commercial, if not the political, family of nations.

Lenin's policy appears to be to isolate France against whom the soviets apparently cherish an unquenchable resentment.

Some papers like the Echo asks what England would do in the event of a soviet offensive against Poland or Bessarabia, knowing that France has pledged herself to assist both Poland and Roumania. The paper demands that France obtain an explanation from England on this point.

FALL OF KRONSTADT PROVES A MASSACRE

Reds Slay All Officers, Spare Neither Women Nor Children

Stockholm.—Details of the fall of Kronstadt before the repeated onslaughts of the bolshevik army under command of Leon Trotzky, the soviet war minister, have been brought here by refugees. In the citadel, according to the refugees, some 1,700 men were left endeavoring to fight their way toward the east and in other fortresses approximately 1,000 were made prisoners by the bolsheviks.

All officers and leaders among the military forces and civilians were executed on Trotzky's order, their bodies were thrown on the ice of the gulf of Finland.

Every one, old or young, man or woman, with or without weapons, who got in the way of the bolsheviks was killed immediately, the refugees assert, no pardon being asked and none being given.

TWO SOLDIERS SHOT IN BATTLE WITH BOOZE MEN

Several Other Persons Injured in Fight Near El Paso.

El Paso, Texas.—An immigration officer, two United States soldiers and two liquor smugglers were injured in a fight on the Rio Grande, two miles from El Paso, Friday night. The fight between the Americans and the Mexican smugglers lasted several hours, both sides firing at each other sporadically throughout the night. Fifty-seven quarts of whisky, abandoned by the smugglers, was discovered at daylight.

The shooting started about 10 p. m., when three immigration officers discovered three Mexicans in the act of wading the river, about fifty yards wide at that point. Challenged, the Mexicans opened fire, which was at once returned by the immigration officers.

Henryetta Boy Gets Appointment

Henryetta, Okla.—Malcolm Cameron, son of the Rev. E. D. Cameron, pioneer Baptist minister of Oklahoma and founder of the anti-Divorce League, through the influence of Senator Thomas P. Gore, has been notified of appointment as a cadet in the United States naval academy at Annapolis. Young Cameron is a graduate of the Henryetta high school and his record at this school was made basis for his acceptance in the naval academy without further examination.

Woman Is Gored By Cow

Crystal Falls, Texas.—As the result of being impaled on the horns of a pet cow, Mrs. L. W. Vineyard, living on Hubbard creek, one mile south of this city, is in a critical condition. The accident according to the woman's husband, occurred when the cow, which was being milked suddenly turned its head to drive away a pig playing around its feet. The horns of the animal entered the groin of the woman, throwing her a distance of several feet.

"JAPAN IS ARMING FOR DEFENSE ONLY"

BARON MEGATA SAYS JAPANESE HAVE NO DREAM OF CONQUEST.

New York.—Japan is heartily in accord with any world movement for universal peace and advancement of civilization. But Japan can not and dare not disarm at the present day.

Japan, moreover, looks to America, with whom she would walk hand in hand "in continual friendly association and useful collaboration in the interests of world peace," to provide the one missing element in the promotion of peace.

To the mind of Baron Tenetaro Megata, who with Viscount Ishi and Baron Hayashi headed the Japanese delegation in the assembly of the league of nations at Geneva, and who gave his views on world politics in an interview with the United News, America should recognize that Japan's growing naval power means the creation of a national defense and not the creation of a machine of conquest, that it is not directed against America or any other nation.

"A study of the Japanese situation will satisfy all statesmen," the baron declared, "that we, who are a nation apparently small in territory and youthful in modern history, have a duty to ourselves—the protection of an enormous boundary line, a tremendous frontier.

"There need be no alarm over our armament. We may reach a point where our national safety from aggression is assured, but in the meantime the wealth of Japan, the ability of Japan to construct this defense and to maintain it after it is constructed will be heavily taxed. And we could not overarm because neither our finances nor our national sentiment would permit it.

"Japan has her war burden to carry just as every other nation has. There is some unemployment over there, although this is gradually improving, according to reports I have received."

Baron Megata declined to be quoted on the question of the protest on Japan's mandate over the islands of Yan.

EMPLOYES OF PACKERS VOTE FOR STRIKE

Overwhelming Majority For Walkout To Back Present Agreement.

Chicago, Ill.—By a vote of 21,482 to 207, union workers in Chicago packing plants went on record Friday in favor of a strike if they are "unable to induce the packers to maintain the eight-hour work day." Telegraphic reports at union headquarters were said to indicate similar strike majorities in other packing house centers throughout the country.

The ballot on which the workers vote follows:

"Do you favor and authorize a strike in the event that the government or our organization is unable to induce the packers to maintain the eight-hour work day and compliance with the agreement entered into with the United States department of labor?"

The agreement referred to was a war-time ruling which submitted all wage and hour disputes between the packers and their employes to a federal arbitrator, Judge Samuel Aleschler having occupied the position during the war period. The agreement specified that it was to remain in force until one year after the end of the war. The unions claim that the war has not officially ended.

DAUGHERTY WILL NOT ALTER BEER RULING

Washington.—Definite announcement that former Attorney General Palmer's opinion, permitting physicians to prescribe beer for medical purposes would stand unless Secretary Mellon should ask for a review, is made by Attorney General Daugherty.

The attorney general reiterated that except on request for a review by a head of a department the department of justice could not hand down reviews of its opinions.

In connection with the possible transfer of the prohibition enforcement bureau from the treasury to the department of justice as a part of a general reorganization of government departments, the attorney general said he was not seeking any additional authority, but would accept such responsibilities as congress might place upon him.

Four Children Burn To Death

Sault Ste. Marie, Mich.—Four young children of John Andrews of this city were suffocated in their beds by a fire that broke out during the absence of their parents.

Bank Closes at Donna

Donna, Texas.—The First State Bank, the oldest bank in town closed its doors Monday morning which leaves Donna with only one bank.

Terrell Subscribes Interurban Stock

Terrell, Texas.—Practically all the required Dallas-Terrell interurban stock apportioned to Terrell has been subscribed. About 300 subscriptions among Terrell people have been secured.

ANDREW BONAR LAW QUILTS BRITISH CABINET

LLOYD GEORGE FEELINGLY ANNOUNCES RETIREMENT OF VETERAN.

London.—Andrew Bonar Law, lord of the privy seal, has resigned from the cabinet. Ill-health was given as the reason for his resignation.

Mr. Bonar Law also retired from the government leadership in the house of commons.

The announcement of Mr. Bonar Law's retirement was made in the house of commons by the prime minister, Lloyd George, who was so deeply affected that he could hardly finish his statement. Lloyd George said he had received a letter from Bonar Law stating he had been warned by his physicians that if he continued he would run the danger of a complete breakdown.

"Bonar Law had been absent from the house of commons the whole of the week, but he was reported to be improving in health and his resignation of the leadership of the house came as a complete surprise.

