

# The Memphis Democrat

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## HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING TO BE DEDICATED JAN. 11

W. Horn, President of Technological College, to Be Principal Speaker.

The program has been arranged for the dedication of the new Memphis High School building on January 11, 1924, at the high school auditorium. The building is rapidly nearing completion and is, in fact, now receiving the finishing touches, the carpenters having taken advantage of the Christmas holidays. The wiring of the building is completed in every detail and the electrician awaits its chance. The painters are spreading their last and finishing coats and will soon be through. Construction is all but ready to gather their tools and move on to other projects. Even the concrete workers are finishing the walks which lead to the main entrance. In fact, the building will easily be ready to receive the keys of the building at its acceptance at the dedication services January 11.

A very appealing program has been arranged for the occasion, including a feature address by Dr. P. W. Horn, recently elected head of the new Memphis Technological College, at Lubbock, Texas.

Dr. Horn has come to the Panhandle since his recent election to the presidency of the Texas Tech and has presided Panhandle-Plains people on very few occasions. He is as widely known as an orator as he is in educational lines. It is supposed that the people of Memphis and surrounding country will be glad to take advantage of this private and rare opportunity of hearing this distinguished gentleman. Local ministers will be in the department of the program and the Memphis Orchestra and High School Clubs will furnish musical entertainment.

The program as announced is as follows: Special Music.—James Orchestra. America.—Assembly. Presentation.—Rev. Chas. E. Richter. Presentation of Keys.—Construction Company. Acceptance.—Borad of Education. Dedication Prayer.—Rev. J. T. Hicks. Boosting the Old High School.—High School Clubs. Address.—Dr. P. W. Horn. Benediction.—Rev. Chas. T. Whelan.

## NEW COURT HOUSE TO BE OCCUPIED TOMORROW

The Commissioners Court met last night to accept the new Hall County court house. Although the building is not complete in every detail, the county officials will move into it tomorrow. The officials are anxious to move in as soon as possible in order to save paying rent, which amounts to about \$350 per month. There is still some finishing work to be done on the ornamental stones, but not all the fixtures have been installed. The lawn is being cleaned off and the outside has a more respectable appearance.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Power of Wichita Falls are spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Stebbins.

Rainey Elliott left this morning for Dallas, where he will visit through the holidays.

T. A. Messer of the Indian Creek community was a caller at the Democrat office while in Memphis this afternoon.

## CONSTRUCTOR SECURED FOR COMMERCIAL COURSE

Supt. Deen reports that he has just secured an experienced teacher, Miss Jessie Hickman, for the commercial work which is to be started in the Memphis High School at the beginning of the last semester. Miss Hickman, who will arrive Sunday night, has recommendations which show satisfactory positions in Wichita Falls and Vernon high schools, also in West Texas State Teachers College at Canyon.

Material, including desks and typewriters, for the Commercial Department has been ordered.

## Local Goodfellow Fund Brings Cheer To Unfortunates

Campaign Managed by Masonic Lodge Raises \$280 and Takes Xmas Cheer to 21 Homes.

Through the atmosphere of good fellowship instilled in the hearts of people during the Yuletide season, Christmas cheer was taken into the homes of 21 families this week by contributions, amounting to \$280, to the "Goodfellow Fund," made for that purpose.

A fund soliciting and gift distributing committee was appointed by the Masonic Lodge to take charge of the campaign. A collection box was placed on the street, attended by members of the committee, and every person passing was given a chance to donate.

There is found in every town, poor, unfortunate families to whom Christmas is an ideal rather than a reality. In these families hungry, half-sheltered and half-clad children look forward to something to eat and wear, rather than gifts from Santa Claus' well filled bags of toys. To these people in Memphis were taken food and clothing, and toys to bring cheer into the hearts of the children.

The pleasure of giving can be no more satisfactory than when it goes to make hungry hearts happy. The people of Memphis responded to the purpose of this fund very liberally and should feel the reward of happiness through the expression of appreciation from these needy families.

## CHILDRESS CHILD IS ACCIDENTALLY SHOT BY PLAYMATE

Childress, December 26.—Lucille Harrison, 7, daughter of C. Harrison, farmer, living near Childress, was accidentally shot by a playmate here yesterday, birdshot from a shotgun penetrating her face and eyes. She is being rushed to Dallas for X-ray examination and operation if necessary.

This was the third accidental shooting of children here in 10 days, one death having resulted.

## Main Street Church of Christ.

Sunday school 9:45 a. m. Men are talking about trading Buick off for Ford. Good interest. Let's make the last Sunday in the year the best Sunday.

Preaching 11 a. m. and 7:00 p. m. Morning subject: "Holy Ground." Evening subject: "The Classification of People by the Man of Galilee." Junior Endeavors meet at 3:00 p. m., leader, Anna Louise Hudgins. Intermediates meet at 6:30 p. m. Prayermeeting Wednesday at 7:15 p. m.

—A. D. Rogers, Pastor.

New species of insects are being found and classified at the rate of 6,000 a year.

"You can't sell sentiment in Washington," cried a sweating auctioneer as he knocked down for \$45 a mahogany sofa, two armchairs and one other chair—all upholstered in velvet. The furniture was formerly the property of Warren G. Harding.

## MUSICAL RECITALS GIVEN FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

The pupils of Mrs. H. Warner's music class were presented in a recital at the new High School Auditorium last Friday evening. A nicely arranged program was rendered and was enjoyed very much by those present.

On Saturday evening the music class of Mrs. Bill Howard gave a recital at the High School Auditorium. Those who attended enjoyed a splendid entertainment. The pupils showed much talent and ability in the rendition of their selections.

## WELLINGTON PEOPLE COME TO MEMPHIS BY AIRPLANE

Mrs. C. J. Glenn and two sons, Joe Parker and John D., flew in the airplane with Capt. Lowell Yerer to Memphis last Monday afternoon. They expressed themselves as being highly pleased with the trip. After being up about five minutes they got their bearings and could see Shamrock, Childress, McLean, Hedley, Memphis, and could see where other towns were located by the smoke. They said they were delighted with the trip and that straight flying was great.—Wellington Leader.

**WISHING YOU**  
**Health, Prosperity and**  
**Happiness in 1924!**  
**The Memphis Democrat**

## CLOSING SESSION OF JOINT-INSTITUTE FRIDAY MORNING

Teachers Believe Institute Is Best They Ever Attended. Executives To Select Meeting Place.

The Four County Teachers Institute met in its final session here Friday morning, concluding, as was decided by the attendants, the most educational and satisfactory week of work ever experienced in institute.

Thursday's program consisted of the business session of the week. It was decided by the teachers that the selection of a meeting place for the next institute be left to the decision of the executive committee, consisting of city and county superintendents of the four counties. Although no decision has as yet been reached, it is generally supposed that the institute will be held here another year.

Some discussion was given to the proposition of inviting Wheeler and Hardeman counties to join in this institute. Should these counties be included the attendance would be raised to approximately 600 teachers. At Friday's session the assembly had the privilege of hearing Dr. H. Henson, recent organizer of eight successful Junior High Schools in San Antonio, in an address on Junior High Schools. Dr. Henson is a man of long experience in this work and has worked out a very successful system for running Junior High Schools. He insisted upon the grammar school teachers hearing his address along with the high school teachers, stating that they necessarily must be in sympathy with the movement to assure its success.

The teachers left Monday afternoon and evening, all very complimentary of Memphis hospitality and her capacity for entertaining.

## Married.

December 22, 1923, at 4:00 p. m., Mr. Ellis Tittle and Miss Myrtle Wallace were married at the Christian parsonage, Rev. A. D. Rogers officiating.

At the home of the bride, Mr. McCormick and Mrs. D. L. Ford were married December 23, at 2:30 p. m. Rev. A. D. Rogers officiated.

## SAFE BLOWERS STAGE ROBBERY SUNDAY NIGHT

Safe of Farmers Union Supply Co. Is Hauled to Canyon, Blown and Looted of \$150 Cash.

The boldest robbery ever recorded in this city's annals of crime, was staged Sunday night, when unknown men forcibly entered the Farmers Union Supply Company, hauled the safe from the building to a canyon near by and robbed it of \$150 cash.

