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"He Profits Most Who Serves Best"

Coleman Business Man Killed By Bandit

J. A. Mitchell, 45, operator of a filling station on Commercial Ave., in the city of Coleman, was shot and killed about 8 o'clock last Thursday evening, while his wife and small daughter looked on. The bandit entered the filling station, covered Mr. Mitchell with a pistol, and demanded Mitchell to stick 'em up, according to the reports. Mitchell was sweeping the floor, and either thought the man was bluffing or thought himself equal to the occasion and struck at the bandit with the broom. The bandit fired a shot into Mitchell's abdomen, death ensuing almost instantly. Mrs. Mitchell and a small daughter were standing behind the showcase in the filling station and witnessed the tragedy, according to reports.

The man fled before officers and neighbors could be summoned.

A poor description of him is available. It is not known whether he escaped on foot or in an automobile. The sheriff's department is making a thorough search.

Mr. Mitchell was formerly a merchant at Silver Valley. His son, Glen Mitchell, is a teacher in the school at Milleraview, Concho county. Mrs. Bryan Buck of Sweetwater and Mrs. Mattie Yates of Roby are his sisters. J. H. and Clifford Birdwell of Ira, Texas, and John Birdwell of Ralls, are Mrs. Mitchell's brothers. Mrs. J. M. Summers of Allison, N. M., is the mother of the slain man.

Burial was made in the Coleman cemetery Monday. A large crowd from over the county attended the funeral and sentiment over the county is running high.

A report reached Santa Anna Wednesday evening to the effect that two young men had been placed in the county jail who had confessed their guilt but in a telephone message with Sheriff Hamilton of Coleman at noon Thursday, the report was denied. However, every effort is being made to find the guilty party and bring him to justice.

CECIL VERNER WINS TRIP TO CHICAGO

Mr. Cecil Verner is in Chicago, Ill., this week, the guest of the Elgin Watch Co. The Elgin people offered a free trip with all expenses paid to ten watch makers in the United States who wrote the best articles on watch-making. Mr. Verner won second place in the United States and was the only watch maker in Texas that won. We call it a signal honor.

Boy Gipson and family of O'Donnell came in Monday night relatives here. Mr. Gipson left Tuesday for McCombs, and Mrs. Gipson and children remained for a few days visit.

Suspicious Characters Leave in Hurry—Left Their Car

Monday of this week, two or three suspicious looking characters were noticed interesting themselves in the city, spying around over the city in a peculiar way, caused several business men to spend a few hours in their places of business Monday night. Not very late in the night, G. E. Adams, who noticed the men hanging around his place late in the evening, accompanied by City Marshal J. M. Martin, concealed in the Adams store, were disturbed by some one trying to enter the building from the back. They gave chase and the men took to an automobile parked not far away, and headed down the Rockwood road. Adams and Martin mounted Mr. Adams' Ford Roadster and followed them in hot pursuit. About one mile south of town the race waxed so hot the men quit their car and took to the fields. The car was brought to town and stored in the Mathews garage. It is an old model Oldsmobile roadster with a red body. The 1927 license number is 728-284. The license number was not purchased in Coleman county, however, it is believed the parties live in Coleman county. A few hides exhibited on telephone poles might have a tendency to check some of the perpetrations being imposed on the people in this state.

Santa Anna Business Men Visit Oil Field

Last Monday afternoon, a party composed of about 25 of the business men of Santa Anna, paid a friendly visit to the Fry oil field. A circular, signed by 54 firms, who donated to funds raised to build the Oil Field Highway, were freely distributed and considerable comments were heard concerning the interest Santa Anna is taking toward bringing the business from the oil field to this point. Santa Anna is only 14 miles from the Fry field, and the road is being built by public subscription to the center of the field. A spirit of good fellowship exists between the business of Santa Anna and the people of the Fry field.

J. L. Burden who has been driving the caterpillar on the road gang, building a road to the Fry oil field, had a painful accident Thursday morning on the main street. Mr. Burden was going out to his work in a Ford car, at an early hour, he drove into a loaded truck which was parked in the center of the street, demolished the Ford and inflicted several painful bruises about his head and body. He was rushed to the Sealy hospital, examined, treated and carried to his home, his condition not considered to be serious.

The Point of Contact

There is a simple catch in the familiar phrase that tells how the world beats a path to the door of the man who makes a better mouse trap.

The maker of anything, if he is to win the plaudits of the world, must not only produce a superior product, but also must let folks know of his achievements. He must point out just why his mouse trap, his automobile or his shaving cream is better than his neighbor's. He must advertise.

Advertising is the point of contact between the man who makes or sells something and the man who wants something. Through an advertisement the merchant can tell you in a few short minutes all you want to know about the articles of the service he has to offer.

This newspaper is constantly full of ideas that other men and women have thought out for your personal benefit. Fail to read the advertisements and you remain in ignorance of countless products that would make life easier, happier and more interesting for you and your entire family.

Advertising gives you news of the latest and best things made, with a word as to what they will do, what they cost, and where to get them. Think of all you miss when you overlook the advertisements. Read them regularly in every issue.

Latest News From The Court House

Births Reported:

Mr. Marvin Smith and Miss Mae Bell Nelson.
Mr. Jesse R. Jones and Mrs. Mary L. Myers.
Mr. Frank A. Orr and Miss Louise Daddins.

