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ENTHUSIASTIC MEETING.

Commercial Club Holds Regular Meeting—Much of Importance Done.

The Big Springs Commercial Club met in regular session in the county court room last night. The attendance was not as large as it should have been, but those present were enthusiastic.

Wm. Fisher, chairman of the committee to ask that the doors of the public school building be made to open outward, reported that the request has been granted.

Mr. Fisher, who is also chairman of the committee on railroad bonus, reported that \$37,000 has been subscribed, which is a most excellent showing, and it is thought there will be no trouble in raising the \$50,000.

The probability of Big Springs securing the State Normal School was discussed, and a committee to consist of five members with J. B. Littler chairman, was made on motion of J. I. McDowell, to investigate the proposition. It was thought best to let the chairman select his own committee-men.

The board of directors held a meeting Wednesday and appointed the standing committees for this year. The board was authorized to appropriate such funds as they deemed best in case of an emergency.

Secretary Brooks stated that he was in receipt of news from the Soash Land Co. stating their first train of prospectors would be here at 5 p. m., March 4th. A committee of twenty-five was appointed to welcome them and keep off knockers. A committee composed of A. E. Pool, J. W. Schnell and T. S. Currie was appointed to call upon the real estate men and ask them to

"hands off" of the prospectors brought here by the Soash Land Company.

Upon the suggestion of B. Reagan, it was moved and carried that the band be invited to meet the train upon its arrival here and assist in extending a hearty welcome to the visitors.

Ellis Douthit made a very interesting and timely talk in regard to "boosting," and told of some of the methods used in California. He says the city of Los Angeles, which has a population of 300,000, has been mainly built by everybody boosting. He says out there everyone is a booster naturally, and have been improved by education.

Several other important matters were considered but no definite action was taken. An effort will be made by a committee to increase the membership. It is the desire of the club that every property owner becomes a member.

John Hedfrish died at his home in this city Friday, and was buried Saturday afternoon in Mount Olive cemetery. He was 56 years old and had been a citizen of Big Springs a number of years. He was an employe of the T. P. shops and was well liked by his fellow workmen.

Senator Senter of Dallas has introduced a bill in the Texas Legislature which provides for the punishment of tramps and vagrants of all description. If it becomes a law and is enforced as it should be, it will put a stop to tramps and loafers plying their avocation in Texas.

Let Reagan figure with on your paint and paper bill. He saves you money.

WILL SERVE THE PUBLIC.

Ladies of Cemetery Association Will Give Big Dinner.

The ladies of the Cemetery Association will have charge of the Wigwam Restaurant on Wednesday, March 3, and will serve a grand dinner to which the public is invited. The reputation of this popular eating house is too well and favorably known to need any recommendation from us. This is the second time within the past year the big-hearted and accommodating manager of the Wigwam has turned his business over to the ladies for the benefit of this worthy cause, for which he deserves much credit.

It goes without saying that the dinner next Wednesday will be such as to satisfy the keenest cravings of the inner-man.

Remember the place and the date, and that it is a most worthy cause. Price of dinner, 35c.

A Pleasant Surprise.

Those who enjoyed the especially prepared dinner at the Stewart Hotel last Sunday will be pleased to know that the management of that popular house has decided to offer another opportunity to the eating public which promises to out class anything yet attempted in the way of a Sunday dinner. The place, Stewart Hotel. Time, Sunday, February 28. Emil Lowe, Mgr.

District Court.

The case of the state of Texas vs. L. V. Thompson, perjury, was called Wednesday morning and consumed two days, the jury returning a verdict of guilty and assessing his punishment at five years in the penitentiary.

The case of Will Houser, burglary was taken up this morning.

The grand jury adjourned Wednesday. It returned 24 indictments, 10 misdemeanors and 14 for felonies.

Mrs. Sol. Dreeben left Sunday for the eastern market to buy an up to date line of millinery goods which she will open up in the Posey Music Store. She will bring an experienced trimmer back with her.

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WIND MILLS
GASOLINE ENGINES
WAGONS
STOVES

Can soon be settled by visiting our store and looking through our immense hardware stock.

Stokes-Hughes Co.

Wholesale and Retail

A Pleasant Occasion.

The social given by the young peoples' societies of the different churches of our town at the Y. M. C. A. building Friday night, was a most pleasant occasion and one that will long be remembered by those fortunate enough to be there.

A splendid program consisting of vocal and instrumental music, recitations and addresses had been arranged for the occasion. After the regular program was gone through with a "dear hunt" on a large scale was indulged in by the male members of the audience. At the termination of the hunt delicious cake and chocolate were served.

Secretary Morris, who is always happiest when he sees people having a good time, acted as host and was ably assisted by several ladies in receiving the guests and seeing that every one had a good time, and how well they succeeded can only be judged by the pleasant remarks of the guests as they took their departure for their respective homes.

Arza Alderman of McConnellsville, Ohio, is here on a visit to his sons, C. L. and A. D. Alderman, and will remain some time. It has been nearly five years since Mr. Alderman's former visit, and he is agreeably surprised with the substantial growth Big Springs has enjoyed since that time.

Jay M. Jackson, president of the Jackson Realty Company of Kansas City, was here this week looking for a big tract of land for colonization purposes.

Mrs. Mattie Gass has returned from market and has the finest line of millinery she has ever brought to Big Springs and will have it on display from now on.

Will Open Monday.

The First State Bank will open for business on Monday, March 1st, in their building first door south of Ward's drug store. It is in charge of competent men and we predict for it a good business from the start.

The Neil Litchfield Trio, the popular entertainers, who are to give the next entertainment on the Y. M. C. A. Lyceum Course, present one of the most novel and genuinely humorous entertainments in the Lyceum. It is a surprise after surprise from the opening to the closing number. If you want to enjoy an evening's entertainment go and hear The Neil Litchfield Trio at the opera house, Saturday night, March 6th. Single admission fifty cents. Reserve seats at Ward's drug store.

A game of basket ball between the Big Springs and sweetwater teams was to have been played here Monday afternoon, but the Sweetwater team failed to show up.

The first train load of prospectors to be brought here by the Soash Land Co. will arrive here at 5 p. m. next Thursday and every one should extend the glad hand of welcome and tell them what a grand country we have and them the land the Soash people will show them is the best to be found in West Texas. Tell them all the good things you can, as that is the only way to settle up our magnificent country with good people.

Your health is the most important thing to you, and you can only enjoy it by using pure drugs and medicines when you have to use them. We sell only the best. — Arnold - McCamant Drug Co.

J. F. Foote, who has had charge of the repair shop in Ward's jewelry department, left Saturday night for Laredo where he has accepted a position.

You can run a store without advertising just as you can wink at a pretty girl in the dark—but what's the use.

Groceries for Everybody

We are now in our new store, and are loaded for business. If to eat, we have it.

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Poor Pat.

The surgeon of a large hospital was paying a visit to the patients when he came to a cot whereon lay an Irishman who was not bearing his pain very bravely, for he was groaning loudly.

"Oh, come, my poor fellow," remonstrated the surgeon, "try and bear your pain like a man. It's no use kicking against Fate."
"Shure, you're roight, sorr," groaned the Irishman, who had been severely kicked by a mule, "specially whin they're the fate of a mule!"—Exchange.

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Invention of Porcelain.

At a display of porcelain in China an exhibitor said that Chinese literature ascribes the invention of porcelain to a period some 25 centuries before Christ. Foreign experts are by no means certain that the art existed before the seventh century of this era.

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

The Night of the Game.

First Spifflicated Person—Doesh fish student belong here?
Landlady (coldly)—No, all my students were brought home an hour ago.—Wisconsin Sphinx.

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In all the drug stores an aromatic, pleasant herb cure for woman's ailments, called Mother Gray's AUSTRIAN LEAF. It is the only certain regulator. Quickly relieves female weaknesses and Backache, Kidney, Bladder and Urinary troubles. At all Druggists or by mail to Mrs. Sample FRIE, Address, The Mother Gray Co., Le Roy, N. Y.

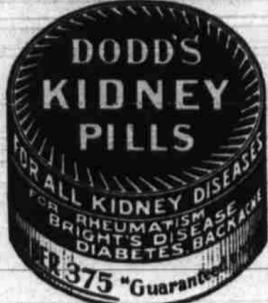
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Johnny—The camel can go eight days without water.
Freddy—So could I if I would let me.—Harper's Bazar.

For Colds and Grip—Capudine.

The best remedy for Grip and Colds is Hicks' Capudine. Relieves the aching and feverishness. Cures the cold—Headache also. It's Liquid—Effects immediately—5¢ and 10¢ at Drug Stores.

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EVENTS BOILED DOWN

DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN HAPPENINGS SERVED UP IN ATTRACTIVE STYLE.

NOTHING GOOD GOT AWAY

Everything Important That Could Be Confined to a Small Space is Here Found.

WASHINGTON NEWS.

Interest was increased in navy circles Sunday when it was learned that Rear Admiral R. D. Evans, retired, who gave the order under which the battleship fleet steamed from Hampton Roads a year ago last December, was not included among the official guests to greet its return.

Baron Moncheur, the Belgian Minister to the United States, has been transferred to Constantinople. He will be succeeded at Washington by Count De Buisseret Steenbecque, recently Belgian Minister to Morocco, whose appointment was also announced Sunday.

Senator Hale stated Friday that the rivers and harbors bill which was reported to the house will not pass this session of congress.

President Roosevelt announced Friday that a call would be issued at once for a world's conference on the conservation of natural resources to be held at The Hague next September. Forty-five nations represented at The Hague will be invited to participate.

By an amendment to the naval appropriation bill adopted Wednesday by the U. S. Senate the size of the two battleships authorized is limited to 21,000 tons and their cost, exclusive of armor and armament, \$4,000,000 each.