The prediction is freely made by politicians that Mr. Bonar Law's resignation from the government means dissolution and general elections in the near future. The belief is based on the theory that Mr. Bonar Law is the only conservative able to hold the party together behind the leadership of Mr. Lloyd George.

BRITISH LIFT BLOCKADE OF RED RUSSIA

Permits Exchange of Commodities and Guarantees Freedom of Seas to Soviet Government.

London.—Great Britain, first great entente nation to lift the commercial blockade against soviet Russia, has signed an agreement with representatives of the Moscow government permitting the exchange of commodities between the two countries and guaranteeing Russian vessels the freedom of the seas.

Completion of the negotiations, which began several months ago, was announced Wednesday. The step, which is one of the most significant acts that has taken place since the armistice, has aroused not only tremendous interest throughout Europe, but a wide difference of sentiment in Great Britain.

The British government, accused of having extended through dealing with Lenin's emissaries a tacit though unofficial recognition of the soviet government, states, as it has declared through the course of the negotiations, that the agreement implies not the right to do business but the two countries, and denies that recognition of any sort or description is implied by its signature to the document.

CLARA SMITH HAMON IS ACQUITTED BY JURY

Ardmore, Ok.—The jury in the Clara Smith Hamon case arrived at a verdict on the first ballot late Thursday afternoon, finding the defendant not guilty of the murder, Nov. 21, 1920, of Jake L. Hamon, national republican committeeman from Oklahoma and large independent oil operator.

The case, which had been on trial since March 10, was given to the jury at 4:30 p. m. at the close of an address by Attorney General S. P. Freeling for the state of Oklahoma.

Probably fifteen minutes elapsed before the jury could be escorted from the box to the jury room on account of the crowd.

The jurors re-entered the courtroom at 5:05, but there were about five minutes of suspense before the verdict was announced.

Estate Tax Can Be Deducted.

Washington.—The federal government lost an important income tax suit when the United States court of claims held that every estate, the net amount of which exceeds \$50,000 and which has been or is hereafter compelled to pay the federal estate tax, is entitled to deduct the amount so paid from its income tax return.

Floydada Votes School Bond Issue.

Floydada, Texas.—The school bond election for Floydada independent district on \$90,000 bond issue resulted Saturday in favor of the bonds. The vote was 278 for the bonds and 98 against.

800 Chinese Drown.

Hong Kong.—More than 800 Chinese are believed to have been drowned in the wreck of the steamer Hong Moh on Lamock Island off the port of Swatow, Kwang Tung province, on March 3.

Three Men Shot At Wortham.

Wortham, Texas.—In a shooting affray Thursday afternoon on one of the principal streets of Wortham, Charlie and Lynn Harris, brothers, and Bolen Riley were shot. Charlie Harris was shot through the breast and seriously wounded. Lynn Harris was shot three times, but not badly hurt. Bolen Riley was shot in the arm. The Harris brothers are farmers. Riley is an automobile mechanic. Tom Dunn and his son were arrested and taken out of town.

THE MARKETS

Supplied by the Bureau of Markets, Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.

Washington, D. C., March 17, 1921. HAY—Receipts light. Top grades finding ready sale in nearly all markets. Country demand improving. Country loadings light. Road conditions poor. Light receipts alfalfa Kansas City. Omaha reports prairie in good request, receipts light. No accumulations in evidence but northeastern markets well supplied. Quoted: No. 1 alfalfa \$20.50; No. 1 prairie \$16 Minneapolis, \$14.50 Kansas City.

FEED—Market generally easier. Corn feeds unchanged. Hoinny feed quoted about 50c lower in many markets. Cottonseed meal weaker; 43 per cent offered \$22 Chicago market. Alfalfa meal in poor request. Season bran offered around \$22 Minneapolis. Linseed meal may be obtained from Jobbers for April-May shipment at below mill prices. Production most feeds, while not heavy, is ample, demand remains below normal. Quoted: Bran \$22 Minneapolis, 36 per cent cottonseed meal \$25 Memphis, white hoinny feed \$25 St. Louis; No. 1 alfalfa meal \$18.50 Kansas City, gluten feed \$37 Chicago.

GRAIN—Under adverse financial and economic conditions prices declined the early part of the week but on the 15th sales five million bushels wheat to Europe caused a sharp upturn. Continued export business and reports of green bug damage in southwest carried prices still higher the following day. But on the 17th after a slight advance, the market slumped due to lack of support and sentiment favorably to selling side. In Chicago cash market No. 2 red winter wheat 16-20c over Chicago May; No. 2 hard 16-18c over; No. 3 mixed corn 6-8-14c under May; No. 2 yellow 5-14-5-2c under. For the week Chicago May wheat down \$1.20 at \$1.45-1.85; May corn 2-1-4c at \$1.10; Minneapolis May wheat down 7-2-4c at \$1.42 3-8; Kansas City May 2-3-4; Winnipeg May 9c at \$1.18-2-4; Chicago March wheat \$1.57-1-8; Minneapolis reports very good flour inquiry with fair sales. Kansas City milling demand good, but weakened later; export demand good; No. 2 hard 11c over Kansas City May.

COTTON—The average price of middling spot cotton in the 16 designated markets declined about 2 points during the week, closing around 13.10c per lb. New York March futures up 4 points at 13.35.

DAIRY PRODUCTS—Butter markets continue weak and unsettled. Heavy declines have occurred in all markets although feeling has been much better at Chicago than in eastern markets until the 17th when prices broke sharply. Ninety-two score butter is now 2-4c lower than a week ago, closing: New York 44-1-2c; Chicago 43-1-2c; Boston 46c; Philadelphia 46c. Danish butter has arrived at New York in fairly large quantities; several additional cargoes of importance due. Domestic production increasing.

LIVESTOCK AND MEATS—Chicago hog prices declined sharply the past week losing 95c-1.35 per 100 lbs. Beef and butcher cattle down 25-50c. Feeder steers up 25c, fat lambs down 50c-1.25; feeding hogs about steady. Sheep weak to \$1 lower. March 17 Chicago prices, hogs, bulk of sales \$8.75-10.35; medium and good beef steers \$8.40-10; butcher cows and heifers \$5-9.25; feeder steers \$7.75-9.50; light and medium weight veal calves \$9.75-12.25; fat lambs \$7.60-10.50; feeding lambs \$7.25-9.40; yearlings \$7-8.75; fat ewes \$4.75-6.25.

Eastern wholesale fresh meat prices irregular, advances and declines practically balancing each other. Beef and mutton averaged about steady. Pork loins up \$1-2 per 100 lbs. Rest veal steady at some markets, \$1 lower at others. March 17 prices good grade meats: Beef \$16.50-18; veal \$18-22; lamb \$18-25; mutton \$11-15; light pork loins \$22-26; heavy loins \$18-22.