Using an axe, the plunderers gained entrance to the building by battering down the south door of the warehouse. The safe, weighing some 1,200 pounds, which was located in the office, was taken to this door and loaded into a truck belonging to the company, and conveyed to a small canyon about 300 yards south of the warehouse. The combination was broken off the safe which, evidently, was of no advantage, since explosives were used to blow the door from the safe.

Residents living within two blocks of the place where the safe was blown failed to hear the explosion, and as yet no clue has been found that might lead to the identity of the criminals. Officers started investigations early Monday morning, but have made no arrests.

A reward of \$325 is offered for the conviction of the guilty parties.

All evidence point toward the fact that the job was managed by a professional safe blower, therefore an out-of-the-county man. The large Christmas shopping crowds diverted all attention from strangers who might usually have been regarded with suspicion.

Buster Montgomery of Amarillo is visiting friends here.

## First Presbyterian Church.

Sunday school 9:45 a. m., Dr. Mr. Neely, Supt. Preaching services at 11:00 and 7:00 p. m., by the pastor. Junior C. E. Society at 2:30 p. m. Miss Boadie Montgomery, supt. Prayer meeting every Wednesday at 7:00 p. m. Charles E. Richter, Pastor.

## Hall County Farmer Writes On Diversification

E. T. Montgomery, of Plaska, Tells of Dangers of All-Cotton Crop in Letter to Democrat.

To The Democrat:

As we will soon initiate the New Year, all farmers should make their plans for a better crop year in 1924 than we have ever had. We have the past in mind and ought to be able to profit from past experience.

As to the proper course to follow, we should not let the high price of cotton at present influence us to plant all cotton in 1924. This would be poor management and probably be the very means of many farmers going backward instead of advancing.

I know the landlords of our county and state are going to compel the renters of their land to plant more cotton. Some are asking us to plant two-thirds to cotton. While the price is good this will pay, but who can tell what the price will be for the next crop? We have no way of knowing just what the next crop will make, or what it will bring. So, my advice is to plant plenty of feed and truck crops to run the farm. A little more will help, as we will always be able to find a market for what feed we have to sell.

The price may not be as good as we might wish for, but when we figure our expenses in making and gathering the high-priced cotton we find that, after all, the general expenses, rent, ginning, seed and hired help in cultivation amounts to three times as much as the expense of growing feed.

Of course, the land owner does not figure this way, as he is not responsible for any expenses the tenant is or might be obligated to meet. All the big land owner is out is to patch up some old farm house or barn. Sometimes he will fix up a rickety-rickety, run-down fence or wire gate somewhere on the farm, provided the tenant will do the work free of charge. Now, I do not mean that all land owners are this way, but I do know that there are lots of them who are of this type.

Go into an all wheat or an all cotton community and you will find shabby school houses, shabby churches and shabby looking farmsteads. But go into a locality where diversification reigns—where the sow, the cow and the hen are in command of the farms—and in the homes you will find good books, bright minds and a cheerful spirit. The money that accrues from intelligent diversification is not within itself a particularly inspiring objective. It is only as one translates the meaning of better profits into improved minds and bodies that they become worth striving for.

This is an example of modern effort to reduce life to its fundamental values. First, the security against adversity, which is the prerequisite of a happy home. Second, contentment with respect to life, but the divine discontent which leads ever upward to better and nobler things. Third, the proper balance of work and leisure for the improvement of body and mind.

Are not these the things that make for happiness anywhere? There is no difference between a home in the city and on the farm in this respect. The wage earner provides the factor of safety against adversity by his savings. The farmer has the greater advantage of his greater versatility of production. The wage earner's income is limited to one source and he can hope for better only through development of this source. The farmer may add almost at will to the source of his income, by diversification.

No farm is complete unless we include provisions for improved home and community life, just as there must be balance between agricultural production itself and the home life, which has always been found essential to successful and happy farming. And remember, no farming, no work of any kind is successful unless it is happy.

E. T. MONTGOMERY.

Rev. and Mrs. R. C. Baker and daughter, Lucille, of Ardmore, Oklahoma, visited relatives at Memphis and Plaska this week. Rev. Baker is missionary of Enon Association and reports his work getting along well.

## FORMER HALL CO. MAN TO GROW COTTON IN CALIFORNIA

Rev. Enoch Eiland, Formerly of Plaska, Will Grow Cotton In Southern California.

The Rev. Enoch Eiland, former pastor of the Methodist churches in the Plaska Circuit, and who left Hall County only a few weeks ago to make his permanent home in California, is to initiate the cultivation of cotton in that section around Porterville, California, according to the Evening Recorder of that city.

Rev. Eiland has grown cotton in Texas and believes it can be grown successfully in the Porterville country, which is now, like practically all of that state, noted for its production of fruit, and more especially oranges. Rev. Eiland's son, Hollis L., and W. D. Murdock, also of Hall County, will assist Mr. Eiland in his undertaking.

The following was clipped from the Porterville Evening Recorder.

"In addition to her many other agricultural industries Porterville seems destined to become one of the great cotton growing centers of California."

"E. Eiland of Texas, who has been growing cotton successfully for ten years in the Lone Star state, has leased 240 acres in the Poplar-Woodville section and is negotiating for over 100 acres more."

"The places leased to date are the George W. McAuliff ranch five miles west of town and a half mile north of the Rockford bridge. There are eighty acres in this tract which will be farmed by Mr. Eiland's son, Hollis L. Eiland. Mrs. Nonnie L. McAuliff, who owns eighty acres two miles south and two miles west of the Poplar store, has also leased to Mr. Eiland, as has also Carl Ingram, who owns the eighty adjoining the McAuliff eighty on the north. W. D. Murdock, also of Texas, will farm the McAuliff eighty."

"Negotiations are under way between Wm. McAuliff and Mr. Eiland to plant the former's eighty and it is probable that part of the Leslie McAuliff eighty will also be planted. The McAuliff and Ingram eighties join, making nearly 300 acres in one body, equipped with four splendid wells. A half mile or more of pipe line is to be installed.

"Acacia short staple cotton will be planted on all the land. Tractors and two-row planters will be used."

"Mr. Eiland, who has been coming to California for five years and who once owned a ranch near Lindsay, has been making a careful study of the cotton business in the Bakersfield, Corcoran and Delano sections and finds that cotton growers have been netting a fine profit. He firmly believes all the land leased will produce a bale of cotton to the acre, which means 500 pounds of lint. At present cotton is selling for about 30 cents a pound or \$150 a bale. In this section it costs about \$60 a bale to produce, leaving a net profit of \$90 a bale. Mr. Eiland says that if enough acreage is planted a gin may be secured at Porterville. He is paying cash rent, showing that he is willing to back his judgment with his money."

"Mr. and Mrs. Eiland and their two daughters are residing in San Jose at present, where one daughter is attending the College of the Pacific, and the other, high school. When school is out they expect to move here. Mr. Eiland is very affable as well as well informed and will be glad to give any prospective cotton growers the benefit of his experience."

## FORMER EDITOR'S HOME IS DESTROYED BY FIRE

The home of Jerry Dalton, former editor of The Memphis Democrat, located two blocks north of Main, on 7th street, was completely destroyed by fire early Christmas morning.

The family, which was sleeping up stairs, barely escaped the flames, as the fire had gained much headway before they were awakened. They luckily grabbed a part of their clothing, everything else being destroyed with the exception of an Edison which sat near the front door.

It is supposed that the fire started from the flue, since there was a fire in the stove and the flames started in the kitchen.

The residence was partially covered by insurance.

**Democrat Subscription Contest Vote!**

Listed below will be found the second vote published in The Democrat Subscription Campaign:

Mrs. E. N. Hudgins	2,216,000
Mrs. J. S. Ballard	1,924,000
Mrs. Ernest Franks	1,005,000

In order to give sufficient time to reach, or cover thoroughly, every section of our territory, the time for the closing of The Democrat Subscription Campaign is extended to Tuesday, January 15, at noon.

SAVING CERTIFICATES GOOD INVESTMENT, SAYS OWENS

Although the new issue of the Government's registered Treasury Savings Certificates has been available to the investing public only since Saturday, December 1, calls for these loss-proof Federal Securities have been very heavy locally and other Postmasters in the county report the same brisk demand, according to Postmaster Owens.

"At their new prices and with their new rate of compound interest, these Securities make every 80 cents invested now produce 20 cents interest in five years, returning a total of \$1 for every 80 cents," the Postmaster pointed out.

