

The Cross Plains Review

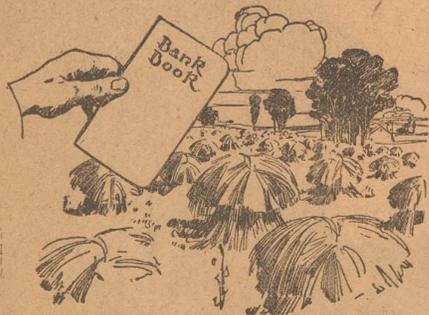
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Robertson and Ferguson to Be in Runoff Late Returns Indicate

Harvest Money is Safe



As your money comes in from your crops deposit it with us. Your money is safe here. We invite you to take advantage of the service this bank offers and is equipped and prepared to render. A bank that serves.

Farmers National Bank



OF CROSS PLAINS, TEXAS

"A Bank of Personal Service"

Latest reports from the governors race indicates that Felix D. Robertson of Dallas and Mrs. Ferguson of Temple will be in the runoff primary. The latest figures considered authentic, gives Robertson 181,800 and Mrs. Jim Ferguson 134,800. Lynch Davidson was a close contestant for second place, but has third, while Witt Davidson holds fourth. Other candidates polled light votes.

Barry Miller and Will C. Edwards are leading the ticket and will be in runoff for lieutenant governor. Some of the other candidates for state offices had no opponents, while others are in doubt. Out side of the governors race and county and district offices, there doesn't seem to be much interest, Morris Sheppard defeated both his opponents for United States Senate by good majority. The election report will be completed next week.

Thomas L. Blanton was nominated for Representative for 17th congressional district.

Jesse R. Smith and Harry Tom King are in runoff for representative of the 24th Senatorial district, it appears. District and county nominations are as follows:

For Judge 42nd Judicial District--W. R. Ely.

District Attorney--Milbourn S. Long.

District Clerk--Mrs. Kate Hearn.

County Judge--Victor B. Gilbert.

County Clerk--S. E. Settle.

County Attorney--B. F. Russell.

Sheriff--G. H. Corn.

Tax Collector--W. C. White.

Tax Assessor--Wm. J. Evans.

County treasurer--Mrs. Roy Jackson.

School Supt.--B. C. Chrisman.

Commissioner Precinct No. 4, G. H. Clifton.

Public Weigher--Precinct No. 6--J. W. Payne.

Committee Election Precinct No 6, V. V. Hart.

CROSS CUT SECTION CONTINUES TO GET GOOD PAY

Simms Oil Co. reached top of pay on their Gaines No. 1, at 1297 and will drill in in next few days.

C. O. Moore and Wilson picked up the pay at 1208 on their Chambers No. 1, and will drill in today.

Ralph Gump, et al, reached the pay on their Moore No. 1, at 1228, are setting liner and building storage, and will drill in today.

Mahlstedt Mook Oil Co. encountered shallow gas on their Gafford No. 1, are running pipe and will drill in in few days. They finished the their Gaines No. 1, for dry hole.

Burris & Gehrett and Wilson are rigging up for their Baxter No. 1, and will start spudding today.

C. O. Moore and Wilson are drilling at 200 feet on their Teston No. 1, and are rigging up on their Laura Westerman No. 1, and will start drilling in a day or so.

Conway Bros. and Ed Curry are drilling on their Chambers No. 1, at 390.

T. B. Slick's wildcat on the Y. B. Johnson tract, is drilling at 3300 feet.

Pennant Oil & Gas Co and Pope & Wilson are underreaming 10 inch at 1440 on their Albin No. 6, in Cross Plains-Pioneer field.

Tom Bryant et al, and Youngstown Oil & Gas Co. are drilling at 2420 on their Forbes No. 1, northwest of town.

Announcement Party Given

At six last Saturday afternoon, a number of ladies gathered at the pretty home of Misses Ruby and Myrtle Atwood. After a few contests attention was called to several sheets of paper bearing the numbers 8-25, that were tacked on the walls about the room.

Miss Bess Brownlee announced that they were puzzles, the solution of which could be found only by going "dry land fishing." She then led the way into the dining room where there was a miniature dry fishing pond filled with oak leaves on the table. In this were hidden slips of paper that were all blank with the exception of one.

Mrs. Bill Boyd "caught" it. This was a message from Dan Cupid announcing that Miss Myrtle Atwood was to become the bride of Mr. J. W. Reid of Lubbock on Aug. 25.

Refreshments of delicious punch and cakes in the shape of hearts with the letters A-R in pink on them carrying out the color scheme of pink and white were served.

Mrs. S. A. Moore of Cottonwood, sang "The Sunshine of your smile" after which the guest departed.

Those enjoying the delightful evening were: Mesdames Glenn Adams, Ernest Davidson, Ollie Dennis, Herman Reiger, Bill Boyd, Chess Barr, Henry Williams, and little Ruth Barr and Elwin Williams.

Out of town guest were Mesdames J. A. Brownlee and S. A. Moore, and Miss Bess Brownlee of Cottonwood, and Miss Rosa Atwood and Mrs. W. P. Atwood, grandmother of the honoree of Oplin.

Surprise Wedding

Last Thursday morning, July 24, Miss Clara Mitchell daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Mitchell, and others left here for Abilene, where they met Mr. Conrad Rogers of Silver City, N. M. Those in company were greatly surprised when they were told to drive to the court house.

The couple were married at 1:30 p. m at the court house.

This came as a surprise to their many friends. Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Rogers will visit here a while before returning to Silver City, where they will make their home.

The Review appreciates the interest that some of the readers are manifesting in handing in news items. Tell the news to the Review. Your co-operation along this line will certainly be appreciated. It doesn't matter whether you live in town or in the country. The Review is a community paper. Help make it newsy.

Uncle Bill and Mrs. Neeb, accompanied by Miss Iva Lee Orrell and Howard Neeb, returned last Friday from an extended visit in West Texas and New Mexico. They had a splendid trip Uncle Bill states.

CROSS PLAINS HAPPENINGS IN 1910--FROM REVIEW

The following news items were extracted from the Review of June 24, 1910:

Wednesday night the Cross Plains Silver Cornet Band met at the Woodman Hall for the purpose of re-organizing and getting down to business. Those present were Pete Hughes, Guy Hall, Jim Barr, Sam Carson, Matt Warren and Frank Carpenter.

Mrs. J. M. Coffman and her granddaughter, Miss Francis McGowan, drove over to the Haley ranch, Tuesday.

Mrs. George Moore and Miss Hassie Manning were pleasant callers at the Review office Monday.

Rev. R. C. Maddox will conduct a series of meetings, beginning Saturday night, at the Christian Church at Caddo Peak. Everybody invited.

Edgar Jones has been suffering severely this week from a sore finger, caused by blood poison.

Rev. Richbourg preached at the Baptist church Sunday night.

Aunt Jane Henderson was shopping in Cross Plains Wednesday.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Odum, of Bunt Branch, a boy.

Mrs. W. J. Goodman of near Dressy was quite sick this week.

Get your ice at Neeb Bros. Clocks 85c and up--J. P. Cross.

If we haven't got it, let us get it for you. J. A. Wagner & Son.

I don't sell cheap merchandise. T. F. Wolfe.

Brand new picture show Saturday night. 6000 feet of motion pictures. Show lasts one hour and 30 minutes. It happens for a dime--10 cents.

Screen doors at any size and price at Shackelford's Lumber yard, J. M. Coffman, Mgr.

Elbert Floyd Duncan

Elbert Floyd Duncan, age 10, son of Mr. and Mrs. Nolan Duncan of this place, died July 27, while in Comanche county near Beattie. He had been sick for more than two years and bedfast for several months. He was buried here Monday. Floyd was a boy that everybody liked, and many sorrowing friends join with family and relatives in their bereavement. Rev. Littleton of Abilene conducted the funeral service.

Chris Parsons and family of Burkett were visitors in our city, Tuesday.

AUTO MISHAP PROVES FATAL TO JOHN CLARK, CISCO BOY

John Clark, Jr. six year old son of Mr. and Mrs. John Clark of Cisco, died Friday from injuries sustained when he was run over by a car in Cisco earlier in the week. The car was driven by R. E. Wilson of this city. Jim McMillian, City Marshall, and Cloy Mitchell of the Farmers National Bank here, were in the car with Mr. Wilson when the unfortunate accident occurred. It seems that the boy got out of one car and started across the street, running directly in front of Mr. Wilson's car. The accident was unavoidable the Review is informed. Mr. Wilson was acquainted with the family and had just been talking to the boy's father. The tragedy is deeply lamented by Mr. Wilson. Mr. Wilson is a careful driver and the fatal accident was not caused by any recklessness or carelessness on his part, he states.

W. O. Peavy accompanied by wife and granddaughter, has just returned from a two weeks visit in Kaufman and Van Zandt counties. He says crops are short in that section of the state. Crop prospects here are as good as he found anywhere, he states.

K. OF P. ORGANIZED HERE WITH MANY VISITORS PRESENT

The K. of P. Lodge organized here last week and elected the following officers:

Geo. Scott, C. C.; G. E. Nicholson, V. C.; B. H. Lancaster, Pre.; F. D. Sheppard, M. of W; W. T. Forbes, M. of E.; J. O. Butler, K. R. S. & M. of F; Glen Adams, M. of A.; Ralph Chandler, I. G.; Dee Anderson, O. G.; Tom Bryant, Tom Anderson and M. E. Wakefield, Trustees; John Bryant, D. G. C.

