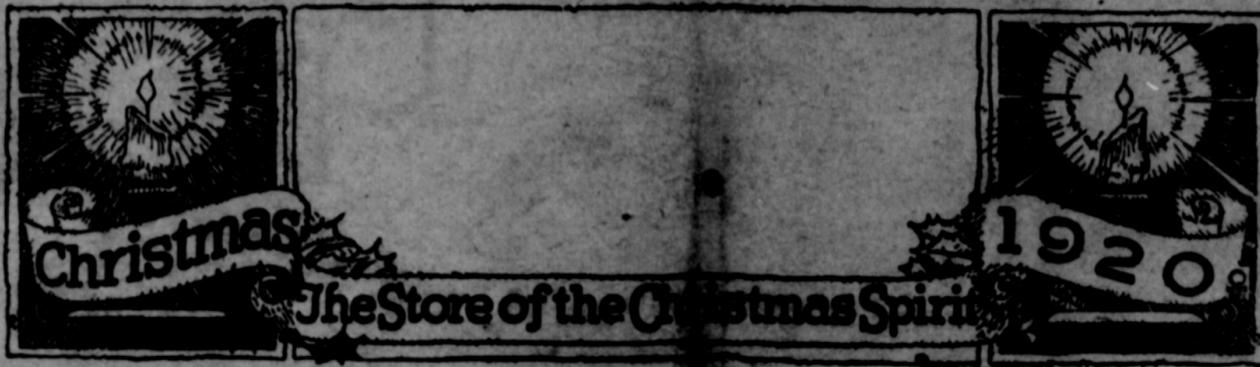


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Progress of Lubbock County is Interesting

(Continued from last week.)

And then too, the county will have a great deal more money for such work another year than ever before, by reason of the advance in the valuations placed on lands this year, which taxes will be collected largely in January and February of the coming year.

Some of our neighboring counties have voted bonds to be used in building and working their roads but all the road work and machinery for road work in this county has been done and purchased out of the regular county revenue. A remarkable record.

Next year, and I presume for the years to come, by reason of having a great deal more money with which to operate, and for the further reason that machinery for road work has been provided and much of the roads having already been worked, a much greater showing can be made in placing our roads at the head of good roads in this section of the State.

But as suggested above the problem of building and maintaining good roads in this county, by reason of the peculiar conditions of soil of the county, its uneven texture and the prevalence of sand pockets, is a serious one. The county should, as soon as the valuations will justify such a move, vote bonds for the purpose of constructing and hard surfacing our system of designated highways throughout the county, for they are so situated as that they would serve very adequately the larger portion of the county, and the lateral roads could then be constructed to meet these designated through highways as the county funds would justify. I do not believe that it will be possible to maintain in this county a system of good roads other than the hard surface road.

With this in view this court has already done some preliminary work. It secured the services of a Government highway builder of much experience to come here and make a survey of the road building material in the county. We have had also the State highway engineers here at different times with the same thing for consideration. From their investigations and reports, it appears that the county has an abundance of road material if properly selected and applied by and under the direction of an expert in such matters, with which to construct permanent roads at the proper time for undertaking such work.

The court has been dividing the road and bridge funds and highway funds equally between the four commissioners' precincts. This year by order the court divided the fund on basis of the property found in each precinct and requested the assessor to separate it in that way, and this was done. But a close check has not been kept on these funds, and I would recommend that at each term of the court hereafter the amount spent by each precinct be footed up and totaled on the docket and this total added to the succeeding month's total until any one precinct has about used its pro rata of such funds, in which case no further bills be allowed for that precinct except in emergency cases.

Taxes.

Valuations of the county have increased materially during the four years, not because of any raise in values by the commissioners' court, but from the natural and healthy growth of the county.

The tax problem is always with us. It is a vexing one. Some years ago, and before this county administration came into existence, the commissioners' court fixed the value to be placed upon land for tax purposes at \$7 per acre. This value on land has remained for the four years just closing until the present year. The commissioners' court decided that a raise in land values should be made, called a mass meeting of representative citizens from different sections of the county. I sent letters to a number of men in every school district, calling attention to the meeting and inviting them and others to come. This meeting was called for the purpose of having them advise with the commissioners' court in this matter. The meeting was held in the county court room and was largely attended, there being men from all sections of the county. The practically unanimous opinion of the meeting was that a raise should be made in land values for tax purposes and \$12 was the figure at which land should be taken per acre. But it must be remembered that this court will not use any of this money for the taxes for the present year will not be paid until this court shall have passed out. The new court will get the increase of taxes and this amount to perhaps one-third more than this court has ever had which to conduct the affairs of the county. This will enable the incoming court to do a great deal more for the material progress of the county, than has been possible for the present court, in the matter of road building and other internal improvements. Prices too, in all probability, both of material and labor will be largely reduced so as to help materially in the same line.

Personal property for tax purposes has remained at about the same level as before this court came on the scene and took charge of the affairs of the county.

The tax rate, notwithstanding that prices of labor and material were probably from 100 to 150 per cent in excess of what they were four years ago, and notwithstanding the added

burdens on this court in the matter of caring for bond issues, county agents' salaries, and road machinery, court house completion and other matters that no court of the county ever had before, has remained about the same. In the fall of 1916 this court assumed the duties incumbent upon it in county matters, and the tax rate was 65 cents on the \$100 valuation. In 1918 it was 60 cents on the \$100 valuation, and in 1919 and 1920 it was and is 65 cents on the \$100 valuation. This tax rate has been maintained at practically no higher level than it was the year preceding this court's advent, and yet the burden of carrying on the county business has been much greater than ever before.

I regard it as little short of remarkable that the present court has been able to carry on as much internal improvement as it has in working roads, opening up roads, providing machinery and men to run the machinery in working roads, maintaining county agents, paying largely increased prices for labor and material, taking care of the county bonds, completing the court house and inaugurating other matters for the benefit of the people of the county with practically no increase in tax values or tax rates. The court has shown itself capable from every standpoint in the administration of county affairs and in the handling of the business of the county with as little money as it has had at its command, so successfully, and under circumstances and conditions the like of which had never before prevailed in the county. You are to be congratulated.

Paving.

When the city voted bonds for the purpose of paving the down town section and the streets surrounding the court house property, the court decided to pave its pro rata part of the streets alongside the county property and issued \$23,000 of serial warrants for that purpose and contracted with the Panhandle Construction Company to do the work, which is now in progress.

County Parks.

After a vote upon the proposition throughout the county, the court has provided for two county parks—one located to the east and adjoining the corporation limits of the city of Lubbock and consisting of eighty acres of land, running down into the canyon, which gives a very pretty natural effect for park purposes, and the other within the corporation limits of the city of Slaton and consisting of twelve acres. Deeds to this property have been acquired and the process of improving these parks for the benefit of the public is now under way.

To provide for the purchase and improvement of these parks the court issued serial warrants to the amount of \$22,000. In the park at Lubbock provision has been made for taking care of the annual fair fostered by this and other South Plains counties. Ball Parks are also provided for in the parks at Lubbock and Slaton. The purpose of the court is to make each of these parks a recreational beauty spot for the good of the people of the county and those who may visit us. Lubbock County was the pioneer in this field and editorial notice of this has been taken by the Dallas News and other metropolitan papers of the State. No other county so far as I know, has provided such parks for its people. Our county is setting the pace in this regard as well as in other commendable respects. And in the years to come the people of the county will highly appreciate the provision that has been made at a time when something could be done at a cost reasonable to the people for their recreation and enjoyment.

The two parks are now conservatively worth \$30,000, and when properly laid out, planted in trees and flowers, lakes provided for boating, driveways established and other provisions made according to the plans already adopted by this court looking to the comfort of the people when they visit these parks, they will become a great gathering place for the people of the county for social pleasure and recreational enjoyment.

Population.

The population of the county has materially increased within the last four years, making necessary a readjustment of voting places and the creation of new voting places for the convenience of the people. This was done. And new justice precincts have been created. New offices have come into existence, viz: District Clerk, Tax Collector and County Superintendent. The court created the office of County Superintendent only a few days ago.

With the increase of population have come a number of questions for consideration and decision by this court, and with a view to the best interests of the county, and looking to the future, the court has endeavored to lay out a program that will meet the expanding needs of a rapidly growing county.

Other Matters.

The court has provided at no cost to the organization, office, light, heat, water and sewer accommodations for the Chamber of Commerce. Has provided the same for the local chapter of the Red Cross. Also a rest room for women. It has furnished at a nominal rental offices for housing the city officials of Lubbock, and the Assessor and Collector of Taxes for the independent school district, and provided an office for the Local Board during the war.

The county officials have all been courteous and have worked together in harmony, petty jealousies and attempting to interfere with other's duties have had no place in the official family.

Incidental to his duties as a county official, the county judge was designated by the proper authority to manage all Liberty Loan campaigns except the first one, had charge of Thrift and Junior Red Cross work in the schools; has aided a number of soldiers in getting their pay from the government on their return home, did considerable work in assisting the matter of carrying out the registration requirements; secured for a number Confederate pensions, and assisted others in getting treatment at the Carlsbad Sanitarium.

Recommendations.