Marriage License Issued:

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Marlin Jameson, Coleman, girl.
Vice Lee, Burkett, boy.
Santos P. Rodriguez, Coleman, boy.
Herbert Hudler, Coleman, boy.
Geo. Winsted, Coleman, boy.
H. A. Ripley, Coleman, boy.
B. L. Davis, Coleman, twin boys.
L. E. McElrath, Coleman, girl.
J. C. Stroope, Coleman, boy.
Everett Powell, Coleman, girl.

Warranty Deeds Filed:

H. Bird Wilson to T. W. Rush, lots Nos. 26 and 27, in Block No. 3, Freeman Addition; \$100.00.
May E. Perry to Zoe D. Hayworth, South 1/2 of Lots Nos. 13 and 14, in Block No. 18, Original town of Coleman; \$2000.00.
L. E. Page, to W. D. Page, 81 3-4 acres out of S. S. Tompkins, and 1.4 acres of W. M. Miller Survey No. 100; \$2000.00.
Robie Lee Segrest, to Mrs. Clara Cope, Block No. 11, of Anderson Addition to Coleman; \$400.00.
C. K. Simmons to W. M. Simmons, Lots Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4, in Block No. 30, Original town of Coleman; \$15,000.00.
George Lynch to R. E. L. Culp, south 1-2 of Lot No. 3, in Block No. 31, original town of Coleman; \$1200.
T. J. Kelly, to W. T. Gassoit, north 1-2 of Block No. 43, subdivision of P. O. Ranch and 30 acres of Block No. 40, of the subdivision of P. O. Ranch; \$4600.00.

Oil & Gas Leases Filed:

L. L. Baker to Roxana Petroleum Corporation, East 40 acres of the south 1-2 of Block No. 7, of the subdivision of Mary Ann Fisk Survey No. 630; \$10.00.
Mrs. Henrietta Ferguson to W. M. Ross, North 32 acres of the south 7/2 acres of a 144 acre tract out of Mary Ann Fisk Survey No. 630; \$320.00.
Mrs. Cora M. Burk to R. D. Logan, 181.7 acres of the Absalom Williams Survey No. 655; \$10.00.
Miss Corene, Elmo and Scott Wallace motored to Temple Friday afternoon to spend the week-end with their parents. Mr. Wallace who has been confined in the Kings Daughters hospital at Temple for the past three weeks is improving in health, but the doctors there have advised a change in altitude and as soon as Mr. Wallace is able they are planning to move to Corpus Christi.

D. J. Barnes spent several days this week in the Dallas markets buying new spring and summer merchandise for the Texas Mercantile Co.

9 Teams Will Compete Here In Tournament

All arrangements for the basketball tournament to be held here next Friday afternoon and Saturday have been completed. With the late entry of Valera the total number of schools to compete for the county championship has been raised to nine. The schools planning to send teams are Coleman, Burkett, Rockwood, Novice, Valera, Silver Valley, Central, and Loss Creek. Santa Anna will also be represented by a formidable quintet.

The tournament will bring quite a number of out of town people to Santa Anna. Over sixty basketball players will be on hand with their coaches, and many fans are expected to accompany their teams.

This tournament will decide the championship of Coleman county in basketball and the winning team will compete at Brownwood Feb. 11 and 12 for district honors. A handsome loving cup has been secured by County League officials, and will be given to the winning squad.

Bad weather has hampered the practice of the local squad for the past week, but in a double header played here last Friday afternoon they came out as winners of both contests. The first game was played with Central, Santa Anna winning 8 to 6. The second with Cross Roads also went to Santa Anna by a close margin of 16 to 14. In this game an extra five minutes had to be played Monday night the squad played the Howard Payne College scrubs a practice game and showed up well.

The tournament will begin Friday afternoon at 2 p. m. Three games will be played that afternoon and the remaining games will be played Saturday.

MRS. BUD BOLES DIED AT HOME OF DAUGHTER HERE

Mrs. Bud Boles, 66, died Saturday night at the home of her daughter, Mrs. John Griffin. Deceased was a member of a pioneer family who settled north of town about fifty years ago, and spent the greater part of her life in these parts, according to the information collected by the Santa Anna News. Mr. Boles, the aged husband of deceased, was a pioneer cattle driver in this county before it was inhabited by very many people. Surviving is her husband and six daughters: Mrs. Lillie Hunter, Hollis, Okla., Mrs. Ida Barnes, Grosvenor, Mrs. Esta Dodds, Ranger, Mrs. Myrtle Evans, Mrs. John Griffin and Mrs. Albert Laudermilk of Santa Anna. The remains were carried to Eureka for burial Sunday afternoon. Rev. Sidney F. Martin in charge of the funeral services. The News joins in extending sympathy to the bereaved.

Mesdames Sid Martin, R. R. Lovelady, D. R. Hill and W. I. Mitchell attended the Coleman County W. M. U. executive board meeting in Coleman Tuesday.

Mrs. J. Q. Barnes of Cross Plains is visiting relatives and friends here this week.

Dr. Holland Dies Temple Thursday; Will Be Buried Here

Dr. W. F. Holland, prominent citizen and physician who has lived in Santa Anna for several years, died at the Kings Daughters Hospital in Temple at one o'clock Thursday morning. His remains will be brought here for burial and it is thought the funeral will be held some time Saturday. Dr. Holland has been suffering for several months, and has been treated in several places but to no avail. Deceased leaves his companion, who was with him when the end came and two sons, Temple, who is at present located in Philippine Islands in service, and Duane, who was with his father. We will have a more lengthy mention of the doctor in our issue next week.