Features of the new issue Certificates were summarized as follows by Postmaster Owens:

"There are three (maturity value) denominations: \$1,000, \$100, and \$25. The \$1000 Certificates cost \$800; the price of the 100 Certificate is \$80; while the \$25 Certificate sells for \$20. The difference between the 'face' and the cost of the Certificate is interest profit at maturity. Although these Securities mature five years from date of purchase, they can be cashed without loss by owner whenever he pleases. Held to maturity these Certificates yield 4 1/2 per cent compounded semi-annually; cashed before maturity they yield 3 1/2 compounded semi-annually.

"They are registered against every form of loss and have valuable tax exempt features.

"Ownership is limited to \$5000 (maturity value) annually, but this amount may be bought every year. Persons, minors, firms, associations, corporations, banks, trustees, administrators, lodges, city governments, county governments, school districts, etc., may buy and hold the \$5000 limit yearly. Every member of a family may buy and hold the limit annually.

"Invested now \$4000 becomes \$5000 in five short years."

Bolivia is the only South American country without a seaboard.

"The people that came to this country in the early days were of the beaver type and they built up America because it was in their nature to build. Then the rat people began coming here to house under the roof that others built."—Secretary of Labor Davis.

Notice In Probate.

The State of Texas, County of Hall, To the Sheriff or any constable of Hall County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded, to cause to be published once a week, for ten days, exclusive of the first day of publication, before the return day hereof, in some newspaper of general circulation published in said county, which has been continuously and regularly published in said county for a period of not less than one year, the following notice:

The State of Texas, County of Hall, To all persons interested in the welfare of the estate of H. J. Galloway, deceased:

You are hereby notified that S. S. Montgomery has filed in the County Court of Hall County, Texas, an application for letters of temporary administration upon the estate of H. J. Galloway, deceased, and on the 1st day of December, A. D. 1923, by order of the County Judge of said Hall County, the said S. S. Montgomery was appointed temporary administrator of the estate of the said H. J. Galloway, deceased, and at the next regular term of said court, commencing on the third Monday in January, A. D. 1924, at the court house thereof, the same being the 21st day of January, A. D. 1924, at the court house thereof, in Memphis, Texas, at which time, all persons interested in the welfare of said estate are hereby cited to appear and contest such appointment, if they so desire, and if such appointment is not contested at the said term of said court, then the same shall become permanent.

Herein fail not, but have you then and there before said court on the said first day of the next term thereof, this writ, with your return thereon showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and seal of said court, at my office in Memphis, Texas, this 13th day of December, A. D. 1923.

(SEAL) EDNA BRYAN, Clerk County Court, Hall County, Texas.

Citation By Publication.

The State of Texas, County of Hall, To the Sheriff or any constable of Hall County, Texas, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon J. W. Carter, whose residence

is unknown, by making publication of this Citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Hall County, to be holden at the Court House thereof, in Memphis, on the second Monday in February, A. D. 1924, the same being the 11th day of February, A. D. 1924, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 12th day of December, A. D. 1923, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said Court No. 1255, wherein Lela May Carter is plaintiff, and J. W. Carter is defendant, and said petition alleging that plaintiff and defendant were married at Harrah, Oklahoma, on November 19, 1921, and lived together as husband and wife until December 19, 1921. That during the time they lived together defendant constantly cursed and abused plaintiff, and called her all manner of vile names, and constantly threatened to take plaintiff's life, which threats were made in such a manner as to lead plaintiff to believe that he would be liable to carry such threats into execution. That on one occasion defendant attempted to poison plaintiff by placing bichloride of mercury solution in her coffee. Defendant never in any way contributed to the support of plaintiff. That one child a boy, Henry Lee Carter, born Sept. 9, 1922, was born to plaintiff and defendant, and that defendant by reason of his irregular habits and disposition is unfit to have the custody of said child. Plaintiff prays for citation, and that she have judgment, granting her a divorce and the custody of the said child, general and special relief, etc.

Herein fail not, but have before said Court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and the Seal of said Court, at office in Memphis, Texas, this 12th day of December, A. D. 1923.

(SEAL) S. G. ALEXANDER, Clerk, District Court, Hall County.

"We only Bought Rat Poison Twice," writes Jesse Smith, N. J. "I threw the first kind away; couldn't be bothered mixing it with meat, cheese. Then I tried Rat-Snap. SAY, that's the stuff! It comes in cakes, all ready to use. And it sure does kill rats." 35c. 65c. \$1.25. Sold and guaranteed by BALDWIN DRUG COMPANY

WE WISH FOR YOU—

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Happy and Prosperous New Year

NINETEEN AND TWENTY-THREE HAS BEEN

A Studebaker Year

in Memphis and Hall County. More people in this section have bought Studebakers this year than have bought ALL OTHER CARS of this class. The proportion for 1924 will, we believe, be still greater. The new Studebaker offers more for the price than any other car, beauty, easy-riding, easy-driving, few repairs, sturdy and dependable.

GREETING

The Memphis Democrat makes use of this prominent space to inform its many readers that "The Force" has enjoyed a Merry Christmas, and to ask you to overlook the minor details in which this issue is not up to the standard. The two days off the first of the week, following the mad rush of holiday preparation, left us but little time in which to arrange this issue.

WITH BEST WISHES FOR THE NEW YEAR!

The Memphis Democrat

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# Good-Bye To 1923

By Phebe K. Warner

death of the Old Year and birth of the New Year always to us all a mingled feeling of loss and gladness. You just can't help it if you think all about it. There are so many memories every one that we hate to see fade into the distance. To thousands and thousands of boys and girls 1923 was their year in the old home high school. What severing of youth's friendships that means! The most interesting thought about it all is that youth is so full of pep and energy that it does not think very much about those separations at that time.

But as the years come and those school ties tighten. They do not seem like it, but they do long years after, when other friendships have been formed and broken, those friends of our school days, our playmates and class mates, seat mates in the old home school seem dearer than ever.

When there must come to us all the so fortunate as to have been in the last year of their lives. There is nothing in Nature so empty and forsaken as a last year's nest. There is nothing so human nature quite so empty as some when all the children are gone. Nobody to call in the morning. Nobody to get off to school. Nobody to wait for at night. No one. No disturbance. No part in anything that is going on in the world any more. Everything so peacefully peaceable. Just silence the day long until it almost chokes you.

But the children must have their day. And their absence is the way we pay for their own growth and development. And down deep our hearts are glad and grateful they have lived to grow up and we would not have it otherwise. How we hate to see that last year of their childhood fade into the distance.

their money? Time is a greater asset than money. And there are more good causes needing Time today than money. If you haven't anything else to give back to God and humanity this year are you willing to give a little of this New Year you are about to receive to some good cause for your community? There are a lot of folks who are just as stingy with their time as they are with their money. They may make their money and have some excuse for holding on to it, but the very time by which they made their money was a Gift of Providence.

How have you used 1923? If you could turn the tide of time back to the beginning of this old year and give it over again would you make any changes? Have you invoiced the past year and balanced up your profit and loss in opportunities? Have you done your best? If you have not, the New Year will be here in a few hours. We will never see 1923 again but 1924 will soon be here. What are you going to do with 1924? Have you a definite program planned and are you ready to begin on it at sunrise New Year's morning?

## "UNIVERSAL MOTHER"



Photograph of "The Heroic Universal Mother Protecting Her Children and Inculcating Peace," made by Mrs. Harry Payne Whitney and sent to Mrs. Clarence C. Calhoun, president of the Woman's Universal Alliance. It is intended to place the statue on the tall tower which the alliance will erect on its forty-acre tract in Washington over a school for the fostering of child genius.

## The Size of Pygmies.

There are certain popular errors concerning the race of under-sized men and women known as pygmies. Usually travelers have measured the most diminutive specimens and thus an exaggerated idea of their smallness has been produced. The average stature of the pygmies that have been measured is about four feet eight inches, but the best authorities in anthropology say that the real average limit of stature is five feet. Some are taller than that.

The pygmies have been found in eight or ten different places in central Africa, but wherever found they possess certain striking resemblances. The plant furnishing the covering for their huts is the same in the widely separated regions visited by Stanley and others, and the shape of the huts, a rough hemisphere, is the same. All the pygmies are alike characterized by neglect of agriculture, by the use of poisoned arrows and by the absence of any centralized tribal organization.