The county should at the earliest time that conditions will justify, consider the matter of constructing through reasonable and yet ample bond issues permanent hard surface roads, at least over the State designated highways, one of which No. 9, enters the county at Abernathy and passes through Lubbock and on to Tahoka; another, No. 7, enters the county at the southeast corner and runs through Slaton and Lubbock and up the railroad to the northwest corner of the county and on to Clovis; the other No. 18, enters the county east of Idalou, follows the railroad to Idalou, and then by Canyon into Lubbock, thence down the railroad in the direction of Brownfield. These roads are so situated with reference to all parts of the county that the greater portion of the people of the county will have more or less access to them for purposes of business and pleasure. Then the main lateral roads should be cared for, as conditions will justify. Such a movement will be an investment of the greatest possible returnable value to the county.

The county parks should be brought to the highest efficiency as recreational places for the people by beautifying them along the plans already adopted by the court as rapidly as possible. The court yard should be leveled and set in grass as quickly as possible. The city should meet the court half way here, and furnish the water for caring for the court lawn free. It should be a matter of city pride as well as one of county pride.

A better system of road dragging should be devised. Too much uncertainty attaches to the present system, and it is too costly. And yet dragging is the life-blood of roadways in this county once they are built.

Hoosier, Sealy, Pathe, Majestic, Cole's, Free, Red Star, Charter Oak, Lloyd's, Patton Sun Proof, Overland, Claxonola, 1892, New Perfection, Simmons. Figure this out and get a valuable prize. HOWERTON'S.

Convincing stock salesmen are gathering in Liberty Bonds at market value in trade for securities they assert will give more income. But the fact that they are so anxious to trade is evidence their pictures of dazzling dividends are merely painted for the buyer; otherwise why should they give securities they declare pay 10 to 20% for Liberty Bonds paying slightly more than 5%? The answer is that they believe the Liberties to be the bet!

110 MUSIC PIECES TO GIVE HARMONY

Dallas, Texas.—State Fair of Texas officials had made preliminary arrangements when they planned construction of barracks to house the great Estado Mayor Band from Mexico to take care of one hundred men members of the great band. It now develops that there will be one hundred and seventeen pieces of music in this wonderful organization.

The Estado Mayor Band is sent from Mexico City by the Mexican Republic as official recognition by that republic of the great State Fair of Texas, the thirty-fourth annual exposition of which swings its doors October 9 for a sixteen days' show.



Daily afternoon and evening concerts will be given by this remarkable assemblage of musicians.

Persons who have heard this band of over 100 pieces declare the music which it gives forth is in no sense band music. More than that, they declare, it is a combination of band music and orchestra music, bursting forth in one great crescendo of harmony from so many instruments. Inquiries which have been received by State Fair of Texas officials concerning concerts to be given at the state's interest is being taken in its approaching this band show that nation-wide thirty-fourth exposition.

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK SAYS 753,960 BOUGHT FOURTH LIBERTY BONDS

Dallas, Texas.—When the Fourth Liberty Loan Drive was on in the Eleventh Federal Reserve District, 753,960 persons bought bonds, according to Dinsmore W. Hume, Savings Director of Dallas. The entire amount, value, of 3 1/2% bonds then bought was \$145,988,625. Interest on these bonds is due semi-annually, the next payment coming October 15, 1920. At that time the interest to be paid will be \$3,102,231.15. A like sum will be payable on March 15, 1921. Regret has been expressed in banking circles that many bond owners have never presented their interest coupons for payment, as is contemplated by the government.

DESIRE SAVINGS TAUGHT TO TEXAS SCHOOL PUPILS

The Texas Congress of Mothers and Parent-Teachers' Association has pledged its undivided support to the Government Savings Division in getting the fundamental principles of thrift and savings taught in Texas schools. Mrs. E. A. Watters of Fort Worth, president of the Congress, has advised Dinsmore W. Hume of Dallas, Federal District Director of the Government Savings Division, that she believes every school child should be taught these lessons in school which will so materially contribute to its opportunities for success and progress in life. Texas school children alone now own more than \$13,000,000 of Thrift Stamps and War Savings Stamps.

HOLD YOUR LIBERTY BOND FOR SAME REASON YOU BOUGHT IT

"Whatever your motive for buying Liberty Bonds," says Scribner's Magazine, "the same motives should impel you to manage your investment thoughtfully. Usually selling bonds is unwise as well as unpatriotic. If money is needed for an emergency, money can be borrowed at the bank, with the bond as security. If selling a Liberty Bond can not be avoided, sell it through a banker or broker of known integrity, who has facilities for handling it at very small cost."

"He who spends more than he earns treads the path thieves have trod since the invention of jails; only luck can keep him from reaching its end. Live within your income; give your dollars a chance to work for you. Thrift Stamps, War Savings Stamps and Registered Treasury Savings Certificates are within the reach of every one not on the thief's road."

The laborer works for his money; the capitalist's money works for him. Put \$4.20 in a War Savings Stamp and be a capitalist.

The American people spend more money annually for tobacco and chewing gum than the entire issue of Liberty Bonds.



MICKIE SAYS

NO, SIR, MICHAEL O'BRIEN YOU CAN'T GO DOWN TO THE TRAIN TO GATHER NEWS ITEMS FOR THE PAPER, FOR YOU'RE GOING TO CHURCH WITH ME. I SHOULD THINK YOU'D GET ENOUGH OF THAT PRINTING OFFICE DURING THE WEEK WITHOUT HAVING IT ON YOUR MIND ALL DAY SUNDAY!



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One Calotab on the tongue at bed time with a swallow of water—that's all. No salts, no nausea nor the slightest interference with your eating, pleasure or work. Next morning your cold has vanished, your liver is active, your system is purified, and you are feeling fine, with a hearty appetite for breakfast. Druggists sell Calotabs only in original sealed packages, price thirty-five cents. Your money will be cheerfully refunded if you do not find them delightful.—(Adv.)



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Christmas Circus



Crape paper offers any number of good opportunities for making Christmas gifts, especially for the children. Printed figures of wild, or of domestic animals, are cut out, to make menageries or familiar barnyard friends, that delight the youngsters. The pictures are pasted over stiff cardboard and then cut out, following the outline of the animal, but leaving a straight piece to provide a support.

Gift Bags of Ribbons



Plain satin, satin with picot edges and handsome brocaded ribbons in great variety, or silks go to make up the lovely shopping and opera bags designed for the holidays. Mountings of metal or composition, to harmonize with the patterns, and ornaments, including silk cord, beads, pendants, and silk-covered forms, are all at hand to help in the finishing of these gifts.

Pretty Breakfast Caps



Every dear lady, young or old, has a right to expect that Santa Claus will bring her a pretty new breakfast cap. Three of this year's models, all easy to make, are shown in the picture and they employ ribbons, net laces and flowers, as usual.

Sachets as Gifts



Among little gifts, that always please dainty women, are sachets. A series of gayly colored satin bags, tied with narrow ribbons and pinned to a wider band with tiny safety pins,

make a gift worth while, each bag ready to be transferred to the clothing. Another sachet is heart-shaped, edged with narrow ribbon frills and three little bags are surmounted by a tiny doll.

Furbelows for Maids



Many a fair maid will rejoice in such new and smart furbelows of ribbon as are pictured here, when Christmas brings her remembrances. Here is a collar, vestee and girdle with a bag to match that are irresistible. This garniture for the waist is made of striped ribbon—showing the glowing colors in Roman stripes.

The girdle is knotted at the left side and hangs in two pointed ends. The bag is drawn up and suspended by narrow satin ribbon, has a silk ornament, like those on the collar, at the bottom.

Gifts Suited to Everybody



A handkerchief or a tie case, or a pair of ribbon-covered shoe-trees make gifts suited to either men or women. The tie case pictured is a length of ribbon folded envelope fashion and bound with gold braid. The handkerchief case employs narrow satin ribbon joined by fancy braid. Satin ribbon is shirred over the shoe-trees.

The Christmas Candle



Every Christmas brings its new candle and lamp shades that do so much to make the house gay and please their recipients. Parchment, silk, ribbons and crepe paper are used for making these gifts. The lovely shade pictured is made of crepe paper.

KEEPING WELL MEANS A CONSTANT FIGHT AGAINST CATARRH

Many illnesses may be described as a catarrhal condition. Coughs, colds, nasal catarrh, stomach and bowel disorders are just a few of the very common ills due to catarrh.

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DISLIKE SONS TO GROW UP BEAUTY MARSHALED FOR CZAR

Few Mothers Welcome the Time When Their Boys Go Out into the Hard World.

Almost every mother keeps her boy in "knee pants" just as long as she can; she hates to see him becoming a man, for she feels that he is getting away from her.

A mother sees only with reluctance the boy pass from the love and care and peace with which she has surrounded him, out into the world of pitiless endeavor in which he must play his part.

The mother's selfish fondness discloses itself in the ludicrous child's garment and the worn-out, home-bred horse with which she sends forth the would-be knight. These are to the modern analytical mind painfully symbolic of the unconscious interference on the part of parents with the proper adult equipment of their children for an independent life. Their apparent fondness conceals the unconscious wish that the child will find himself unequipped for the greater world and compelled to turn back to the shelter.

—New York Medical Journal.

Fruit of Questioning.
"Date?"
"Peach!"
"Ah! a pair."

Russian Monarch Selected Bride From the Prettiest Maidens of Land Over Which He Ruled.