FIVE PERSONS BURN TO DEATH IN PULLMAN CAR

Pueblo, Colo.—Five persons were burned to death when a rear Pullman car on the Denver & Rio Grande railroad caught fire at about 2 o'clock Tuesday morning between Pueblo and Walsenburg. The fire was caused by the explosion of a gas tank underneath the sleeper.

The train was traveling about twenty-five miles an hour, according to information received here. The Pullman, the Corona, was the last car on the train and was completely destroyed. The bodies were dragged out of the mass of fire and wreckage when the train came to a stop. The car ahead of the Corona was partly burned.

The train was bound from Denver to Alamosa, Colo. The fire was discovered by the engine crew of a northbound Denver & Rio Grande train, which signaled the other to stop.

WEST TEXAS COUNTY FAIR DATES GIVEN

Abilene, Texas.—A schedule for the county fairs in west Texas was drawn up at the meeting here of secretaries and managers. The following dates have been set, all dates inclusive: San Saba County Fair at San Saba, Aug. 16-19.

Garza County Fair at Post, Sept. 14-16.

Childress Fair at Childress, Sept. 21-24.

Plainview Fair at Plainview, Sept. 26-28.

Lubbock Fair at Lubbock, Sept. 28-Oct. 1.

All West Texas Fair at Abilene, Sept. 26-Oct. 1.

West Texas Fair at San Angelo, Oct. 25-29.

Third School Appropriation Made.

Austin, Texas.—The third apportionment for March for the support of the public free schools was made Tuesday by the state board of education. Each of the three apportionments was \$2 per scholastic, making a total of \$6 per scholastic for the month. There are approximately 1,470,000 scholastics, making the total apportionment for March \$8,820,000. This probably is the heaviest apportionment ever made in any one month by the state board of education.

DODSON STOPS SALE OF CALOMEL

"Dodson's Liver Tone" is Taking Place of Dangerous, Sickening Chemical, Say Druggists

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To remove pimples and blackheads smear them with Cuticura Ointment. Wash off in five minutes with Cuticura Soap and hot water. Once clear keep your skin clear by using them for daily toilet purposes. Don't fail to include Cuticura Talcum.—Adv.

Work Animals in Demand.

Pennsylvania and the states east and north do not produce one-fourth of the work animals they use and are constantly drawing on the Central West for their work stock. Many of these are farm chunks sold directly to eastern farms, while others are horses produced and worked on the farms of the Mississippi valley until five or six years old, then passed to eastern cities, where after six or eight years of service they are resold as sore-footed city-worn horses to dealers, who sell them at a very nominal figure to farming sections of New England, to work the balance of their days. Such horses represent a complete cycle from farms to cities and back to farms again. It is more true now than in the past, that the good horse or mule pays a profit to the producer, the dealer and ultimate user, while the poor one loses money to all concerned.—Exchange.

A Mistake.

"Our pretty neighbor must be very much in love with her husband. I heard her the other day say she was going to do her best to make her Billy's life happy."

Possible Reason.

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CROSS PLAINS, TEXAS

REDUCTION OF COTTON ACREAGE.

"We need your editorial assistance. All that you are capable of putting behind your editorial utterances to save the South from planting too much cotton this year." This request is contained in the beginning of a letter from a cotton acreage committee selected at a recent organization of farmers at Memphis Tenn. We agree with the Memphis organization that unless an adequate reduction of cotton acreage for this year, and each succeeding year for that matter, is made the country and

especially the South, is doomed to disaster. However we believe the present worthlessness of the staple will have a greater influence in accomplishing that reduction than any explanation that has yet been made of conditions causing the low price of last year's cotton crop. About eleven million bale crop was made in 1919, and a portion of that crop sold for thirty and forty cents, when there was no comprehensive reason for a demand for it as compared with conditions of 1920 when a similar crop was made and fleeced from the producers at four cents a pound.

Being a native of that section of the cotton growing South we readily realize what the big planters of the Mississippi Delta, or farmers who farm the farmer, are up against. The big farms of the Lower Mississippi are worked almost exclusively by negro labor and the owners of these plantations have never gotten away from the belief, or custom that they cannot feed negroes to raise anything but cotton. Doubtless they conceive, or are going on the principle of "Let John do it," and prefer bringing about the reduction through the small farmer. Yes, Mr. Memphis Committee, we believe in cotton acreage reduction and are on with both feet. The farmers of West Texas are also on. Now direct your efforts nearer home and assure us in your next letter to what extent the big cotton planters of the Mississippi Delta will permit Sambo to reduce their cotton acreage.

THREE BURNED IN EXPLOSION IN HILBURN OIL FIELD

Three men were badly burned by an explosion of gas in the Hilburn oil field last week. The explosion occurred at the Hutton lease of the Sun Company. John J. Lamb, Waldo Feasel and Loony Boman were carried to the hospital for treatment and it is stated that all three will recover, Feasel was more seriously burned than the others.

LIGHTNING KILLS YOUTH IN A HASKELL CHURCH

A bolt of lightning struck the Christain church at Haskell Sunday of last week killing Devo Hunt, 15 years old and injuring Jack Russell his cousin. Mrs. W. P. Walthall, wife of the pastor, also was injured by the lightning which struck the church while the Sunday school classes were gathering.

A nice selection of men's oxfords in the latest styles was received by the Model this week.

Epworth League

Program, Sunday, March 27th, 4 o'clock.

Subject; "The Religion of Service," Leader Lillian Joaes.

- 1 Hymn.
 - 2 Prayer.
 - 3 Reading of Topic Text.
 - 4 Two Minute Talks on the Religion of Service.
 - a. "Follow the Teacher in Service," by Ora Odom.
 - b. "Preparation for Service," by Nell Fisher.
 - c. "The Joy of Service," by Irene Jones.
 - d. "Christ Needs Prompt, Practical, Active Servants," by Mary Occletree.
 - e. "Real Service," by Joe Baily.
 - f. "Whose Neighbor Am I," by Olan Mitchell.
 - g. "The Religion of Service," by Mrs. G. W. Cunningham.
- Closing Song.

Listen! Guaranteed

Pure bred Rhode Island Red Eggs \$1.50 for 15. Safe delivery.
Mrs. C. H. DeBusk,
Cross Cut, Texas.

Barbed Wire—Hog Wire—Poultry Netting, 1 and 2 in—Yard Fence Gates—Posts—S aples—Post Hole Diggers—Wire Stretchers. Joe H. Shackelford's Lumber, Paint and Hardware Store.

To the Tax Payers of Callahan County;

I will be at the Farmers Nat. Bank in Cross Plains on Saturday, March, 26, to adjust any errors or make any changes that you wish to make in your rendition of taxes, or if I have not assessed you please see me at that time.

Yours very truly,
C. W. Conner, Assessor.

If any one tells you that Brown is not running a clean, decent place, come in and see for yourself. Don't be influenced by one that doesn't know. You are always welcome, whether you play box ball or not—Brown.