A team from Brownwood Lodge came over and put the work on. Visitors from other points were also here. After the work was done--a watermelon feast was enjoyed by all. Some 16 candidates were initiated and it is stated that about 12 more are to be received this week.

Rhenrick Clark has accepted position with the West Texas Utilities Co. and is with the main office, Abilene.

W. G. Jeanes of Rowden, was trading here Tuesday. He says crop prospects are fairly good in his section. Mr. Jeanes reads the Review.

Dainty Toilet Packs



A part of the satisfaction in selecting your various Toilet Needs is in the daintiness and attractiveness of the packages

You will enjoy, we are sure, inspecting our display, with its many items designed to please you.

The City Drug Store

BUY A MOLINE

The Moline Rotary Disc Plow is the best plow made.

Ask the farmer who has one. His experience will be the best proof you could get.

Buy the best--it's the cheapest

Let Us Sell You a Moline

JOE H. SHACKELFORD'S
Lumber, Paint and Hardware Store

PRESBYTERIAN MEETING NOW ON; INTEREST IS GOOD

The Presbyterian meeting which started Sunday and which is being conducted by Rev. B. C. Bell, D. D. of Shreveport, is gaining interest with each service. A large number of converts have already been reported, with many additions to the church. Rev. Bell is an earnest and able speaker and his sermons are getting a grip on the hearts of the people, and much interest has developed.

MEETING TO START AT CHURCH OF CHRIST SUNDAY

Elder J. C. Robinson of Fort Worth will start a meeting at the Church of Christ next Sunday, Aug. 2nd. Elder Robinson is well known here having conducted a meeting here last summer. The services will be conducted under the tabernacle near the church.

Carlos McDermott was here Monday on business.

BAPTIST TABERNACLE NOW UNDER ACTIVE CONSTRUCTION

Work started the first of this week on construction of Baptist tabernacle, and will be rushed to completion. Seats are being manufactured by the Williams Planing Mill. The work on the tabernacle is being donated, the Review is informed. Money for the building material was subscribed by members of the church, and others. Several who are not members of the church subscribed liberally to the fund, it is stated

To the Voters of Precinct No. 6

Please accept my greatest appreciation for the votes and interest taken in my election, especially to the ladies for the interest they took in me, and to those who voted against me, I will say to you I will be your weigher and that I know no difference in any one at the scales.

Respectfully,
J. W. PAYNE

Miss Lillian Jones of Dallas is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Jones.

An Account that Counts



A Bank Account is an account that counts--A friend in time of need. Start an account with this bank Now, if you have not done so--and make it grow. Financial growth and prosperity is a result of thrift. Be thrifty.

A GUARANTY FUND BANK

The First Guaranty State Bank
CROSS PLAINS, TEXAS

M. E. Wakefield, President, Geo. B. Scott, Cashier
J. A. Bar, vice-Pres. W. T. Forbes, Asst. cashier
John Newton, E. I. Vestal, Noah Johnson, Tom Bryant and C. C. Neeb Directors

GERMANY TO STAND BEHIND DAWES PLAN

DESPITE SABOTAGE EFFORTS WILL TRY TO FULFILL PROVISIONS.

MARX REVEALS HIS VIEWS

Berlin's Participation in Deadlock Conference to Be Discussed Immediately.

Berlin.—Despite the sabotage efforts of the Nationalists, the German Government will stand by the Dawes plan and try to fulfill its provisions for a reparations solution. Chancellor Marx revealed this at a public address before the Reichstag.

"The Government attitude has not altered since the statement I made upon assuming office," Marx declared.

When he first took office, the Chancellor promised that Germany would abide by the terms of the experts' report, provided arrangements were made for the French evacuation of the Ruhr.

In confirming that promise before the Reichstag, after recent threats by the Nationalists to wreck applications of the Dawes report, Marx cautiously added that he did not consider it advisable to elaborate on his views. The time is not opportune to enter a long discussion of the German position he pointed out.

Marx said the original Government statement still covered the situation. In his first announcement Marx declared for open acceptance of the Dawes recommendations, but regarded it as proper that the allies should restore Germany's economic sovereignty.

In other words, it is the belief of the Chancellor and his Government that all the conditions stipulated in the Dawes plan should be carried out. These proved for gradual allied withdrawal from the Ruhr and the return to Germany of control over her economic life.

The Chancellor referred to the repeated allied charges regarding Germany's guilt for the war—the "guilt lie," as the Germans call it. The nationalists have planned to capitalize the German resentment on this score. Marx referred to an earlier statement, in which he held that Germany was not solely guilty for the war, and emphasized that time was required to present the German case and that "history alone could be the final judge."

Speaking jointly for the Centrists, the Democrats and the Folks party, Herr Fechenbach declared on the floor of the Reichstag that all three of those parties approved the Government's foreign policy and of regulation of reparations through the Dawes plan.

But the terms provided by the experts' report itself must be fulfilled, Fechenbach said, and the parties he spoke for insist on an economic and military evacuation of all territory now occupied in excess of that mentioned in the treaty of Versailles as well as the restoration of German sovereignty.

WOULD RATIFY PACTS BY MAJORITY VOTE

Davis Gives out His First Policy Of Declaration Since Nominated

Dark Harbor, Islesboro, Maine.—Treaties should be ratified by a majority vote of both Houses of Congress, instead of by a two-thirds majority of the Senate, as the Constitution now requires, is the view of John Davis, Democratic presidential nominee.

In giving voice to this belief here Mr. Davis made his first declaration of policy since his nomination, but he was only reiterating a statement to the American Bar Association more than a year ago at the time he was president of that organization.

"I said that and I will still say it," Mr. Davis declared in reply to questions as to whether he had made such a statement. "I believe with John Hay the forefathers in their wisdom fixed it so that the kickers could rule. If I had my way the kickers would not be able to rule."

"Treaties had ought to be ratified in the same way that the laws are made. One strifes at the vitals of the Government no more than the other. I do not know of any other civilized government that requires more than a majority, and I do not see why it should be required in this country."

Asked if his acceptance address would disagree with the party platform, especially with reference to the plank proposing a referendum of the League of Nations, Mr. Davis said it would not "dissent from it."

Fire Rate Schedules Mailed

Austin, Texas.—Specific schedules were mailed by the State Fire Insurance Commission covering risks in a number of towns and whose key rates have been changed, mostly raised, by the application of the 1921 key rate schedule. The towns and key rate changes are as follows: Alcoa raised from 99c to \$1; Barksdale 99c to \$1; Brackettville 99c to \$1; Dickinson 99c, reduced to 95c; Leakey, the same, at \$1; Maratho 99c to \$1; Rio Frio 97c to \$1; Sweeney 99c to 98c, and Utopia 99c to 98c.

THE ORIENT STILL FACING BIG CRISIS

Chamber Official Sees No Hope for Continued Operation of West Texas Line.

Fort Worth, Texas.—In spite of reports to the effect that the Orient Railway is to be sold, refinanced and rehabilitated, the line can not continue in operation unless it is afforded sufficient freight and passenger revenue to defray actual operating expenses, according to Porter A. Whaley, manager of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce.

This statement was made by Mr. Whaley following a recent tour of inspection of the line's Texas property, in company with Walter M. W. Splawn, State Railroad Commissioner, and A. H. Swanson, assistant auditor of the State Railroad Commission.

"People along the line may as well face the issue squarely," said Mr. Whaley. "No individual or corporation will buy or finance a piece of property that has been steadily piling up an immense operating deficit during the fifteen years of its existence, and this is the case with the Orient. Its original cost was \$7,000,000, and during the last fifteen years its 465 miles of Texas line has created an actual operating deficit of \$4,906,000, or about 75 per cent of the original cost."

"Only the extraordinary co-operation of the Interstate Commerce Commission during the past eighteen months has enabled the Orient to operate at all," he declared. "In an effort to increase the road's revenue sufficiently to enable it to continue operation, the commission allowed a raise of freight rates above those of the Wichita Valley, a successful self-sustaining rail road paralleling the Orient for 150 miles through Central West Texas, and yet the revenue does not meet the actual operating expenses. If the Interstate Commerce Commission were to withdraw its co-operation and justification for the differential rates, the Orient would be in a pitiful plight indeed."

The Federal Government lost \$3,000,000 in the operation of the Orient Railroad during Federal control, and since that time the War Finance Corporation, working in close cooperation with the Interstate Commerce Commission, has loaned the road \$2,500,000, according to Mr. Whaley. From these two funds the Orient has been enabled to take its accrued deficit and continue operation. The last loan being secured by a receivership certificate, operating as a first lien on the property, it was explained.

"After a tour of close inspection of the road and conditions along the route, and much study of the problem which is so vital to much of West Texas, I can see no hope for continued operation of the Orient. There is not sufficient freight and passenger revenue to sustain it, and until the territory served by it becomes further developed there is apparently no other means of its operation. We can not look for Federal aid for such a losing proposition and certainly no private organization will undertake its operation."

WARREN SAYS OUTLOOK IN MEXICO IS GOOD

United States Ambassador on Way To Washington to Resign.

San Antonio, Texas.—"Conditions in Mexico are good, but a little housecleaning is needed to get the country completely recovered from the effects of the last revolution," declared Charles Beecher Warren, United States Ambassador to Mexico, who arrived in San Antonio, recently, en route to Washington to submit his resignation. He was accompanied by Mrs. Warren.