The mandate in the Waters-Pierce Oil Company case has been stayed for thirty days from Feb. 18, the day which otherwise it would have issued. The order was formally delivered to the chief clerk of the Supreme Court by Chief Justice Fuller in Washington Monday.

The state department at Washington is considering the question of dispatching an American war-vessel to Liberia, where alarm is felt for the safety of British and French citizens employed in the customs service of the republic.

Any attack made hereafter on the lock type of the Panama canal, according to the opinion expressed by President Roosevelt, in a message transmitting to Congress Wednesday the report made by the engineers who recently visited the canal zone with President-Elect Taft, "is in reality merely an attack upon the policy of building any canal at all."

Senator Hansbrough Thursday introduced a bill in Congress providing for a system of old age annuities designed to take place of the demand for an old age pension for government employees, but extending to all classes.

The Senate leaders have resolved to treat the president's latest outgiving on the subject of secret service legislation with dignified silence for the present at least. They promise that later, perhaps not until next winter, there will be a very comprehensive report on this subject, and it will show, they predict, that it is the president who is "inaccurate and misleading."

DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN NEWS.

A storm passed over the Bloomdale section about seven miles northwest of McKinney Monday afternoon, doing considerable damage.

The sites having been selected and all necessary surveys made, work upon the International and Great Northern Railway company's new \$50,000 stone round house and machine shops will begin next week in Taylor.

It is announced that an effort will be made to have President Roosevelt subpoenaed when the case of Gov. Haskell and seven Muskogee citizens indicted for conspiracy to defraud the government comes up for trial.

Unless something now entirely unforeseen occurs to change his attitude toward the appointment of negroes to Federal offices, President Taft will not make any such appointments in States where they would tend to arouse opposition on the part of the people among whom the negro office holder would serve.

Numbers of houses and government buildings at Sivas, the capital of Vizey of the same name in Asiatic Turkey collapsed Tuesday, as the result of an earthquake. The loss of life is not yet estimated, but reports say thirty persons were killed and others injured.

At a mass meeting of citizens of Hugo, Ok., Sunday night it was decided by an overwhelming vote to construct a pipe line to the Klomata River for the purpose of supplying the town with water. It is nearly six miles to the river.

The sundry civil bill before congress which provides for the authorized current expenses of the government during its fiscal year, will carry items aggregating \$137,022,070.

After passing through many struggles for his life in bloody battle with Mexicans and United States citizens and soldiers and for twenty-two years a prisoner of war, for the most part upon the Fort Sill military reservation at Lawton, Okla., Geronimo, the famous war chief of the Apaches, 80 years old, succumbed to pneumonia Wednesday morning in the military hospital.

fire in a hay barn in Sherman, owned by W. A. Huggins, caused a loss of \$2000.

Cotton receipts for this season at Arlington are 9,233 bales, with several hundred bales still in hands of farmers.

At an early hour Friday morning fire broke out in Henrietta, destroying three stone and four frame business houses. Estimated loss is \$25,000.

Sunday night, as the southbound Houston and Texas Central passenger train came in at Calvert, it struck and instantly killed A. L. Arnwine of that city.

Ed Wilson, a well known stockman of Fort Towson, Ok., reports that cattle are in fine shape notwithstanding that the winter has been more severe than usual.

The extra session of Congress will be convened on March 15. This date was definitely settled Wednesday and President-Elect Taft authorized the announcement.

Miss Sylvia Green, daughter of Mrs. Hetty Green, and Matthews Astor Wilkes, whose engagement was recently reported, were married in New York Tuesday morning.

The record of the issue of \$15,000 sewer bonds for Hubbard City has been approved by the attorney general and work will begin on the sewer system by the 15th of March.

A cyclone formed about 3:30 o'clock Friday afternoon in the southwest portion of Liberty and passed diagonally across the place, causing death and property destruction.

Dr. J. H. Wilson of Quanah, chairman of the livestock sanitary commission of Texas, says that he has notified Gov. Campbell he will not consider reappointment on the board.

John Scott, a young farmer of Emperson, 30 years old, who was engaged in getting out timber for a saw mill company near Antlers, Okla., was killed Thursday by a falling tree.

The annual conference of the First District Bankers' association of Texas was held in Galveston Tuesday. From the principal points in South and East Texas delegates were in attendance.

Heavy earthquakes were felt throughout the island of Porto Rico Wednesday. The inhabitants were awakened by oscillations and the alarm was great. No damage was done.

A great many farmers of Lamar County will use fertilizer this year in raising cotton and a movement is on foot among business men of Paris to order it by the car load to sell to farmers at actual cost.

In a rear-end collision on the Fort Worth and Denver about fifty miles north of Fort Worth, near Sunset, Thursday morning at 4 o'clock, three men were injured and two cars and a caboose destroyed by fire.

At Lorena, a town on the Missouri, Kansas and Texas railway, twenty miles south of Waco, early Sunday morning a conflagration took place in which seven houses were burned, the total loss being \$10,000.

The city council met Thursday afternoon for the purpose of canvassing the returns of the census takers, and they declare officially a population of 5341 persons within the city limits of Dahart. This will be of great assistance in the way of securing free mail delivery.

After more than a month of hard work the soliciting committee appointed at the mass meeting to raise the \$25,000 bonus for the extension of the Marshall and East Texas railroad to the south from Marshall has succeeded in its purpose and raised the full amount.

Aurelius Christian, the negro who Thursday criminally assaulted and then murdered Miss Mary Dobbs, the pretty 14-year-old daughter of a prominent Botetourt county farmer, at Roanoke, Va., was Friday sentenced to die in the electric chair in the state penitentiary on March 22.

The 80,000,000 people in America use as many matches as the 800,000,000 in the remainder of the world, according to statistics of the Texas Fire Prevention association.

The total cotton receipts at the two yards in Mt. Pleasant up to date amount to a little over 6500 bales, compared with about 500 for the season of 1907-08.

The Texas and Pacific Railroad had a wreck Sunday night at Glaston, La., and the engine and twelve cars were piled up in the ditch. Two lives were lost.

Saturday Galveston crossed the 2,000,000 mark in cotton receipts since Sept. 1. In five months and twenty days, including Sundays and holidays, Galveston has received and handled \$180,000,000 worth of cotton.

Twenty-five new residences are under construction in Childress and local lumber men say that the building boom has just commenced.

Robert W. Goelt, director of the Illinois Central, millionaire and one of the Harriman party in San Antonio, was arrested Monday on a charge of speeding his automobile.

Unless unlooked for opposition is encountered in shape of a "dark horse," the candidate for the honor of the next annual meeting of the Interstate Cotton Seed Crushers' Association will be held in Memphis in May.

Senator Carter brought in a substitute postal savings bank bill Monday afternoon that differs so radically in its essential features from the first bill as to have amazed many of those who have heretofore supported him in his effort to bring about this legislation.

STORM KILLS THIRTEEN

FOUR COUNTIES IN EASTERN ARKANSAS ARE SWEEP BY TORNADO.

ONE TOWN IS DESTROYED

All Houses Are Razed at Fisher Except Two—Telephone Service Affected.

Little Rock, Ark., Feb. 24.—Beginning in Lonoke County and ranging northeast through Lonoke, Prairie, Woodruff and Poinsett counties, a tornado raged this morning in East Arkansas and according to the best information obtainable thirteen persons were killed and at least eleven seriously hurt.

At Fisher, in Poinsett county, the reported dead are J. S. Bass, Mrs. Stone and Wade Freeze.

A relief train left Brinkley at 5 o'clock this afternoon for Fisher, where it is said that all of the buildings in the town were blown down save two. The storm was accompanied by a heavy rain and a great deal of electricity. At Lonoke, Lonoke county, the new jail was struck and slightly damaged.

Telegraph and telephone communication has been cut off from that part of the state most seriously affected, and rumors are conflicting.

Anti-Trust Law Upheld.

Washington: In deciding the case of the Hammond-Packing company of Chicago, versus the State of Arkansas favorably to the state, the supreme court of the United States Tuesday upheld the constitutionality of the anti-trust law of Arkansas. The company was fined \$10,000 in the Arkansas state courts for failing to observe the law.

Youth Drowns in Well.

McKinney: Everett Smith, a youth 17 years of age, was discovered, drowned, in a well at the home of his father, James Smith, near Weston Tuesday morning. It is supposed that some time during the night he went for a drink, and, getting upon the curbing to arrange the pulley, he lost his balance and fell into the well.

Court Decision Affirmed.

Washington: The verdict of the United States circuit court for the southern district of New York imposing a fine of \$108,000 upon the New York Central Railroad company, on a charge of granting rebates to the American Sugar company, was Tuesday affirmed by the supreme court.

Petrified Skull of Buffalo.

San Angelo: The petrified skull of a buffalo was taken from a pit by W. K. Bealy Tuesday. He was at work in a sand pit about five miles from town and unearthed the skull, which is fairly well preserved and shows the animal to have been a very large one.

Miss Sylvia Green Weds.

New York: In the presence of a few friends, Sylvia Green, daughter of Mrs. Hetty Green, richest woman in the world, Tuesday became the bride of Matthew Astor Wilkes, her 65-year-old suitor.

President to Visit Missions.

Chicago: While in Africa President Roosevelt will not only visit a number of missions but will make addresses giving his observations when he returns to this country.

Forty Lives Lost.

Buenos Ayres: According to a dispatch received here by the minister of marine, forty persons lost their lives in the wreck of the Argentine steamer Presidente Roca Tuesday.

Choctaw Division Plans.

Denison: Unconfirmed rumors are to the effect that the Katy purposes moving the headquarters of the Choctaw division to McAlester, Ok., the first of the coming month. This will result in the moving of about forty families from this city.

Young Man Dies From Scalds.

Arthur Day, 23 years of age, died Tuesday from being scalded in a vat of boiling water at the Armour packing plant.

Five-Mile Record Broken.