Local Men Get Pay In Shallow Sand

One of the broadest smiles we have seen in several moons was being carried by F. N. May Thursday morning. The firm of May & Garrett own a 150 acre oil lease about two miles west of Brownwood on the Widden place. Shallow production has been produced for several years in the vicinity of their lease, which encouraged the firm to try for paying production. Sacrifice and hard work, finally succeeded in getting a well drilled. Wednesday they struck the pay and succeeded in bringing in a 35 barrel well. Other wells will be drilled on the lease and the firm is in line for congratulations.

Santa Anna To Be On The Air February 8th

Dallas, Texas, Feb. 1, 1927.—Santa Anna will be on the air Tuesday, Feb. 8th, according to announcement by the Southland Life Insurance Company, which is dedicating its morning radio exercise program to the city on that day.

Radio fans are familiar with Southland Life Exercises, which are broadcast over station WFAA at Dallas every morning except Sunday, from 6:30 to 7:30 o'clock. The Company recently sent out its 28,000th exercise chart, necessary in taking the exercises, indicating that some 80,000 to 90,000 people have been or are taking the exercises.

The dedication, along with a short talk on Santa Anna, will be given at the beginning of the third exercise period, 7:10 a. m. on the date mentioned.

If you need a Health Chart, call on Sam H. Collier, local representative for the Southland Life Insurance Co., who will be glad to supply you.

Business Men Banquet Tuesday Evening

The business men of this city put on a banquet Tuesday evening in the Armory building, and invited several out of town guests. A special feature of the banquet was to entertain friends who are interested in the oil game throughout the country, and several prominent oil men were present. Editor Jackson and his associate editor Mr. Williamson of the Democrat-Voice in Coleman and several other Coleman parties were present. Leon Shield being one of the speakers of the evening. Representatives were here from Brownwood, Rising Star, Ranger, Breckenridge, Mineral Wells, Fort Worth, Dallas, San Angelo and other places. Plates were set for 100 and all were filled.

The proposition of building a hotel in Santa Anna was discussed, and the needs stressed by several of the speakers. A good hotel in Santa Anna would mean a great deal. Good hotels properly operated are crowded throughout the state, especially in the towns situated any where near an oil field, and Santa Anna is only 14 miles from one of the best oil fields in Texas, about 100 wells now producing and prospects for several hundred more to be drilled. The prospects are fair for the field to remain active for several years, and a good hotel would bring several thousand dollars a year to Santa Anna that will not come this way with our limited hotel facilities. We hope Santa Anna gets a good hotel and that in the near future.

Adams Merc. Co. Re-Opens For Business

On another page in this issue of the News will be found a half-page announcement, announcing the re-opening for business of the Adams Mercantile Company Dry Goods and Ready-to-Wear Department, in the Adams building.

Mr. Adams recently returned from the eastern markets and reports finding them bubbling over with new goods and the prices right. He purchased worlds of new goods and they are now on the shelves and in the racks. Santa Anna people and those who buy in Santa Anna will welcome this good store back into business, and according to Mr. Adams, you will find some real bargains in new goods now on display.

Sheriff Hamilton accompanied by a party of deputies, made a raid in the northwestern part of the county Wednesday night and captured a 50-gallon capacity still, several barrels of mash and made one arrest. We failed to get the name of the party arrested.

Lincoln's Advice

"Economy Makes Happy Homes and Sound Nations"

You can guide your son to no greater example than Lincoln. Encourage him to study the life and homely philosophy of the great president.

Explain to him the qualities of kindness, industry, thrift and courage that were the guiding principles of his life. Here is a man with a great lesson for youth. Teach your children to know him early.

And let the principles of the great leader's character be the foundation of the Savings Account you may start in this strong Bank.

The State National Bank
Everybody's Bank



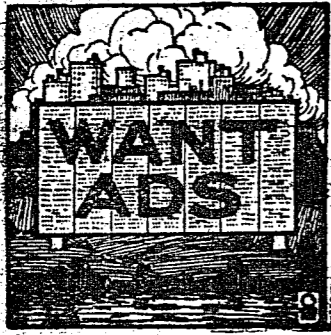
Have You Endurance?

You will notice that in preparing for athletic achievement TRAINING is the thing; and training for ENDURANCE. Championships and goals are not won by brilliant spurts, it's the relentless "plugger" with a lot of stamina and resistance packed down against his muscles and his brain cells that wins.

In this popular race for Wealth and Independence you are at liberty to set your own goal, but it takes ENDURING SAVING to get there.

Open a Savings Account at

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK



CAR greasing, gas, oil and tires.—East Side Service Station. 41-tf

NEED GLASSES

Dr. Jones, the Eye Man, will be at Mrs. Comer Blue's Jeweler every Tuesday. Eyes examined, glasses fitted, headache and eye strain relieved.