In Russia, in the Sixteenth century, the choice of a bride for the czar was made from all the pretty girls of the country. Ivan, who ruled 1530-1584, being ready for a wife, ordered all the beautiful girls in the country to come to Moscow. Preliminary contests were held in each province, and candidates selected. In the majority of cases the contestants were delighted with the chance to go to Moscow, and still more delighted with hope of becoming ruler of Russia. An immense hall was built and, on the day of the choosing, 1,500 of the most beautiful girls in Russia were ready to contest for Ivan's favor.

Accompanied by an aged courtier the czar strolled through the hall, all the girls smiling shyly or openly at his highness as he passed them. After a process of elimination was gone through with, Anastasia, daughter of an ancient but poor family, was chosen, and was made empress of 50,000,000 people forthwith.

The Author's Advantage.
"Girlie, I'm going to put you in a story." "As the heroine?" "Depends on how you treat me."

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liver and straighten you up better and quicker than nasty calomel and without making you sick, you just go back and get your money. If you take calomel today you'll be sick and nauseated tomorrow; besides, it may salivate you, while if you take Dodson's Liver Tone you will wake up feeling great, full of ambition, and ready for work or play. It's harmless, pleasant and safe to give to children; they like it.—Adv.

Three Generations



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The Kitchen Cabinet

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As Summer's handmaid, faring homeward late, Set down her burden at the palace gate. Came Autumn, dallying along the road, Snatched up the basket with its priceless load And, at a sudden whim, about the land Tossed gold and jewels with a reckless hand.

—Harriet Whitnet Symonds.

SANDWICHES.

The variety of bewildering sandwiches which are being brought to our notice are good and some of them are super-good. The time-honored ham sandwich, which you could bite, is not now the sandwich which is so popular. The ham sandwich of the day is thin and pink as to ham and the bread cut like a wafer and spread with the best of butter.

The open sandwiches, so-called because they are but one piece of bread, are especially attractive and may be cut in circles, diamonds, crescents or any form desired, then the filling placed on top and pretty little designs of olives, nuts and various vegetables and sweets may decorate them.

Nuts make excellent sandwich fillers. English walnuts or peanuts chopped not too fine and mixed with thick cream well salted are particularly good when made of entire wheat bread. Chopped nuts and chopped celery are well liked. Chopped blanched, salted almonds and a little cream to spread or blanched almonds chopped and mixed with cream and maple sugar, grated, makes a good sandwich.

Cold-boiled tongue makes very nice sandwich filling. Chop the tongue, add a little sweet cream, melted butter and mustard. Stir until smooth and spread on white buttered bread.

For a sustaining sandwich eggs make a good filling. Cook the eggs in the shell until hard, remove the yolks and mash them with creamed butter, or salad dressing. If an open sandwich is made, use the whites finely chopped to garnish by putting a border of the chopped whites around the sandwich. For those whose digestion will stand for it, a fried egg sandwich is tasty. Cheese sandwiches are of the sustaining variety. They may be made in a variety of ways and with a variety of cheeses, so that each may have his favorite brand.

"If you would know the flavor of a pie The juicy smell, the spice, the test, You must be patient till the fiery core is cool Then bite a little deeper than the crust."

"If you would know the flavor of a man God's mud-pie made of Eden's dew and dust Be patient till love's fire hath warmed him through And look a little deeper than the crust."

SEASONABLE GOOD THINGS.

The following is another new way of serving chicken, which is worth while adding to one's recipes:

Chicken, Mississippi Style.—Pass through a meat chopper one-quarter of a pound each of veal and fresh pork, two

slices of bacon, a chicken liver, half a green pepper and two branches of parsley; add a teaspoonful of scraped onion and a teaspoonful of Worcestershire sauce, half a teaspoonful of salt and one-quarter of a teaspoonful of paprika; mix thoroughly and use to stuff the chicken. Put to cook in a moderate oven so that the veal and pork will be cooked before the chicken is browned enough for serving. Baste with hot salt pork fat every ten minutes and cook nearly two hours. Serve with sweet potatoes or rice.

Best Cake.—Beat three-quarters of a cupful of butter to a cream; gradually beat in one and one-quarter cupfuls of sugar, the beaten yolks of four eggs, half a cupful of cold water, two and one-half cupfuls of flour, sifted with three teaspoonfuls of baking powder and, lastly, the whites of four eggs, beaten dry. Bake in two layers. Put the layers together with coffee filling and cover with maple frosting and nut meats.

Scalloped Chicken and Cornlet.—Use the remnants of chicken from a roast or boiled fowl. Fry the meat from the skin and bones. For each cupful of meat take one cupful of fresh corn pulp or of cornlet and one of cream sauce. Mix the chicken with the sauce and a layer of the cornlet. Cover with buttered crumbs and cook ten minutes, or until well heated through and the crumbs well browned.

Nellie Maxwell

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"Not at all. He writes jokes for the funny papers."	"Why shouldn't they? He's a fence."
Few periods now seem more old-fashioned than the bicycle era—unless it is the croquet epoch.	And every man is afraid of something; if it isn't anything else it's a woman.

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Inquiry Misinterpreted. He—Does your mother object to kissing? She—Now, just because I allow you to kiss me, you needn't think you can kiss the whole family.—Boston Transcript.

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He Still Has Something to Learn About the "Enormous Profits" Made by Agriculturists.

A federal official at Washington has discovered that he has still something to learn touching agriculture. Now, he purchased a farm as a summer home for his family, and finds special delight in walking about the place, commenting on the condition of the crops and in many ways showing his interest in his possessions. One evening during the summer he was strolling over the farm. The hired man had cut the grass during the day—a very thin crop—and left it on the ground to dry. The official saw it and, calling his man, said: "If appears to me that you are very careless. Why haven't you been more particular in raking up this hay? Don't you see that you have left dribblings all around?" For a moment the hired man stared, wondering whether his boss was quizzing him. Then he replied: "Dribblings? Why, sir, that's the crop!"

As She Saw It. She (as pitcher for the home team strikes out man)—I don't see anything to cheer about. Why, the man didn't even hit the ball.—Boston Transcript.

No one whose pocket has just been picked, is strong for the brotherhood of man.

OF SUCH THINGS ARE DREAMS

Remarks That Might Well Be Classed Under the Head of "Impossible Paragraphs."

"What! Only \$7 for a steak with potatoes? Well, I must say that is very reasonable! Here, waiter, take this \$10 and keep the change." "Spiffkins, the boss says you can have a two months' vacation with pay, instead of the usual two weeks. And he wants me to notify you that he will pay all expenses." "Stay out as late as you please, dear, and have a good time. A married man is entitled to jump the fence once in a while." "Dear Sir: We want you to try our new brand of granulated sugar and beg you to accept a ten-pound sample free of charge." "Isn't this near-beer delicious? I think it is much superior to real beer, don't you?" "Come on down to my house, Jim, and I'll give you a case of whisky. I've got more than I can use myself."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Girlie's Fine Philosophy. The dear girl who was struggling against the sharp northwest wind to maintain approximately the eleven inches between gown and shoe sole, ordained by the dressmaker, told us confidentially that it was a short skirt but a merry one.—Grand Rapids Press. The old maid is always a matchless woman.

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You can succeed. Other people—those who are succeeding—nature didn't give them a single extra bone or one more nerve, muscle or brain cell than you possess. Their success was not a birthright. It came out of efforts—out of action. They used their gifts—as you should. They gained a training in our College that developed and broadened and increased their talents—as you should. They took aim at success and fired away until they hit it.

Look around you. Wherever your eye turns, you see some man or woman who had no better start than you—with no better general education or "school learning" than you, but who was wise enough to enter our college for a business education, and who is today going ahead and leaving in the rear those who thought special business training unnecessary. It is as necessary as a medical school for a doctor or a law school for a lawyer.

You should not think of success as a present, which Santa Claus will bring you and drop into your stockings while you sleep. Success is achieved by well directed effort.

You have made excuses and halted long enough. Your duty to yourself is to come to a decision now. Your best interests dictate a decision favoring your entering our college NOW.

The object of this appeal is to set you to thinking of your future. If we have done this, we shall feel that you owe it to yourself to investigate what America's largest business university can do for you. Four thousand already entered this year.

When may we expect you? Our classes will continue through the holiday season. Write or wire for reservations, or ask for a catalogue.—Tyler Commercial College, Tyler, Texas.

NOTICE OF BOND ELECTION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an election will be held at the office of R. J. Murray, on Texas Avenue, in the Town of Slaton, Texas, on the 30th day of December, A. D. 1920, to determine whether bonds of the said Town of Slaton shall be issued to the amount of Thirty-five Thousand Dollars (\$35,000.00), payable forty years from their date, with the option of redeeming same at any time after ten years from their date, and bearing interest at the rate of six percent per annum, the interest to be payable annually as it accrues, for the purpose of building, erecting, constructing and equipping and maintaining a waterworks system for said Town of Slaton, including the erection and construction and equipping of pumping plants, power plants, purchasing all necessary materials and labor, laying mains, laterals, and any and all other things that may be necessary in the erection, building and construction and equipping and maintaining of such waterworks system in proper manner, and whether there shall be annually levied, assessed and collected on all the taxable property in said Town of Slaton, for the year 1921 and annually thereafter while said bonds, or any of them, are outstanding, a tax sufficient to pay the current interest on said bonds and provide a sinking fund sufficient to pay the principal at maturity.