## GERMANS PAR FRIEDA



Frieda Hempel, noted concert and operatic star, who has been barred from singing in Germany, her native country. She asserts the monarchists accuse her of being unfaithful to Germany during the war, and have exerted sufficient influence to bar her.

## Avoid Trouble.

Evening assemblages that do not require people to go to the trouble of harnessing up in their glad rags are always the largest.

## U. S. Tars Had Busy Time During Quake

Washington, D. C.—Bluejackets proved their diversity in the Japanese earthquake zone by performing as fire-fighters, carpenters and safe crackers, and doing relief work, in addition to their regular duties. Details of the activities of the American navy, first to arrive in the stricken area, are contained in a report received by Secretary Denby from representatives of army relief in Japan. Here is what the bluejackets did:

Cleaned up American consulate in addition to rescue work among survivors, and established it anew.

Searched for and buried American dead.

Cracked safes, securing valuables and securities for American and foreign firms.

Furnished water for all American ships touching in Yokohama and for Americans and army hospital ashore.

Fought fire on one American ship.

Secured two other ships broken down and repaired machinery so they were able to proceed.

Furnished supplies and food to embassy and relief organizations until arrival of army transports.

## Attempt Made to Steal Deadly Cobras From Zoo



New York.—A weird attempt at robbery was frustrated at the New York zoo when two men with a violin case attempted to steal four deadly cobras from the east wing of the reptile house. The men who made the attempt had hidden in the cellar and bored into the building. The photograph shows Headkeeper Toomy investigating the two-inch hole bored through the floor in the attempted raid.

## Girl Who Blinded Man to Devote Her Life to Him

New York.—Miss Marie Toth, twenty-eight, a nurse of No. 344 Willis avenue, the Bronx, will devote her life to caring for the man whom her anger made blind.

She loved him and he blighted her, she says. Then she threw muriatic acid, with which she had intended to take her own life, in his face.

Since that night, August 10, when he was taken, blinded and burned to the City hospital, she had not seen him.

Recently Miss Toth was arraigned in Harlem court and held by Magistrate Ryttenberg in \$5,000 for the grand jury. As the sightless man, John Harvey, thirty-three, of No. 330 East Eighty-fifth street, was led into the courtroom Miss Toth fainted and on regaining consciousness became hysterical.

She told the magistrate she would take whatever punishment the law provided; she would give her savings of \$2,000 to help Harvey regain his sight and she would devote the remainder of her life seeing that he was properly cared for.

## To Breed Hens So They Lay Two Eggs per Day

Morgantown, W. Va.—Experiments, conducted at the West Virginia university agricultural station here by poultry experts, has led them to believe that it may be possible to breed chickens which will lay either two eggs a day or one egg every day of the year. H. G. Knight, the director, announced.

Hen No. 345 has two generative organs, according to the director. Her record shows, he said, that for three or four days she lays eggs long and narrow, and then for a few days the eggs are a natural shape.

If hens can be bred with two generative organs, according to the experts, it would be possible to have such a chicken lay two eggs a day.

## Birdmen Held on Charge of Stealing Airplane

New York.—Arthur England, an aviator, and Rudolph Beck were held in \$3,000 bail each in Jamaica court recently on a charge of stealing a seaplane owned by John J. Walsh, of Brooklyn, and moored in Jamaica bay. The police charged their prisoners with the machine to Long Beach, and had intended flying to Miami, Fla. They were arrested at Long Beach.

## STUDENT IN WELLESLEY



Miss Grace Li, daughter of Li Yuan-Kung, president of the Chinese republic is a student at Wellesley college. She slipped quietly into Wellesley and rented a hall bedroom in a small boarding house in a side street. She is just twenty-one years old, and was accompanied by one companion, Miss Harriet Chou, also twenty-one. They are both taking two-year courses in political economy.

Mechanical Coal Cutters. There were 495 coal cutters in use in South Africa in 1921, according to the official statistics of the government mining engineer. Of this number 50 were operated by electricity and the balance by compressed air. With the exception of three or four, all of the electric machines were imported from the United States.

## U. S. to Improve Belleau Wood

Washington.—The War department admits there have been criticisms of the condition of the graves of Americans in France, and especially at Belleau Wood. But it is denied that any fault should be found with the officers in charge.

It is explained that the tearing up of the earth and destruction of grass and shrubbery which resulted from the removal of more than 50 per cent of the bodies from the cemetery for reinterment in this country, could not be avoided.

Officials of the War department say that conditions will be remedied as soon as possible and that with the advent of spring in 1924 it is expected the cemetery at Belleau Wood will assume a much more attractive aspect.

## 'It's the Cheapest Thing I Ever Bought,' Writes Mrs. J. Mason, Va.

"I paid \$1.25 for five cakes of Rat-Snap and judging by the large number of dead rats we've picked up, I reckon we've saved hundreds of dollars in chicks, eggs and feed." Your pets won't touch it. Rats dry up and leave no smell. 35c, 65c, \$1.25. Sold and guaranteed by

BALDWIN DRUG COMPANY

## An Old Nickel.

"Say, cap, have you got an old nickel you can spare? I need a cup of coffee mighty bad." A panhandler in the Rock Island station made this request and he put a slight emphasis on the adjective. It was the same he would have used if he had asked for an old hat or an old pair of shoes. He merely wanted an old nickel that had served its purpose and was no longer of use to the owner.

"It may have been unintentional, a mere slip of the tongue," said the man who was approached. "I gave him the coin he asked for and I have been wondering ever since what was going through his mind."—Chicago Journal.

The Telephone in Asia. Asia has 493,645 telephones, which allows but a tenth of a telephone for every one hundred people. The increase since 1914 is 61.3 per cent. It has about 1,290,000 miles of telephone wire, or two-tenths of a mile for each one hundred people.

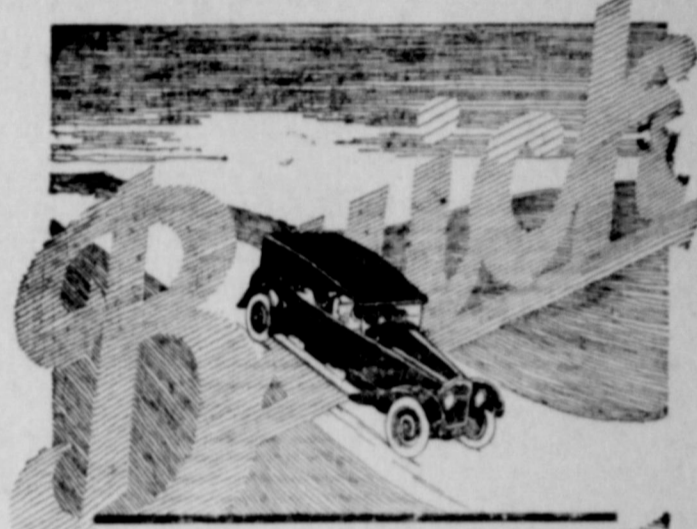
## Notice to Debtors and Creditors.

THE STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF HALL.

To those indebted to, or holding claims against the estate of W. W. Nivens, deceased:

The undersigned having been duly appointed administrator of the estate of W. W. Nivens, deceased, late of Hall County, Texas, by A. C. Hoffman, judge of the county court of said county, on the 17th day of October, A. D. 1923, during a regular term thereof, hereby notifies all persons indebted to said estate to come forward and make settlement, and those having claims against said estate to present them to him within the time prescribed by law at his residence, Parnell, Hall County, Texas, where he receives his mail, this 8th day of December, A. D. 1923.

H. C. NIVENS, Administrator of the Estate of W. W. Nivens, Deceased.



## More Grip on the Road! Buick Four-wheel Brakes

Buick four-wheel brakes give all 1924 Buick cars twice the amount of grip on the road, thereby doubling their braking efficiency. It is the friction or grip of the tire on the road surface that brakes or slows down the car.

Buick four-wheel brakes not only provide a greater power to stop in case of emergency but, because of this four-wheel road grip, reduce skidding dangers to a minimum.

In turning, Buick four-wheel brake construction automatically releases whichever is the outside or guiding front wheel so it is instantly responsive to the steering mechanism.