Fleischman Yeast at Higginbotham Bros. & Co.

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It is here "Light Crust" Flour, Best in the world for biscuits. And the price is right. C. P. Mercantile Co.,

Notice

I will gin one more day only, March 26th, during this season.
C. D. Baird.



Easter Millinery

Numbers of the very latest dictates of Dame Fashion, for immediate wear. Not a hat in the entire collection but that would be in every way a delightful one for Easter wear, and in that Easter Sunday is but a few days ahead of us, the prices we are making prove a welcome opportunity.

Easter Hand Bags

New assortment of Easter Novelties in Ladies Purses and Bags. New shapes, new leathers, new designs in the season's newest colors. Novelty book shades with toilet fittings and large mirrors—at moderate prices.

New Tafta Dresses For Easter Wear

Newest arrivals in spring modes, in spring's most favored of all materials—Tafta Silks. A wide range of effective departures from modes of past seasons with trimmings that cannot fail to please. Easter dress problems will no doubt bring hundreds to our store.

Springtime Is Shirttime

You want to feel right; you want comfort, you want to be up to the minute in style. Our spring of shirts comprises the best of standard makes.

Grocery Dept.

Meal.....	80c
Potatoes.....	7 1-2c
Pinto Beans.....	3c
White Deer Flour—always the best.	



A home is never complete without a machine

We've just received the agency of the New Home, a machine that speaks for itself. Our Furniture department is complete.

Extra Values Children's Low Shoes

Strap Slippers, with heels or spring heels; comfortable fitting styles for small boys, girls and Misses—made of servicable calf skin, in either brown or black. All sizes.

Bring the little fellows in to be fitted before the sizes are broken.



HIGGINBOTHAM BROS. & COMPANY
"The Store of Quality"

SHIRTS

We are now showing a line of shirts for boys; shirts with stripes, shirts of quality, shirts at the right price.

We are also offering this week a line of Mens, Boys and Ladies Shoes that will save you money---a quality that lasts.

Let us show you our line of Hosiery. We have them for the entire family.

We are still saving our customers money on many other useful articles.

COME AND SEE

THE RACKET STORE

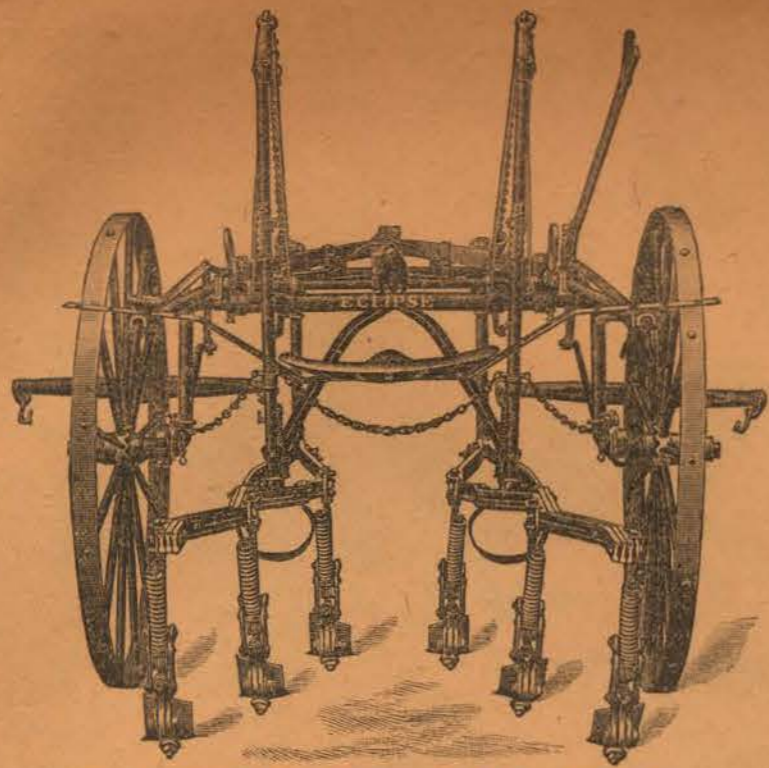
G. W. CUNNINGHAM, Prop.

To My Patrons of the Past Year—

I wish to express my appreciation. My success has depended upon your confidence in my ability as a dentist. It has been my one aim to give you as skilled service as you would be able to obtain in the cities. Your general welfare, health and beauty is the stimulent which encourages me to strive to become a better dentist.

To my "enemies," I also appreciate you, and if I was not a busy man I would drop you a card of thanks, as every knock is a boost, and for your convenience I have ordered a shipment of hammers, trusting you will use them in the same good spirit they are given.

DR. E. L. THOMASON



ECLIPSE CULTIVATOR Plowing Implements of Quality

INDEPENDENT GANGS—Both gangs are operated independently of each other. One gang may be raised without the least affecting the other, and when again lowered it will return to its original depth of cultivation. Each gang has an independent depth lever—of advantage, for instance, when one gang follows in dead furrow, and the other on a ridge.

SPRING LIFT—Two springs are used to operate each gang. One spring is used exclusively for lifting purposes, and causes the gang to be raised and lowered with the greatest ease by the operator while in the seat. The other one acts as a cushion or suspension spring and permits the operator to change the depth of cultivation by pressure of the foot.

Other hammock cultivators have only the regulating spring, so when the force of that is spent, the operator is obliged to lift the gang by main strength the rest of the distance, which is very laborious work, as he is in a seat which is not rigid and in a position in which it is difficult for him to exert his strength.

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New Fords, cash or terms. Real estate. Bargain close-in home. L. P. Henslee.

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DENTIST

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Cross Plains
Operations done under nerve blocking

VIRGIL HART

ATTORNEY AT LAW

Cross Plains, Texas

Subscribe for the Review.

Just received a new stock of palm Beach suits. The price is right. The Model.

Mr. A. G. Tarver of Walnut Springs was here the latter part of the past week, visiting his sister, Mrs. D. Anderson.

Mr. Larking of the Roxana Pet. Co., made a business trip to this city the latter part of the past week.

Mr. Mayfield of Claret, Texas, made a business trip to Cross Plains the latter part of the past week.

Get a sack of "Light Crust" Flour. It is good and the price is right. C. P. Mercantile Co.,

Mrs. F. W. Melton of San Antonio is visiting at the home of her niece Mrs. Geo. Cunningham.

County Attorney and Sheriff Corn of Baird made a business trip to this city the latter part of the past week.

Good shoes at a cheap price. You will find them at the Model Store.

Mr. W. M. Crosby of Putnam has purchased some lots in the east part of town with the expectation of building a home here at an early date.

Don't let your children go bare-footed while shoes are so cheap at the Model Store.

Uncle Wm. Neeb has decided to build another house in Cross Plains. The building will be erected on lots four and five of block nineteen of Central Addition, and will be occupied by Virgil Hart and family on or about the 1st day of May.