W. E. Olive has been appointed manager of said election, which shall be held as nearly as may be possible in conformity with the general election laws of the State of Texas.

No person shall vote at said election unless he or she be a qualified voter under the constitution and laws of this State, and a property tax payer in said Town of Slaton.

Those in favor of the issuance of the bonds and the levying of the tax shall write or print on their ballots, "For the Bonds and the Tax," and those against the issuance of the bonds and the levying of the tax shall write or print on their ballots, "Against the Bonds and the Tax."

Said election was ordered by the Town Council of Slaton, Texas, by an order passed on the 29th day of November, A. D. 1920.

Dated this 29th day of November, A. D. 1920.

(Seal) A. J. PAYNE, Mayor, Town of Slaton, Texas. Attest: R. J. Murray, Secretary, Town of Slaton, Texas.

SLATON I. O. O. F. LODGE NO. 861 Meets at Shoppell Hall every Tuesday night. Visiting Odd Fellows are cordially invited to be present.

M. G. LEVERETT, N. G. B. O. BAILEY, Secretary.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that I have given exclusive control of the sand pit in my pasture to George Samson, and any one desiring to haul sand from this place are requested to see him. O. L. SLATON.

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**MISS DORA KLATTENHOFF
DIED LAST FRIDAY MORNING**

Miss Dora Klattenhoff, aged 27 years, 2 months and 26 days, died last Friday morning in St. Charles, Mo., where she had been undergoing treatment for the past four months.

She was the oldest child of Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Klattenhoff, who reside three and a half miles northwest of town. She is survived by her parents, two sisters and four brothers.

The deceased, at the age of seven, suffered a severe attack of scarlet fever, from which she had never fully recovered and had been an invalid ever since, though everything that medical skill and loving hands could do was used in an effort to restore her to health.

Her remains arrived in Slaton Monday at noon and were conveyed to the family home, where funeral services were held at 2:30, burial following in Slaton cemetery. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. J. W. Frankendorf of St. Charles, Mo., and Rev. A. B. Weiss of Plainview, pastor of the Lutheran Church at Posey. The floral offerings were very profuse, which bore mute tribute to the sweet Christian life and character of this young lady.

The funeral was largely attended. The Slatonite joins a host of friends in extending sincere sympathy to all upon whom bereavement has fallen.



Civic and Culture Club.

Mrs. Lee Green entertained the Civic and Culture Club on Nov. 27. She proved a gracious hostess; while Mrs. Joe Kuykendall, in an able manner, led the afternoon's discussion on "Makers of American Humor."

Quotations of the funniest expressions in American Humor gave a bright and pleasant background for the sketches of the humorists Josh Billings, Artemus Ward, Bill Nye, Frank Stockton, Mark Twain and Joel C. Harris.

From the exaggerated expressions and amusing incidents connected with some of these writers to the negro dialect stories, Mesdames White, Wallace, Holland, I. M. Brewer, and Smart, and Misses Holland and Kuykendall enthusiastically and efficiently rendered their parts.

During the business session mention was made of the next Lyceum number which will be given on Jan. 3, and every one was urged to attend. After the hostess served a dainty repast of plum pudding with whipped cream and cherries, stuffed dates and hot coffee, the club adjourned to meet Dec. 11 with Miss Holland as hostess.

Mrs. H. C. Jones Entertained.

On Thanksgiving Mrs. H. C. Jones, assisted by her husband, entertained a number of friends at their home with a turkey dinner, and everything else that was good to eat. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Brewer, Mr. and Mrs. I. M. Brewer, Mrs. Eddie Johnston, Misses Ada Brewer and Nell Blankenship, Messrs. Cariker and W. B. Russell. In the afternoon progressive "42" was enjoyed, and all report a most delightful time.

S. S. Class Entertained.

Mrs. L. W. Williamson entertained her Sunday School class at the Williamson home Thursday night, and it was a most enjoyable occasion for all present.

Missionary Society.

The Methodist ladies will close their year's work on next Monday when they will hold their last business and social meeting at the home of Mrs. A. V. Hendricks, with Mesdames C. A. Joplin, T. A. Worley and Sam McDonald, assistant hostesses. Reports of officers and committees will be heard, and election of officers for the new year will be held. All money due or collected for the year should also be reported. It is urged that every member be present at this meeting.

Mesdames W. A. Tucker and H. C. Burrus will entertain the B. W. M. S. Tuesday, Dec. 7, from 2 to 4 p. m. at the home of Mrs. Dr. Tucker.

**LUBBOCK STEAM LAUNDRY
UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT**

A number of Lubbock's most prominent bankers and business men have bought the Lubbock Steam Laundry, and have associated with them L. M. McKinney of Sherman, who is the manager. Mr. McKinney was for fifteen years with the Sherman Steam Laundry, one of the largest plants in North Texas, and knows the laundry business from every angle, both from the practical side and from the viewpoint of the customer, and is in position to operate this plant efficiently, at the lowest possible cost, and to please the patrons above everything else.

Much new machinery has been installed in this plant already and the company proposes to put its earnings back into additional improvements until it is large enough to care for the laundry business of this entire section of the South Plains country.

They have arranged with J. V. Thompson at DeLong's Tailor Shop, to act as their agent, and have an advertisement elsewhere in the paper to which your attention is directed.

G. SAMSON, Concrete Contractor. Sidewalks, etc. For the present call R. J. Murray's office.

**FOURTH RED CROSS ROLL
CALL WAS ANSWERED BY
241 PERSONS IN SLATON**

Mrs. Lee Green, retiring chairman of the Slaton Red Cross Chapter, reports that 241 people answered the fourth Red Cross Roll Call by giving their membership. The Slaton school children went 100 per cent by subscribing for the Red Cross Magazine and signing pledges for their loyalty to America.

One-half of the membership fees go to the national treasury to be used in hospitals and for relief work in disasters. The other half will be used here in Slaton in home service. All gifts or donations all stay here to be used in charity work, or maintaining rest rooms.

The 1920 Executive Committee of Slaton Branch American Red Cross, composed of the following: Mrs. Lee Green, chairman; Mrs. Cal Doherty, who had charge of the recent membership campaign; Mrs. A. B. Robertson, Ray Stephenson, treasurer; Mrs. Ralph McCarty, secretary; Mrs. W. H. McKirahan, Mrs. J. G. Levey, Mrs. R. A. Baldwin, R. J. Murray, have closed their work in the Red Cross and turned their books over to the Executive Committee for 1921, which is composed as follows:

B. M. Holland, W. M. Ford, R. J. Murray, Ray Stephenson, Mesdames Holland, McClintock, Jim Vaughn, Ben T. Owens, and Miss Lorena Holland.

Cards have been distributed to the business firms around town holding membership in the Red Cross, and hereafter when people apply for aid you are requested to show them that card and ask them to call on the local Red Cross officials, who will assist them if they are deemed worthy.

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PERSONAL MENTION.

M. D. Jones, dry goods merchant, was on the sick list Saturday and Sunday.

Men's heavy khaki pants, value \$4.50, now \$3.00 at DeLong's.

Mayor and Mrs. Allan J. Payne spent Thanksgiving in Abilene with the former's brother, V. D. Payne and family.

The famous Haynes underwear, \$3 union suits now \$2 cash. DeLONG.

J. T. Overby of the real estate firm of R. J. Murray & Co., spent several days this week in Amarillo on a business trip.

Railroad King Overalls \$6.00 per suit at DeLong's.

LOOK! LOOK! LOOK! Please give heed. The B. W. M. S. ladies will give you a feed, Saturday, Dec. 4, 1 o'clock p. m. Red Cross Pharmacy.

Drug Sundries of all kinds at the right prices at TEAGUE'S CONFECTIONERY.

Joe E. Kuykendall, one of Slaton's most popular young business men, was in Amarillo last week attending the Shrine festivities.

A full line of standard toilet preparations at Teague's Confectionery.

Miss Uva Perryman is here from California visiting her mother, Mrs. S. G. Brasfield, and sister, Miss Uva Perryman.

My motto: "Live and LET LIVE." I will save you money on your paint and paper and do the work at living prices. See me. E. A. GALE.

Paul Owens, progressive jeweler, is distributing calendars for 1921. They are probably the prettiest ever seen in Slaton.

The famous Haynes underwear, \$3 union suits now \$2 cash. DeLONG.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Hannam have returned from an extended visit to relatives at Peoria, Ill., and several other northern cities. They report a delightful trip.

NEW 3-room house, worth the money. Terms to suit. See W. DONALD.

Rowland Anderson and Boyd Williamson killed a bald eagle on Robertson's Ranch Thanksgiving day that measured 7 feet and 3 inches from tip to tip.

Quite a number attended singing at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Stottliemire Tuesday night. It was led by Mrs. C. F. Anderson, and a most enjoyable evening was spent.

About fifteen Boy Scouts from Tulla, in charge of Scoutmaster T. C. Willett, arrived here Thursday morning visited the Slaton Boy Scouts until Friday.

W. P. Bain was in our office one day this week exhibiting Progressive Everbearing strawberries that he had just plucked from the vines at his home, and stating that the plants were still blooming.

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BUNDLED Kafir Corn for sale. See Forney Henry, one mile south town.

JERSEY COWS: Carload Jersey cows and heifers, all springers, for sale. Priced right, too. Good stuff.—H. G. WHITAKER, Phone 27.