Buick four-wheel brake construction distributes braking friction over four drums and four wheels. This reduces wear on brake linings and tires, thereby assuring their longer life and greater efficiency with fewer adjustments.

Buick four-wheel brakes [on all models] together with countless other distinctive features of the 1924 cars further establish Buick as the Standard of Comparison.

DAVIS BUICK COMPANY MEMPHIS, TEXAS

When better automobiles are built, Buick will build them

## GREETING

We wish to thank our customers for their liberal patronage during 1923, and wish for them a Happy and Prosperous 1924!

H. CLIFTON, GINNER Estelline, Texas

We wish to express our appreciation to our many friends and customers for their patronage through 1923, and their part in making our business what it has been. Our New Year Resolution is to serve you better in 1924. Wishing for you a Happy and Prosperous New Year!

J. C. Wooldridge Lumber Co. A. R. EVANS, Mgr.

Local and Personal News

News Paragraphs and Personal Mention of General Interest to Memphis and Hall County Readers

John Grundy of Esteline was a Memphis visitor Wednesday. Commissioner Nash of Lakeview was a Memphis visitor Wednesday. 300 men lost their whiskers at Bob's Barber Shop. Wanted—Pasture for four head of stock. Bert Brewer. John Milam and family of Sudan are here this week, visiting relatives. New 1924 Model Buick for sale at discount. See Raymond Ballaw. Chas. Singer returned Tuesday night from Jaurez, Mexico, where he spent Christmas. Harry Delaney, who is attending school at Canyon, is spending the holidays in Memphis. Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Brooks and son, Royce, visited with relatives in Wellington Christmas day. If you owe me, the account is due. Please call and settle. John W. Fitzjarrald, Chiropractor. C. Land came in Saturday from California, and will make his future home here. Wanted—Pasture for four head of stock. Bert Brewer. Boys, Bob's Barber Shop wants your whiskers. Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Currey of Breckenridge are here this week for a visit with Mrs. Currey's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Stephens. Room and Board—Large front bed room, adjoining bath, hot water. Very desirable, close in. Phone 238. Clyde Tunnell has returned from New Mexico Military Institute to spend the holidays with his parents. New 1924 Model Buick for sale at discount. See Raymond Ballaw. Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Lane visited with relatives in Wellington Christmas day. Mrs. Lane is spending the week there. Warning! Be careful in crossing the streets, this town is full of Studebakers. If you owe me, the account is due. Please call and settle. John W. Fitzjarrald, Chiropractor. Misses Cy and Virginia Browder and Nookie Arnold, who attend the Heckaday School at Dallas, are at home for the holidays. Frank Meacham of Turkey was a business visitor in Memphis Tuesday and Wednesday. See our car of nice Christmas apples. Prices are right. W. P. Dial Grocery, South side square. New 1924 Model Buick for sale at discount. See Raymond Ballaw. Mr. and Mrs. Bernice Stephens of Breckenridge are spending the holidays with Bernice's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Stephens. Jim and Miss Clara Ballaw are home from Simmons College to spend the holidays with relatives. See our car of nice Christmas apples. Prices are right. W. P. Dial Grocery, South side square. Raymond Thonaron, who is attending State University, is spending the holidays with home-folk. Bob Johnson and Kennon Rllyer of Clarendon College are at home for the holidays. New 1924 Model Buick for sale at discount. See Raymond Ballaw. If you owe me, the account is due. Please call and settle. John W. Fitzjarrald, Chiropractor. For Sale—6-volt rebuilt Exide Battery. Can be seen at Exide Station. Miss Fatty Hicks of Clarendon College is spending the holidays with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. J. T. Hicks. Miss Laura Florence Morgan, of Dallas, is spending the holidays with her parents here.

DATE HAS HIGH FOOD VALUE

Fruit Not Properly Appreciated, According to Experts of the Department of Agriculture. According to the Atwater bulletin on food composition issued by the United States Department of Agriculture, the dried date is composed as follows: Carbohydrates, 70.6 per cent; protein, 1.9 per cent; fat, 2.5 per cent; water, 13.8 per cent; ash (mineral salts) 1.2 per cent; refuse (fiber), 10 per cent. The protein and fat content, though small, is in a readily available form, the protein as a builder and the fat as a fuel, writes Dr. Charles L. Bennett. "A man who includes two pounds of dates as the bulk of a day's ration will not require much additional protein. In fact, a pure date dietary meets the requirements of many Arabs in every-day activities for long periods at a time, without the addition of other foods." The value of the date as a food is not half appreciated by the American public, writes another authority, Dr. John Harvey Kellogg. "The date not only furnishes a variety of sugar which is readily assimilated and which is much more wholesome than cane sugar, but it also supplies a fine quality of food iron, which is entirely lacking in cane sugar. An ounce of dates, in fact, supplies one-third more food iron than an ordinary beefsteak and iron of much finer quality."

MANY OLD SCORES EVENED

Stenographer Improved Glorious Opportunity to Administer a Gentle Rap to Her Fellow Workers. The stenographer in a business office in a southern Indiana town had endured many jests based on her single state and the number of her birth days. Chief among her tormentors had been the "boss," whose own birth days had passed the half-hundred mark, but whose appearance belied this. He took great pride in this latter fact. One morning the stenographer answered the telephone, to hear her brother's voice inquiring for "the old man," meaning their father, also employed in the office. She did not approve of this mentioning her father, and she saw, too, a way opened to repay some of the jests of which she had been the object. "Old man?" she inquired. "Well, there are several old men around here; just to which one do you have reference?" she asked in a tone that was audible all over the office. Absolute silence for several minutes was followed by the voice of the "boss," repeating, "Several old men around here."—Indianapolis News.

UNIVERSITY RADIO COURSES

Forecasting millions of listeners, the bulk of them of college age, the national radio chamber of commerce is developing a plan to establish radio extension courses in American colleges and universities. England and Germany, it is said, are planning to broadcast university extension courses. Several prominent institutions of learning in the United States have made a beginning in this direction, the announcement continued, and their reports of the encouraging success attending their efforts show that the possibilities of the new method are not underestimated. Sixty other educational institutions are broadcasting educational and musical programs, forty-seven of them being colleges and universities. The combined area nominally covered by these institutions has been estimated to be seven or eight times the total area of the United States.

RAGMAN PUT IN STOCKS

In England the punishment of the stocks has been inflicted within the memory of men now living. In the Manchester Guardian of June 14, 1872, there is an account of a rag and bone dealer of intemperate habits being fixed in the stocks for drunkenness and disorderly conduct. "Twenty-six years had elapsed since the stocks were last used," states this account, "and their reappearance created no little sensation and amusement, several hundreds of persons being attracted to the spot where they were fixed." The "amusement" does not appear to have been shared by the prisoner, who was released after four hours and "seemed anything but pleased with the laughter and derision of the crowd."

COLORADO TOWN'S CLAIM TO FAME

Meeker, Colo., lays claim to being the third largest inland city in the United States, and is county seat of Rio Blanco county, the last remaining undeveloped empire in the Union, and the last stamping ground of the Pio. Rio Blanco county claims the greatest oil domes in the country; enough unmined coal to supply the nation for 50 years and the largest and greatest length of our croppings of uranium and vanadium ores in the world, an extensive natural gas field, carbon black plant and pyrolytic asphaltum beds. Meeker was the scene of one of the greatest Indian massacres the country has ever known.

HOW LEADVILLE AIDED DENVER

Leadville has been called the cradle for the rebirth of Denver. This is because this great camp produced the great fortunes for men who later moved to Denver and really built the city. Of their number was H. A. W. Tabor. A half-billion dollars worth of precious metals have been taken from Leadville mines and mining still is not only active, but on the

SAIL OVER THE MOUNTAINS

Few Persons Know Ocean Liners Actually Travel Over Submarine Peaks. The main feature of some parts of the bottom of the sea are, in many instances, as familiar to scientists as are those of the land on which we live, although no complete maps of the ocean bed have as yet been made. Of the ocean, the Atlantic has been more thoroughly surveyed than any other. Probably not one in a thousand persons who traverse the Atlantic knows that at various stages of the trip liners actually sail over mountains. Fewer still realize that in some instances the peaks of these mountains are almost uncomfortably close to the surface. The biggest of these submarine mountains is known to science as Mt. Laura Ethel. It lies roughly midway between Liverpool and New York, and is at least 12,000 feet in height, its summit being less than 100 feet from the surface. Another mountain, Picentia, in the South Atlantic, is almost an island, for its peak is less than 20 feet from the surface! The Furaday hills, in the North Atlantic, have been the subject of much exploration by means of soundings. Recent investigations show that the currents have deposited at the base of the biggest of the group the wreckage of over 5,000 vessels of all kinds. It seems, therefore, that the distinction of being the real "Davy Jones' Locker" can with good reason be ascribed, as it has been, to this eerie under-sea locality.