Troy, N. Y.: George Bonhag, of the Irish-American Athletic club, broke the world's record for the five-mile run here Tuesday. He made the distance in 24 minutes, 58 1-5 seconds. The previous record was held by Tim Collins, 25 minutes, 19 2-5 seconds.

Amarillo Has Fire.

Amarillo: Fire of unknown origin destroyed the Canadian Mill and Elevator company's plant at McLean Tuesday night. The loss is \$10,000. Several railroad cars burned.

Severe Storm in Colorado.

Denver: A severe storm is raging throughout the eastern and central portion of Colorado and while railroad traffic is not blocked it has been especially severe on cattle and sheep and stock raisers will suffer a heavy loss.

Ten Thousand Visit Laredo.

Laredo: Over 10,000 visitors to the number of visitors now assumed up by the railroad who attended the Red Men's celebration of Washington's Birthday in the city of Laredo.

It May Be Your Fate

To have your house burned down tonight. One can never tell what minute such a thing may happen. The question naturally arises, "ARE YOU INSURED?" If not, do you think it would be wise to have an issue a policy at once? It is most decidedly penny wise and pound foolish to be without insurance when the danger of fire is always present, when ruin may come at any time. Call on us at our

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We sell wood and coal. Most of you know that we purchased this business from W. B. Allen. We are and have been doing a nice business in this line, but not as much as we should. There are many of our best citizens and friends for whom we have never had the pleasure of filling an order in this line. Now, we are not altogether satisfied about this.

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If we cheat or mistreat you it is not our intention, and if you will call our attention to the fact we will make it satisfactory to you. Some people ask us why we do not sell wood as cheap as these "wood-peddlers." We will answer that to your satisfaction. First, we do not run a wood yard in a box car and try to live on wind and good wishes, as they claim they are just making a living. Show us a man in this town that pays his taxes, donates to every good cause for the upbuilding of our schools and a Greater Big Springs, and we will show you a man that is not satisfied with a mere living. Second, they do not handle coal. McAlester and Nigger Head coal costs money. Have you bought any coal from them? Do they sell you this cheap, small trash mesquite on time? Do they give you any kind of wood or coal you want? Do they accommodate you when you need an accommodation? No, sir! Then we earnestly plead for your wood and coal business and do think we are entitled to it.

We are agents for The Texas Company and handle the best grade of Coal Oil, Stove Gasoline, Engine Naptha, Machine Oil, Automobile Oil, Cup and Axle Grease. Our office is in Big Springs Warehouse, and we are always there to gladly wait on you. Ask for our oils and be sure and take no other.

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J. C. Hale of Coahoma was here Saturday.

J. S. Winslow of Soash was here Tuesday.

C. L. Alderman visited Midland yesterday.

For good fresh pork souse, steak or roast, call 180.

P. C. Dobson of Glasscock county was here Monday.

J. C. Smith returned Monday from a visit to Fort Worth.

F. G. Oxshier and son of Fort Worth were here this week.

Quitting the saddle pads; 45c each. ART LEATHER SHOPS.

M. H. Williamson attended court at Robert Lee last week.

Dressed cat fish once each week at Read's Store and Market.

Judge L. A. Dale was in Midland Monday on legal business.

E. M. Riley made a business trip to Snyder the first of the week.

If its new, Bonner has it at prices that will tickle your pocket book.

Mrs. P. G. Glenn and children of Midland visited relatives here last week.

A sweet baby girl was born to Dr. E. H. Happel and wife Tuesday night.

Jno B. Littler returned yesterday morning from a business trip to Austin.

Star tobacco 45c per pound. All other tobacco in proportion at Elew Read Co.

D. P. Strayhorn came in from Snyder Tuesday and spent several days here.

W. R. Cole and daughter, Miss Pearl, returned Sunday from a visit to San Angelo.

B. G. Garner, who is in the auto business at Dallas, spent several days here this week.

Rev. J. M. Reynolds returned yesterday morning from a trip to Stephenville and Abilene.

Small batch of whips cheap or half price. ART LEATHER SHOPS.

J. S. McWhorter, the tax assessor of Dawson county, attended court here this week as a witness.

See H. B. Arnold for all kinds of job work in sheet metal. Satisfaction and right prices guaranteed. 20-11

Otto Boehlert and wife of Mart, Texas, are here on a visit to their brother, D. J. Barnes and family.

J. J. Coffey of Dawson county spent several days here this week the guest of his son, R. C. Coffey.

A number of good odds and ends at your own price. ART LEATHER SHOPS.

Mrs. C. H. Tignor and baby of Midland visited relatives and friends here several days last week.

Laxative Quinine Cold Tablets, cure colds, at Ward's, 12-11 Ladies, don't overlook those new collars and ruchings at 121-2 to 50 cents each at Bonner's Store.

W. D. Nevels, cashier of the First National bank of Tahoka, was here Tuesday on his way home from Mineral Wells where he had been called by the illness of his mother.

For candies of the highest grade and delicious qualities go to Reagan's. None equal Jacob's, "made last night."

We are sole agent for the Sweet-Orr overalls, pants and shirts.

A. P. McDonald & Co.

The American Live Stock & Loan Co., of Denver, Colorado, are in Texas to buy 22,000 head of young steers.

DR. E. O. ELLINGTON
—DENTIST—

Phones 281 and 329 red
Office over Arnold McCamant drug store
BIG SPRINGS, TEXAS

Take Ward's Pink Blood and Liver Pills, best on earth. 12-11

Brownlee on the plains.

Favorite Headache Tablets are the best, at Ward's. 12-11

Miss Rose Crawford went to Sweetwater Saturday night where she was called to nurse a pneumonia patient.

Mrs. Mattie Gass will announce the date of spring display of fine millinery latter. Watch for it.

Mrs. L. B. Western returned Friday from Dallas where she had been called by the illness of a sister.

Show cases, your choice of seven, for sale cheap. ART LEATHER SHOPS.

WAIT—For the Grand Millinery Opening by The Dreeben Millinery Co. in the Posey Music Store.

Reagan does not care whose blank your prescription is written on, he will fill it correctly and deliver it promptly.

Wood on the car at \$5.50 per cord. Sawed mesquite. Come and see for yourself. Leave orders at the O. K. Restaurant, phone 349.—Cress & Martin.

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F. B. Winters of Gorman came in yesterday morning on a prospecting trip and to visit his friend Rev. J. M. Reynolds.

Mayor G. D. Lee will leave tomorrow night for Galveston where he will attend the L. O. O. F. Grand Lodge of Texas.

Let us write your cotton insurance. The cost is small and the protection is great. Hartzog & Coffee.

Brownlee on the plains.

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Monday, March 1st, 1909

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First State Bank

Our Busy Week

We are too busy this week to write an ad, but will find time to supply your wants in hardware, etc. if you will let us know them. In fact, we are always ready to show you through our immense stock and to quote you our prices, which are the very lowest in town

The Western Windmill Co.

Buy the best--Buy Eupion

Eupion Oil has stood the test and has been considered the highest standard grade of oil in Texas for over fifty-two years and still holds the lead in the oil field. It is the only non-explosive oil that is sold—barring none.

Ask your grocer for Eupion and take no other

NEW STRENGTH FOR WOMEN'S BACKS.

How to Make a Bad Back Better.

Women who suffer with backache, bearing down pain, dizzy spells, and that constant feeling of dullness and tiredness...

Here I would not be living today, says Mrs. Hinson. My eyesight was poor, I suffered with nervous, splitting headaches...

Sold by all dealers. 50 cents a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

THE BUGVILLE BASEBALL GAME.



Jim Ant—Run, fellows run! Bill Beetle—What's up? Jim Ant—Why, here comes the fly coop!

"We Have Many Similar"

The following is an extract from a letter received from Mr. H. H. Meyers of Stuttgart, Ark. "You would greatly oblige me if you would introduce Hunt's Lightning Oil at Millville, Ill., as I have many friends and relatives there...

Early Morning Poems.

"Why, Hiram," began Mrs. Dusenberry, glancing up from her favorite newspaper at her husband on the opposite side of the table, "did you ever hear of such a thing? Here is a piece about a man who writes four magazine poems every morning before breakfast. Must be quite a strain on him to do all that writing on an empty stomach. Don't you think so, Hiram?"

Distinction Without Difference.

While holding a term of court at Augusta once, Judge Walton sentenced a man to seven years in prison for a grave crime. The respondent's counsel asked for a mitigation of the sentence on the ground that the prisoner's health was very poor. "Your honor," said he, "I am satisfied that my client cannot live out half that term, and I beg of you to change the sentence."

Got the Letters Mixed.

A young American, who is particular about his washing, the other day wrote a note to his landlady and one to his sweetheart, and, by a strange fatality, put the wrong address on each envelope and sent them off. The washwoman was delighted at an invitation to take a ride the next day, but when the young lady read, "If you tumble up my shirt bosom any more as you did the last time, I will go somewhere else," she cried all the evening and declared she would never speak to him again.

PRIZE FOOD

Palatable, Economical, Nourishing.

A Nebr. woman has outlined the prize food in a few words, and that from personal experience. She writes: "After four long experiences with Grape-Nuts, I cannot say enough in its favor. We have used this food almost continually for seven years."

"We sometimes tried other advertised breakfast foods but we invariably returned to Grape-Nuts as the most palatable, economical and nourishing of all."

"When I quit tea and coffee and began to use Postum and Grape-Nuts I was a nervous wreck. I was so irritable I could not sleep nights, had no interest in life."

"After using Grape-Nuts a short time I began to improve and all these ailments have disappeared and now I am a well woman. My two children have been almost raised on Grape-Nuts, which they eat three times a day."

"They are pictures of health and have never had the least symptom of stomach trouble, even through the most severe siege of whooping cough they could retain Grape-Nuts when all else failed."

"Grape-Nuts food has saved doctor bills, and has been, therefore, a most economical food for us."

Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. Read "The Road to Wellville," in pkgs. "There's a Reason."