"Mexico can continue its movement forward by taking advantage of the opportunities of natural resources it has," continued Warren. Mr. and Mrs. Warren will leave San Antonio immediately, stopping over at St. Louis for a short while, then will leave for Washington. "After leaving Washington Mrs. Warren and I shall go home to Detroit and then the family will go to our camp on the shores of Lake Superior for a rest," answered Warren when asked what were his plans.

American Girl Weds Count

Rome.—Miss Felice Oglesby, daughter of the late Lieut. Gov. Richard J. Oglesby of Illinois, was married here recently to Count Alessandro Cenci Bolognetti of Rome. The religious ceremony took place in the private chapel of the famous Plazzo Cenci, renowned as the home of the ill-fated Beatrice Cenci, sixteenth century heroine.

Texan Who Attacked Hines Awarded

Washington.—Thomas M. Deaver, the Texas former service man who attacked Director Hines of the Veterans' Bureau in his office several weeks ago while the two were discussing Deaver's case, has been awarded further hospitalization, increased compensation and vocational training, if he desires the latter, by the bureau's central board of appeals. Director Hines' approval of the board's findings was announced. When Deaver apologized, Hines replied that it would have no bearing on his case.

PRODUCE MEN URGE LOWER RAIL RATES

Are Burdened With Heavy Taxes and Needless Laws. Must Get Back to a Semblance of Normalcy

Galveston.—More than eighty produce men met at the Hotel Galvez at the tenth annual session of the Texas Wholesale Fruit and Produce Dealers' Association. The Rio Grande Valley fruit country and the strawberry and tomato sections of the State were represented.

Proposed general revision of minimum freight weights and rates took up the greater part of the docket at the session. President F. P. Sames of Cuero and presiding officer stated in his report that the produce business depended on economical transportation. He added that more than 50 per cent of the freight tonnage of New York was produce and yet the dealers had a higher rate than any form of freight.

Radical legislation must be fought, he pointed out, by the produce men. Much of the legislation of today is effected in the Houses to protect the farmer from the produce man. This is entirely erroneous, he said, and is of a hostile nature.

"It makes criminals of us all," he declared. "We produce men get the blame of highway robbery when it is the high railroad rates that are responsible."

Edward P. Byars of Fort Worth, secretary-treasurer of the association, reported on the question of truck peddling. He declared that these itinerant merchants should be prohibited by law from the violation of the State produce and tariff laws by peddling from car doors. The efforts of the association, he said, should be directed against them, and said a State or city ordinance was needed to stop the practice.

George Mendell, Austin attorney and chairman of the legislative committee, reported on the various bills introduced in Congress and the Texas Legislature during the last year.

"It is the small men in the Legislature who are causing our troubles today," he said. "There is too much power in a few men. We have been neglecting our government and we are paying the penalty by suffering. We are burdened with heavy taxes and needless laws. We must get back to a semblance of normalcy."

GOMPERS GETTING READY FOR POLITICAL BATTLE

Executive May Decide Labor's Stand in Coming Campaign.

New York.—Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor for more than forty years, has virtually isolated himself to gird up for the most vigorous and perhaps the last political fight of his career.

When the labor executive committee meets in Atlantic City the first week in August Gompers will be the deciding factor in determining which way labor's strength will go in the coming campaign.

Weeks ago Gompers was a sick man. Overwork had broken down his health. Friends feared that his 74 years of activity were about at an end, but the aged labor leader refused to give up. Instead of hospitals he sought out an obscure hotel on Coney Island. There with a retinue of servants, secretaries, doctors and nurses Gompers approached the task of rebuilding his strength.

On the eve of the Atlantic City battle the snapping eyes of labor's dynamic leader show him fit again to battle the more obstreperous labor lieutenants into line. Gompers will wield the gavel in the significant Atlantic City meeting where labor's political adherence in this campaign will be decided.

Gotham Bidding Heavy.

New York.—Cotton jumped 180 to 200 points in the local market on publication of the Government forecast. October advanced to 27.65c, above which further trading was prohibited under the rules of the exchange. Bidding was very heavy.

3 Melons Cost 3 Men \$37.50.

Denton, Texas.—Three men pleaded guilty to stealing three watermelons from J. M. Swisher of near Garza and their fines and costs in Justice Court amounted to \$12.50 each. Swisher said he had run men out of his melon patch several different nights.

Bonham Editor in Pulpit

Bonham, Texas.—Ashley Evans, editor of the Daily Favorite of this city, occupied the pulpit at the First Christian Church Sunday morning, his subject being, "What Think Ye of Christ?"

New Flying Boat for U. S. Army

Washington.—Purchase by the Army Air Service of the "first successful tractor flying boat that is completely amphibious for operation either on land or water," has been announced by Maj. Gen. Mason Patrick, chief of the Air Service. A number of the machines will be supplied under contract by the Loening Aeronautical Engineering corporation of New York. Their development and flight tests have been conducted with utmost secrecy.

G. O. P. TO MAKE NATION-WIDE DRIVE

Mr. Dawes is Expected to Bear the Brunt of the Campaign So Far As Speaking is Concerned

Washington.—Intention of Republican leaders to conduct a Nation-wide rather than sectional campaign in behalf of Coolidge and Dawes has been announced here by William M. Butler, chairman of the Republican National Committee.

"We do not propose to seek support in one section of the country through concentrated and obvious efforts and to try to gain it in another section by silence and evasion of issues," Mr. Butler said in a statement issued at the headquarters of the national committee after a day of conferences.

The statement added that "the suggestion that the campaign must be centered here or there to assure success or that we must bombard any particular State or group of States can come only from political parties or candidates that lack national appeal and viewpoint."

Some indications were given that the President might make more speeches than originally had been planned, possibly eight to ten in rather widely separated cities, but it was declared flatly that no final decision had been reached as to the number and not even a tentative decision as to the cities.

Mr. Butler in his statement, after announcement of the selection of Mr. Hicks as chairman of the party's Eastern headquarters, said: "July forecasting is hardly an achievement. I will say though that judging from the character of the letters, telegrams and messages which I have received as well as interviews which I had in Chicago and in New York there is no lack of confidence among the Republicans of the country. I have been particularly pleased in receiving a large number of communications from ten men and women who admit that their interest in past campaigns has only been incidental, but who are now anxious to participate in the present campaign."

"Directly following the closing of the conventions which nominated the two other presidential candidates I was interested to know if there would be any change in the character of or spirit of the messages I received. I am happy to say that in reviewing the messages which have come from all over the country I find that the confidence in the President and the administration for his policies has materially increased."

EVERY EFFORT MADE TO MOVE ALL CROPS

Large Roads Concentrating Equipment for Quick Service

Washington.—Every effort is to be made this year to move the cotton, grain and other crops without delay. Practically every large road has concentrated a heavy supply of cars and locomotives to be put into service as need arises.

In past years there have been many complaints that the railroads failed to provide adequate facilities for the movement of crops, not only delaying their arrival in the markets, but in the case of perishable commodities frequently resulting in loss to farmers. For the last two or three years, however, the roads have endeavored to make provision for the advance in crops, and this year are in better position to handle that traffic than ever before.

There are now parked at important centers many thousands of box cars; seven thousand serviceable locomotives are in storage on the larger railroads. Conferences have been held in every section of the country between the representatives of the carriers and the farmers, warehousemen, elevator owners and others who handle the various crops at which a definite program for the handling of the different commodities was mapped out.

Reports to the Washington headquarters of the American Railway Association indicate that the cars awaiting the call of the farmers of the country and more than carriers have laid their plans well for the handling of the crop movement this year.

Inventor of Death Ray Arrives

New York.—Zealously guarding the secret of his invention known internationally as the "death ray," H. Grindell Matthews, the English inventor, arrived on the steamship Paris. He denied that he had come to the United States to interest the Government of anyone else in his invention.

Minister Killed By Truck

Abilene, Texas.—The Rev. E. S. Tucker, 75 years old, a Presbyterian minister residing at Merkel, was killed on Chesnut street in Abilene shortly after noon Monday when he was run over by the rear wheel of a large truck. Bystanders said Mr. Tucker was crossing the street with his head down and was struck by the front part of the truck frame, and falling beneath the rear wheel, his head being crushed. He was a member of Co. A, Twentieth Tenn. Cavalry, under Gen. Forrest.

FRONT PANEL EFFECTS LATEST; EXQUISITE LACE-LADEN HATS

MADAM MODE'S latest whim is to bring the fullness of the skirt to the front. This front panel treatment is carried out not only in dressy costume but even in tailored suits some of the newest skirts are plain fitting at the back, with plaits brought to the direct front.

When it comes to the daintier frocks fashioned of graceful silks, chiffons, crepes and voiles, the front fanciful effects assume the picturesque. Just as in the accompany-

dress of romantic Spain surely influenced the designer who created the picturesque chapeau in the oval in the accompanying group of lace-laden hats.

The chapeau itself has grace of brim accented with long scarf ends of heavily patterned Spanish lace, the same enveloping the shoulders in voluminous drapes. Lace covers most of the crown.

Midsummer types stress not only black but there is an increasing num-



Madam Mode's Latest Whim.

ing picture where the effect is not unlike that of the fascinating frocks worn by ladies of the old French court, whose silken skirts opened to reveal a petticoat ornate with exquisite handwork. Only in this case Madam Mode chooses to use a front panel effect of accordion plaited chiffon, reserving the luxury of embroidery for the overpart. Of unusual interest are the handsome corner floral motifs, because they are embellished with fine ribbon, after the manner of the lovely rococo ribbon work so popular during the Louis XVI period. The color scheme of this adorable frock is poudre bleu for the crepe silk with petticoat effect in silver gray, the ribbon flowers worked in French tones emphasizing old rose, green and silver.