VAN THE SALTIERST OF LAKES

Dead Sea Ranks Next to Body of Water in Turkey in Proportion of Saline Ingredient. The waters of the Dead sea are very salty, but not the saltiest in the world. It is not difficult to account for the saltiness of the Dead sea. There are large quantities of salt and salty matters, generally, in the volcanic rocks of the region, but even if this were not so, when a river empties into a lake with no outlet to the sea, as does the River Jordan into the Dead sea, and which therefore loses its water by evaporation only, the water will gradually become very salty, since the remaining waters of such a lake contain more or less of salt, while the water it loses by evaporation only contains none.

FUR-BEARING ANIMALS' HABITAT

There is really no one section that has most of all the various fur animals. In Alaska there are some of about all other than skunk, civet cat and opossum; in Nevada, Utah, Colorado, New Mexico, Arizona and other of the Rocky mountain states, there are more coyotes than elsewhere; New England and other of the eastern states have most fox; southern states most coon, mink and opossum; Ohio, Pennsylvania, New York, West Virginia, Indiana and other central states most skunk. If the inquirer is interested to know what state, or section, has most big game, then parts of Alaska and certain of the Rocky mountain states, but like the fur animals there is "one locality" that has most of all these animals, including bear, deer, moose, elk and mountain lion.—Sportsman's Digest.

LOSING THE SCENT

There is a possibility that our cultivated flowers are losing scent to a very great degree, and if the loss continues to a point where it disappears entirely the species will likewise disappear, for the perpetuation of the plant depends upon the scent to attract insects, whose visits effect the necessary fertilization of the blooms. Florists do away with the scent of a flower by increasing its color and size, and all the energy of the plants is used in making up this extra substance. The cultivated plant fluids it does not need to perpetuate itself by attracting insects, so man does not waste time and labor producing perfume not required. That scent is nature's means of fertilization is proved by the fact that flowers that are wind fertilized, or attract insects by their brilliant coloring have no scent.

AN OPEN QUESTION

"Orinsson Gulch hasn't had a lynching in years," remarked the traveling salesman. "Yep," replied Cactus Joe. "The fact is causing some dispute. We don't feel certain whether our civic moxie has improved or whether the posse is demoralized an' loatin' on the job."

WEIGHTY WORDS

"Did your words have any weight with the masses?" "It looks cheerlessly that way," answered Senator Sorghum. "The boys are saying it was one of the heaviest little speeches I ever made."

BIDESTEPPING MRS. GRUNDY

"Why do you go on the balcony when I sing? Don't you like to hear me?" "It isn't that, I want the neighbors to see that I'm not leaving my wife."

THE CHANGES OF TIME

"You never can tell what is going to happen." "What new?" "The young fellow I fired for incompetency two years ago has just married my daughter, and I've got to take him back and give him a better chance."

HELD "PEACE PIPE" SACRED

American Indians Attached Immense Importance to the Ceremony That Accompanied Its Smoking. The smoking of the "Pipe of Peace" among the American Indians was a ceremony attended with great solemnity. The peace pipe, called by the French the calumet, was treated with great reverence and was brought out only upon the most important occasions, such as the making of peace treaties, the reception of a distinguished stranger with whom the tribe wished to be upon good terms. If the occasion did not bring forth the pipe of peace, it was a sign of hostility. To refuse to smoke it when offered was a cause of offense. The calumet was between two and three inches long, and the stem rather than the bowl was the object of the Indian's reverence. The stem was of reed, artistically decorated with women's hair or eagle's quills. Among the western tribes the pipe bowl was of red catlinite, a fine-grained stone of deep red color found in Cotson des Prairies, west of Big Stone lake, in South Dakota. The Indians of the South and East made the bowl of white stone pierced with several holes so that several stems could be used at the same time. The calumet quarries were regarded as neutral ground among the warring tribes and there were many sacred traditions connected with these spots.

FURTHER HINTS ABOUT MEN

It Would Seem That Writer Has Given Pretty Thorough Consideration to the Subject. "There never was a man too near-sighted to see the look of admiration in a pretty woman's eyes." "A good woman inspires a man, a brilliant woman interests him, a beautiful woman fascinates him—but the considerate woman gets him." "When it comes to making love, a girl can always listen so much faster than a man can talk."

FAMOUS CHINESE TOMBS

The famous Ming tombs are located near Nanking, China. On the road that leads to them from Nanking are colossal figures of carved stone. These are statues of Chinese kings. The Mongols under Genghis Khan's successor swept across Asia and Russia and overran Hungary. He defeated the Germans and Poles in 1241. But the mongols were beaten by Egypt in 1260. After that their power waned and China was able to throw off the Mongol yoke in 1269, when she established a rule of native kings—the great Ming dynasty. Under the Ming, China flourished until 1644. Then the Manchus, another Mongol people, reconquered China, and remained masters until 1912. There is a fence built around these statues, because the Chinese believe that the statues would be very bad if a common Chinaman were to touch them.

BLIND SPOTS

The world has its "blind spots" for thunder and lightning, says a bulletin of the National Geographic society. The brilliant flash of lightning and the crackle and rattle of thunder would be as impossible of conception by many Eskimos as would "solid water" by equatorial savages. In general the frequency of thunderstorms decreases as one goes north, until within the Arctic and Antarctic Circles they seldom occur.

LUMINOUS PAINTS

The luminous ingredient in paints is usually either calcium sulphide, barium or strontium carbonate or sulphate, or mixtures of these chemicals may be used. An example of a luminous paint giving a violet, is as follows: 100 parts of strontium carbonate, 100 parts of sulphur, 9.5 parts each of potassium chloride and sodium chloride, 0.4 parts manganese chloride. These are heated an hour to 75 minutes to about 2,372 degrees F. The paint is prepared by mixing this with pure linseed oil.

DEEP-SANDY FARM NEAR RED RIVER

200 yards of railway, station, store, school. Hydrant water. All conveniences of town except electric lights. Fair improvements, good, productive land. This place is clear of debt. Will trade for larger body of land near Memphis.

ONE OF THE BEST QUARTER-SECTION FARMS IN HALL COUNTY

All tillable and all in cultivation. Well and windmill, good horse. Will trade or sell. Deep-sandy farm near Red River, 204 acres, 175 in cultivation. Good house, abundance of good water, windmill. Pasture and garden fenced with hog wire. This place produced twice acreage cotton crop this year. Can give good terms with a moderate payment on sale or will trade.

HAVE OTHER PROPERTY TO TRADE

See me JERRY DALTON

MANX CAT WITHOUT

Animal Is Native to the Isle of Man, a British Island—Jumps Forward Like a Rabbit.

The Manx cat, which is native to the Isle of Man, a British island in the Irish sea, is noted because of its absence of a tail, and a formation of that distinguishes it from cats of other breeds. The origin of the Manx cat is attributed to the arrival on the Isle of Man of ships belonging to the Irish armada that were wrecked there. It is said that these cats were probably previously brought to Japan or other parts of eastern Asia. In the true Manx cat the forelegs are short and the hind legs are as long as possible, making the hind legs longer than the forelegs, so that the cat seems to jump forward like a rabbit and is therefore sometimes called a rabbit cat. The Manx cat may be any of the recognized colors. All of the cats of the islands in the East, the Malay peninsula, the Philippines and lands contiguous, and those of Siam, seem to have the same formations of the tail, whether short, forked, kinked or others. But these cats are smaller than the Manx cat and there are differences in the call or language and ways of character.—Detroit News.