Blacksmith coal—Car just arrived Joe H. Shackelford's Lumber, Paint and Hardware Store.

You country gentlemen, while in town, call on Brown, and make his place your "Home Sweet Home"—Brown.

Fleischman Yeast at Higginbotham Bros. & Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean of Gorman were business visitors in Cross Plains the latter part of the past week.

Soon 'twill be the time of year when we can revel in the joys of sunshine and flowers and sweet perfumes, and bugs and gnats and mosquitoes. Oh, joy!

Mr. W. E. Butler of this city attended Masonic Grand Lodge in Waco the first of this week.

Just received a nice stock of the latest styles in ladies spring and summer hats. Prices to suit. The Model.

Oh, Mamma, the biscuits are fine Sure, "Light Crust" Flour, C. P. Mercantile Co.,

M. E. Wakefield made a business trip to Cisco last Friday.

Mr. C. W. Eakin of Rising Star was a visitor in Cross Plains the latter part of the past week.

Brown's in town and come to stay, the man who drives dull care away. Play box ball now and every day, and you'll be happy, jolly and gay—Brown.

Martin Neeb made a business trip to Brownwood the latter part of the past week.

L. P. Henslee made a business trip to Cisco last Friday.

Mr. L. R. Autery, formerly of Gorman, has decided to locate in Cross Plains. Mr. Autery is a practical rig builder. During the Desdemona boom he was one of the active contractors in that field.

Come to Smith's Lunch Room for fresh chili and hamburgers, ice cold soda pop and keg beer. Also get your ice here.

J. H. Smith, Prop.

LOST—Last Monday, between Cross Plains and Cross Cut, one mud chain. Finder will please return to me at Cross Plains and receive reasonable reward. Jeff Clark,

Kodak Finishing

If you want first class kodak finishing at reasonable prices send your work to Mrs. J. W. Farmer, Box 33, Baird, Texas

Mrs. Wallace Wagner and little son of Sipe Springs, paid their son and brother, Eugene Wagner of this city, a visit last Saturday and Sunday.

Edwin Neeb of Clarks Ridge paid friends and relatives of this city a visit last Saturday.

For Sale

Rooming house completely furnished in the Hilburn field. Every room rented. Will sell at a bargain. Phone, write or come to see, Jack Ingram, Clarks Ridge, Texas.

Strayed

From my place about six miles northeast of Cross Plains, one three year old brown filly, one white hind foot, star in face. Reasonable reward will be paid for return or for information leading to recovery. W. P. Armstrong.

A game of Box Ball every day, helps drive dull care away—Brown.

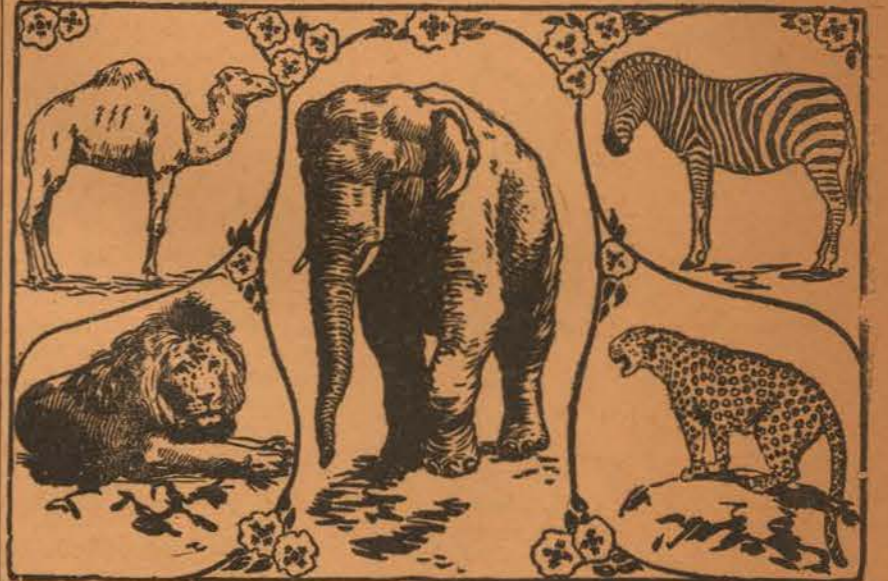
Banish Blue Bugs.

And all blood sucking insects simply by feeding Martin's Blue Bug Remedy to your chickens. Absolutely guaranteed by Cozy Drug Store.

For Sale

Four room house, one acre block in north Cross Plains. Very cheap for cash. J. C. C. Evans, 1004 Ave. A, Cisco Texas.

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Special Train of Double Length Cars
Exhibiting Under Monster Water-
Proof Tent.

The Greatest Show On Earth
of Its Kind.

Trained Elephants, Lions, Bears,
Ponies, Dogs and Dogs.

Cross Plains, Afternoon and Night
Monday, April 4th.

Lee Tires and Howe Tubes. Genuine Ford Parts Accessories, Gas, Oil

When you are not feeling fit you go to a doctor or a druggist and get something to brace you up.

The same rule applies to your car. When it is not running it needs a bracer. It cannot correct its defects. Furnishing bracers for sick cars is easy for us, because the work is fascinating and we like it. We correct the little defects, as well as the big ones, that's what keeps your car fit. By coming to us at the first sign of trouble you rid yourself of those heavy repair bills that try your patience so much.

HARRELL GARAGE

NEURALGIA

The powerful, heating warmth of Hunt's Lightning Oil gives instant and positive relief from throbbing, nerve-racking pains of Rheumatism, Neuralgia, Headache, etc. As your own druggist, buy and use a bottle.

City Drug Store, Dealers
Dr. R. Robertson & Son, Dealers

How Would You Like to See What Irvin Norwood (Pa.) Saw?

"One customer told me that after using one large package of Rat-Snap, he got FORTY-EIGHT dead rats. How many more dead he couldn't see, he doesn't know. Remember rats breed fast and destroy dollars' worth of property." 35c, 65c, \$1.25. Sold and guaranteed by The City Drug Store

ECZEMA

Money back without question if HUNT'S Salve fails in the treatment of ITCH, ECZEMA, RINGWORM, TETTER or other itching skin diseases. Try a 75 cent box at our risk.

The City Drug Store, Dealers.
R. Robertson & Son, Dealers

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Texas

MRS. HAYDOCK SAVED FROM AN OPERATION

Followed Advice of Her
Druggist's Wife and Took
Lydia E. Pinkham's
Vegetable Compound

Chicago, Ill.—"I was in bed with a female trouble and inflammation and had four doctors but none of them did me any good. They all said I would have to have an operation. A druggist's wife told me to take Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and I took 22 bottles, never missing a dose and at the end of that time I was perfectly well. I have never had occasion to take it again as I have been so well. I have a six room flat and do all my work. My two sisters are taking the Compound upon my recommendation and you may publish my letter."—Mrs. E. H. HAYDOCK, 6824 St. Lawrence Avenue, Chicago Illinois.