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OIL PAINTINGS FOR SALE. Phone 47.—MRS. A. R. KEYS.

FOR SALE: New 4-room house and 5 acres of land, south of square. Will take some trade. JNO. HUDSON.

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FOR SALE: 1 heater good as new, 2 dressers, 2 rugs 9x12, round dining table, rockers and other furniture at real bargain prices. Call or see B. A. DODGEN, Phone 41.

LOST Monday night, the 29th, between Southland, Texas, and Mr. C. B. Woods, a black fiber suit case containing several items of clothing, etc. Finder please return to M. B. HOOD, Post, Texas, and receive reward.

LOST: Brown overcoat somewhere around baseball park. Had Harvey House pie book in pocket. Finder return to R. E. O'Connell, Reading room.

WANTED: To buy small size second hand gasoline engine. MRS. LOMA STEPHENS.

FOR DRESSMAKING or plain sewing see MRS. T. J. MILLER, 3 blocks southwest of school building.

**Wilselma Theatre
PROGRAM.**

Monday, Dec. 6, A GOOD ONE.
Tuesday, Dec. 7, "Kilda Ruby," detective; "Valley Chestnut," comedy.
Wednesday, Dec. 8, "Love Protege," featuring Ora Carew.

Thursday, Dec. 9, "Sporting Duchess," featuring Alice Joyce.
Friday, Dec. 10, "Foot Lights—Shadows," by Olive Thomas.

Saturday, Dec. 11, "Shadow of Rosale Bryne," by E. Hammerstein.
Show starts at 6:30 p. m. prompt. See Alice Joyce in the "Sporting Duchess." This is a big picture but our price will be the same. Do not miss it. This week's program is a good one from start to finish. Don't fail to see this week's program.

Mrs. Bessie Lee Bybee of Smithville, Tenn., was here this week visiting her friend, Mrs. H. W. Ragsdale.

STORK SPECIAL.

Nov. 16, C. B. Smith and wife, boy.
Nov. 17, Mr. Leverett and wife, boy.
Nov. 20, W. J. Anderson and wife, boy.

Nov. 22, Mr. Barrham and wife, girl.
Nov. 24, J. H. Halford and wife, girl.

Nov. 21, Mr. Marsh and wife, girl.
Nov. 29, C. B. James and wife, girl.
Nov. 30, W. O. Williams and wife, boy.

Nov. 29, W. E. Steen and wife, Wilson, girl.

SCHOOL NOTICE.

Last Monday a number of patrons and friends met at the school building at 4 o'clock to get acquainted with the teachers and enjoy a social chat. The visitors served refreshments and told us they were proud of their teachers. I was not on the program but I wanted to say that we were proud of our patrons too. Also we have a class of fine boys and girls to deal with. Our greatest reward will be in having had a part in the noble work of their education.

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New 4-room frame bungalow, front and rear verandas, pantry and closet. Well and windmill, two lots, corner, a fine location. Terms: \$500 cash, balance like rent. Immediate possession. Might accept Vendors Lien Notes or Liberty Bonds as first payment.

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Pork Steak and Chops, per pound	35c
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Mutton, per pound	40c
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HOGVILLE LOCAL NEWS.

Zero Peck says when the church goes to give a dinner or supper his wife always agrees to furnish more than her share. Zero has always been a little stingy except back in whiskey times when he could get about half drunk.

Gape Allsop finds that a great deal of the information given him by other people is not so.

The postmaster, who is regarded as not being as religious as he should be, got a good scolding from the wife of the Bear Ford preacher the other day.

Dag Smith told it at the postoffice yesterday that his wife is not near as good cake baker as her neighbors think she is; that they ought to have to eat some of the cake he eats and they would see for themselves. He says when she happens to bake a godo cake she gives it all to the neighbors in order to get bragged on, and when she bakes one of the other kind he has to eat it and let on as though it is very fine.

Gape Allsop says a fellow, in order to keep on good terms with everybody, has to say, "That's all right" lots of times when it isn't.

Dock Mathewsia has always been afraid he would have some kind of fever and die. He says all his wife's people who have died, died of fever and he is afraid of those hereditary diseases.

Alexander Moseley says if he owned a circus he would try to make some arrangements by which he could keep it in Hogville all the time, as our people seem to enjoy them so well.

Gape Allsop thinks the indications are for a very hard winter, as the hornets' nests are built very low this time. Yesterday, while in the woods on Petunia Ridge, where he had no business, he bumped a very large one with his head. Today his head is sore and very badly swollen, though he is expected to recover. He finds the hornets about the most sensitive and treacherous animal he knows anything about.

Zero Peck says watch the fellow who claims to like his mother-in-law. If he will "tell somethin'" about one thing he can't be believed in very strong. Zero had a mother-in-law one time.

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"KNIFE WORK."

John Stuart Webster, mining engineer, boards a train in Death Valley, California, on his way back to civilization after cleaning up \$100,000. But he looks like a hobo. Then he meets a distressed lady, who makes his heart flop over. He eliminates the offending man. Being what he is and also girl-shy, he does not take advantage of his opportunity. But he just has to find out that she is Dolores Ruez. In Denver he is offered a \$25,000-a-year job by a capitalist friend, Edward J. Jerome. He receives a delayed letter from his own particular pal, Billy Geary, asking him to finance a gold-mining proposition in Central America and go fifty-fifty with him on the profits. Thereupon he turns down the big job and decides to answer the call of friendship and adventure to Sobrante. Jerome goes with John to the depot. They meet the distressed lady on her way to the same train. John lifts his hat, but gets the cut direct from the girl, who does not recognize him. John tells Jerome the whole story. Jerome secretly sees the girl, offering her \$10,000 if she induces John to take his job inside of ninety days. The girl accepts. The scene now shifts to Buenaventura, Sobrante, where Geary, on his uppers, is eating his heart out looking for a cablegram from his old partner. He has existed for two months on credit extended by Mother Jenks, keeper of a disreputable hotel. Dolores calls Henrietta Wilkins (Mother Jenks) that she is on her way to visit her. Mother Jenks breaks down and tells her story. She has been educating Dolores, who is the daughter of former President Ruez of Sobrante, deposed and executed by President Sarras. Mother Jenks doesn't want Dolores to find out she is no longer respectable. So she and Billy plan for him to meet the steamer and to turn the girl back. Billy bungles his job and Dolores lands and salutes Mother Jenks as "Mother." Billy promptly falls in love with Dolores. Webster in New Orleans secures a stateroom on La Estrellita by buying a ticket for a mythical valet.

CHAPTER VII—Continued.

"Be there at a quarter after two, Mr. Webster, and you will hear from me promptly on the minute," the clerk assured him; whereupon Webster paid for one berth and departed for his hotel with a feeling that the clerk's report would be favorable.

True to his promise, at precisely a quarter after two, the ticket clerk telephoned Webster at his hotel that the berth in No. 34 had been canceled and the entire stateroom was now at his disposal.

"If you will be good enough to give me the name of your valet," he concluded, "I will fill in both names on my passenger manifest and send the tickets to your hotel by messenger immediately. You can then sign the tickets—I have already signed them—as witness—and pay the messenger."

"Well, I haven't engaged that valet as yet," Webster began.

"What's the odds? He's going to miss the boat, anyhow. All I require is a name."

"That ought to be a simple request to comply with. Let me see!"

"I read a book once, Mr. Webster, and the valet in that book was called Andrew Bowers."

"Bowers is a fine old English name. Let us seek no further. Andrew Bowers it is."

"Thank you, will you have to do then is to remember to sign the name, Andrew Bowers, to one ticket. Don't forget your valet's name now, and 'ball everything up,' and the clerk hung up, laughing.

Half an hour later a boy from the steamship office arrived with the tickets, collected for them, and departed, leaving John Stuart Webster singularly pleased with himself and at peace with the entire world.

A "large" dinner at Antoine's that night (Webster had heard of Antoine's dinners, both large and small and was resolved not to leave New Orleans until he had visited the famous restaurant), and a stroll through the picturesque old French quarter and along the levee next day, helped to render his enforced stay in New Orleans delightful, interesting, and instructive. For Sunday he planned an early morning visit to the old French market, around which still lingers much of the picturesque charm and colorful atmosphere

of a day that is done—that echo of yesterday, as it were, which has left New Orleans an individuality as distinct as that which the olden, golden, goddess days have left upon San Francisco.

He rose before six o'clock, therefore; found a taxi, with the driver sound asleep inside, at the curb in front of the hotel; gave the latter his instructions, and climbed in.

Opposite Jackson Square the cloying sweetness of palmetto, palm, and fig burdened the air. Above the rumble of the taxi he could hear the distant babel of voices in the French market across the square, so he halted the taxicab, alighted, and handed the driver a bill.

"I want to explore this square," he said. He had recognized it by the heroic statue of General Jackson peeping through the trees. "I'll walk through the square to the market, and you may proceed to the market and meet me there. Later we will return to the hotel."

A Creole girl—starry-eyed, beautiful, rich with the glorious coloring of her race—passed him bound for the cathedral across the square, as Webster thought, for she carried a large prayer book on her arm. His glance followed the girl down the walk.

Presently she halted. A young man rose from a bench where he evidently had been waiting for her, and bowed low, his hat clasped to his breast, as only a Frenchman or a Spanish grandee can bow. Webster saw the Creole girl turn to him with a little gesture of pleasure. She extended her hand and the young man kissed it with old-fashioned courtesy.