ORIGIN OF THE RING

In the course of a lecture on "Precious Stones," Professor Gordon said that early jewelry did not seem to have been set in rings. One of the earliest examples of use of rings in statutory was the statues of Prometheus, who, when released from bondage on the island of Venus, wore a ring with small piece of the Caucasus in it to show that he was still chained to the Caucasus. The idea of a ring as a sign of bondage has continued to these days. Bishops and doctors were rings right because they had signed away their independence in order to be maintained.

The Palace Theatre Program.

December 26 to January 4. FRIDAY—Metro presents Viola Dana, "Noise In Newboro," with Charles Fox, "The Jungle Goddess." SATURDAY—Wm. Fox presents Chas. Jones, "Big Dan," with Our Gang Comedy, "Young Sherlock." MONDAY AND TUESDAY—Warner Bros. present Wesley Barry in "Rags to Riches." WEDNESDAY—Chamber of Commerce Band presents a Vitagraph special with an all star cast in "Master of Men," with Al St. John Comedy, "The Tailor." THURSDAY—Chamber of Commerce Band presents Harold Lloyd's latest and best comedy, "Safety Last."

How a Rat Nearly Destroyed Mrs. L. Bowen's (R. I.) House

For months we wouldn't go into the cellar, but one night we got in there and found a big rat. One night it set our whole kitchen fire by chewing matches. The next day we got the rat thing with Rat-Snap—but one rat. Rat-Snap up and leaves no mess. Three sizes: 15, 25, 50. Sold and guaranteed by

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Trade

Farm, 170 acres 140 in cultivation. 200 yards of railway, station, store, school. Hydrant water. All conveniences of town except electric lights. Fair improvements, good, productive land. This place is clear of debt. Will trade for larger body of land near Memphis. One of the best quarter-section farms in Hall county. All tillable and all in cultivation. Well and windmill, good horse. Will trade or sell. Deep-sandy farm near Red River, 204 acres, 175 in cultivation. Good house, abundance of good water, windmill. Pasture and garden fenced with hog wire. This place produced twice acreage cotton crop this year. Can give good terms with a moderate payment on sale or will trade. Have other property to trade. See me JERRY DALTON

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TO—make a good beginning of the New Year with a set of thoughtful Resolutions!

TO—extend the hand of kindness and helpfulness to your neighbor and wish him twelve months of unperturbed Happiness better Health—if that be possible—and ever-increasing Prosperity.

TO—do your share toward making this a greater and better community. It only takes a kind word of boosting now and then, a friendly greeting to the visitor in our midst and a smile which radiates the happiness you get out of living here.

TO—patronize your home town merchants for your needs throughout the year. Remember, they're endeavoring to do all they can to please you in every way. Upon their success depends your own welfare and that of our community.

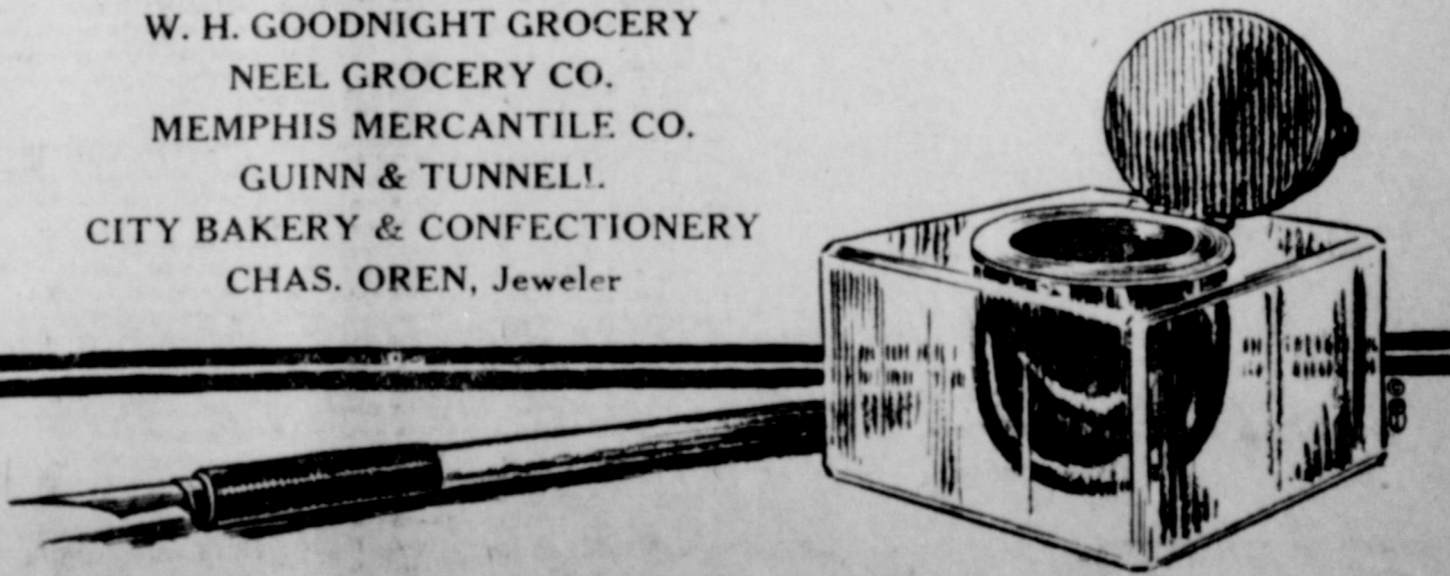
AND—We, the undersigned, have RESOLVED not to leave a single duty undone which will help maintain our friendly relations with you in the future. We'll do our best to keep those relations as cordial as they have been in the past. To this we give our pledge. So—

## WISHING YOU ALL A REAL HAPPY NEW YEAR

We affix our signatures:

SAM FORKNER, Drayman  
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 E. CHRISTENSEN SHOE SHOP  
 GERLACH BROS.  
 WALKER BROS., Grocers

W. D. ORR, Studio & Gift Shop  
 W. H. GOODNIGHT GROCERY  
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# THE MEMPHIS DEMOCRAT

## Big Subscription Contest

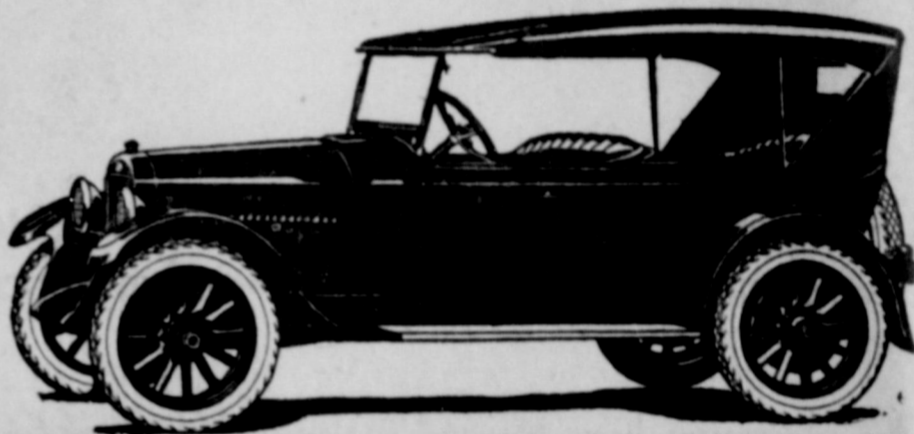
### WILL BE

# Extended to Jan. 15

IN ORDER TO GIVE SUFFICIENT TIME TO REACH OR COVER THOROUGHLY EVERY SECTION OF OUR TERRITORY THE TIME FOR THE CLOSING OF THE DEMOCRAT SUBSCRIPTION CAMPAIGN IS EXTENDED TO TUESDAY, JANUARY 15 AT NOON.

### FIRST GRAND PRIZE

\$1150.00  
Studebaker  
Light Six  
Automobile  
Purchased  
from  
Raymond  
Ballew



#### Second Prize



\$225  
Victrola  
Purchased  
from and on  
Display at  
Clark &  
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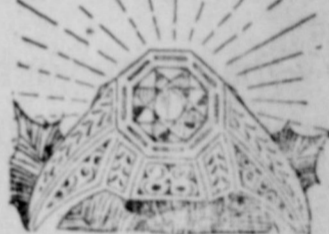
#### FOURTH PRIZE

\$75 Diamond Ring  
Purchased From and  
on Display at  
R. H. Wherry

#### FIFTH PRIZE

\$50 Diamond Ring  
Purchased From and  
on Display at  
Chas. Oren

#### Third Prize



\$150 Diamond Ring Purchased  
From and on Display at  
CHAS. OREN

## \$350

A special fund of \$350.00 has been reserved to provide additional prizes for any candidates who enter and remain actively in the campaign until its close, making the required daily reports of subscriptions and cash in accordance with the rules of the contest.