FARM & RANCH LOANS

Let the Bangs N. F. L. A. build that house that you have long waited for. 5 per cent, 5 to 35 years.—F. E. Strange, Bangs, Texas

SEED OATS FOR SALE

First Year Ferguson No. 922 Pettigreed Seed Oats, made 104 bushels per acre at 75 cents. These are the best oats that the Ferguson Seed Farm puts out. They are free from Johnson grass seed, and the seed that they were sown from were not treated and will hold good for at least two years. See W. E. Wallace, or the Bookkeeper at Farmers Gin No. 1. 41

SEED OATS

I have made arrangements with Mr. Freeman at the Public Wagon Scales to weigh my seed oats—if it is more convenient than to weigh at the gin.—W. E. Wallace. 45-tfc

CAR greasing, gas, oil and tires.—East Side Service Station. 41-tf

GET our prices and compare our quality on tires and tubes.—C. E. Welch. 51-tfc

I have daily calls for dwellings to rent. Call or see Sam H. Collier. 2-tf

FOR SALE—R. I. Red eggs, \$1.00 per setting or \$5.00 per hundred.—Mrs. B. P. Alexander. 2-tfc

COLD weather is sure to come. Save your radiator with alcohol.—Mathews Motor Co. 47-tfc

WE have several head of fine Plymouth Rock Cockerels for sale.—Concho Poultry & Egg Co. tf

FOR SALE—Standard Disc Plow with first Blades, 1 Kellogg Phone Box and headed Maize.—L. E. Bell, phone 1313. 1-tfc

NO hunting allowed on my premises.—T. J. Lancaster. 45-tfc

FOR SALE—The Mrs. Mary A. Campbell home, a good six-room dwelling, in East Santa Anna. See Perry Stoubaugh, Piggly Wiggly store, Coleman, Texas. 3-tfc

WORK Mules for sale, reasonable terms.—H. W. Kingsbery. 4-tfc

FOR RENT—Three room house, in west part of town. Phone 46. 3-tfc

LET us protect your radiator during the cold weather by keeping it supplied with alcohol.—East End Filling Station. 47-tfc

FOR LEASE—For term of years, 600 acres of land, 6 miles northeast of Santa Anna, known as the Winn place.—Upton Henderson. 52-tfc

FOR SALE—Bundle Sorghum.—Miss Louella Chambers.

6 room house close in, rent or sale. Phone 54. 51-tfc

LET us protect your radiator during the cold weather by keeping it supplied with alcohol.—East End Filling Station. 47-tfc

WE still have plenty of those good Kelley Springfield tires and tubes—none better for the price.—C. E. Welch. 51-tfc

CAR greasing, gas, oil and tires.—East Side Service Station. 41-tf

POSTED

Notice is hereby given that no hunting, trapping or trespassing of any kind will be permitted on the premises owned or controlled by any of the undersigned citizens. All violators will be prosecuted according to law.

Mrs. M. E. Chambers

Others may add their names to this notice to run two or more times per month during the hunting season for

Two women stayed in the ocean water for 19 hours in the Catalina swim. With fame and \$25,000 at stake some people will try anything.

LOST—From my farm, one brindie heifer, weight about 600 pounds, last seen in Barton Bros. pasture. Reward.—E. M. Simmons, telephone 3912. 6-2tp

WANTED—Old Mattresses to work over. Town mattresses called for and delivered. Work satisfactory. Several grades of ticking, prices reasonable.—McClellan Mattress Factory, phone 2403. 6-tf

FOR SALE—Pure bred S. C. R. I. Red Cockerels, Roy Craudall heavy laying strain, \$1.75 at farm.—Bernice Melver, Trickham, Texas. 6-2tp

COLD weather is sure to come. Save your radiator with alcohol.—Mathews Motor Co. 47-tfc

15 Single Comb Red Cockerels, bred to lay strain, \$2.50 each. Guaranteed to please.—Mrs. Bert Turney, Whon, Texas. 6-4tp

Plymouth Rock Eggs We have eliminated our 1926 cockerels and added some of the best cockerels we could find to our pen and are now ready to book our customers for hatching eggs from our bred-to-lay Plymouth Rock Poultry yard. Guaranteed eggs \$1.00 per setting of 15.—J. J. Gregg, Santa Anna, Tex.

Certified seed Sweet Potatoes—Porto Rican Yams from my curing plant. I have 300 bushels for sale. Send order at once with check or money order. Get potatoes raised in central or west Texas. I refer you to County Agent J. A. Barton, Comanche. Specify shipping date. Price \$1.75 F. O. B. Comanche.—Wade Everidge, Comanche, Texas. 6-2tp

FOR SALE—Plenty young mules broke to work, for cash or good note, at Gill Ranch, Whon, Texas. 6-4tp

WE wish to announce we have leased the W. M. Riley building on East Depot Street, just north of Santa Fe station, and will install a filling station in connection with a general repair shop. Radios, musical and other instruments will be repaired. Put your troubles up to us.—J. W. Smith & C. J. Deer. 1-tfc

FOUND—A string of keys—if yours, call and get them.—News.

FOR RENT—My home in Santa Anna.—Tom R. Campbell, Coleman, Tex.

FOR SALE—White Leghorn Baby Chicks, ready for delivery Feb. 10 and 17, 12 1-2c each.—Mrs. J. W. Cammack.