The idea of front panel effects is interpreted also in interesting manner throughout simple daytime models. Straight-line black satin dresses opening, redingote fashion, over a front of plaited white georgette which extends from neck to hem, are of distinguished style. A row of fanciful buttons often traverses the center box plait, the crystal kind being preferred.

Even tubular dresses carry out the front panel effect. A particularly interesting model is made of peach-colored wash ratine. It preserves the stylish tubelike silhouette at the back, revealing at the front a plaited panel of sheer white cotton voile caught into a plain band of the fabric, forming

ber of cocoa lace hats. The shapes are often those that droop at the sides, quite like the charming model shown in the center left of this group. Lace, a very filmy sort, is draped about the crown which in the picture is of finest milan straw although transparent cocoa hair hats are equally in favor. Also brown malines shapes which preserve a desired transparency. A large soft lace bow effect halos the hat in a mist of cocoa-colored silken mesh as fragile as a cobweb in its delicate

Lace-sprirred brims, such as is shown in the upper left corner, are fashionable. They serve as the foundation over which is draped an airy-fairy expanse of lace.

Veils, in name, but really decorative trims, are some of the lace curtain effects adjusted to hats of straw or satin according to preference. There is such a mode illustrated below to the right. It is a very dark-brown satin with an interesting crown. The veil is a radiant light brown, which shows a threading of gold metal in its patterning.

Large bows of lace or shirred malines or smoothly covered fabric shapes are very frequent. Usually a drape of the lace curtains the brim edge. Sometimes one end of the lace is brought down to serve as a neck scarf, not from the utility standpoint, but purely for picturesque effect.

Designers are also using narrow lace edgings. Carrying out the light



Group of Interesting Hats.

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CHAPTER X—Continued.

"What is your desire regarding this man? Until your honorable word is received, we will keep this Robert Wells."

Wells grinned as he painted the characters, "in that condition which we found him." He closed the letter briefly.

"Should you express the wish that he be returned to you, I will pray that the spirit of the Wind follow after him, quickening his flight."

Sanderson listened to the interpreter's literal translation. It was not so clear to him as Wells had imagined. "What does it actually mean?" he asked abruptly.

"Letter say 'Man derd. Have got body. You want?' the interpreter lisped.

Then Sanderson knew that he had understood the flowery phrases, but was hoping, hoping that there was a mistake—he had always insisted that Bob was alive, and would soon say where he was, and return to his senses—and come home.

He bowed his head to the table, and sobs racked him. He made no pretense of concealing his emotions. Sanderson, suddenly, looked older; his body seemed shriveled, the veins of his hands became more prominent. Alberta cried over it also, then said, very soberly, "We must all—try to forget, dear. Perhaps it's better so."

"You forget easily," Sanderson thought bitterly, but said nothing. And he saw that the letter was immediately answered by a cable asking that the body be shipped at once, together with any information concerning Robert Wells—how he had lived, and the manner of his dying.

With a touch of latent affection tempered through knowledge that the return of the body would be distressing to them all, Alberta wished that it could have remained in Japan. Bob would have wanted that, she thought. Both of them found the answer from Kayama amazing.

"Having other business in America, am bringing body and information myself," the cable read.

Wells was actually ready to depart. The household had been working feverishly for the voyage. He purposely omitted the name of the steamer, intending to wire after he sailed. Thus Williams was not informed by Alberta, as he would have been, that what remained of Robert Wells was returning by the same steamer as he himself.

CHAPTER XI

Wells watched the kimonod figure of Ellen in the pooled garden. He was unable to avoid comparison with Alberta. She had been handsome, Alberta. He had thought her melting with love; she had been cyphering a price, hiding herself spiderwise in a golden mesh. She had been as splendidly colored as a ripe nectarine, as sumptuous as a cat. Had she been as sly? Alberta Hayward had been a friend of Williams. A friend? Wells' eyes had a critical blink.

The forenoon with Furakawa the banker had droned on without interruption. The figures were uninteresting.

"It is satisfactory," Wells said at last. "Send specie to your bank in America for me. For the care of the estate, I trust you."

Furakawa contemplated the kake-mono of the Four Fishermen before replying.

"As you command, Kayama," he said slowly. "When will you return to Japan?"

"In a day—or a week—or months, I do not know," Wells replied.

Furakawa fingered the tassel which ended the cord that bound the zabuton. "And—if an accident befell you, Kayama? We bankers must consider every contingency," he added apologetically.

"It is a tradition in the house," Wells had read this, in going over ancient documents, "that should the family be left without issue, all land and money is to be given to the state. Except sums for the older servants—it is all in the private papers, Furakawa-San. You could find it if necessary."

"I will make many devotions that no misfortune overtake you, Lord," Furakawa said. Then, doubtfully, as if worried at the reception of the remark. "Do you know, Kayama-San, that there are—those who wish to see you?"

"I hoped that the august missionaries would depart, being made to wait so long. Yes, Furakawa, I know. When you are gone, I will rest a moment, and then permit them to speak with me."

Furakawa understood. "I leave, Kayama-San. You have everything: the tickets, the gold? I wish you a pleasant journey."

Wells settled back on the cushion in content. He had taken the jump. He

was not afraid of the missionaries. He could follow their train of thought before it was uttered. He rather rejoiced in the opportunity of this matching of wits. Where, he considered, had they been when the girl was in the temple? Now that she was safe, they came a-buzzing; would go as they came.

The household sensed something of the impending affair. As the man and two women were brought to his room, Wells could hear excited hissing in the corridor, like the wind shivering in the reeds.

The angular woman stepped forward first. She was very composed, it was to be seen that she had thought out her line of action.

"What is your name, woman?" Wells said abruptly in English.

"My name is of no importance. Our mission is well known in Japan."

Many ears were listening. Here was where the Lord of the Thunder Gate arose with his swords in his hands, Wells thought with a chuckle.

"Your name," thundered Wells, "by the face of Jizo!"

"Mabel Carey," she was surprised into saying.

"What do you want?"

"My heart tells me that you are committing a sin in retaining this poor white girl."

"Yoh!" said Wells, and puckered up his face. "How do you know?"

"I can feel it, deep down in my heart."

"It is insufficient proof," Wells said. "Now for the fat one. What do you want, little man?"

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"The girl," he said.

"We will ask her to choose."

Miss Carey shook off the fingers of her companion. "You will terrify her, influence her. I know you. I've heard of you, you scallawag, you scapegoat you."

"Words, scallawag, scapegoat. Ho! Silence, wag-tongue, goatface."

As Ellen entered, Wells' eyes became bright, his color noticeably higher. She looked at him gravely for an instant; her eyelids fluttered under the scrutiny of the three.

"Put your hand on your heart. How does it feel?"

"It jumps, Kayama-San."

"Does it tell you that you are a sinner, child?" very paternally.

"No."

"Queer. It should burn your hand. If—"

Miss Carey stepped to the girl's side. She oozed superiority and duty strangely blended.

"If they take Ellen I'll be in a deuce of a fix," thought Wells. "They'd never in the world give her up again if I came back to Japan—if I could even find her." He was half—more than half—of the decision to announce abruptly that this was his wife: that he had her and proposed keeping her. But—he might wait a moment more before deciding.

"Come, broken blossom," sniffed Miss Carey. She was proud of her Oriental phraseology. "Come, cry upon my bosom"—she was of that vintage when bosoms were still spoken of—"and we will go, far, far from this den of iniquity."

"The girl's good," Wells thought, saying aloud that his honorable house was not to be maligned.

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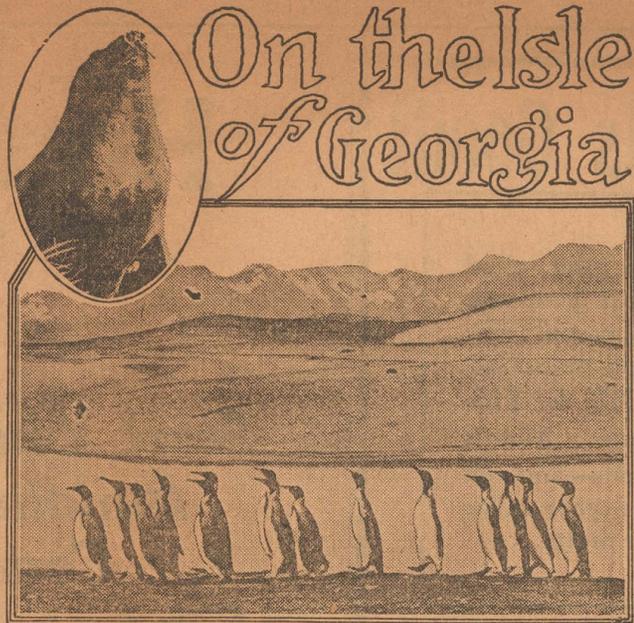
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Until the latter part of the eighteenth century, maps of the world commonly included a conjectured land-mass lying south of the known continents and labeled Terra Australis Incognita. From time to time since the discovery of America, vague reports of southern land had been brought to Europe by mariners who had been blown southward out of their course, and contemporary geographers had held persistent hopes for the discovery and exploitation of an austral continent which might add a second New World to the globe.

In 1775, Capt. James Cook, commander of H. M. S. Resolution on a voyage in search of this terra incognita, was cruising along the coast of an ice-covered island in latitude 54 degrees 30 minutes south. The island had appeared unexpectedly in the path of the Resolution, and it was the first assurance of the disappointment in store for mankind.