Ever read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are genuine, true, and full of human interest.

Farmers Educational Co-Operative Union Of America

National Farmers' Union. A call for a meeting of the members of the National Board of the Farmers' Union and one delegate from each state, to be held in Washington February 24, has been issued by C. S. Barrett of Union City, Ga., for the purpose of laying before Congress such measures as the committee and the various delegates may deem necessary.

All over the country truck and fruit growers are taking action for closer union, with the view of putting up their products in better and more attractive packages. They are also endeavoring to secure proper inspection and grading of their products before shipment.

Milkmen's Union. About six months ago Chicago passed an ordinance to the effect that after January 1 every drop of milk that was shipped into the city would have to be from herds that had been tested for tuberculosis, and it had been shown that the cattle were free from the dreaded disease, or else the milk would have to be pasteurized before it was sold for consumption.

Paper From Cotton Stalks. At last, so it is reported, the cotton stalk is to have commercial value. A company has been formed in Atlanta for the purpose of making printing paper out of this hitherto worthless weed of the winter's farm.

How Losses Cost Double. No animal can remain at a standstill without loss to its owner. If an animal is not gaining, then the food and labor are thrown away. If an animal loses only a pound in weight, then the farmer not only suffers a loss of that which he once had, but must incur additional expense to regain that one pound, but the time lost cannot be recovered.

The Mule. There are few farmers who give the mule just due as an all-around serviceable and patient worker on the farm. The mule is essentially a farm beast and is only about half appreciated. He can endure more than a horse, is less subject to illness and eats less. He will work under any conditions; always do his best and is the safest of all beasts of burden.

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The advocates of mulching the fruit trees and vines have become a very respectable majority.

Horse fairs, held almost continuously throughout the year have helped to make Belgium the greatest horse breeding country of its size in the world. The fairs are largely attended by foreign buyers, especially Germans, who purchase 25,000 horses a year at these exhibitions.

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MARKETING PLAN ACCEPTED.

Farmers' Union Arranges for the Federation of All Warehouses, May Later Consolidate.

Little Rock.—The entire cotton output of the membership of the Arkansas Farmers' Union, estimated at 80,000 bales, will be controlled by the Arkansas Farmers' Union Cotton Company of Little Rock, as the result of the action of the convention of the Farmers' Union held in Little Rock January 30.

A campaign was also endorsed to be waged among the members of the union to encourage the home production of such things as are consumed by the farmer, such as corn, hay and other necessities.

The plan adopted for concentration of the selling agencies provides that each warehouse company shall buy stock in the Arkansas Farmers' Union Cotton Company, but that the management of the company shall remain as it is.

Winter Green Foods. If roots and ensilage improve the health of animals, and cheapen the cost of food, as claimed by agricultural experts, they will do the same thing for fowls, says Thomas Owen in the Kansas Farmer.

Stuffed Rolls. But we are gradually reforming, and chief among our efforts is the use of "left-overs," for which we see so many recipes nowadays. For we are becoming emancipated from that boarding house bugbear, hash, and are learning that there are many ways to make scraps attractive.

THE REVOLT OF THREE-SCORE. AID Miss Matilda Alice Jones: "I really don't see why, as soon as folks get on in years (For instance, you and I), that we should be expected to begin to plan to die. 'Tis true, I'm eighty years or more. But I have just begun to follow out the Golden Rule. To live from sun to sun; To love my neighbor as myself. And say: 'His will be done.'"

Ads. and the Japanese. We, who think ourselves the leaders of the world in advertising, as well as in everything else, will be astonished to learn that the Japanese have for centuries been making and selling patent medicine in a way which for lurid word painting and picturesque exaggeration put to the blush our modest "cure-all" announcements.

Now the Japanese have begun to export their patent medicines (never, by the way, sold in fluid form), and since the stuff sent is exempt from taxation, a new impetus has been given the trade, and quacks of all kinds are flooding the island kingdom with nostrums heralded under such vivid titles as "Heal-Everything-Powders," "Spirit-Healing-Pills," "Second-to-None-Plasters," etc.

Chestnuts. Few housewives realize the food value of chestnuts, especially when they are cooked. They may be made into various dishes, using the boiled and mashed pulp as one would meat or vegetables.

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The KITCHEN CABINET

"AT MIDNIGHT."

STOOD in the kitchen at midnight. When the clock was striking the hour, and held the lamp for Mary. While she got yeast and flour.

And like the waters rushing into the "well" she made. So bubbled forth the language I muttered, I'm afraid.

"How often, oh, how often I've begged you'll not make bread."

So rushed my words indignant, And straightway Mary said:

"Forever and forever, As long as the garlic flows, As long as the palate answers, While you have eyes and nose,

You'll grumble, dear, at midnight. When I set the bread so late, And then declare, next day, it is 'The best you ever ate.'"

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In the sixteenth century the drinking vessels were usually of silver. A favorite style was the old Dutch bell goblet. It was of ordinary shape, but large and had suspended from its outside rim 12 bells which were rung at the applause which followed the toast.

Remove the center from stale rolls, and in them put the following mixture: Chop fine bits of chicken, turkey or any white meat. Wet it with gravy, stock or milk, and thicken slightly with bread crumbs. Season well, and add dabs of butter. Replace the top of the roll and bake in a pan with a little water, half an hour.

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Professor Munyon has just issued a most beautiful, useful and complete Almanac; it contains not only all the scientific information concerning the moon's phases, in all the latitudes, but has illustrated articles on how to read character by phrenology, palmistry and birth month. It also tells all about card reading, birth stones and their meaning, and gives the interpretation of dreams. It teaches beauty culture, manicuring, gives weights and measures, and antidotes for poison. In fact, it is a Magazine Almanac, that not only gives valuable information, but will afford much amusement for every member of the family, especially for parties and evening entertainments. Farmers and people in the rural districts will find this Almanac almost invaluable.

It will be sent to anyone absolutely free on application to the MUNYON REMEDY COMPANY, PHILADELPHIA.

Thoughtful Child. They are considerate youngsters in England, as most people know. A little boy whose grandmother had just died wrote the following letter, which he duly posted: "Dear Angels: We have sent you grandma. Please give her a harp to play, as she is short-winded and can't blow a trumpet."—London Tit-Bits.

Red, Weak, Weary, Watery Eyes. Relieved by Murine Eye Remedy. Compounded by Experienced Physicians. Conforms to Pure Food and Drug Laws. Murine Doesn't Smart; Soothes Eye Pain. Try Murine in Your Eyes. At Drugists.

If a woman had any other excuse than "because" for falling in love with a man she probably wouldn't do it.

A Cough, if neglected, often affects the Lungs. "Brown's Bronchial Troches" give relief. 25 cents a box. Samples sent free by John I. Brown & Son, Boston, Mass.

It's a good thing to have opinions—and it's a better thing to keep the lid on them sometimes.



Wanted At Once—A Man To Make \$100 Per Month Above Expenses

1000 MEN ARE NOW MAKING NO MONEY with Perfumes, Toilet Articles, Soap and Stationery, etc. We are one of the largest importers and manufacturers in the U. S. Our capital and surplus is One Million Dollars. We make over 40 products, all year around. Our factories have over 20 acres of floor space.

\$100 Per Month Clear Profit! Show us your last year's record, and we will show you how to make \$100 per month clear profit. If you let us see your last year's record, we will show you how to make \$100 per month clear profit.

SICK HEADACHE

CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS. Positively cured by these Little Pills. They relieve Distress from Dyspepsia, Indigestion and Too Heavy Eating. A perfect remedy for Dizziness, Nausea, Drowsiness, Bad Taste in the Mouth, Coal-tar and Tonic, Pain in the Side, TORPID LIVER.

Small Pill. Small Dose. Small Price. Genuine Must Bear Fac-Simile Signature. Refuse Substitutes.

Facts For Sick Women

We know of no other medicine which has been so successful in relieving the suffering of women, or secured so many genuine testimonials, as has Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

In almost every community you will find women who have been restored to health by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. Almost every woman you meet has either been benefited by it, or knows some one who has.

In the Pinkham Laboratory at Lynn, Mass., are files containing over one million one hundred thousand letters from women seeking health, in which many openly state over their own signatures that they have regained their health by taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has saved many women from surgical operations. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound is made exclusively from roots and herbs, and is perfectly harmless.

The reason why it is so successful is because it contains ingredients which act directly upon the female organism, restoring it to healthy and normal activity.

Thousands of unsolicited and genuine testimonials such as the following prove the efficiency of this simple remedy.

Minneapolis, Minn.—"I was a great sufferer from female troubles which caused a weakness and broken down condition of the system. I read so much of what Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound had done for other suffering women, I felt sure it would help me, and I must say it did help me wonderfully. Within three months I was a perfectly well woman."

"I want this letter made public to show the benefits to be derived from Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound."—Mrs. John G. Moldan, 2115 Second St. North, Minneapolis, Minn.

Women who are suffering from those distressing ills peculiar to their sex should not lose sight of these facts or doubt the ability of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound to restore their health.

5 STICKS 5 CENTS! Every stick is a delicious mouthful. Every mouthful has the delicious flavor of real SPARMIN LEAVES. FINE FOR DIGESTION. The Flavor Lasts.

The SEVENTH PERSON

BY BEN McCUTCHEON

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SYNOPSIS.