John Stuart Webster with reticent and wistful eyes watched their meeting.

"Forty years old," he thought, "and I haven't spoken to a dozen women that caused me a second thought, or who weren't postmistresses or biscuit shooters! Forty years old and I've never been in love! Springtime down that little path and Indian summer in my old fool heart. Why, I ought to be arrested for failure to live!"

The lovers were walking slowly, arm in arm, along the path by which the girl had come, so with a courtesy and gentleness that were innate in him, Webster stepped out of sight behind the statue of Old Hickory; for he did not desire, by his mere presence, to intrude a discordant note in the perfect harmony of those two human hearts. He knew they desired that sylvan path to themselves; that evidently they had sought their early morning tryst in the knowledge that the square was likely to be deserted at this hour.

The young man was speaking as they passed; his voice was rich, pleasant, vibrant with the earnestness of what he had to say; with a pretty little silver mounted walking stick he slashed at spears of grass alongside the path; the girl was crying a little. Neither of them had seen him, so he entered a path that led from them at right angles.

He had proceeded but a few feet along this trail when, through a break in the shrubbery ahead of him, he saw two men. Brief as was his glimpse of them, Webster instantly recognized the two Central Americans he had seen in the steamship ticket office two days previous.

They were not walking as walk two men abroad at this hour for a constitutional. Neither did they walk as walk men churchward bound. A slight, skulking air marked their progress, and caused Webster to wonder idly what they were stalking.

He turned into the path down which the two men had passed, not with the slightest idea of shadowing them, but because his destination lay in that direction.

Both men had forsaken the graveled path and were walking on the soft velvet of blue grass lawn that fringed it!

"Perhaps I'd better deaden my hoof beats also," John Stuart Webster soliloquized, and followed suit immediately.

He had scarcely done so when the men ahead of him paused abruptly. Webster did likewise, and responding—subconsciously, perhaps, to the remembrance of the menace in the glance of the man with the puckered eye—he stepped out of sight behind a broad oak tree. Through the trees and shrubbery he could still see the lovers, who had halted and evidently were about to part.

Webster saw the young man glance warily about; then, apparently satisfied there was none to spy upon them, he drew the girl gently toward him. She clung to him for nearly a minute, sobbing; then he raised her face tenderly, kissed her, pressed her from him, and walked swiftly away without looking back.

It was a sweet and rather touching little tableau; John Stuart Webster, imaginative and possessed of a romantic streak in his nature, it was more than a tableau. It was a moving picture!

"I suppose her old man objects to the young fellow," he muttered to himself sympathetically, "and he can't come near the house. They've met here for the fond farewell, and now the young fellow's going out West to make his fortune, so he can come back and claim the girl. Hah! If he wants

her, why the devil doesn't he take her? Hello! By Judas priest! Now I know what those two parquets are up to. One of them is the father of that girl. They've been spying on the lovers, and now they're going to corner the young fellow and shingle him for his nerve."

The girl had stood for a moment, gazing after her companion, before she turned with her handkerchief to her eyes, and continued on her way to the cathedral. Webster heard her sobbing as she stumbled blindly by, and he was distressed about her, for all the world loves a lover and John Stuart Webster was no exception to this universal rule.

"By George, this is pretty tough," he reflected. "That young fellow treated that girl with as much gentleness and courtesy as any gentleman should, and I'm for him and against this idea of corporal punishment. Don't you worry, Tillie, my dear. I'm going to horn into this game myself if it goes too far."

The two dusky skulkers ahead of him, having come to another cross-path, turned into it and came out on the main path in the rear of the young man. Webster noticed that the pair were still walking on the grass. He padded gently along behind them.

The four were now rapidly approaching the old French market, and the steadily rising babel of voices speaking in French, Italian, Spanish, Creole patois and Choctaw, was sufficient to have drowned the slight noise of the pursuit, even had the young man's mind not been upon other things, and the interest of the two Central Americans centered upon their quarry, to the exclusion of any thought of possible interruption.

Webster felt instinctively that the two men would rush and make a concerted attack from the rear. He smiled.

"I'll just fool you two hombres a whole lot," he thought, and stooping, picked up a small stone. On the instant the two men, having approached within thirty feet of their quarry, made a rush for him.

Their charge was swift, but though it was, the little stone which John Stuart Webster hurled was swifter. It struck the young man fairly between the shoulderblades with a force sufficient to bring him out of his sentimental reverie with a jerk, as it were. He whirled, saw the danger that threatened him, and—sprang to meet it.

"Bravo!" yelled Webster, and ran to his aid, for he had seen now that it was to be knife work. Tragedy instead of melodrama.

The man with the puckered eye closed in with such engerness it was apparent to Webster that here was work to his liking. The young man raised his light cane, but Pucker-eye did not hesitate. He merely threw up his left forearm to meet the expected blow aimed at his head, lunged forward and slashed viciously at the young man's abdomen. The latter drew back a step, doubled like a jack-knife, and brought his cane down viciously across the knuckles of his assailant's right hand.

"So it is thou, son of a —," he called pleasantly in Spanish. "I fooled you that time, didn't I?" he added in English. "Thought I would aim for your head, didn't you?"

The blow temporarily paralyzed the assassin's hand; he dropped the knife, and as he stooped to recover it with his left hand, the young man, before retreating from Pop-eye, kicked Pucker-eye in the face and quite upset him. "Stop it!" shouted Webster.

Pop-eye turned his head at the outcry. The man he was attacking fell into the position of a swordsmen en garde, and thrust viciously with the ferrule at the face of the pop-eyed man, who, disregarding Webster's approach, seized the cane in his left hand and with a quick, powerful tug actually drew his victim toward him a foot before the latter let go the stick.

Before he could give ground again Pop-eye was upon him. He grasped the young man by the latter's left arm and held him, while he drew back for the awful disembowling stroke. As his long arm sped forward the hook of John Stuart Webster's heavy cane descended upon that flexed arm in the crook of the elbow, snagging it cleverly.

The knife never reached its destination!

"You would, would you?" said Webster reproachfully, and jerked the fellow violently around. The man he had rescued promptly struck Pop-eye a terrible blow in the face with his left hand and broke loose from the grip that had so nearly been his undoing; then Webster tapped the assassin a meditative tap or two on the top of his sinful head for good measure and to awaken in him some sense of the impropriety and futility of resistance, after which Webster turned to discuss a similar question of ethics with Pucker-eye.

The scar-cheeked man was on his knees, groping groggily for his knife, for he had received a severe kick under the chin, and for the nonce was far from dangerous. Stooping Webster picked up the knife; then with knife and cane grasped in his left hand he seized Pucker-eye by the nape

with his right and jerked him to his feet. The assassin stood glowering at him in a perfect frenzy of brutish, inarticulate fury.

"Take the knife away from the other fellow before he gets active again," Webster called over his shoulder. "I'll manage this rascal. We'll march them over to the market and turn them over to the police." He spoke in Spanish.

"Thanks, ever so much, for my life," the young man answered lightly, and in English, "but where I come from it is not the fashion to settle these arguments in a court of law. To call an officer is considered unclublike; to shoot a prisoner in this country is considered murder, and consequently I have but one alternative and I advise you, my good friend, to have a little of the same. I'm going to run like the devil."

And he did. He was in full flight before Webster could glance around, and in an instant he was lost to sight among the trees.

"That advice sounds eminently fair and reasonable," Webster yelled after him, and was about to follow when he observed that the young man had abandoned his pretty little silver-chased walking stick.

"That's too nice a little stick to leave to these brigands," he thought, and forthwith possessed himself of it and the pop-eyed man's knife, after which he tarried not upon the order of his going but went, departing at top speed.

The young man he had saved from being butchered was right. An engaging alliance with the police was, decidedly, not to John Stuart Webster's liking, for should he unfortunately, form such an alliance, he would be haled into court as a witness and perhaps miss the steamer to San Buenaventura.

He had planned to spend an hour in the market, drink a cup of cafe noir, smoke a cigarette, and return to his hotel in time for a leisurely breakfast,



"Up, Thou Curious Little One." but his recent bout with grim reality had blunted the edge of romance. He ordered his driver to take him back to the hotel, sprang inside and congratulated himself on his lucky escape.

CHAPTER VIII.

Webster's trunk went aboard the steamer early the following morning, and at noon he entered a taxi with his hand baggage and was driven to the levee where La Estrellita lay tugging gently at her mooring lines. Owing to the congestion of freight and traffic the chauffeur stopped his cab a little distance from the gangplank, where Webster discharged him with a liberal tip.

The latter, however, swung his passenger's bag and suitcase to the ground, picked them up and started for the gangplank.

"Never mind my baggage, lad," Webster called after him. "One of the deck boys will care for it."

The chauffeur turned. "You've been generous with me, sir," he answered, "so I think I had better carry your baggage aboard. If you permit a deck boy to handle it, you merely have to give another tip, and that would be sheer wanton waste. Why shouldn't I earn the one you gave me?"

"I hadn't figured it out that way, son, so here's another half dollar for being the only existing specimen of your species in captivity. My stateroom is No. 34, upper deck, port side," Webster answered, smiling. The man took the tip eagerly and hurried toward the gangplank; the quartermaster on duty shouldered a way for him and he darted aboard.