The discoverer was somewhat depressed on seeing the barrenness of the new land, whose rocky shore and cliffs of ice were but gloomy auguries for a habitable territory lying still nearer the Southern pole.

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Referring to his blighted hope of a fair Antarctic land, he said: "To judge of the bulk by the sample, it would not be worth the discovery. . . . Who would have thought that an island of no greater extent than this, situated between the latitude of 54 degrees and 55 degrees, should, in the very height of summer, be in a manner wholly covered, many fathoms deep, with frozen snow?"

Cook took possession of the country for England and named it the Isle of Georgia; and, after charting the coast, he proceeded on his famous circumnavigation of the world.

South Georgia, as the island came to be called, was destined not to be forgotten, for the brave tales of Captain Cook were popular reading during the early years of American independence. It may be that his word "sea-bears" was the lure that started the first follower in the wake of the Resolution. Certain it is that before the close of the eighteenth century bold Yankee mariners from New London, Stonington, and other Long Island sound ports had begun to reap the harvest of fur-seal skins at South Georgia.

When the supply of lucrative fur-seals first began to fail, the other amphibious monsters mentioned by Cook, the sea-elephants, were forced to pay the costs of the ruthless voyagers. The sea-elephant is the largest of seals, and is thickly invested with blubber which yields an oil little inferior to the product of the sperm whale; hence, "elephant hunting" became an important industry at most of the subantarctic islands. In many of its haunts the species was soon exterminated, and, although at South Georgia it still persists, its days are numbered unless absolute protection be soon enforced.

But the tale of human industry at the barren isle is not yet told, and the latest development already overshadows a century of sealing. Eighteen years ago Norwegian seafarers, Vikings still, found a field unspoiled by the bloody dynasty of their American predecessors, and they have made South Georgia the headquarters of the greatest whale fishery on earth.

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Gossip

Cross Plains is free from gossip but lest she should take up the bad habit I will warn her of its evil.

I am sure it is one of the cardinal sins. Murder is a single act, and when life is stopped, it falls back to punish the offender. Not so with gossip. It is the breath of the Devil soiling every ear it touches. It is a vulture which feasts on scandal and becomes stupified with the poison of jealousy and hate.

Can you think of a delicate tender woman with her child on her breast and a power—if she would wield it over its father—purer than the air of heaven abdicate this majesty and go play precedence with her next door neighbor: there tear up the agony of men and beat it level by the drift of their life blood?

Yes, just recently I knew of a mother who estranged from her family and friends tried to end her life—because gossip—had cut her off from those who were dearest in all the world to her. Those who murdered the happiness and life interest of this woman are free. No punishment in this world for them unless their conscience touch them. I believe when the final judgment comes, those who spread the gossip which killed good name and happiness and the injured life of this woman will meet the same punishment as that visited upon the sons of Cain.

I give an Italian legend I so often gave my pupils when I was a teacher. Tell it to your children—they will remember it and it will do them good.

"In the old days, a peasant confessed to the priest that he had slandered an innocent man. The priest said to him, "For your penance do this now: Take a bag of chicken down. Go to every yard in the town and drop one bit of down into each garden. Do not miss one yard. When you have finished return to me." The sinner believed his punishment was light. With his bag of down he made the circuit of the village and carefully dropped one soft feather into each garden. The he reported to the priest saying: "I have done my penance."

"No, my son," replied the old abbe. "You will not have done your penance until you take the bag, go again on your rounds, collect every feather you have dropped, and bring it here to me."

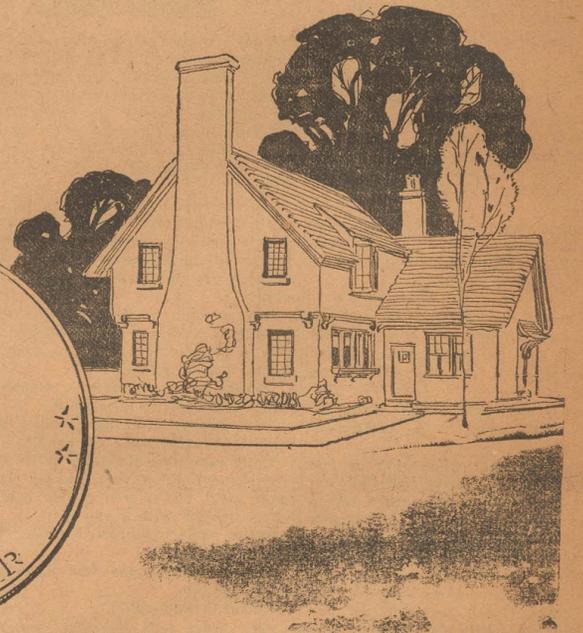
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"So it is with gossip," replied the old priest. "It is easily dropped. But never again, no matter how hard you try, can you gather back the words you have so thoughtlessly scattered."

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I bought about 100 pounds of new mixed nails and will sell 1 five pound package to each man at 15c per package, while they last. Next Saturday, Aug. 2, at 2:30 p. m.
J. E. HENKEL
Second Hand Dealer, Cross Plains

2 Perfection Oil Stoves, 13 burner and 1 4 burner at bargain, to make room for our fall shipment of stoves.
C. P. Furniture Co.

When you need a windshield give us a call. Can install if you wish.
Joe H. Shackelford's Lumber, Paint & Hardware Store.

Mr. Gensley and Miss Mary Rebert. son visited in Cisco, Sunday afternoon.

Geo. Cunningham and family motored to Cisco, Ranger and other points, Monday.

Manchie Mauldin has accepted position with Joyce Drug Co

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Tate, with daughter, Miss Avy, and son, Marion, are visiting relatives in El Paso.

H. R. Hunter and family have just returned from an extended visit in Arkansas, Oklahoma and points in Texas. R. S. Crouch of Oklahoma returned with them for a visit.

Rev. Brabham who has been conducting a meeting at Hamby, will be home the latter part of this week.

Ray Thomas of Cottonwood was in town on business this week.

Uncle Jim Tyson has been visiting in northeast Texas, returning home this week.

Sam Barr and family, Chas. Hemphill and family, Olney Walker and Rev. Collins, attended the Presbyterian encampment at Buffalo Gap, last week.

J. C. Freeman and family, visited family connection in Lovington, N. M., last week.

J. S. Waller and family, of Lubbock, were visiting here last week. They formerly resided in this community.

E. L. Laminack of Sabanno, was in town last week and while here renewed his subscription to Review.

Ben Hart and wife of Cisco, spent last week end in the home of Mrs. Hart's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Eager who live north of town.

Lester Mitchell who sustained a fractured ankle some time back while helping unload a bailer from a truck at Dudley, is able to be out again.



J. C. ROBINSON, OF FT. WORTH will begin a meeting at Cross Plains on August the second at a tabernacle near the Church of Christ. Day services at 10 o'clock; night services at 8:30. Song service begins at 7:45.

EVERYBODY INVITED
J. E. CROCKETT

Mrs. Katie Butler and children of Greenville, are visiting their sister, Mrs. T. E. Mitchell.

Mrs. Joe West and family of Greenville, are visiting T. E. Mitchell and family this week.

NOTICE—All members of the Baptist church are urged to be present Sunday. Special business.

Mrs. C. N. Hrrris returned this week from a visit in east Texas with her people.

Matt Browning and family are visiting in Brownwood, this week.

My home for sale. See me at Mrs Alice Henderson.
Mrs. J. T. Lawrence. 2t-

Miss Velma Barr and sister, Ila Mae have returned from a trip to San Antonio, Austin and other points. They were accompanied by their aunt, Miss Rosa Atwood and other relatives of Oplin.

Span of Mules for Sale

Am offering large span of mules at right price. One single buggy practically new. W. A. Prater, Cross Cut, see write or phone.

Where Credit is Due

Some people deserve credit for doing things worth while, on their own initiative. Some men do things—when some one else takes the lead and directs, while others don't wait to be led.

For instance, Jim Miller is largely responsible for the new Baptist tabernacle. Of course the Baptist and several members of other churches will put up the money—but Jim Miller got the money—not promises. He started the ball to rolling with a liberal donation, then got busy. He was determined to get the money—and he got it, and the new tabernacle is already under construction. The way to get things is to go after 'em, Jim says.

Walton Baum and Brookie Eubank, were sight-seeing in Dudley Sunday. Dudley is the new oil town in west part of county.

J. W. Dillard and family, Wade McDaniels and others of Dressy were in town Monday trading.

ECZEMA!

Money back without question if HUNTS GUARANTEED SKIN DISEASE REMEDIES (Hunt's Salve and Soap), fail in the treatment of Itch, Eczema, Ringworm, Tetter or other itching skin diseases. Try this treatment at our risk.

Sold by Joyce Drug Co., Cross Plains



In Loving Memory of Little Floyd Duncan

Little Floyd Duncan was called from this sinful world to a Heavenly home July 27, and was placed in the silent little mound at Cross Plains Monday, July 28, to await the resurrection morn when he shall rise again.

There were so many dear friends met to pay the last tribute to him and so many nice flowers presented to help to show to the bereaved ones how many friends they have to sympathize with them.

Little Floyd was 10 years of age. He had been sick two years and had been confined to his bed five months, but oh how patient he bore his suffering—never complained. He trusted in God to help him and give him courage to stand his pain, and we feel now that he is with our savior who has called him to take his reward for suffering. We felt that he was needed in Heaven. We know that he will be missed in his home so much and Mr. and Mrs. Duncan and children have our deepest sympathy, but we ask them to lay their burden at Jesus feet as little Floyd did and get the blessing of faith to help them to become reconciled, for we all know that they did all that human power could do for him. He never wanted for anything that could be had for him.