Gerard Chambers, son of a wealthy importer and a student at an eastern college, was awarded a membership in the Gemini, a secret organization founded by Rodney Graves. The society was exclusive, only seven being admitted. The members were known as Persons. A meeting was held and each member was awarded the "call of destiny." Chambers was told to pass as a sailor and not set foot in North America for a year. Then he was to be assigned to another year's exile. He must make his own living unaided, and keep everything a secret. He gained his father's consent. He also acquainted Maryella Bayless, his father's choice for his wife, with the fact that he would be away two years. She left him angrily. Jerry obtained a berth as supercargo on an ocean freighter bound for Iruana, South America, loaded with guns for enemies of that government. Chambers was captured and thrown into a dungeon. Marina Bostes, adopted daughter of Gen. Barado, ministered to his wounds. Each made a strong impression on the other. Jerry was sentenced to die. Upon promise of Marina's love, Capt. Pizarro freed Chambers. All three united with Gen. Barado's rebels. Chambers being made a captain. Capt. Pizarro died of fever. Marina accompanied his body to burial. In a fierce battle Barado defeated Bostes. Jerry frustrated an attempt to assassinate Gen. Barado. A rebel party was attacked and she was reported missing. Pandaro, captain of Iruana, was captured and a confederate established. Chambers was made much of. By that time Marina was given up as dead. He then sailed for Havana in order to report to Mexico City for further instructions. The ship encountered a terrible storm and was dashed on the rocks. Jerry saved himself by clinging to a mast. He found himself too late to catch a boat for Mexico. He recognized Marina Bostes, a passenger of a yacht sailing immediately for Mexico. By a ruse he gained the deck. He discovered that Marina was being held a prisoner on board. Jerry successfully passed prepared list of a possible informant to Marina, which plotters suspected. He wrote her a note and confided the whole story to the American engineer, who promised aid. The plotters took Mike to Vera Cruz, secretly. Jerry following by swimming after he had knocked senseless the captain of the vessel. Suddenly remembering he must hurry to Mexico City within a few hours he left the engineer to resume the chase. Jerry reached Mexico City in time to receive further instructions. Mike successfully trailed Marina's abductors and learned their plans. He then wired Chambers. Young Chambers received the secret society's orders to proceed to Escalon, Mexico, for further instructions. He again left Mike O'Connor, the engineer, in charge of the shadowing of Marina and the plotters.

CHAPTER XXII.

On the Road to Jimenez.

Mike O'Connor arrived in the City of Mexico at a little after 11 o'clock the next morning. He spent more than an hour around the station looking for Jerry Chambers, and trying to learn if persons answering to the description of Andre, Felipe, Riaz, Marina and the strange woman had been seen to leave a train. An official who had been on duty for many hours told him that he had not seen them, and that if they had gotten off a train that entered the station he probably would have seen them.

Mike's disappointment and surprise in not meeting "Tommy Flannery" brought him close to a decision to abandon the chase and to strike out immediately for the "States." Although he could not understand why the young man had departed so abruptly from him in Vera Cruz, he felt reasonably confident that Jerry had a good excuse for his action, but he could think of no reason why he had not met him at the station.

"Maybe he didn't get my message," Mike said to himself after he had asked the price of a ticket to El Paso, "but I am sure I remembered the number he gave me and that I didn't make a mistake." The train he had in mind to take to the border did not leave until five o'clock in the afternoon, and, to satisfy himself and, incidentally, to "kill time," he went to the office of Thomas Wentworth.

"Have you been a young fellow named Tommy Flannery?" he asked of the old Gemini.

"Yes," answered Mr. Wentworth; "he was here yesterday, and left late in the afternoon for the north."

"Where did he go?"

"To Escalon."

Mike frowned. "Then he didn't get my wire, or else he didn't stick. Hell of a note!"

"You were to have met him here?"

"I wired him I was coming. My name is O'Connor, and—"

"Oh, Mr. O'Connor," interrupted Mr. Wentworth, "he told me to give you this note," which he took from his desk and handed to the engineer. Mike was visibly excited when he tore open the envelope, and after he read the contents and pocketed the \$200, his doubting eyes sparkled with a new enthusiasm.

"I thought I might 'a' been hasty in judgin' him," he said, half unconsciously of the old Gemini's presence, "and I guess this shows it. Still, I'm damned if I can understand what he's tryin' to do. Why couldn't he have told me somethin' definite about matters?"

A few minutes later he was briskly on his way to the railroad station, where he told the agent that he would not go all the way to El Paso, but would take a ticket to Jimenez. The thought of visiting Jerry had escaped his mind.

Mike felt convinced that the kidnapers and Marina had departed from Vera Cruz and that they had lost no time in proceeding to Jimenez. He

also accepted as fact that the day's trip from that place would bring them into the mountains. He wondered why they should go so far away from Vera Cruz and why they should not remain in some place of considerable size.

Mike figured that they had left their train before reaching the City of Mexico and caught a train for Jimenez at some other place than the central station. He also believed that they would depart from the capital at the earliest possible moment. His time table showed that they could have caught a train which preceded the one on which he traveled.

It was a little after seven o'clock when the train drew up at a small station. Mike looked at his schedule card and found that it was a "flag" station, and he went to the platform and watched another coach being added to the train. Considerable time was taken in switching to the main track, and he sat down on a truck to smoke his pipe. Just as he struck a match, which he afterwards thanked his lucky stars, did not light, he saw five persons—three men and two women—leave the dark little station and move briskly towards the added coach.

"It's thim!" he almost muttered to himself, his pipe falling from his hand, "and thank hiven they didn't see me! If I could only get word to Tommy to head 'em off! But I can't, and chances are he wouldn't get the word in time, anyway. But," darting around the station, "I'll take a chance." He was near the telegraph when the engine bell began to ring and the order to move was given. The time to write a message was too short, and, pulling his hat down over his eyes, he ran to the train.

The first thought that flashed across his mind after he was aboard was that either Andre or Felipe would go through the train with eyes fixed for either him or Jerry. The train had not proceeded far before he was talking with the conductor.

"I'd give almost anything to ride on an engine," said he. "I'm an engineer myself, but I've never seen the works on a locomotive afore. Is it possible for me to get in the cab?"

"It's in violation of an iron-bound rule for any passenger to ride in the cab," said the conductor.

"I'll tell you what I'll do," said Mike; "I'll give you the price of a suit of clothes if you can fix it for me." He drew a crisp note from his pocket and held it so that the poorly paid official could feast his eyes on it.

"I'll see what I can do for you," said the conductor, as he moved towards the engine. Mike followed him to the door and whispered in his ear:

"Try to get me on right away; I want to see things whin it ain't too dark."

Mike had just settled into a seat when the rear door of the coach opened. He drew his hat down over his eyes and appeared to be asleep, but he managed to cast a glance down the aisle. Wearing a cap well down over his eyes Andre came towards him. The stranger drew a glassful of water from the tank at the forward end of the car and then dropped into the fourth or fifth seat, three seats from Mike. He took a paper from his pocket and began to read as the conductor re-entered the coach. The official, a smile of pleasant anticipation on his lips, went to Mike and whispered: "I've fixed it. Come right along."

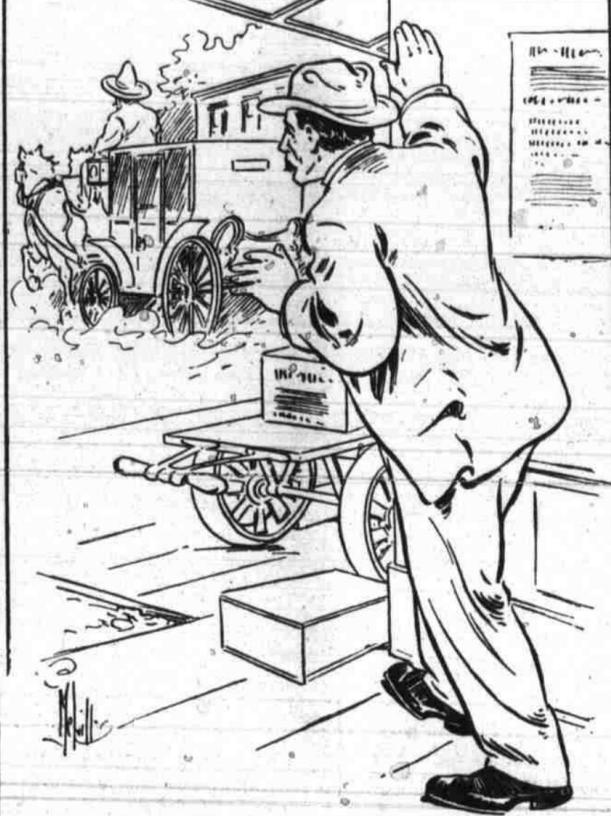
"Sh—! I've got a pain in my stomach now, and I think I'll wait till it's gone. I'll be there all right."

Fifteen minutes later Andre, his cap on the back of his head and his face wearing an expression of confidence, slowly went out of the coach.

"A pretty detective!" smiled Mike, as he sat up and passed back his hat. "You won't always be goin' about with your cap on the back of your head, my dandy, I can tell you that. Your name's what my father's was!"

Riding on a locomotive was not a novelty to Mike O'Connor, for he had "run" engines in the United States in his earlier days, and when he went to the cab the sensations were not strong enough to keep him from concentrating his whole mind on plans for the future. When he returned to the coach, after midnight, with an "invitation" to come back to the cab any time, he had decided to follow the five as far as he could get of Jimenez, to find out their hiding place, if possible, and then to communicate with "Tommy."

When the train reached Escalon he looked around for Jerry, and, while he would have given much to see him, he was glad that he was not at the station. Numerous delays added half a dozen hours to the running time, and Jimenez was not reached until after daylight. Mike was on the front platform when the train came to a stop at the station, and, after giving the engineer a bill, he got off and hastened to a building 50 feet away, stationing himself where he could see the full length of the platform. He remained



He Ran to the End of the Platform and Cast His Eyes After the Vehicle.

there until the train pulled out, and, to his great surprise, he had not seen the five occupants of the last coach get off. But as the last car swept past him he saw a carriage moving away from the other side of the track.

He ran to the end of the platform and cast his eyes after the vehicle, which soon was lost in the darkness. Then, not knowing what course to take, he approached a policeman and asked where the street led to.

"To the mountains," was the answer. "The city's down the other way."

"Was that a station conveyance that just went away?" he asked, and the officer eyed him closely.