Webster followed leisurely. At the gangplank the purser's clerk halted him, examined his tickets and punched them.

"Where is the other man?" he asked. "You have two tickets here."

"Oh, that blamed valet of mine," Webster answered, and glanced around as if in search of that mythical functionary. "It would be like the stupid fellow to miss the boat," he added. "When he comes—"

Webster ceased speaking abruptly. He was looking straight into the malevolent orbs of Pucker-eye, who was standing just behind the clerk at the foot of the gangplank.

"I wonder if Pop-eye's around, also," Webster thought, and he faced about. Pop-eye was standing in back of him, leaning over the railing of the gangway.

"Which is the valet?" the purser's clerk asked, scanning the names on the tickets.

"Andrew Bowers." "All right, Mr. Webster," the other answered, with that genial camaraderie that seems inseparable from all of his smiling. "When Andrew comes I'll send him aboard."

He started to pass the tickets back to Webster, but a detaining hand rested on his arm, while a dark thumb and forefinger lifted the trailing strips of tickets. Pucker-eye was examining them also.

The purser's clerk drove his elbow backward violently into Pucker-eye's midriff and shook him off roughly.

"What do you mean, you black-and-ten bound?" he demanded. "Since when did you begin to O. K. my work?"

Pucker-eye made no reply to this stern reproof. He accepted the elbow with equanimity and faced Webster with an evil smile that indicated mutual recognition.

"Bueno," he said. "The senior hees sail on La Estrellita for San Buenaventura, no?"

"So you came nosing around to see about it, eh? Doing a little pie's gumshoe work, I see."

Pucker-eye bowed. By the simple exercise of courage and bad manners he had looked at John Stuart Webster's ticket and was now familiar with his name and destination.

Webster glowered darkly at Pucker-eye and said:

"Well, you scoundrelly cutthroat, what are you going to do about it? Try a little of your knife work on me, I suppose?"

The fellow grinned—the kind of grin that is composed of equal parts of ferocity and knowledge of superior strength. That grin did more to disconcert Webster than the knowledge that he had earned for himself two bloodthirsty and implacable enemies, for Pucker-eye was the first of his breed that Webster had ever seen smile under insult.

Pucker-eye took out a cigarette case, selected a cigarette and presented the case to Webster. His bad manners in selecting his own cigarette first was deliberate, as Webster knew. It was the Latin-American's method of showing his contempt.

"We shall meet again, Meester Webster," he said. "May I offer a cigarette for the—that you Americans call—the keepsake? No?" He smiled brightly and closed his puckered eye in a knowing wink.

Webster took his tickets from the purser, folded them, placed them in his pocket and for a few seconds regarded Pucker-eye contemptuously.

"When we meet again, you scum," he retorted quietly, "you shall have no difficulty in remembering me. You may keep your cigarette."

His long, powerful right arm shot out; like a forceps his thumb and forefinger closed over Pucker-eye's rather flat nose; he squeezed, and with a shrill scream of agony Pucker-eye went to his knees.

Still holding the wretch by his proboscis, Webster turned quickly in order that his face might be toward Pop-eye.

"Pop-eye," he said, "if you take a hand in this, I'll twist your nose, too, and afterward I'll throw you in the river."

He turned to Pucker-eye.

"Up, thou curious little one," he said in Spanish, and jerked the unhappy rascal to his feet. The latter claved ineffectually at the terrible arm which held him, until, presently discovering that the harder he struggled the harder Webster pinched his nose, he ceased his struggles and hung limply, meaning with pain and rage in the grip of the American.

"Good!" Webster announced, slackening his grip a little. With his left hand he deftly extracted a hair from each flank of the screaming little scoundrel's scant mustache and held them before the latter's tear-filled eyes.

"My friend," he said gently, "mark how the gringo gives his little dark brother a lesson in deportment. Behold, if I have given thee a souvenir of our meeting, I also have taken one. By this pinched and throbbing nose shall I be remembered when I am gone; by these hairs from thy rat's mustache shall I remember thee. Go, and thrust not that nose into a gringo's business again. It is unsafe."

"I am known as Mr. Andrew Bowers, valet de chambre to that prince of gentlemen, Mr. John S. Webster."

ORDINANCE NO. 23.

An Ordinance providing for the assessment or re-assessment of the cost of construction of certain sidewalks in the Town of Slaton, Texas; fixing the basis for determining the amount of such assessment or re-assessment; providing for notice to the owner or owners of property abutting on such sidewalks, and the manner of service of such notice; providing that the amount of such assessment or re-assessment as found and determined by the Town Council shall constitute a personal charge against the owner of abutting property and shall be and constitute a lien on such abutting property; providing that such assessment or re-assessment shall become due and payable in five equal annual installments; making the Mayor and a majority of the Town Council a quorum to conduct hearings, and providing for the taking effect of this ordinance.

BE IT ORDAINED AND RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF SLATON, TEXAS:

WHEREAS, by certain proceedings had by the Town Council of the Town of Slaton, Texas, during the year 1915, certain persons owning lots in said town were required and notified to construct certain cement or concrete sidewalks abutting such lots in compliance with the certain orders and specifications of said Town Council, and to have such sidewalks completed in accordance with such orders and specifications not later than sixty days from and after the 25th day of May, A. D. 1915, and that notice was further given to such owners of lots that failure to comply with such order within said period of time, said Town Council would cause such sidewalks to be so constructed, and that the cost thereof would be and constitute a lien upon and against the property abutting on such walk; and

WHEREAS, certain of said orders to owners of certain of such lots were not complied with, but ignored by such property owners, and the sidewalks thus ordered to be constructed were not constructed by such property owners, and thereafter the said Town Council, after the expiration of said sixty day period, duly gave published notice for bids for the construction of such sidewalks, and after all bids were in and duly considered, the contract for the construction of such sidewalks was let to the firm of Samson & Napier, who performed such contract and constructed such sidewalks in accordance with the orders and specifications of said Town Council and to the satisfaction of said Town Council; and

WHEREAS, after said sidewalks were so constructed by and under the direction of said Town Council, all persons owning property abutting on such sidewalks, with the exception of certain persons hereinafter named, made payment of the cost of such construction to the Town of Slaton; and

WHEREAS, A. C. Klingman, of Topeka, Kansas, being the owner of Lots Nos. 3 and 12 in Block 27, and Lots Nos. 1 and 2 in Block 40 and Lots Nos. 10 and 11 in Block 39, all in the Original Town of Slaton, and Henderson and Grant a firm composed of M. D. Henderson and J. W. Grant, of Plainview, Texas, being the owners of Lots Nos. 6, 7 and 8 in Block 48, and Lots Nos. 12 and 13 in Block 39 and Lots Nos. 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 in Block 40, all in the Original Town of Slaton, and Mayhugh & Clinkscales, a firm composed of L. T. Mayhugh and Frank W. Clinkscales, being the owners of Lot No. 10 in Block 64 in the Original Town of Slaton, and O. M. Unger, of Plainview, Texas, being the owner of Lot No. 4 in Block 39 and Lots Nos. 8 and 9 in Block No. 40, all in the Original Town of Slaton, although each and all of said persons had been duly notified to construct such sidewalks abutting on their respective lots in said Town, as aforesaid, failed and refused to comply with said order, and after said Town of Slaton had caused said sidewalks to be so constructed, they failed and refused to make payment to the said Town of Slaton for the cost of such sidewalks; and

WHEREAS, the said Town of Slaton caused to be constructed concrete or cement sidewalks in front of and abutting on the said mentioned lots of the said A. C. Klingman to the amount of 1309.2 square feet at a cost of \$183.26, paid out of the general revenues of said Town of Slaton, and caused to be constructed concrete or cement sidewalks in front of and abutting on the said mentioned lots of the said M. D. Henderson and J. W. Grant to the amount of 1909.2 square feet, at a cost of \$267.26, paid out of the general revenues of said Town of Slaton, and caused to be constructed concrete or cement sidewalks in front of and abutting on said mentioned lot of the said L. T. Mayhugh and Frank W. Clinkscales to the amount of 300 square feet, at a cost of \$48.86, paid out of the general revenues of the Town of Slaton, and caused to be constructed concrete or cement sidewalks in front of and abutting on said mentioned lots of the said O. M. Unger to the amount of 430 square feet at a cost of \$63.00, paid out of the general revenues of said Town of Slaton; and

WHEREAS, by reason of default of the aforesaid persons to make payment to said Town of Slaton for the cost of construction of said sidewalks, the said Town of Slaton caused suits to be brought and instituted in the District Court of Lubbock County, Texas, in causes styled as follows:

No. 1000 The Town of Slaton vs. A. C. Klingman, filed May 13, 1916;
No. 1002 The Town of Slaton vs. M. D. Henderson and J. W. Grant,

filed May 13, 1916;
No. 1004 The Town of Slaton vs. O. M. Unger, filed May 16, 1916;
No. 1006 The Town of Slaton vs. L. T. Mayhugh and Frank W. Clinkscales, filed May 16, 1916;
all of said mentioned causes being now pending and undisposed of in said court, and answers having been filed by the defendants in each of said causes; and

WHEREAS, no part of the cost of such sidewalks has been borne by the abutting property owners, as aforesaid, and there has arisen some doubt as to the regularity and sufficiency of said previous assessment and the attempted enforcement thereof, and it is the sense of this Town Council of the Town of Slaton that the enhanced value of said mentioned property equals the cost of such sidewalks abutting on the respective lots, as aforesaid, and the respective owners of said lots ought to and are legally liable and bound to reimburse said Town of Slaton for the sums of money expended by it in the construction of such sidewalks, as aforesaid, and that this Town Council has and is given authority to make re-assessment of the cost of the construction of such sidewalks, under and by virtue of Chapter 47 of the General Laws of the State of Texas, passed at the Regular Session of the Thirty-sixth Legislature; therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SLATON, TEXAS:

Section 1. That a re-assessment of the cost of construction of the aforesaid sidewalks abutting on the aforesaid property shall be made by said Town Council, which assessment shall not exceed in amount the special benefits in enhanced value conferred by the construction of such sidewalks on the property abutting on such sidewalks, to be determined on a basis of the condition of such improvement as it exists at the time of such re-assessment.