Fred Watkins Dray Line

We HAUL ANYTHING Service is Our Motto DAY PHONE 38 NIGHT 217

Grocery Specials

- Hill Bros. Coffee \$1.15
No. 3 Wapo Tomatoes, 7 cans for \$1.00
No. 2 White Swan Corn, 6 cans for \$1.00
1 gal. Solid Pack Peaches 60c
1 barrel Ginger Snaps 33c
Mrs. Tucker's Shortening \$1.25
14 1-2 oz. Catsup, per bottle 20c
5 lbs. Armour Peanut Butter for \$1.00
No. 2 White Swan Pineapple for 19c
3 lbs. Crackers 38c

BLUE Racket Store

GROCERY DEPARTMENT

CLYDE V. BAYS Income Tax Consultant 16 E. Beauregard Ave San Angelo, Texas

Improved Uniform International Sunday School Lesson

Lesson for February 6

THE PRACTICE OF CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP

LESSON TEXT—Matt. 25:14-30. GOLDEN TEXT—'Thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: Enter thou into the joy of thy Lord.' PRIMARY TOPIC—The Story of the Three Servants. JUNIOR TOPIC—Three Stewards and How They Kept Their Trust. INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—What It Means to Be a Steward. YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—The Scope and Spirit of Christian Stewardship.

Stewardship here includes oneself and substance. Stewardship in money is only a small part of our responsibility. This parable like that of the ten virgins is associated with the second coming of Christ. In both instances the unpreparedness for His coming on the part of the people is exhibited. In that of the ten virgins their unpreparedness consisted in their failure of inward life—absence of the Holy Ghost. In this of the talents it consisted in their failure to properly use the gifts which had been entrusted to them. The first was failure to watch; the second was failure to work. By talents is meant whatever gifts and powers one possesses as gifts from God, whether of nature or grace, such as strength, reason, energy, knowledge, influence, time, money, ability to speak, sing, etc.

- I. The Distribution of the Talents (vv. 14, 15). 1. It was a sovereign act. He called his own servants and distributed to them his own money. As the One who created us and absolutely owns us, He has assigned us our places and given us our several powers, intending that we put them to the best possible use. 2. It was an intelligent act. 'According to his several ability.' The God who made us knew our ability to use gifts, therefore has made the distribution upon that basis. 3. It was a purposeful act. The talents were given to be traded with. They were not given to be used for one's own gain and profit, but as stock in trade for the enrichment and glory of the Master. II. The Employment of the Talents (vv. 16-18). 1. All the servants recognized that the talents were not their own—that they were responsible to the Lord for the use made of them. 2. Two servants used their talents. The five-talented man put his to use and gained five more. The two-talented man put his to use and gained two more. This shows that God's gifts can be increased. The faithful use of what we have in the place we are will prepare us for greater usefulness and honor. 3. The one hid his talent. The fact that one possesses but one talent should not discourage him, but should make him strive harder. God does not reward according to what we possess, but according to our faithfulness. The crime of the one-talented man was not that he had but one talent, but that he hid the talent which the Lord gave him. III. The Accounting for the Talents (vv. 19-30). 1. Its certainty. There is a day coming when we all must give an account of our stewardship. 2. The time. 'This will be at the coming of the Lord. If we have done well, we shall then have praise. If we have been unfaithful, we shall then be cast out from the presence of the Lord. 3. The judgments announced. (1) Reward of the faithful. (a) Praise—'Well done.' We all like to be praised. From childhood on through life commendation is pleasing. (b) Promotion—'Be thou ruler over many things.' Promotion is desirable to all. (c) Entrance upon the joy of the Lord. The five-talented man and the two-talented man received the same praise and the same promotion. (2) Punishment of the faithless. The one-talented man lied when brought to account. The talent which he dug up was not the same as when it was buried. It was not of the same weight. Gifts unused are lost. (a) Reproach—he was called slothful and wicked. To be called lazy is a reproach which even the lazy man dislikes. (b) Stripped—the talent which was given to him was taken from him. (c) Cast out—he was condemned on his own ground. The very fact that he knew the character of the Lord should have been an incentive for him to have exerted himself.

Pray More If God's children would learn to pray more before making ventures, they would not need to pray so much after they are made.—Echoes.

The Cross In conversation, the cross is the will. In sanctification, the cross is the affections.—Echoes.

Salvation makes no man lose. His mind, but restores the wrecked mind.—Echoes.

Buy it in Santa Anna. A SPLENDID FEELING That tired, half-sick, discouraged feeling caused by a torpid liver and constipated bowels, can be gotten rid of with surprising promptness by using Herbine. You feel its beneficial effect with the first dose as its purifying and regulating effect is thorough and complete. It not only drives out bile and impurities but it imparts a splendid feeling of exhilaration, strength, vim, and buoyancy of spirits. Price—60c. Sold by CORNER DRUG STORE

PROGRAM QUEEN THEATRE Monday & Tuesday, 7 & 8 KID BOOTS This is a comedy you don't want to miss. A Paramount picture. PATHE Comedy and AESOP Fables in connection. Wednesday & Thursday 9 & 10 SENOR DAREDEVIL COMEDY in connection. FRIDAY 11 COUNTRY BEYOND COMEDY in connection. SATURDAY 12 MAN FROM THE WEST COMEDY in connection. Notice Friday this week, Feb. 4 Matinee and night we show D. W. Griffith's 'AMERICA.' A thrilling story of love and romance, declared by many critics to be 'more wonderful than the 'Birth of a Nation,' more thrilling than 'Way Down East.' FREE Matinee to all school children accompanied by their teachers; also Parent-Teachers free at Matinee Friday. Admission at night 10 and 35c

Senior B. Y. P. U. Program Subject: 'Hearing and Answering God's Call.' Special music—Jennie Pearce. Introduction—Mr. Karl Price. How impressions come—Mrs. Otha Croft. All experiences alike yet different—Velma Evans. God's call comes through study—Mrs. Gayle. Be willing to obey—Ora Lee Niell. Obey day by day—Mrs. Agnes Lovelady. How does God call us to life work? Does He only call missionaries and preachers? Come to the B. Y. P. U. next Sunday evening and hear this important question discussed. All are invited to attend our B. Y. P. U. at 6:00 P. M. We need you—you need us.—Group Captain.