"It doesn't ordinarily meet trains," was the answer. "Why did you want to know?"

"I thought maybe an old friend o' mine—Aurelio Zacate—was drivin'." He came all the way from the south to see him, and the last I heard o' him he was drivin' a rig here."

Before Mike had thought of hiring a cab and following the carriage the officer said something about its being one of the only two vehicles of the kind in the city. Knowing that he could do nothing further that night, he sat down on a box and engaged the officer in conversation. The policeman was a willing talker, for Mike had a bottle of extra fine whisky, which he extended often to him.

"They had conversed fully an hour, when a carriage came towards them."

"That's the carriage," said the policeman. "Is that your friend drivin'?"

"Aurelio didn't wear a mustache when I saw him last," said Mike, "and he didn't appear so skinny. The carriage couldn't have gone very far."

"No; perhaps not farther than the river—the Florida. Perhaps the people in the carriage took a small boat down the river. Many folks spend the hot weather down there."

"Any particularly attractive spots down the river?"

"Some beauties, but I don't think I'd go down there. Fifty miles southwest is pretty tough. We know of several gangs that have headquarters down that way, but we've never been able to locate them."

"There's a good deal o' mind around here, ain't there?"

"Yes; and northerners seem to be crazy about findin' a mine that was lost in a landslide 100 years ago down that way. But it's time thrown away and money wasted for the end of the rainbow. The mine—the San Dimas—may be down there, and it may not. There's a story that it was the best producer in all Mexico 200 years ago, but what's left of it now is buried so deep

that all the steamshovels in the universe could not get at it."

When Mike went to a cheap hotel that night he felt certain that the five had taken a boat for some point down the river, and, recalling that the captain of the yacht had mentioned a trip of about 24 hours, he calculated that their destination must be far down the stream. He also decided that he could accomplish but little alone, and that the first morning train should have him as a passenger back to Escalon, where he would try to locate "Tommy Flannery" and apprise him of the developments.

CHAPTER XXIII.

The Man with the White Whiskers.

"Is there something here for Rodney Graves?" asked Jerry Chambers of an elderly man in the office of the Mining and Smelting Company at Escalon, three minutes before the expiration of the 40 hours. He had been in the Chihuahuan town a few hours, but he had determined to wait until the last moment before calling for his instructions.

Robert Hallington of the College class of '68, and a wearer of the Pin of the Twins, cordially extended his hand and gave him the "grip."

"There is, just such an envelope as one I received many years ago," smiled Mr. Hallington, producing the instructions from his pocket.

"Haven't you received a telegram for me—Tom Flannery?" Jerry quickly asked, showing considerable concern.

"You—Flannery? Why, no. The envelope is all I have to give you."

"Strange," muttered Jerry, his brow knitting. "I was sure there would be a message here for me."

He soon was in the street, and his extreme disappointment in not receiving word from Mike O'Connor embodied fear that the engineer had forsaken him. In the shade of an awning he opened his envelope and read the following:

"Within 48 hours after you have received these instructions ye shall start in search of the lost San Dimas gold mine, supposed to be in the Sierra Madre mountains about 50 miles southwest of Escalon, not far from the source of the river Florida. Your beloved brothers in the Gemini, Robert Hallington and Thomas Wentworth, will direct ye to the trail over which many have passed in fruitless quest of hidden treasures; also, they will instruct ye in the method of procedure and provide all supplies which they may deem necessary. The one companion whom ye may have with ye, if ye desire to be accompanied in your exploring, shall be paid in Mexican currency the equivalent of \$150 a month in the money of the United States of America, and he shall be subject to no orders other than your own.

"It is the will of all Gemini that ye shall appear at 12 o'clock (noon) on the nineteenth day of September, 1906, at Montezuma street, El Paso, Texas,

for further instructions. In going to El Paso ye shall consume no more time than is necessary to make the trip in time to receive your further instructions. Proof that ye have labored honestly in your efforts to locate the lost San Dimas gold mine must be presented in exchange for the instructions which shall await ye in El Paso.

"May the spirit of Rodney Graves guide ye well and the love of all Gemini give ye new courage."

After re-reading the instructions Jerry went back to Mr. Hallington and asked about the trodden trail to the mountains. The old Gemini smiled knowingly and told him that within 24 hours he would be supplied with all possible information that he could provide.

"It will be an exceedingly interesting time for you," said Mr. Hallington. "Then you know all about it?"

"I know what has brought you to Escalon," returned Mr. Hallington.

Jerry had almost two days in which to prepare for the search for the lost gold mine. The question uppermost in his mind was the matter of selecting a companion. After reading the instructions in the City of Mexico he decided that Mike O'Connor should go with him, but now that he had not heard from the engineer and had decided that his services could not be counted on any longer, he felt he could do no better than to accept some experienced man suggested by Mr. Hallington.

Shortly after noon the next day, after he had learned much from Mr. Hallington relative to the trip into the mountains, he went to a restaurant with an appetite that could easily be satisfied. He sat at a table from which he could look into the street, and as he nibbled at his victuals his gloom was inexpressibly great. The coffee had just been brought to him when his eyes almost popped out of their sockets.

Casting his eyes from one side to the other, Mike O'Connor was moving slowly down the street. Jerry rapped on the window frame so excitedly that the waiter and other customers were startled. Mike did not see him until he called out at the top of his voice. A minute later the engineer, a smile lighting his rugged features, was grasping the almost ecstatically eager hand of Jerry Chambers. Mike sat down at the table and soon was trying to answer question after question that Jerry hurled at him.

"I told you I'd stick to the finish, didn't I, Tommy?" said Mike; "and I meant what I said."

"But what are you doing here?"

"I was with 'em till I got to Jimenez, and I know just about where they're cooped up now. Oh, proudly patting his chest, "an Athlon man knows how to do a thing or two."

"At Jimenez?"

"They got there last night and immediately shot off in a carriage to a small boat in the Florida river, on the edge of the town. They're in the mountains now, for sure, and they're right where things are as tough as whit-leather. I know the man that drove them from the station, and I know a copper who is familiar with that part of the country. He says it's infested with gangs o' criminals. I couldn't follow thim, and I figured you'd have to be with me in keepin' up the chase."

"By George," exclaimed Jerry, "but luck is still with us! To-morrow, Mike, you and little Tommy duck to the mountains. I'll pay you a hundred and fifty a month, U. S., and you don't have to handle a pick unless you—"

"Handle a pick?" exploded Mike.

"You see—that is, I'm going to try my hand at mining a bit—when we're not on their heels, of course," fumbled Jerry. "I've arranged with a local mining concern to make a few investigations in the mountains near the source of the Florida, and the money will be easy for both of us. Don't you see?"

"Why, that's where the copper said a lost gold mine was—the San some-thing or other. You're not after it, are you?"

"We can keep our eyes open for it," said Jerry. "But we are after them. Why, Mike, this whole thing is just like a novel, isn't it?"

"It is that," said O'Connor, "and there'll be some mighty excitin' readin' afore we reach the happy end, I can tell you."

Late that afternoon Jerry introduced Mike to Mr. Hallington and announced that he had selected him to accompany him on the trip of exploration. Towards dusk Jerry and Mike departed from Escalon for Jimenez on a freight train, the former being in possession of maps and orders on a merchant of Parral for provisions.

The first train out of Jimenez for Parral was not scheduled to leave until early the following morning, thus necessitating the remaining of the two in the town over night. That night Jerry and Mike hunted up the policeman whom the latter had met at the station and induced him to learn from the driver of the carriage, if possible, the ultimate destination of the kidnapers. The officer succeeded in lo-

calating the driver and learned that the five had taken a small boat and started in the direction of the village of Rio Florida, a mining camp about 45 miles up the river. This he communicated to Mike, who believed that they were at or near that village.

They had several hours to wait in Parral before they could take a train for the south. After they had obtained provisions for two weeks, a small tent, a few necessary cooking utensils and lanterns and picks they went to the station on the seat with the merchant's driver. Just before they reached the station Mike clutched Jerry's arm and brought his other hand to his mouth. His eyes were riveted to a man crossing the street a few yards away in front of the wagon, and he did not turn his head until the man, who wore white whiskers, went into a small store.

"It's old Riaz!" excitedly whispered Mike, when the two were at a window in the baggage room.

"Riaz—who is he?" questioned Jerry.

"The old codger I saw with Andre and Felipe in the Vera Cruz house, and who got into the carriage with the bunch at Jimenez. What do you suppose he is—" The man came out of the store with a basket on his arm, and Mike did not finish the sentence. O'Connor, tanned almost to the complexion of a Mexican, went into the waiting room and stood near the ticket-seller's window when the white-whiskered old man entered. He moved up a few feet as the man stepped to the window and took out his purse. Although Riaz spoke in a low tone, Mike's ear was keen enough to catch the word—"Rosario."

Then he went back to the baggage room, his eyes blazing with excitement, and whispered to Jerry:

"He is going to Rosario!"

CHAPTER XXIV.

The Old Man of the Adobe.

It would be too difficult to express the surprise and consternation of Jerry Chambers and Mike O'Connor when the train of two old-fashioned, well-worn coaches, in which the total number of passengers was less than 15, stopped at the mountain village of Rosario and Riaz did not get off. They were simply dumbfounded. True, they did not ride in the same coach with him, desiring to be together and not wishing to be seen together by him, but they were on the sharp lookout at every stop.

"He must 'a' floated out o' the window," said the mystified O'Connor, as the two stood on the platform and watched the train move southward. "The old terrier's a wizard, and simply made himself invisible."

"I'd take an oath he was on the train afore we pulled out of Paloma," said Jerry, "for I saw him doizin' in his seat, the basket at his side."