But now he is resting in that sweet peaceful sleep that some day will be long to us all. As we looked on the still form for our last time, it seemed that we could hear a soft voice repeat: "Remember friends as you pass by, as you are now, so once was I; as I am now so you must be—prepare for death and follow me.

How sweet it is to think that we can follow him. We should all try to live nearer each hour, for we know not when we may be called to go and we should be like little Floyd—be ready.

We shall miss him in our community so much but we must all be submissive to God's will. Each one of the bereaved ones have our sympathy but we pray that God will help them to overcome this grief and look forward to the day of joy when we shall all unite with dear ones who are gone but not forever.

By a Friend in Sympathy

To the Citizens of Callahan Co.

Greetings:

I take this means of expressing to you, my sincere appreciation for the honor bestowed upon me, by the vote given me in Saturday's Primary election.

I shall ever feel grateful to you and yours, and it shall ever be my honest endeavor to so serve you that you will never have the slightest cause to regret having cast your ballot for me. I will do everything within my power to uphold the dignity of the law, and enforce same without fear or favor.

I want the people of each community to assist me in this matter, and I assure you, that I am more than willing to advice at all times; and will deem it a special favor if the citizens of the various communities will select, one of their number, to serve them as Deputy Sheriff in their particular community; I want fearless Deputies, who can command the respect and assistance of the people of their communities.

Give this matter your serious consideration, and by all pulling together in this, we can get a corp of deputies for this county that will render an efficient service.

As your next Sheriff, I hope to maintain the confidence and respect of all; and I want to assure you that I shall do my best.

Sincerely yours,
G. H. Corn

Mrs. A. L. DeBusk of Cross Cut was in the Review office last week, and while here she stated that she had purchased an irrigated farm near Weslaco and would move down there in the near future—probably next week. Weslaco is in the Rio Grande Valley. Her son-in-law, W. A. Prater, prominent citizen of the Cross Cut community, has also purchased land in that section and will move there with his family. We regret to lose these good people, but wish them well where they go.

Hugh McDermott was in from his ranch west of town, Monday.

PLENTY OF MONEY

Not many people have plenty of money these days, so it is necessary to get full value for every dollar you spend.

A good way to be sure of getting full value for your money when buying groceries is to trade with---

W. E. BUTLER

Next to Telephone Office

Joe Havner and U. B. Shradler of Sabanno, were among those trading here the first of the week.

Calvin and J. A. Baker of Burkett, were in town a few days ago.

The Misses Elouise Haley and Lorin Graves, visited in Abilene this week.

PAUL V. HARRELL

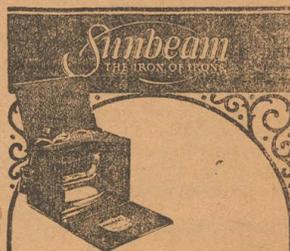
Attorney-at-Law

Over Farmers National Bank Bldg.

Mrs. Molcolom Autry and children of Kerens, who have been visiting her sister, Mrs. R. A. Autry, returned home this week.

Miss Emma Allen is spending the week in Dublin with friends.

Miss Mary Elliott of Sweetwater, has returned home after a week's visit with Mesdames Foster Bond and Tom Cross.



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Felts, 95c Satins, \$1.25

10c Buttons, 5c Dress Buttons, now, 15, 25 and 35 cents

Notions, Novelties, Ribbons, Laces, Feathers and in fact everything in stock.

Begins Aug. 1, closes Aug. 16. Be sure to see these exceptional bargains.

Mrs. Corrie B. West

Cross Plains: 'Round Corner from P. O.

Earl Grey and family of the Grey ranch, were visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Davanay, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs Chas Childs and Miss Faustine Butler were visitors to Cisco, Friday.

Mrs. Perry and niece of Fort Worth are here this week looking after Mrs. Perry's property. Mrs. Perry formerly lived here.

Mrs. W. C. Wilkinson who has been visiting relatives in Tower Hill, Ill. for several weeks, has returned home.

Catches 100-Pound Fish in Back Yard; Feeds 112

Pana, Ill.—That the biggest ones do not always get away was proven by George Swiney of Findlay, who recently at a fish fry entertained 112 friends on the meat of a single 100-pound fish which he caught in a small pond on his own back lot. The fish had been deposited there by the waters of the Kaskaskia river during the overflow and backup. As Swiney remarks: "Why go to Florida for tarpon fishing when they come to your own back door begging to be caught?"

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IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL Sunday School 'Lesson'

(By REV. P. B. FITZWATER, D.D., Dean of the Evening School, Moody Bible Institute of Chicago.)
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Lesson for August 3

THE FIRST DISCIPLES OF JESUS

LESSON TEXT—John 1:35-51.
GOLDEN TEXT—"Jesus saith unto him, Follow me."—John 1:43
PRIMARY TOPIC—Jesus Calls Four Followers.
JUNIOR TOPIC—Jesus' First Followers.
INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—What It Means to Follow Jesus.
YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—Winning Others to Christ.

Through the testimony of John the Baptist, his disciples were pointed to Jesus. This same testimony he gave the previous day, but he was not ashamed to repeat his sermon. His theme was the Lamb of God, the sin-bearer of the world.

I. Two of John's Disciples Follow Jesus (vv. 35-37).

As a result of the Baptist's testimony two of his disciples left him and followed Jesus. One of these disciples was Andrew (v. 40), and presumably the other was John. When the Baptist pointed out Jesus as the Lamb of God, the long-expected Messiah, these disciples sought further acquaintance with Jesus. In view of John's request, they looked upon the Lord. This look was sufficient to induce them to follow Jesus. They believed.

II. The Two Disciples Abiding With Jesus (vv. 38, 39).

1. Jesus' Question (v. 38). When Jesus saw the disciples following He most kindly inquired as to their object.

2. The Disciples' Reply (v. 39). They answered his question by inquiring as to His dwelling place. Their reply showed their desire to go apart privately where they could disclose their hearts to Him. Knowing their hearts, He invited them to His place of abode.

III. The Disciples Bringing Others to Jesus (vv. 40).

The very genius of Christianity is self-propagation. The usual method is to begin with those nearest us—home folks and relatives—and pass out to ever-widening circles. The disciples who were with Jesus in blessed fellowship go at once to tell others of the priceless treasure they have found.

1. Andrew Brings Peter (vv. 40-42).

This is a beautiful sight of brotherly affection expressing itself in bringing another to Christ. The best place to begin our testimony for Christ is among our kinsfolk (Luke 8:39). This was a great piece of work for Andrew, for Peter became one of the pillars of the church of God.

2. Philip Bringing Nathaniel (vv. 43-46).

Christ found Philip the following day as he would go forth into Galilee. Philip followed Him in response to a personal invitation. As soon as Christ found Philip, Philip found Nathaniel and witnessed to him concerning the messiahship of Jesus. He said unto him, "We have found Him, of whom Moses in the law, and the prophets did write, Jesus of Nazareth" (v. 45). Nathaniel was somewhat skeptical, but he was honest. Philip had the wisdom not to argue with him, but brought him to Jesus. The one who is honest, when brought into the presence of Jesus will soon have all doubts removed (John 7:17).

IV. Nathaniel, Seeing and Hearing Jesus, Testifies to His Divinity (vv. 47-51).

As soon as Nathaniel saw and heard Jesus all his doubts rolled away. He who acts upon the light given shall see greater things (vv. 50, 51). Angels ascending and descending upon the Son of Man with the open heavens, shows that Jesus Christ is the means of communication between earth and heaven (Heb. 10:19, 20; Eph. 2:13; Gen. 28:12).

This narrative concerning the experiences of the first disciples exhibits the following stages of Christian experiences:

1. Hearing About Jesus (v. 36).

How important it is that the minister and teacher have a proper conception of Jesus as the sacrificial Lamb, the sin-bearer of the world.

2. Looking Upon Jesus (v. 36).

It is necessary that the sinner definitely fix his attention upon Jesus.

3. Following Jesus (v. 37).

It is not enough to merely look upon Him. There must be definite efforts to follow after, to inquire of Him.

4. Abiding With Jesus (v. 39).

Those who earnestly look upon Jesus and inquire after Him He welcomes into definite fellowship.

5. Witnessing for Jesus (vv. 41, 45).

The first thing the one does who has come to Jesus is to begin to witness for Him.

6. Bringing Others to Jesus.

The chief delight of the one who has come to know Jesus by a personal experience is to bring others to Him.

Success

"First of all," said President Garfield when a boy, "I must make myself a man; if I do not succeed in that I can succeed in nothing."

Good Temper

The difficult part of good temper consists in accommodation to the ill humor of others.

Duty Omitted

Every duty omitted obscures some truth that we should know.—Ruskin.

Daddy's Evening Fairy Tale

By MARY GRAHAM BONNER
WESTERN NEWSPAPER UNION

THE PIGEONS

"Free meals are very delightful," said the first pigeon.
"They are, indeed," said the second pigeon.

"I love them," said the third pigeon.

"Coo, coo," said the fourth pigeon.
"I agree with all of you"

"I agree, too," said the fifth pigeon.
"You might as well know that I agree with you, too."

"And how about me?" asked the sixth pigeon.

"I, too, think free meals are very delightful," he added.