Program for Mission Study Institute of Coleman County W. M. U. Place—Santa Anna Baptist Church. Date—Tuesday, Feb. 8th, 1927. Time—10 A. M. Opening Song—Jesus Shall Reign. Violin Solo—Mrs. A. Ben Oliver. Devotional—Mrs. R. R. Lovelady. Prayer for W. M. U. work of country—Mrs. P. A. Griffin. Vocal solo—Mrs. Lee Hunter. Introduction of teachers—Mrs. Tom Campbell. Mission Study classes as follows: W. M. U. Manual—Mrs. Chas. Sevels of Brownwood. Foreign Missions—Mrs. Stephens of Winters. Home Missions—Save America—Mrs. Godbold of Brownwood. Talks on 'Soul Winning'—Mrs. Andrews of Brownwood. Lunch will be served in the basement at the noon hour.

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BUY - IT - IN - SANTA - ANNA

Town Grave Diggers—In nearly every community may be found quite a number of persons who consider themselves leading citizens, but in truth are helping to dig a grave for their town.

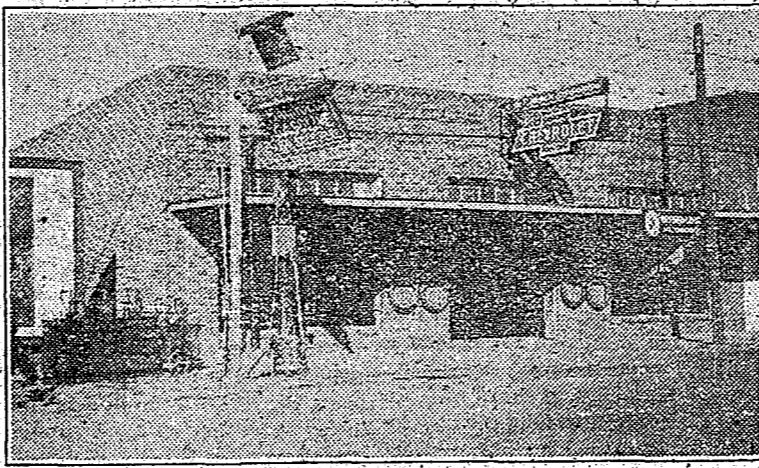
They do it through their failure to support the institutions which make the town what it is. They do it by sending away for merchandise which might be bought with equal advantage at home. They do it frequently through thoughtlessness but often through disregard for the welfare of the community, of which they are a part.

The doctrine of buying at home is not advanced solely in the interest of individual merchants. It is advocated be-

cause every citizen of a town is to a certain extent dependent upon every other citizen for his own prosperity. Business men are sometimes as greatly at fault as any one else in the matter of out-of town trading.

If the shoe dealer sends away for his automobile tires and the automobile man sends away for his furniture, and the furniture man sends away for his clothing, and so on, how can they expect to build local prosperity? All the fine talk about civic pride that we may mingle in will never make a town, so long as the life blood of the community—the cold cash—is spent elsewhere. A man may make boosting speeches until he is black in the face but unless he spends his money where he makes it he is a home town grave digger.

Santa Anna is one of the best supplied places in the state with good garages with up-to-date equipment. One of the leading garages in Santa Anna is the Mathews Motor Co., with Jodie Mathews owner and general manager. Jodie Mathews, was born and reared in Santa Anna, has lived here and in Brownwood all his life. In connection with his general repair work, Mr. Mathews sells Magnolia gas, oils and other products, being equipped with two filling



Mathews Motor Company
Chevrolet Sales and Service

stations in front of his establishment. Mr. Mathews is the Seiberling Tire dealer for this district, and his record shows that he is selling many Seiberling Tires. He also is the duly authorized agent for the Chevrolet Automobile, which has made a record in sales the year recently closed. His place is known as The Chevrolet Garage the same as the Mathews Motor Co. Mr. Mathews employs efficient help and his slogan is to do the work in record time and give satisfactory service.