Sec. 2. At least ten days notice shall be given in writing to the owner or owners of any lot or lots in said Town of Slaton, against which any assessment or re-assessment is to be made of the cost of such sidewalk or of the determination of the special benefits conferred on such property in enhanced value by reason of the existence of such improvement and its condition at the time of such assessment or re-assessment. And no assessment or re-assessment shall be made until after due service of such notice and an opportunity given to be heard on such question of special benefits given to the owner or owners of such abutting property.

Sec. 3. Such notice may be served personally by any officer authorized under the laws of Texas to serve process in civil actions in this State, under the laws providing for service of citation or of notice within or without the State of Texas, by delivering to the person or persons named in such notice a copy thereof at least ten days before the day set for hearing, exclusive of the day of service and of the day of hearing; or such notice may be given by publication in some newspaper of general circulation published in said Town of Slaton, Texas, which notice shall be published four consecutive weeks in such newspaper the date of the last publication to be prior to the day set for such hearing.

Sec. 4. Such notice shall state the date when and the place in said Town of Slaton where such hearing shall be held, which hearing shall not begin earlier than ten o'clock on the return day, and may be continued from day to day until completed, and shall cite the owner or owners of such lot or lots to appear at such time and place and show cause, if any there be, why such lien against such abutting property, as provided by law, and a personal charge against the owner or owners of such property.

Sec. 5. After such notice and hearing, the Town Council of the Town of Slaton shall proceed to make assessment or re-assessment of the cost of the construction of such sidewalk, and fix the amount thereof, not in excess of the special benefits in enhanced value conferred by the construction of such sidewalks on the property abutting thereon, to be determined on a basis of the condition of such improvement as it exists at the time of such assessment or re-assessment, as found by the Town Council under the evidence adduced on such hearing, and such amount of assessment or re-assessment as determined by said Town Council shall be and constitute a personal charge against such owner or owners of abutting property, and shall be and constitute a lien on such abutting property, which lien may be enforced under the laws of this State for the enforcement of liens against real property; provided that such assessment or re-assessment shall become due and payable in five equal installments.

Sec. 6. The Mayor or Acting Mayor and a majority of the Town Council of said Town of Slaton shall be and constitute a quorum for the purpose of conducting the hearings herein provided for.

Sec. 7. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication as provided by law.

Passed and approved by the Town Council of the Town of Slaton, Texas, this the 29th day of November, A. D. 1920.

(Seal) A. J. PAYNE,
Mayor, Town of Slaton, Texas.
Attest: R. J. Murray, Secretary,
Town of Slaton, Texas.

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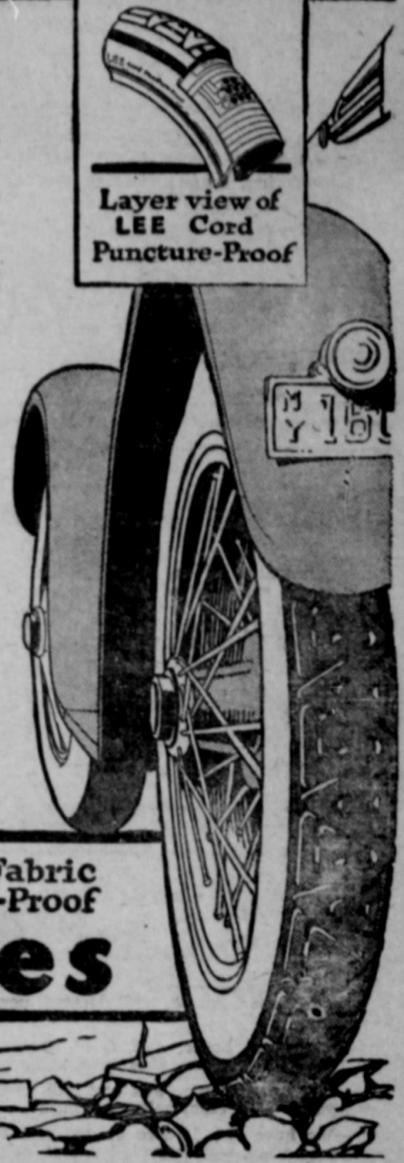
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To The Citizens of Slaton AND SURROUNDING TERRITORY

We have made a contract with Mr. J. V. Thompson at DeLong's Tailor Shop, of the City of Slaton, Texas, to act as shipper for the above laundry.

We have purchased the entire interests of the former owners of the Lubbock Laundry Co. and will run same under new management and different business principles. We have installed new machinery, re-arranged and worked over the entire plant and are now in a position to turn out first-class laundry work, second to none in West Texas. Believing that the people of the South Plains were entitled to laundry work as good as anyone, we purchased the above plant with the idea of SERVICE above everything. We are spending considerable money to give you this service and hope that you will help us out by turning your laundry work over to Mr. Thompson, who will look after your interests at all times.

The plant at Lubbock will be in charge of Mr. L. M. McKinney, whose services we have been fortunate to secure. Mr. McKinney has had FIFTEEN YEARS experience with the widely known SHERMAN STEAM LAUNDRY of Sherman, Texas, and knows the laundry business from practical experience.

We also have arrangements made to take care of your cleaning and dyeing work and all kinds of tailoring. Also cleaning and reblocking hats. Anything in this line will have our careful and prompt attention at a reasonable charge.

Give Mr. Thompson a trial with your next bundle of laundry and we feel sure that the service rendered you will give full satisfaction.

Yours very truly,

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TWO MEXICANS SHOT; THREE BURIED IN DUGOUT

Late last Saturday evening on the farm of A. B. Stewart, east of Southland, two Mexicans were shot and seriously wounded and three other Mexicans buried in a dugout. The deed was committed by two young men giving their names as Gene Harris and John Brooks of Rising Star, who had been picking cotton on the Stewart farm. Robbery was the motive and it is stated that the young men secured about \$100.00.

At the time this occurred a son of Mr. Stewart who resides on the farm was away from home, but arrived soon after. The young men then secured two horses from the farm and made their escape. Officers were at once notified and a search began.

On Tuesday morning two men answering their description boarded the train of Edd Tonn and L. C. Odom at Dermott, going to Sweetwater. Messrs. Tonn and Odom recognized them and wired the sheriff at Sweetwater, who met the train at the junction and placed them under arrest. They admitted having committed the crime and were taken back to Post City by Sheriff Will Cravey of Garza county.

At last reports the two Mexicans were still alive but their condition is still serious.

Silk and wool underwear at 25 per cent off at DeLong's.

Card of Thanks.

We desire to take this method of expressing our sincere thanks and appreciation to the many friends for their expressions of sympathy and kindnesses during the long illness and after the death of our dear daughter and sister, Dora, and for the many beautiful floral offerings. We also wish to express our heartfelt thanks to the Revs. A. B. Weiss of Plainview and J. W. Frankenfeld of St. Charles, Mo., who officiated at the funeral and for their words of sympathy and comfort in this sad hour. May God's richest blessings be with each of you.

Sincerely,
M. F. KLATTENHOFF,
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W. T. CHILDS.

SANTA CLAUS LETTERS.

The Slatonite has received a few Santa Claus letters from the little folks already and they will appear next week. We want all the good little folks to write Santa a letter and he will have them published in the Slatonite between now and Christmas.

"RUTH OF THE ROCKIES" NEW RUTH ROLAND SERIAL BEGINS HERE DEC. 17

Messrs. Williams and Selmon, owners of the Wilselma Theatre, announce that they have a new serial to begin at their popular new playhouse on Dec. 17, entitled "Ruth of the Rockies" featuring Ruth Rowland, one of the most popular movie actresses on the screen stage today. It is from the novel "Broadway Bab," written by Johnston McCulley.

In this production Ruth Roland will be seen in a galloping western serial creation in fifteen episodes; rough riding romance, thrills amid canyons, ravines, and mountain peaks, suspense, speed, action. Remember the date and see the first episode.

Coming: "Ruth of the Rockies," Dec. 17, at Wilselma Theatre.

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RED CROSS CONTESTANTS ENTERTAINED AT SHOW

On Thanksgiving afternoon all the school children who prepared essays in the recent Red Cross Contest were entertained at the Wilselma Theatre by Mrs. Lee Green and the owners of the show. About twenty pupils were present and the occasion was a most enjoyable one for all concerned.

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COME and see our new line of goods in our New Home and you will always find us in line on prices. We are going to CUT PRICES ALL TO SMASH from time to time. We invite our old customers and all new ones to come in and give our stock the "once over." Yours truly,

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