Because Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound saved Mrs. Haydock from an operation we cannot claim that all operations may be avoided by it, but many women have escaped operations by the timely use of this old-fashioned root and herb medicine.

No one ever saw a girl wear a glove to hide an engagement ring.

MOTHER!

"California Syrup of Figs"
Child's Best Laxative



Accept "California" Syrup of Figs only—look for the name California on the package, then you are sure your child is having the best and most harmless physic for the little stomach, liver and bowels. Children love its fruity taste. Full directions on each bottle. You must say "California."—Adv.

The richest pearl in the Christian's crown of graces is humanity.—Good.

SWAMP-ROOT FOR KIDNEY AILMENTS

There is only one medicine that really stands out pre-eminent as a medicine for curable ailments of the kidneys, liver and bladder.

Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root stands the highest for the reason that it has proven to be just the remedy needed in thousands upon thousands of distressing cases. Swamp-Root makes friends quickly because its mild and immediate effect is soon realized in most cases. It is a gentle, healing vegetable compound.

Start treatment at once. Sold at all drug stores in bottles of two sizes, medium and large.

However, if you wish first to test this great preparation send ten cents to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., for a sample bottle. When writing be sure and mention this paper.—Adv.

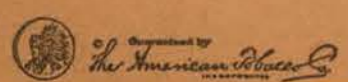
Born followers are as much a necessity to success as born leaders.

Dr. Perry's "Dead Shot" is not a "loss-enge" or "strap," but a real old-fashioned dose of medicine which cleans out Worms or Tapeworm with a single dose.—Adv.

A bachelor says that love turns out more pessimists than optimists.



LUCKY STRIKE
cigarette. Flavor is
sealed in by toasting



STATE NEWS

The interscholastic meet scheduled for March 26 at Bonham has been postponed to April 2.

June 21 and 22 have been set as dates for the annual meeting of the League of Texas Municipalities in Wichita Falls.

Contracts calling for an expenditure of over \$750,000 on good roads in Potter county have been awarded by the commissioners' court.

Ferris and community spent Tuesday killing rats. After all had been collected together it was found that 3,825 had been killed during the day.

The 12-month-old baby of L. D. Spratt, living north of Denison was killed when a horse stepped on his head while it was playing in the yard.

Texas' share of the \$60,000,000 which is expected to be available for federal farm loan banks within the next thirty days probably will be \$7,000,000.

The September meeting of the Panhandle medical society will be held in Plainview, it was decided at the final session of the association at Amarillo Wednesday.

The corporate existence of the Itasca National Bank has been extended until March 14, 1941, according to announcement from the comptroller of the currency.

With her skull split open and a double bladed ax hanging in the head, Jennie Jones, a negro woman about 50 years old, was found last week at her home in Denison.

The Talpa Wool association of Talpa, Coleman county, last week sold approximately 275,000 pounds of long wool of the 1920 spring production at the low price of from 14 1/2 to 16 1/2c.

The parent-teachers association of Ennis has contracted for playground equipment for the two public school grounds there. Libraries have recently been added to the school equipment.

At the last meeting of the Ellis county commissioners' court \$40,000 was appropriated among the different road districts for maintenance. Twenty-three districts shared in the distribution.

The people of the Dodd City-Windom good roads district have presented the county commissioners with a petition with 117 signatures asking that \$70,000 worth of road bonds voted be annulled.

Plans are being developed for the extension of the Berachah Home for Girls at Arlington through the efforts of a committee, which has been appointed to obtain \$1,000,000 for improvement purposes.

Preliminary construction has begun on the Wichita Falls and Southern bridge across the Brazos river, six miles southwest of Graham and material is being assembled for the foundation of the piers.

A canvass of citizens of Polytechnic who have children in public schools there is being made. Each is being asked to contribute \$5 for the support of the school through the remainder of the present term.

A cyclone passed through the western part of Nacogdoches county last week, inflicting damage at Nat, twenty miles northwest of Nacogdoches. No one was killed, but some homes were wrecked and property damaged.

A total of \$500,000 worth of alcoholic liquors were seized in the northern district of Texas during the last year according to the annual report of E. A. Turner federal agent for this district. The report represents only the amount captured by federal officers.

Mike H. Thomas, acting as grand master of grand lodge of Masons in Texas, assisted by other Masons from Cleburne, Alvarado and Grandview, conducted impressive ceremonies in the laying of the cornerstone of the new \$100,000 high school building at Grandview last week.

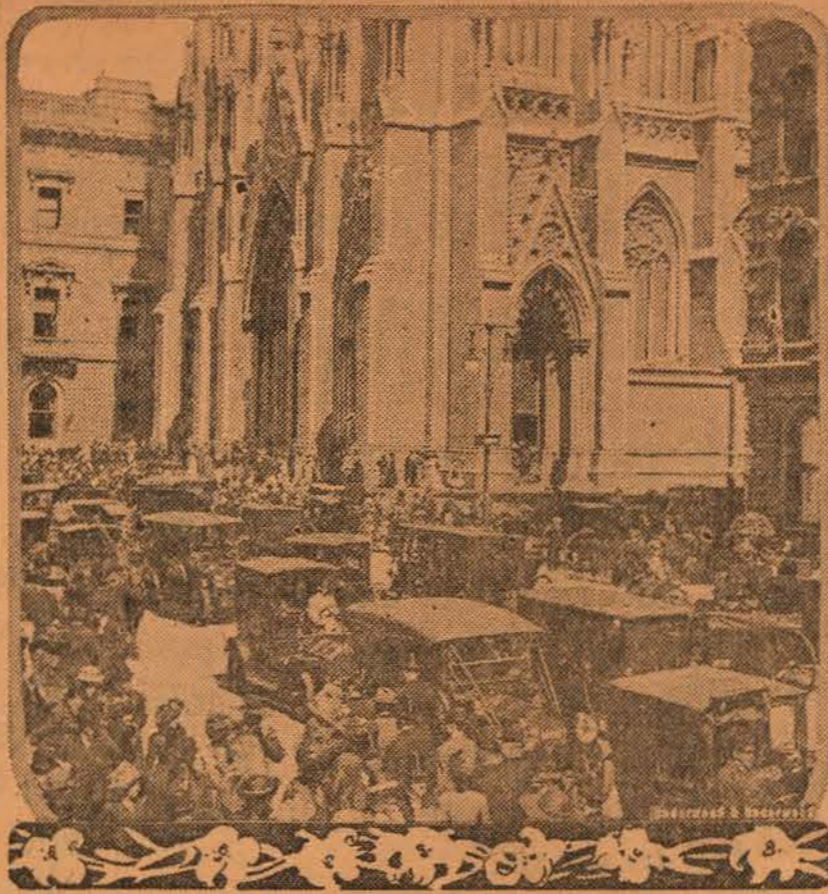
A Lions' Club was organized at Ennis last week by R. L. McKinney, with the following officers: Joe X. Newcomb, president; R. J. Banner, secretary-treasurer; J. Gid Noel, lion tamer and J. E. Keever, tail twister.