Following Is a List of Firms in Santa Anna Who Solicit Your Trade

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| WEST TEXAS UTILITIES CO. Electric Service and Ice | J. L. BOGGUS & CO. Groceries and Field Seeds | PIGGLY WIGGLY CO. Cleanest Stores in the World |
| R. J. MARSHALL & SONS Dry Goods, Groceries and Feed | HARDING BATTERY CO. Standard Batteries and Service | WELCH'S SADDLE & HARNESS SHOP Kelley Springfield Tires |
| MRS. G. A. SHOCKLEY Millinery, Ladies' Ready-to-Wear | SERVICE CAFE "Home of Good Eats" | STANDLY'S BLACKSMITH SHOP W. A. Standly, Prop. |
| HUNTER BROTHERS Market and Grocery | TAYLOR FURNITURE CO. "Buy Anything—Sell Everything" | W. C. FORD & CO. GARAGE Up-to-Date Shop Equipment |
| SANTA ANNA TELEPHONE CO. Radio Sets and Supplies | BAXTER'S VARIETY STORE "Same Goods for Less Money" | CORNER DRUG CO. "Get It Where They Have It" |
| BURTON-LINGO CO. Lumber and Builders' Hardware | MRS. COMER BLUE, JEWELRY "Gifts That Last" | COLEMAN GAS & OIL CO. Gas Is the Best Fuel On Earth |
| RAGSDALE'S BAKERY Good Bread, Pies and Cakes | LEEPER-CURD LUMBER CO. All Kinds of Building Material | SANTA ANNA MOTOR CO. Authorized Ford Sales & Service |
| MATHEWS MOTOR CO. Chevrolet Sales and Service | MAGNOLIA PETROLEUM CO. A. C. Hardy, Agent | SANTA ANNA MERCANTILE CO. Dry Goods & Clothing |
| WILLIAMSON'S GARAGE Service and Repairs | SELF SERVE GROCERY Up-to-Date Groceries and Eats | PURDY MERCANTILE CO. Dry Goods, Ladies' Ready-to-Wear |
| CONCHO POULTRY & EGG CO. Buyers, all kinds of Produce | SEALY HOSPITAL Coleman County's First Hospital | TEXAS MERCANTILE CO. Dry Goods, Groceries, Feed |

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TEXAS AND TEXANS

(By Will H. Mayes)

Publicity That Harms

The kind of publicity that Austin has been getting recently is not doing the city or State any good. The sensational newspaper reports of crime and criminal trials, pictured in lurid superlatives, and printed on the front pages of all the papers of the country, create the impression that the capital of this State is a hotbed of vice and crime and that court trials are as attractive to the society sets of Texas as the circus is to the average country boy. Some of the reports going out would make the un-informed believe that manslaughter and bank robberies are the chief diversions of the ministry and the bobbe-flappers, and that attending their trials is the principal pastime of the rest of the population. Then the impression exists that if by chance any one should be convicted of crime, the governor stands at the court room door ready to sign a pardon.

Correcting Harmful Reports

While Texas has every reason to blush at conditions that have existed in the State, they have been much overdrawn by newspapers that have "played up" the criminality of this State, and often for the purpose of drawing attention from conditions closer to home. It is well known in every newspaper office that the best way to keep attention from a harmful piece of news is to give streamer headlines and large front page space on an inside page. Eastern papers delight to picture Texas as a "wild and woolly" state, and any excuse for doing it is eagerly seized upon by most of them. A had reputation travels with ten times the speed of a good deed. Texas needs some organized and active propaganda to offset the harm that has been done the State in the past two years by exaggerated reports.

Don't Blame the Press

People are too much inclined to censure the newspapers for giving too much space to sensational news. That they do this the papers themselves stand ready to admit, but the fault is with the people who demand that kind of news. The paper that would ignore crime, or that would devote the least possible space to reporting it, would soon find the people buying other papers, and its support would become so weakened that whatever influence it might have would be lost through lack of circulation. It is possible, of course, for a paper to devote an undue proportion of its space to such things, and for the desire for gain to be the motive prompting this; but nine out of ten publishers would far rather leave that salacious news out of their papers if they could do so, even at a loss. They deprecate, as much as anyone, the sentiment that demands such news, but they can't ignore it.

Too Much Lobbying

Everybody agrees that there is too much lobbying done in Austin during a legislative session, and the legislators themselves would like to get rid of most of it. It is possible for a citizen not in the legislature, or for a group of citizens, to give valuable and helpful information to a legislative committee, but three-fourths of the lobbying about legislative halls is prompted purely by selfish interests and is done by the lobbyists solely for the fees they get. While Governor Tom Campbell may have been a bit extreme in his antagonism to lobbyists, it has to be admitted that he pursued the right policy against this evil, which is becoming a menace to good government and should be checked.

Kingsville Park

The Kleberg Town and Improvement Company, which owns much of the property around Kingsville, has deeded a large and beautiful tract of improved land right in the heart of Kingsville to the city to be used as a park. The tract is already a lovely park and has been well kept by the land company as an asset to their other property interests, but with this transfer it becomes a community property and will always be retained as a city park. Too many park sites given to cities are unsightly and remote tracts of land unfit for any use which the owners can put them, but this is the most valuable vacant property in Kingsville. Wealthy citizens, like the Klebergs and the Klebergs, who delight to do good with their wealth

are a great blessing to a country.

Training Tomato Growers

I. F. Gaissert is a teacher of vocational agriculture at Yoakum who seems to have the right idea about interesting boys in practical work. He has organized boys of the school into a Tomato Growers' Association, a stock company with shares at \$1.00 each, they have organized like any other stock company and have secured land on which they will grow tomatoes under the scientific direction of Mr. Gaissert. Their products will be sold and shipped with those raised by Yoakum farmers in commercial shipments. Every boy in that club is interested in having the enterprise become a great success. This is a good idea for any school to adopt.