#### SCHEDULE OF VOTES AND SUBSCRIPTION RATES TO

### The Memphis Democrat

FIRST PERIOD		SECOND PERIOD		THIRD PERIOD	
Embraces the first two weeks, ending December 15, at noon.		From December 15, at noon to Monday, December 24, at noon.		From Dec. 24, at noon to Jan. 1, at noon, the close of the contest.	
Amt.	Votes	Amt.	Votes	Amt.	Votes
1 year	\$ 1.50 3,000	1 year	\$ 1.50 2,000	1 year	\$ 1.50 1,000
2 years	3.00 8,000	2 years	3.00 6,000	2 years	3.00 4,000
5 years	7.50 25,000	5 years	7.50 20,000	5 years	7.50 15,000
10 years	15.00 100,000	10 years	15.00 75,000	10 years	15.00 50,000

These subscription prices apply only to papers sent to post offices in Hall county and the counties adjoining Hall. Subscriptions outside of these limits are \$2.00 per year. The above schedule of votes, which is on a declining scale basis, positively will not be changed during the competition. However, a special ballot good for 50,000 votes, will be issued on each \$15 turned in. This arrangement will be in effect throughout the entire contest and is to be considered a part of the regular schedule.

**Hard Work During This Period Will Count High In The Final Vote And Go Far Toward Winning The Big Automobile Prize**  
**Work Will Win**



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#### SYNOPSIS

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CHAPTER III.—At... the preacher... estate at coll... killed a gambli... his father att... grace to his re... eriance from... in the days of... has a so... son by reading... elsewhere in N... father on his... by another...

CHAPTER IV.—At th... office... field... saw the new p... found... Ja... m... shoots a pisto... him say he... his boat fits a... deck.

CHAPTER V.—The pu... the river with J... discovers the par... The party... boat. Jack di... his boat fits a... deck.

CHAPTER VI.—All... at a festival in... taken stranger... He attacks Ja... attacks him... portant wound... preacher faces th... to the door. Ci... out and disappea...

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#### Why Don't You Trap Y...

the house... wrote and wrote... is safe I did... this afternoon... with his notary... fitted across her... smooth fingers... terrible letter!

H. Face Ken—  
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"No."  
"He wants y..."  
"Iu didn't... that—that—fac... The girl's ey..."  
"No—only th... She drew a... fingers lightly... house."  
"How is y'u..."  
He fumbled...  
"Aw, it ain't... The smile... the dimples... "Jack—"  
He stole a... her upturned...

among the... those of high school age... Crown Prince Hirohito, of Japan, mixes freely with the common people and defies the traditions which hold him sacred.

contracts... on professional... able wear canvas gloves.



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Elite Incidents

Most of the Eli people were shopping in Memphis Saturday and Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Tren Stargel of Anarillo are spending the holidays with relatives here. J. C. Carter and family are spending the holidays with relatives here. Joe Williams attended Quarterly Conference of the Methodist Church at Plaska Saturday.

Before the earthquake the Japanese Government had allotted \$110,000 to the "Social Affairs Bureau" to encourage Japanese emigrants to go to Brazil. More than 100 local intelligence offices in different parts of Japan promoted the movement.

The highest mountain peak in New Zealand, a land of hot springs and glaciers, does not attain more than 12,350 feet. Mountain climbers marvel at the scenery which is unexcelled.

Mistaking a fire box for a mail box a New York man laid his letter on top and pulled the handle. Four engine companies, two fire trucks, a water tower, two battalion chiefs and a deputy chief arrived in great excitement. A fireman mailed the letter in a near-by mail box.

Truck gardeners in Florida have experienced severe losses in crops through land crabs, which devour and injure young and tender vegetation.

The professor of Chinese at Columbia University says that Chinese is not a difficult language to learn and that any intelligent person may gain a working knowledge of the language in three months.

LITTLE NOW GOES TO WASTE

Science Has Discovered Innumerable Methods for Turning Rubbish to Profitable Uses. One of the most remarkable features of modern life is that nothing need be wasted.

OLDEST ARTICLES IN WORLD

Chipped Stones, Found in England, Believed to Be Most Ancient of Made Implements. According to an English antiquary, the oldest manufactured articles in the world are probably some chipped stones found on the Kentish Weald, in England.

DEFENDS THE NAME FATHER

Nicknames Such as "Old Man," "Father," "Dad" and "Daddy" Do Not Express Affection. What is in a name? Why, everything, of course. Get a bad name and you will find it out. Call a man a jailbird and he is doomed.

SIZING UP NATION'S WEALTH

Middle Atlantic States Have Largest Income, With Nevada at the End of the List. What is the richest part of the United States—the richest, that is, in the sense of having the largest income? Probably most people would have no difficulty in answering this question.

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WOMBAT'S DILEMMA

A Difficult Task. "You know Wombat, the author?" "We are acquainted." "That baby of his has some cute expressions." "Yes, Wombat confided to me the other day that Mrs. Wombat wanted it so."

THE SKIPPED TRAINS

In this fast-moving world, transportation takes new forms over night. The fair century of steam railroading in the United States has not yet passed. Young men remember the first motor car. We are just beginning to fly.

A NEW DIFFICULTY

I understand Crimson Gulch is going to have a baseball team. "We tried it," said Cactus Joe, "but we couldn't get enough players. Most of the boys is naturally so scrappy they wanted to be umpire or nothin'."

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Claiming that it creates a wrong impression of British justice, the chairman of the Board of Governors of Toronto University says Longfellow's "Evangeline" should be removed from all Canadian schools.

A jade amulet discovered at the San Juan de Teotihuacan pyramids, near Mexico City, had the following engraved Chinese inscription: "The golden fish that passes by the Dragon's gate is converted into a dragon." The Chinese Legation readily interpreted the inscription which is a quotation from a very old Chinese lyric.

"Popular opinion is not far wrong in its attitude toward authors who create odious and repulsive characters, the embodiment of debased, perverted passions and ideas, suspecting unweasly that the thoughts and feelings of the characters may be those of the author himself."—Jacinto, Benavente, Spanish Playwright.

In personally receiving representatives of the Lord's Day Alliance, President Coolidge said: "I profoundly believe in the Sabbath and have always recognized its sacred importance. I appreciate the work your organization is doing for the preservation of the Christian Sabbath, and, with you, I feel that we should give attention not only to the physical aspects but also to the moral and spiritual phases of the Holy Day."

Sir Alfred Mond, British Jewish leader, was greatly astonished on his recent visit by the wealth of America. "The country is overwhelmed with money," he said, "I saw most of the financiers, bankers and leading industrialists, and they regarded anyone with less than \$50,000,000 as very small beer and would hardly look at him." The inference would be just that Sir Alfred saw few Americans.

How Would You Like to See What Irvin Nerhood (Pa.) Saw? "One customer told me that after using one large package of Kai-Snap, he got FORTY-EIGHT dead rats. How many more dead he couldn't see, he doesn't know. Remember rats breed fast and destroy dollars' worth of property." 35c, 65c, \$1.25. Sold and guaranteed by Baldwin Drug Company.

BALDWIN DRUG COMPANY. The basket ball this opened in ref when the local boy fought defeat of the fast Estelline high school gymnast line team, district past two years, but of three months' practice at the same time by the in-door cou locals practice.

A Woman Wrote The G. Minn., December 19, 1923. "If any subscribers wish to receive the book 'The Great Escape'... I used Kai-Snap for rats and cleared out completely." The book is sold and guaranteed by Baldwin Drug Company.

BALDWIN DRUG CO. THANKING you for your past year's business and WISHING you a Happy and Prosperous New Year!

May we continue to serve you! A. Baldwin Dry Goods.

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May the year 1924 be one of Health, Prosperity and Plenty!

WM. CAMERON & CO., INC. George W. Moore, Mgr.

To our customers, friends and the general public: We wish to return to you our sincere thanks for the liberal business given us during the past year.

Clark & Williams Drug Company 1920 — 1924

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