"The same thoughts as I have," said the seventh pigeon.

"I think free meals are delicious," said the eighth pigeon.

"That is, of course, when they are delicious, and they almost always are delicious."

"Almost always," said the ninth pigeon, "almost always."

"Just about always, coo, coo," said the tenth pigeon.

"Is there a free meal to be had now?" asked the eleventh pigeon.

And a twelfth pigeon came along saying:

"Coo, coo, I am ready for a free meal."

So the 12 pigeons gathered themselves about two boys.

These two boys had brought out a great deal of food for the pigeons, for they often fed the pigeons.

The pigeons had become very tame and would perch on the boys' shoulders and knees and walk all about them.

They knew who were their friends and they wanted to show their thankfulness by being friendly and in not being frightened.

That was why these 12 pigeons knew so much about free meals.

And there were other pigeons who knew about free meals, too, for not all the pigeons were around just now who usually came and gathered about the boys.

But pretty soon there was a great deal of noise and down from the window ledges and eaves and from all

about, it seemed, came many other pigeons.

"Meal time," said a thirteenth pigeon.

"Goodies," said a fourteenth pigeon.

"Things to eat," said a fifteenth pigeon.

"Refreshments," said a sixteenth pigeon.

"Dinner is ready," said a seventeenth pigeon.

"Supper is ready," said the eighteenth pigeon.

"Breakfast is ready," said the nineteenth pigeon.

"Call it whatever you like," said the twentieth pigeon. "I see things to eat."

"How kind these boys are," said the twenty-first pigeon.

"Just as kind as they can be," said the twenty-second pigeon.

"So good to us," said the twenty-third pigeon. "and I hope they know how we appreciate it."

"We try to show them as best we can," said the twenty-fourth pigeon.

And a twenty-fifth pigeon went on: "Coo, coo, this is a treat."

These two boys lived in a city. There were many of the pigeons around the park who were always fed and who had many friends.

But these pigeons had no other friends save these boys. Often on the street you would see the boys with the pigeons all about them.

There were 25 there for the latest treat, but often there were even more.

Oh, the pigeons had a very good time.

And the boys had a good time, too. It would be hard to say whether the boys enjoyed feeding the pigeons more than the pigeons enjoyed being fed, or whether it was the other way around. Or, whether all enjoyed it equally.

I think this was it!

To Keep You Guessing

What is that that you cannot hold ten minutes yet is as light as a feather? Your breath.

What kind of an automobile can rub out pencil marks? A racer (eraser).

Why should a horse never be hungry on his journey? Because he always has a bit in his mouth.

Three of us in six, and five of us in seven, four of us in nine and six in eleven. Letters.

Makes Trees Blush

"What makes the trees so red in the fall?" "Because they blush to think how green they were in the summer."

The KITCHEN CABINET

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Love is not getting, but giving; not a wild dream of pleasure, and a madness of desire—oh, no, love is not that—it is goodness and honor, and peace and pure living—yes, love is that, and is the best thing in the world, and the thing that lives longest.—Henry Van Dyke.

ICY DRINKS FOR HOT DAYS

For the thirsty persons on a long outing by auto the vacuum bottle is the best of friends. Fill it with cold water, lemonade or iced tea, in fact anything you enjoy drinking. Milk, if flavored with a chocolate sirup, a little strong coffee, caramel or fruit sirups, malted milk combined with chocolate, if that is liked, makes a very wholesome and sustaining beverage. The following suggestions will be found easy to keep in the vacuum bottle.



To prepare the chocolate sirup which is so well liked and which may be added to so many drinks, take four ounces of unsweetened chocolate, or seven-eighths of a cupful of cocoa, one and three-fourths cupfuls of sugar, one-eighth of a teaspoonful of salt, and one and one-half cupfuls of boiling water. Melt the chocolate over water, add the sugar, salt and the boiling water gradually, stirring and cooking until smooth. Boil five minutes, turn into a jar and keep in a cool place.

Leftover cocoa may be iced and served with a spoonful of whipped cream, making a tasty refreshing and nourishing drink. Adding a sprig of mint, a grating of orange or when the hot drink is made a small piece of stick cinnamon to the cocoa or chocolate, or two tablespoonfuls of pineapple sirup is a delicious addition to a chocolate drink. Chocolate ice cream soda is a delicious and cooling concoction if one has a siphon. Put three tablespoonfuls of chocolate sirup in a tall glass. Add one small ball of vanilla ice cream and fill the glass with soda water drawn from a siphon. Stir and serve at once. When picknicking, take the sirup and add the soda just before serving.

Lemonade or other fruit drinks may be prepared already for the water and carried. Thermos bottles are a great help for those who do not care to make a fire, as hot coffee, tea, milk or cocoa may be carried and served piping hot; as well as cold drinks.

Butterscotch Sauce.—Take one and one-fourth cupfuls of brown sugar, one-half cupful of corn sirup, four tablespoonfuls of butter and cook until a soft ball is formed when tried in water. Now add three-fourths of a cupful of thin cream. If served on ice cream, add finely-chopped nuts sprinkled over the dessert. Maple sirup may be substituted for the brown sugar if one has plenty of that delectable sweet.

Who has no inward beauty, none perceives though all around is beautiful.—Dana.

Cookery means carefulness, inventiveness, watchfulness and readiness of appliances.—Ruskin.

FOR PICNIC AND MOTOR PARTIES

Many of these good things may be prepared on the spot when there are any conveniences for a fire; giving the outing the proper zest. If one helps to prepare the food.

Egg Club Sandwich.—Toast one side of sliced bread over a fire. Cook bacon in a frying pan and remove to the untoasted side of the bread.

Fry eggs in the bacon fat. While the eggs are cooking lay a slice of tomato on the bacon, cover with mayonnaise dressing and a few bits of cooked chicken on the tomato, put the hot fried egg on the chicken, lay slices of cucumber on egg, cover with lettuce and mayonnaise and another slice of toast.

Brambles.—Take one cupful of raisins and one cracker put through the meat grinder, add one egg, one cupful of sugar, the juice and grated rind of a lemon. Mix well. Roll out pastry very thin and cut in four-inch squares; lay on a baking sheet. Put two teaspoonfuls of the mixture in one corner of the pastry, moisten the edges with cold water halfway round, fold the pastry diagonally, making a triangle and press the edges together with a three-tined fork dipped in flour. Bake about fifteen minutes in a hot oven. Wrap in waxed paper and pack in a food hamper.

Tongue Salad.—Take two cupfuls of diced boiled tongue, one cupful of diced celery, one-half cupful of walnut meats, a dozen minced olives and a cupful of mayonnaise dressing. Mix well and carry in a carton. Serve on fresh crisp lettuce, also packed and wrapped in waxed paper.

An old-fashioned drink that is much enjoyed by the thirsty is prepared by stirring a tablespoonful of ground ginger with three or four tablespoonfuls of sugar, adding a pint or more of chilled water. Stir well; add ice and serve in lemonade glasses.

Potatoes roasted in their skins, corn roasted in their husks are delicious eating.

Neelie Maxwell

Texas News

The assessed valuations of Hidalgo county, with tax adjustments completed by the commissioners court is said to be \$31,500,000, an increase of \$3,000,000 over the 1923 valuations.

An issue of \$25,000 Bandera County road bonds of district No. 3, bearing 5 1/2 per cent interest, and maturing serially has been approved by the attorney general.

The Brownsville cotton oil mill, started operating Monday, and is said to be the first cotton oil mill in the United States to start on this season's cotton seed.

Citrus plantings covering 120 acres will be made in the La Feria district during the next few weeks on land recently purchased by residents of Indiana.

For the first time in the history of Hidalgo county, strawberry plants are being planted on a large scale.

Bonds of Chambers County road district No. 4, amounting to \$100,000, were approved this week by the attorney general. They are payable serially and bear 5 1/2 per cent interest.

From present indications, the pecan crop in the Weimar section will be the best in years. The trees are loaded and no insects have made their appearance. Walnuts also are promising a bountiful yield.

The election held in San Benito recently for the purpose of voting \$75,000 paid in bonds was carried by a vote of 1,102 to 2. A sewerage bond issue was carried at the same time by a vote of 174 to 5.

The board of trustees of the Cleveland independent school district has called an election for August 9 to vote \$20,000 in bonds to be used in finishing the Cleveland public school building and to install electric heat.

Cattle and horse thieves are active along the Rio Grande border from the Maverick County line to Brownsville, Texas, according to Captain W. L. Wright, commander of the state ranger company, stationed at Laredo.

A farm of 126 acres that was bought near Corsicana in 1880 for \$4 per acre, sold last week for \$175 per acre. The farm was owned by the original purchaser for the past 44 years and has been in constant cultivation.

Freeport and section have received word from Angleton road district commissioners that the road leading along the H. & B. V. Railroad track between Clute and Angleton would be shelled as soon as funds were available for the work.

Changes in key rates have been announced by the state fire insurance commission as follows: Alta Loma, raised from 97c to 98c; Arcadia, reduced from 99c to 98c; Glenflora, reduced from 99c to 98c; Lane City remains the same at \$1; and Van Vleck reduced from 99c to 98c.

Bonds approved by the attorney general's department are: Erath County road district No. 2, \$35,000, maturing serially, 5 1/2 per cent; Anson independent school district, \$10,000, maturing serially, 5 1/2 per cent; Mineola independent school district, \$30,000, maturing serially, 5 1/2 per cent; Grand Saline independent school district, \$15,000, maturing serially, 5 1/2 per cent.