"But the train didn't stop between Paloma and Rosario," said Mike, "and the clip was too fast for him to get off. That fellow's a divil in white whiskers, Tommy, and— Here he stopped and his hand came down hard on his knee. "I know it now!" he exclaimed. "He looks as old as Methusalem, and a man o' his age has had enough time gettin' off a train that's standin' still. Riaz ain't an old man at all! He's a young divil in disguise, and he flipped from the rear end while the train was skimpin' along."

At the end of a few hours they had bought a small skiff and had it laden with their boxes and packages, and it was not long thereafter that Jerry was leisurely pulling down the narrow stream. While he rowed Mike did most of the talking, the subject of greatest interest, of course, being the mysterious disappearance of Riaz.

"If you're sure you saw him at Paloma," said Mike, "he can't be a million miles from Rosario, and where he is they are. I'd like to run into the whole bunch, but I'd hate for only us two to meet 'em face to face."

The sun had just sunk behind a distant mountain when the intersection of the two branches of the river was reached. To the right of Mike great ragged cliffs rose thousands of feet, and to his left mountains, blackish-green in spots, rolled far to the north. The skiff was grounded on the bank a few hundred feet below the fork, at a spot which promised a suitable place for the camp. The small tent was put up about 40 feet from the bank, behind a clump of bushes, which screened the view from the other side of the stream, and the boat was carried into the brush.

Both men were thoroughly tired when they lay down and smoked their pipes.

"Mike, this is the most secluded place on earth," said Jerry, after a long silence.

"Damned if I can't hear myself think," said Mike. "Wouldn't it be fine to turn a few owls loose and let a lost dog howl 'round here in the dead o' night?"

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We have it on good authority that negotiations are under way for a performance in our city about March 28, by that pleasing musical organization, The Schubert Symphony Club and Ladies Quartett, of Chicago. Many of our readers have heard this popular company and no doubt every one knows of the high favor in which its twenty years of success has placed it. The great variety and popular character of this company's program has endeared it to the hearts of music lovers. Their new program is said to be the best they have ever presented and no doubt their house will be large here if they are secured for an entertainment.

Some people go to church for the good they get out of it; some go to see and be seen, and some others go because they have no place else to go.

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For Sale.—Boy's saddle, almost new. Inquire at this office or phone 19.

BIG FIRE AT STANTON

Property Valued at Nearly Forty Thousand Dollars Destroyed

About 2 o'clock Monday morning fire broke out in the building occupied by Morrison & Morrison grain and feed store at Stanton. The flames spread rapidly and before being brought under control had destroyed property valued at \$39,650 on which insurance to the amount of \$18,950 is carried. The losses are as follows: Morrison & Morrison, grain and feed-stuff, \$4,500, insurance \$3,500; W. R. Clark, dry goods, \$1,400, insurance \$1,000; Stanton Realty company, \$50, no insurance; C. H. Vash, bedding and wearing apparel, \$50, no insurance; Wolf & Perry, groceries and racket store, \$1,000, insurance \$500; L. S. Vance, real estate office, \$500, no insurance; J. R. Whisenant, grocery, \$1,800, insurance \$500; Hamilton, O'Brien & Epley, hardware and furniture, \$15,000, insurance \$5,000; Dr. M. E. Campbell, rock building, \$6,500, insurance \$4,000; on office fixtures, instruments, etc., \$1,000, no insurance; Mrs. Konz, building, \$1,000, no insurance; Dr. J. R. Vance's building, \$2,000, no insurance; J. B. Hassen's building, \$800, insurance \$500; First National bank building, damaged \$300, fully insured; Crowder building, damaged \$250, fully insured.

To be pleased try the hot drinks served at Reagan's fountain.

Ingratitude—the Ingrate

A thief may be honest in some things; a dead-beat may have charity in his soul, but an ingrate has no redeeming traits. Ingratitude steals the nourishing bottle from the lisping infant; it tramples mother-love under foot, and steals out into the night and destroys flowers growing upon graves of the departed. Ingratitude knocks at your door on bleak and cold days, comes in and warms by your fireside and grows strong again by partaking of your food and wearing your clothes. It then pays the debt by lifting its head with a hiss and burying poisonous fangs in your back. Ingratitude begs medicine and food of you, and when it grows well again laughs at you because you were so easily fleeced. Ingratitude, trusted with honor, betrays it; trusted with virtue destroys it. The thief can reform, the sinner repent and the prodigal return, but the soul of the ingrate is dead, and the still small voice can not penetrate it.

If you want one of those beautiful lots at Carlsbad, New Mexico while they are cheap, see Miss Ezzell at the Enterprise office for price and terms.

A young man in New York has succeeded in engraving the "Lord's Prayer," on the head of a common pin. This would indicate that there ought to be room for it in more people's heads and hearts than it can now be found in.—Bonham News.

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The Advantages of Education

Two half-grown boys were sitting on a bale of cotton, straddling it, playing poker, the money in the game being represented by grains of corn, and each had an unlimited supply of unshelled ears behind him.

"Ah bets you a hundred," said Muse.

"Ah raises you a fousand," answered Jim.

"Ah raises you a millyun."

"Taint enuff, yo is raised a trillyun."

Jim scratched his head, wrinkled his brow and skinned his cards over in dire perplexity. Finally he said in deep disgust:

"Ah nevah knowed dat 'rithmetic beat a full house befoah. Take it you edicated tater-biter!"—New York Telegraph.

Some men seem to have to bet or swear to make people believe what they say. You should not cheapen your reputation in that way. Make your word good and don't have to swear to prove it. Have men believe what you say because you say it, not because you swear to it.

J. O. Gibson, the tailor, in the front basement of the Ward building, makes a specialty of cleaning and pressing clothing. 22-1f

The Reformation of One of Fashion's Pets

SHE was born to wealth and brought up in the lap of luxury, and in the days of her young girlhood she had never known food in any other form except the ready-to-masticate.

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But she couldn't cook. She could foretell, with exact precision, the coming styles in feminine headgear. She could plan and carry to a successful termination an "in honor of" party; but she couldn't mix the necessary ingredients calculated to satisfy the aching void in a man's stomach.

This pet of fashion fell in love with and, notwithstanding the objections of her wealthy parents, married a poor boy. They came west to make their fortune and settled in Big Springs. It was at this time her lack of knowledge of kitchen machinery became painfully noticeable. Her biscuits were referred to by her lord and master as dum-dum balls and her coffee slop.

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NEWS FROM OVER TEXAS

The four mills of the United States represent fixed investments of about \$200,000,000.

An alligator dinner may be well enough provided the alligator is not doing the dining.

What has become of the man who used to be a skeptic about the value of wireless telegraphy?

The value of horses in the United States is estimated at two billions. The auto is not king yet.

Kansas City man undertakes to prove that whisky is not a cure for snake bite. Mean disposition, that man has!

Oklahoma woman has 361 ways of cooking corn. And yet she may not know of one good way to cook parmpis.

In awarding praise for the recent ocean life-saving performance, don't forget the man who invented the water-tight compartment.

In view of Marconi's service to the race, this would not be an opportune time to indulge invidious reference to the people we get from Italy.

Perhaps the wireless telegraph will eventually be our long-hoped-for method of communicating with Mars and other interesting places in this neighborhood.

Apparently we are to have a revival of the old press stories of the stage which have done such yeoman service. Another actress has torn up a bunch of real money in mistake.

The newspapers of Rome publish enthusiastic praise of the heroism of the Russian sailors who landed at Messina to rescue survivors as they could, and recommend that the city of Rome confer medals on them.

Plaster portraits are the fashionable form of "counterfeit presentment" in London. They are done in the form of miniature busts or bas-reliefs at the low price of half a guinea (\$2.50) apiece.

An elephant in New York seized a pitchfork from his keeper's hands and tried to beat him with it. It is to be feared an elephant like this will have to be sent to join the ranks of the nature fakers.

The Illinois man who dropped dead when he was whipping a colt was not overcome by his physical exertions, but by his violent rage. The man who whips a horse is invariably a man with a bad temper not under decent control.

A man in Philadelphia is suing his wife for divorce because she has a soul affinity on another planet. Although he does not explicitly say so in his complaint, every one will naturally infer that his hated rival is the man from Mars.

A remarkable case, unique in the history of all consular corps of the world, is that of the American consul at Gibraltar. Mr. Sprague is the third successive generation of his family to hold the post of consul, his grandfather and his father having held it before him.

There is a difference of opinion as to whether or not Mepekik, head czar-kaiser-speaker of Abyssinia, is dead. We should think the simplest way to find out would be to ask him. Of course, he isn't easily approached, but there should be some way of getting the question to him and letting him settle it.

Unlike the creations of the millinery establishments, it fortunately happens that the old hat on the masculine head is reckoned just as good as new by the great majority of mankind. This will help mitigate the embarrassment that would otherwise come from a general and prolonged strike in the hatters' establishments.

Notwithstanding the financial stringency, the Young Men's Christian association had one of its most prosperous periods last year. Eighty-four new buildings, costing \$10,000,000, were opened, and work on as many more is now in progress. As the spirit of co-operation is growing among Christian workers of all denominations, the association is likely to expand more rapidly in the present century than in the last.

Civilization will never achieve the accidentless sea voyage, but the wireless telegraphy comes as near to that end, apparently, as human ingenuity can devise. A half century ago, such results would have been looked on as little less than a miracle. A couple of centuries ago its inventor would have been in danger of the stake as possessed of demonaical power. Yet some people still declare that the world is steadily getting worse in every respect.

This is the season of skating accidents. People ought to recognize the well-known fact that no river is ever safe in all parts. A skater should always approach new ice carefully on the lookout for airholes and this spots.

Newsboys need not be greatly alarmed lest the newly devised slot machine for selling newspapers shall interfere with their business. The machine will not chase possible patrons along the streets or climb after them into street cars.

There are eight applications for Confederate pensions pending before the county court of Grayson.

There are three bank guaranty bills pending in the lower house of the Missouri Legislature. All have secured their second reading.