A movement for the extermination of rats has been inaugurated throughout Freestone county. All schools are co-operating, and prizes will be awarded to the boy or girl accumulating the greatest number of rat tails during the next thirty days.

The Titus County Fair association has been organized with I. N. Williams president, C. L. Duncan secretary and T. L. Denman manager. The fair will be held Oct. 3 to 8.

A number of Bell county sheep and goat breeders held their first meeting at Temple last week of a state-wide campaign launched by the Texas Farm Bureau in aid of the formation of a state-wide wool pool, it being the purpose to hold meetings in every county where there is production.

Easter in the City



I did not know by the reviving grass,
That the old miracle had come to pass;
Nor by the hawthorne trembling in the lane

Or the light laughter of the rain,
I, in the fevered city's thundering mart,
Heard not the sounds that quickened the heart.

I hardly knew that Spring was on her way,
So desolate and empty passed each day,
With never a tree or fragrant cherry-bloom

To haunt my spirit like an old perfume,
I did not hear the breathing of the flowers
Amid the tumult of the hurrying hours;

I did not see the ancient beauty come
Unheralded by fire or bell or drum,
But I knew in the clamoring towers,
And the faces of children that blossomed
like flowers:

I knew by a rose at the end of the street,
And the gied martial moving of thousands
of feet.

That the mischievous old March, ancient
yet new,
Had come to the city, to me and to you;
And the seed of his sowing had awakened
again

In the hearts and the souls of millions
of men!

I knew by the look in the eyes of the old,
That the grass of His growing had covered
the world;

I knew by the wonder that came to the town,
The stern, iron city with sorrow weighed
down.

That one had arisen who once had been
dead,
And the white Easter message again had
been said.
—Charles Hanson Towne in the Detroit
Free Press.

Odd Things Happen at Easter Time

There are many little tragedies which happen at Easter time. Some of them are not without their humorous side. Right on your very street, possibly in the house next door, there is something going on which is tragic to the person it happens to, and humorous to those who do not suffer by it.

Take little Jack or little Mary, for instance. Well, we'll take little Mary. She gets an all-chocolate Easter bunny. All day long you'll long for a piece of that bunny—grown-ups call them rabbits—and all day long Mary'll hold it in her hand. Not that she is wise to the fact that we want a piece of chocolate, but just because the bunny is fascinating. By the end of the day Mary has no rabbit. Goodness, no! Nobody took the rabbit from Mary. She still has the chocolate—every bit of it—but the rabbit? Well, he just melted away into an unrecognizable solid mass.

Fourteen-year-old brother has ideas of his own about how Easter should be spent. A certain young lady—thirteen years of age—is the apple of brother's eye, and it is only natural and fitting for a young man about to venture on the sea of love that he should have a certain kind of necktie and low shoes. Easter blooms forth in all its splendor and brother ventures forth to meet his lady fair. But lo! He figured on her liking his plain blue tie, and all the time she likes the regimental stripe tie worn by little Willie Green, and proves her liking by taking her Easter stroll with Willie, and not brother.

Three weeks before Easter, just when the Easter bonnet makes its appearance in the hat shops, mother rushes downtown to get herself a hat. And for three weeks mother is on pins and needles waiting for Easter day to arrive. And when Easter does arrive she is on more pins and needles waiting for 1 o'clock to strike so that she can spring a spring hat surprise on father. Of course, father and mother go to church on Sunday and she'll wear the hat. She thinks her pale green turban a little bit frisky. Father not only approves of mother's thoughts in words, but also thinks other things which will not be put in words.

Grandma also suffered some little tragedies. Pardon the comparison, but church services to grandma are the same as a good personality to a politician or a fortune to a miser. And Easter services are always a little out of the ordinary. You know, special decorations and all that. But grandma is disappointed with the services this year. The young man who sang the hymns this year did not do nearly as well—thanks to her memory—as the young man who sang the very same hymn 20 years ago. And the flowers! Not nearly so pretty as those of 30 years ago! It's a sad Easter for grandma after the services.

Lilies, Eggs, and Bunnies

An Easter egg by any other name would taste just as delicious, but the world over the people are creatures of habit, so at Easter and around Easter only we have the chocolate and jelly eggs.

The association of Easter and eggs goes back to heathen times, says one authority.

It seems as if the egg was thus decorated for an Easter trophy, after the days of mortification and abstinence were over and festivity had taken their place, and as an emblem of the resurrection of life, as certified to us by the resurrection from the regions of death and the grave. Not only do we find this record of the use of eggs among the practices of the Egyptians, the ancient Israelites and the early Christians, but De Gobelin informs us that the custom of using eggs at Easter may be traced up not only to the theology of the people of Egypt, but to the theology and philosophy of the Persians, the Gauls, the Greeks and the Romans, all of whom regarded the egg as an emblem of the universe and the work of the Supreme Divinity.

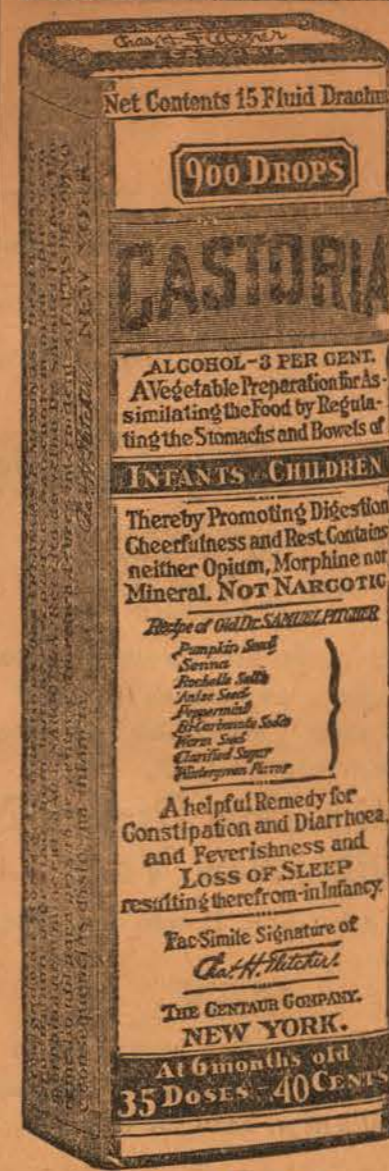
The Christians have used eggs on Easter day as containing the elements of future life, symbolic of the resurrection. Painted or ornamented eggs have become in many lands an Easter institution.

As for the bunny, the chicken and the kewpie, they all play their part in modern Easter gifts. The bunny or hare owes its popularity to the belief of the German children that it is the hare who lays the eggs on Easter day.