Women of the Rio Grande Valley, working under the auspices of the Valley Federation of Women's clubs, have organized an anti-opium campaign which will be handled in connection with an international movement to abolish the production and sale of opium. Proximity to the Mexican border makes the campaign of especial interest to Valley citizens, leaders declared.

Texas now has five cities of more than 100,000 population, the census bureau has announced, in giving estimates of population on July 1. They are San Antonio, Dallas, Houston, Fort Worth and El Paso. The estimate of Houston's population has not been made. El Paso is the stranger in the select circle. The estimates for the four cities are: San Antonio, 191,398; Dallas, 187,862; Fort Worth, 143,107; El Paso, 100,624.

With its 23 parks, Texas has one for each 202,749 of its inhabitants. This showing, when compared with any or all of the 25 of the 48 states in the Union having such park areas, is most creditable to the state. The total of state-owned parks in the United States is 193, divided among the 25 states, as already stated. By a mere process of dividing the population of these 25 states by the whole number of their parks, one finds there is a park for each 400,430 of their inhabitants. Now, this is the general average. Texas, with an average of 202,749 people served by each of its 23 parks, is far above the general average in the service it renders to its people.

An issue of \$300,000 Ellis County road bonds of road district No. 1, bearing 5 1/2 per cent interest and maturing serially, has been approved by the attorney general's department and registered in the comptroller's department.

An issue of \$40,000 Karnes City Independent School District bonds, bearing 6 per cent and maturing serially has been approved by the attorney general's department, which also approved an issue of \$17,000 Camp Wood (Real County) Independent School District bonds.

Children Cry for



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To avoid imitations, always look for the signature of *Dr. H. Fletcher*. Proven directions on each package. Physicians everywhere recommend it.

Economy
His Wife—But don't you think that joining the golf club is rather an extravagance?
Himself—Not if we economize in other ways. I've been thinking we might give up our pew in church.—Boston Transcript.

Of Whatever Kind
"Blank's badly-told stories are a dreadful bore."
"Yes, poor relations generally are."

WOMEN NEED SWAMP-ROOT

Thousands of women have kidney and bladder trouble and never suspect it. Women's complaints often prove to be nothing else but kidney trouble, or the result of kidney or bladder disease. If the kidneys are not in a healthy condition they may cause the other organs to become diseased.

Pain in the back, headache, loss of ambition, nervousness are oftentimes symptoms of kidney trouble.

Don't delay starting treatment. Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, a physician's prescription, obtained at any drug store, may be just the remedy needed to overcome such conditions.

Get a medium or large size bottle immediately from any drug store.

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.—Advertisement.

The Line Is Busy
Statistics recently published put the total number of telephones in use at 22,937,000, this figure being made up as follows: America, 15,840,000; Europe, 5,903,000; Asia, 683,000; Australasia, 389,000, and Africa, 122,000.

Don't chuckle if you put over a substitute when an advertised product is called for. Maybe your customer will never come back.
Ben Mulford, Jr.

Head Over Heels
Voice (from above)—Jane, is that fellow gone?
Jane—Hopelessly, papa.

Every department of housekeeping needs Red Cross Ball Blue. Equally good for kitchen towels, table linen, sheets and pillowcases, etc.—Advertisement.

Buy your used car just before you move into a new neighborhood.

For economy's sake, why not buy a vermifuge which expels Worms or Tapeworm with a single dose? Dr. Peery's "Dead Shot" does it. 372 Pearl St., N. Y. Adv.

It isn't necessary for the truth to be ill-tempered, as some think.

Women of the Rio Grande Valley, working under the auspices of the Valley Federation of Women's clubs, have organized an anti-opium campaign which will be handled in connection with an international movement to abolish the production and sale of opium. Proximity to the Mexican border makes the campaign of especial interest to Valley citizens, leaders declared.

Texas now has five cities of more than 100,000 population, the census bureau has announced, in giving estimates of population on July 1. They are San Antonio, Dallas, Houston, Fort Worth and El Paso. The estimate of Houston's population has not been made. El Paso is the stranger in the select circle. The estimates for the four cities are: San Antonio, 191,398; Dallas, 187,862; Fort Worth, 143,107; El Paso, 100,624.

With its 23 parks, Texas has one for each 202,749 of its inhabitants. This showing, when compared with any or all of the 25 of the 48 states in the Union having such park areas, is most creditable to the state. The total of state-owned parks in the United States is 193, divided among the 25 states, as already stated. By a mere process of dividing the population of these 25 states by the whole number of their parks, one finds there is a park for each 400,430 of their inhabitants. Now, this is the general average. Texas, with an average of 202,749 people served by each of its 23 parks, is far above the general average in the service it renders to its people.

An issue of \$300,000 Ellis County road bonds of road district No. 1, bearing 5 1/2 per cent interest and maturing serially, has been approved by the attorney general's department and registered in the comptroller's department.

An issue of \$40,000 Karnes City Independent School District bonds, bearing 6 per cent and maturing serially has been approved by the attorney general's department, which also approved an issue of \$17,000 Camp Wood (Real County) Independent School District bonds.

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McCormick & Co., Baltimore, Md.

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When hot weather is causing those "stinging" or inflamed places to itch so bad you want to scratch the skin off, is the best time to treat that—

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will heal the congested skin and allow the poisons to pass on out, instead of gathering and irritating everything.

They are sold by all druggists. Contains 25 and 50 cent sizes. The one size old ointment contains three times as much as the 25c size.

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"In Business for Your Health"

Mrs. Kate Cooper of Dallas and Reubin Freeman of Fort worth, were here last week to attend family reunion in the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. H.-C. Freeman. Six other children reside here and all were present.

Mrs. Ollie Williams and son, James Russell, of Lufkin, are here for a few days visiting parents, W. A. McGowen and wife.

Mrs. Cora Work and two daughters, Bess and Pency, and Mrs. Corene Driskell, of Baird, visited W. A. McGowen and family, Sunday.

Langford Lewis of Brownwood, came in Wednesday to visit parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oak Lewis. He was accompanied by Mrs. Bailey and daughter, Miss Marvel, of Post. Mrs. Bailey is Mrs. Lewis' sister.

IF you want satisfaction in a cook stove, you'll find it in—

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Victoria News

The weather of the Bayou vicinity is still very dry.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Powell and Miss Winona Young motored to DeLeon to spend the week end with relatives.

Mr. Willie Young is driving a new Ford.

A party was enjoyed by the young people of the Bayou Thursday night, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Lee Smith. The party was given in honor of relatives visiting from Houston.

The attendance of the M. E. Sunday School of Victoria is increasing fast.

Miss Minnie Merryman visited home folks Sunday.

Relatives from Dallas visited A. E. Young the past week.

—Prairie Rose

Ralph Odom was called to Kendrick, Colorado, last week, to be at the bedside of his baby, who was quite sick. Mrs. Odom and baby are visiting there with her parents.

We are later informed that both the baby and Mrs. Odom have contracted scarlet fever.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Wise, of Nimrod, on July 30, a girl.

Mr. Fulton who resides up on Turkey Creek was among our business visitors here this week.

Mrs. W. C. Adams returned Monday from Clyde, where she was called to the bedside of her daughter, Mrs. Leo Tyler, who was seriously ill. She is much better, Mrs. Adams states.

Messrs. S. C. Cade, J. I. Harris, Geo. Hicks, Henry Meadow of Sabanno were trading here Monday.

Messrs. J. H. Coats, Matt Simpson, M. L. Breeding, A. J. Bagby of Cottonwood, were business visitors here Monday.

Chas. Newton and J. B. Eubank of Cross Cut were here on business Monday.

Joe Baum, Joe Shackelford, and families, accompanied by Albert Clements and family of Cisco. Scott Gilbert and family of Woodson, Judge Gilbert of Baird and Dr. Gilbert of Putnam, went over on the Clear Fork of the Brazos river Saturday to tease the finny tribe. They returned the first of the week.

Mrs. Mary Thomason of Putnam is visiting her brother, Joe H. Shackelford and family.

Ellis Nichols and family and Stanley Clark, are spending the week fishing on the Leon river in Hamilton county.

Mrs. Nettie Edwards and Miss Amelia Tensley, of McKinney, are visiting H. A. Pace and family. Mrs. Edwards is a niece of Mr. Pace.

J. B. Smith of Grosvenor, was trading here Monday.

Roger Beasley and wife of Ranger, visited his sister, Mrs. Corrie B. West, Monday.

Mrs. J. G. Rumph and little daughter have returned from Kendrick, Colo., where they visited Mrs. Rumph's parents.



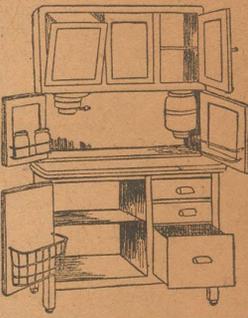
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Miss Mary Elliott of Sweetwater, who has been visiting Miss Ollie Westerman, returned home Sunday. She was accompanied as for as Abilene by Miss Ollie and Mr. Bob Baum

Mrs. W. P. Atwood and daughter, Miss Rosa Atwood, of Oplin, spent last week with Chess Barr and family and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. John Westman, and Mr. and Mrs. Sam Westman, left Monday for a visit in Hot Springs, N., in the interest of Mr. Sam Westman's health.

J. B. Jones of Cross Cut was trading here Monday.

La Pages Glue, any size. Window Glass. Shackelford's Lumber Paint & Hardware store.

A. B. Armstrong and family visited relatives in Abilene last week.

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