A. B. Patterson & Co., of Greenville, the largest shippers of poultry and eggs in the South, shipped six carloads of eggs to New York last week, comprising 2,595 cases.

Five persons were killed Wednesday and seventy-eight injured, twenty-eight seriously, by the collapse of a floor in a hall where lots were being drawn for conscription, at Valencia, Spain.

The Southern squad of trap-shooters who gave an exhibition in Dallas Wednesday are to make a tour of the Western States. From Dallas they went to Sulphur, Okla., where they will be engaged for a week.

Over \$1,750,000 is to be expended in the erection of eight buildings in Dallas. This represents structures ranging up to eight stories in size, the majority of which are to be of steel and fireproof construction.

Gov. Campbell Monday appointed as Judge of the Sixty-Ninth District Court, created by the Thirty-First Legislature, David Bennett Hill, of Dalhart, and to be District Attorney, J. C. O'Bryan, of Channing.

The Kilgore State bank was robbed Friday morning at 10 o'clock. The vault doors were blown open and between \$3,000 and \$4,000 taken. Residents were aroused by the explosion, but the gang made good their escape.

Amos Taylor and Briscoe Long, negroes, tried Friday in the criminal district court in Dallas on charges of robbery in connection with the snatching of a purse, were given twenty and seven years, respectively.

Will A. Holford, editor of the Garland News, was a visitor in Dallas Monday and brought with him assurances that the citizens of Garland, to a man, are determined upon securing an interurban line to Dallas.

At the town of Leuderg, sixteen miles below Stamford, there was a pitched battle between some negroes and Mexicans Monday night, as a result of which one Mexican was killed and one Mexican and a negro wounded.

Robert Hillmisch, a motor cyclist who started from Paris, France, six months ago on a tour around the world, arrived in New Braunfels, Tex., Friday, for a day's rest. He is due in Paris in February, 1911, and is in the lead of eight others.

All the beer and whisky that was seized by the officers in the raids at Honey Grove some months ago, has been declared the property of the state by the district court, now in session in Bonham. There is about a car load to be destroyed.

President Charles W. Elliott of Harvard University addressed an audience of 1000 persons Monday afternoon at the Dallas high school, where, to meet the distinguished educator, the public school teachers of the city tendered a public reception.

A telegram received Monday afternoon in Dallas from Robt. Gibson, secretary of the Interstate Cotton Seed Crushers' Association, conveyed the intelligence that the next annual meeting of the association will be held in Memphis, Tenn., on May 18, 19 and 20.

Recent investigations have proven that there is an enormous deposit of brick-making shale in Jacksboro, West of the town, on the line of the Gulf, Texas and Western railway, now building, there are large beds of fine fire clay.

The ladies of the Department Club of Childress are figuring with several contracting firms for the erection of steel fire escapes on both the school buildings in the city. The club has raised the money to carry out the work.

Isham Randolph, who accompanied Mr. Taft to Panama, says that ships will sail through the canal by Jan. 1, 1914.

Four prolonged earthquake shocks were felt during Sunday night at Elche, in Alicante Province in Spain but no damage was done.

Land owners and residents of the coast country are jubilant. They claim that the recent cold wave which swept along the coast was worth thousands of dollars to them and that they are now assured that the orange and fig industries are safe ventures.

Spencer Vandeverter of Bastrop has received advices from the North that his brother, Judge Vandeverter, of the Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals has been tendered the place of Secretary of the Treasury in President Taft's cabinet, and has accepted.

Steps to place the State of Texas in the way of obtaining possession of the grounds and buildings at Fort Clark for a State tuberculosis sanitarium will be taken at this session of Congress in Washington.

The civil service commission at Washington announces that civil service examinations will be held at Dallas, Houston, San Antonio, El Paso, Waco, Austin and Brownsville March 10 and 11 to obtain eligibles for appointment as civil engineers in the Philippines at salaries ranging from \$1,400 to \$2,000.

"Nails are a mighty good thing—particularly finger nails—but I don't believe they were intended solely for scratching, though I used mine largely for that purpose for several years. I was sorely afflicted and had it to do. One application of Hunt's Cure, however, relieved my itch and less than one box cured me entirely." J. M. WARD, Index, Texas.

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Legislative News Letter.

Special Correspondence.
Austin, February 24th—The announcement of Speaker Kennedy of the House to the effect that party platform demands will in the future have the right of way over other legislation, the re-energization of the Thomas lobbying sensation, with the appointment of a committee to investigate these charges, and a mild discussion of the lobbying question in the House, were the most interesting features of the week in legislative circles.

Speaker Kennedy flatly told the column that they must pay more attention to the Democratic Platform demands and party pledges and the speaker is in a position to make his word bring forthspeed. So far not one of the platform demands has been enacted into law. Though not strictly a platform demand, the bank deposit guaranty bill is a party pledge. There will be a fight on the floor of the House on this measure, since it is to be reported adversely by the majority of the committee and favorably by a minority.

The charges of Senator Thomas that there has been one thousand specific violations of the anti-lobby law, came in the foreground again when the investigation committee reported. Senator Thomas reiterated his charges so the Senate decided that a regular investigation, with witnesses and all other adjuncts, should be made. A committee and official stenographers to take testimony were appointed and the hearing began Tuesday night. Senator Thomas has employed Monta J. Moore of Cameron as counsel to represent him at investigation. Whether or not Senator Thomas will be able to make good his charges remains to be seen. Interest in this matter is over shadowed by other, more important, affairs of legislation.

Before the adjournment of the session, which lasted for March 13th the Commercial Secretaries had shopped to show the members the Capitol grounds made beautiful by planting every variety of tree that Texas produces in the grounds. Arrangements had been made to carry out this plan on February 25th, but owing to complications, not altogether clear, the plan has been abandoned. The offer to furnish the trees, free of cost, was at first accepted and latter declined. A request to allow former president Eliot of Harvard, who will be here on February 25th to plant a walnut or pecan tree in honor to the memory of Governor Hogg was also declined. The Commercial Secretaries therefore called off the program.

The legislative week has been one of the busiest and most important of the session. At least 60 bills have been passed, some of them important but the majority of a local nature. Feeling that they had earned a rest, the members Friday night betook themselves to Galveston for a two days outing. During the busy session, the House took a little time to discuss lobbying, though not in a very serious vein. The upshot of the matter was the passage of a resolution calling upon the speaker to enforce the rules strictly. The rules bar all persons except members, clerks and newspaper men from the floor during the sessions.

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Nothing uncertain about the work of Doan's Kidney Pills in Big Springs. There is plenty of positive proof of this in the testimony of citizens. Such evidence as this should convince the most skeptical doubter. Read the following statement.

Lee Powell, living in the southern part of Big Springs, Texas, says: "I don't know as I had any kidney trouble, but Doan's Kidney Pills which I got at J. L. Ward's drug store, relieved me of a bad case of lameness across my back and loins. There was a constant throbbing ache and although I did not stop work, there was many a time I felt like lying down. The secretions were very irregular in their action and were accompanied by a scalding sensation. Since using one box of Doan's Kidney Pills these symptoms have entirely disappeared. I think this remedy fine for just such cases as mine."

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Program C. P. B. and P. Class
Sunday, February 28, the following program will be rendered at the Cumberland Presbyterian church at 2:30:

Subject—The Gospel in Samaria.

Lesson text—Acts 8:14-25.
Leader—R. E. McCain.
Song.
Prayer.

What Part Did Saul Have in the Persecution of the Christian Church?—Miss Byrnic Lee.

How Should Christians Treat Foreign Unbelievers so as to Win Them to Christ?—R. E. Barker.

What Does This Lesson Teach About Foreign Missions?—Miss Sadie Harwell.

Recitation—Miss Ada Rutherford.

Questions on Lessons—Otto Schaefer.

Song.
Benediction.

Money

Coal and Wood is money. It takes this for us to get it and we are not allowed to touch it until we pay for it, and therefore, we have got to sell for CASH, and all orders for coal or wood in dollars will be charged 25 cents drayage extra. Please bear this in mind and pay drivers on delivery.

STONE & CARPENTER. ABNEY & WRIGHT.

There will be a manufacturers department at the National Feeders and Breeders Show to be held in Fort Worth March 13th to 20th, which will be well worth visiting. This is a distinct departure from the policy of previous years and one which will meet the hearty approval of all those farmers who are interested in knowing just what the goods are which are so extensively advertised. Not only have the manufacturers of Fort Worth taken extensive space in the Coliseum for exhibiting their goods, but correspondence from outside sources prove that the departure is creating a widespread interest.

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Maybe it hasn't been cleaned for two or three years and needs attention.

Bring it in and we will make it new—or as good as when it was new.

We have the equipment todo all kinds of repair work and take pride in doing it right.

Our prices are no higher than elsewhere, in fact they are less, because we repair to stay repaired.

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Druggists and Jewelers.

We don't know about there being microbes in kissing, but we do know it is unhealthy if her father catches you at it.



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tell you personally why the cement we sell is the best in the world. There are so many reasons that it would require a page to enumerate them. A single trial, however, will show you many of these reasons at a glance. First, you will notice that you do not require as much of it to secure the same result. Second, you will notice that it works easier and hardens quicker than ordinary cement. You will agree that with these qualities it's cheaper than any you have ever before used. These are reasons that speak for themselves and do not require a brass band to convince you.

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when harmony is lacking. A piano without fine tonal quality is worse than none at all. Conversely, all musical delights are situated in such instruments as the BUSH & GERTS Pianos and Organs. If you want to invoke sweet strains, make your selection of a piano or organ at

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A farmer who was on intimate terms with his merchant sent him the following bits of news considerably mixed with an order for goods. "Send me a sack of flour, five pounds of cofe and one lb of tee. My wife gave birth to a big baby boy last night also five pounds of oose starch, a screw driver and a fly trap. It weighed ten pounds and a straw hat and they say it looks just like his pa and a hunk of bacon.—Ex.

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