Easter always brings a profusion of flowers, with the lily the most popular of all. "In the beauty of the lilies, Christ was born" has an additional meaning when one sees lilies on every side. The fact that a Philadelphian introduced the Bermuda lily to this country adds more interest to this ever-interesting subject. In 1880, so the story runs, a young man from the Bermudas was visiting in that city, and upon seeing a lily, exclaimed: "Oh, there is our lily." However, upon close examination he found that it was not a Bermuda lily. This incident led to a Philadelphia florist visiting Bermuda in 1881 and bringing the bulbs to this country. We all know its popularity. No wonder, for it is superior to both the Chinese and Egyptian (or calla); it is a surer bloomer and more profuse; it also has a greater fragrance.

Now the lily industry in the United States is thriving. Millions upon millions are grown from Florida to California. In these climes they are grown under glass, in fact a veritable lily king plants a half a million bulbs this way.

But in enthusiasm for the lily, the rhododendron, the azalea, the spirea, tulip, hyacinth, daffodil, narcissus, ferns and the many others must not be forgot nor their charms overlooked.



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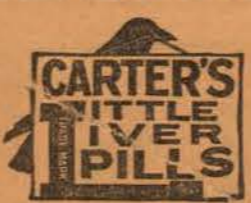
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What to Do for Disordered Stomach



Take a good dose of **Carter's Little Liver Pills**—then take 2 or 3 for a few nights after. You will relish your meals without fear of trouble to follow. Millions of all ages take them for Biliousness, Dizziness, Sick Headache, Upset Stomach and for Sallow, Pimply, Blotchy Skin. They end the misery of Constipation. Genuine bear signature—Bantled Small Pill; Small Dose; Small Price

OF COURSE IT WASN'T TRUE GOT THE JOBS MIXED UP

Good Illustration of German Character in Simplicity Displayed by Soldier in France.

But at That, Old Gentleman Had Equipped Coffin for the Crossing of the River.

One American who remained at Lille during the German occupation used his time to study German character. He told Mrs. Corrina H. Smith and Mrs. Caroline R. Hill, authors of "Rising Above the Ruins in France," one astonishing thing that he had noticed—the childish unreasoning confidence that the German soldier had in whatever he was told by his superiors—and he gave this example of it. "I knew German," he said, "and one day I talked with a German sentry who was standing over some French civilians at work in a field. He was reading a newspaper and, turning to me, said indignantly, 'The French say we force civilians to work against their will. That's not true; this German paper denies it.' "I looked at him in amazement and asked, 'Well what are you doing yourself, standing here with your gun over these poor people?' "If I did not," was his naive answer, "they would run away."

Joseph C. Lincoln told this at the luncheon of the Brooklyn Society of New England Women recently to illustrate the efficacy in the old days of New England rum:

"An old Cape Cod settler made both boats and coffins. One day he was called upon to make a coffin to be finished in two days. The old fellow demurred because he was busy making a boat. But the need for the coffin was imperative, so it occurred to the insistent customers that New England rum might help. So a bottle was forthcoming. The old fellow took a swig and agreed that he reckoned he would have to accommodate the gentlemen. In two days they returned to find the old man asleep in the corner, the bottle empty and the coffin ready, resting on two chairs. But the old captain had put a centerboard in the coffin."

To Be Proved. Voter (at local election)—Is Brown a good man?

His Choice. "I want a ouija board." "What kind?" "Give me one that can spell."

Teller—Oh, he's a good man, but I don't know that he's one of the elect.—London Answers.

Success is sometimes in knowing when to quit. Speculators should know this.

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C. S. BOYLES

MERCHANTS ASSOCIATION HAVE BANQUET AND MEETING

The retail Merchants Association of Cross Plains met last Thursday night. Before opening the meeting the membership met at Tom and Jim's Cafe to partake of a classy lunch prepared for the occasion.

A number of new members were brought into the association and several others pledged themselves to come in at an early date. We are going to try and make Cross Plains citizenship 100 per cent for this association. If you are interested in the welfare of Cross Plains and want to better conditions in any way you should join this organization.

Representatives of the Oil Well Supply Company were here last Friday looking Cross Plains and this territory over.

Summer furs will hardly be popular this season. They have hit the toboggan in price.

For Rent—Nicely furnished room. Mrs. Hugh Davaney.

Box Ball means health, health means happiness. Play box ball, be cheerful, be happy.—Brown.

Ford Wind Shields, Auto Paint, Top and seat dressing. Joe H. Shackelford's Lumber, Paint and Hardware Store.

Found

A certain amount of money, found in Cross Plains last Monday, will be returned to party proving ownership. G. W. Cunningham.

Oil Company Formed

J. M. Williamson, owner of the Williamson well in the North Brown County oil field has returned from Memphis, Tenn., where he formed a company for the purpose of handling his oil proposition there. The new enterprise will be known as the Williamson Oil Company and will have abundant capital for probably pipe line extension from the field to Brownwood.

The fellow who wants something for nothing—or nothing for something—has but to look in the glass, name it, and take it.

SHEET WATER AND VEIN WATER IN OIL FIELDS

The difference in sheet water and vein water is how oil men are now describing the Desdemona and Sipe Springs and Rising Star oil fields. Desdemona district is the "sheet oil" field and a well drilled within certain areas there is reasonably certain of getting some oil. Rising Star and Sipe Springs district is the "crevice oil" or vein district. Only one well in a great many actually strikes in a crevice and flows naturally, most of them striking the hard lime and are as dry as a bone until they are shot and connect the hole up with some near by crevice, thus getting more or less oil according to the available supply which they become connected up with. At least this is the theory being held by certain members of the oil fraternity who have operated in both or all three fields—De Leon Free Press.

WOMAN ASLEEP 7 DAYS DIES AT WEATHFORD

Mrs. Pearl Melton 27 years old, wife of Lee Melton employe of the Mineral Wells Railroad, died at Weathford Wednesday morning of the disease pronounced sleeping sickness. She had been asleep for the last seven days and all efforts to awaken her were unavailing.

During the last three days of her illness forcible feeding was necessary. She was stricken about a month ago with neuralgia which developed into the sleeping sickness.

The Norman Oil Co., Harris No. 1 six miles south of Clyde, resumed drilling Tuesday at noon. This well is now nearly 2000 feet deep and struck a splendid showing of oil just before the well was closed down several weeks ago. The Byron Union Oil Co., on the Hennessey ranch four miles north of town, is making preparation to resume drilling at an early date—Clyde Enterprise.

If you are planning to build you a home in Cross Plains, you had better look around for a suitable location. I have a number of choice building sites for sale at reasonable prices. Tom Bryant.

In the Grocery Business

Andrew Carnegie said, "Put all your eggs in one basket and watch that basket."

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CROSS PLAINS



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Alex

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