Girls Show Their Work

Four bright girls from the Peachtree community, in Jasper county, under the leadership of the home demonstration agent, Miss Pearl Ellisor, recently showed the commissioners' courts of their training by serving the court a dinner, which was followed by a short entertainment program of their own making. Here is what they served: Apple and pimento salad, chicken, potatoes, stringless beans, jelly, pickles, hot rolls, coffee, gelatine and fruit cake, all of their own growing or making. Better they convinced the court that home demonstration work is a good thing for Jasper county without making any other

Texas Second in Exports

Texas was close to New York and was more than double any other state in exports for the third quarter of 1926. New York's exported goods amounted to \$195,379,000; those of Texas to \$184,499,192. Pennsylvania came next with \$83,248,000. That is something for Texas to brag about, but the figures reveal something of which to be ashamed. A large part of New York's exports was manufactured commodities of all kinds, especially cotton and woolen goods made from products grown in Texas and manufactured in New York. When Texas uses its idle capital for building manufactories instead of lending it to New York capitalists at low interest, there to be used in manufacturing industries, Texas exports will more than double those of "little old New York." When that will be done is largely up to Texas banks, which after all, determine the use of the finances of the State.

Judge Kittrell Passes On

Judge Norman G. Kittrell, of Houston, statesman, jurist, author, unselfish and tireless worker, has laid down his daily tasks at 78 years to enter upon that higher work for which life has fitted him so well. He was busy to the last, a member of the Texas legislature and writer of Sunday lay sermons for the Houston Post-Dispatch. Few men have ever served their country more faithfully, more usefully, than did Judge Kittrell. His patriotism was never questioned; his sincerity was never doubted; his tirelessness and earnestness in his labors furnished example and inspiration to thousands of younger men. Thinking back over his career, as I have known it for nearly 40 years, perhaps his most fruitful work was his lay sermons written for many years for every Sunday issue of the Houston Post and the later Post-Dispatch. Multiplied thousands have come under the beneficent influence of those pleas for better living, for closer walking in the footsteps of the Great Master.

Davis Mountain Hotel

A hotel to cost half a million dollars is to be built at once at Madera Springs, in the mouth of Madera Canyon in the Davis mountains of West Texas. The capital will be furnished largely by Texans who have acquainted themselves with the beauties of the section, its climate, and its many advantages as an all-year health and tourist resort. The spot selected is less than half the distance from Denver to Dallas, it is 1,000 feet higher than Denver, and it may be reached by roads as good as those from Texas to Colorado resorts. In summer the climate is more equable than in Colorado and in winter it is balmy and invigorating, but as mild as the more southerly resorts. There is a vast area in that part of Texas that is destined to become favored as a resort for both Texas and Northern tourists and health seekers.

Good Times Ahead

Despite the low price of cotton, Texas is unusually prosperous, for even the cotton has brought more money into circulation than usual because of the large acreage and production. The money spent for labor in growing, picking, ginning, selling and shipping has far exceeded that of any former year, the growers being the only persons who have suffered any loss. The winter to this time has been all that could be desired. The

weather has been mild and winter grown products have escaped frost injury; rains have been abundant; the grass range is fine; cattle, sheep and goats are in the pink of condition; poultry yards are enriching their owners; dairying is increasing; pecan trees and fruits have yielded abundant fruitage; pantries are filled; the State Government is in safe hands. Let us rejoice.

Texas Coal Mines

Texas is coming into notice as a state, and the coal production is increasing. There are 37 bituminous coal mines in the State, employing 2,108 men and producing 1,008,375 tons of coal. About half of this is produced by machinery, the rest by hand. While Texas produces but a comparatively small part of the coal consumed in this country, the production amounts to considerable in the State's wealth.

Punish the Small Offender

San Antonio reports 70 arrests on a recent Sunday. More than half of these were on minor gambling charges. When the small gambler is fined a small amount, he immediately starts gambling again to recoup his losses. If gambling doesn't prove remunerative enough, the gambler is likely to resort to hi-jacking, burglary, or other criminal methods of getting money without effort. The only way to check gambling is to make it decidedly unremunerative and this, probably could best be done by cumulative punishment for the gambler.

Small Farming Pays

The Denton Record-Chronicle tells how J. F. Sitz and wife, living a few miles out of Denton, make farming pay well on a 40-acre farm. Mr. Sitz says 40 acres is enough for a farmer to work to make money. He plants no cotton; he has an orchard of an acre or so; he milks eight cows; he has 100 or 125 hens; he grows sweet and Irish potatoes and other vegetables—enough to sell; he raises hogs; he fertilizes his land; he pays cash for what he buys; he WORKS. Briefly told, that is the secret of farm success.

Credit System Doomed

The Elgin Courier says the credit system of merchandising is doomed. The Courier is right as usual. The credit system is unfair to business, to

those who buy on credit, and to those who pay cash. The credit merchant has to add an extra charge for the use of his money and to cover losses. The credit customer thus pays the losses, or the merchant eventually fails. The credit merchant usually charges the cash customer as much as the credit customer, or else acquires a reputation for discrimination that loses him trade. The man who "pays as he goes" usually knows where he is going; the others seldom do and too often find themselves headed for bankruptcy.

Tiding Up for Summer

A statement in the San Marcos Record that the new Rogers Park is being planted to trees and beautified in a way to make it a park in reality, is referred to as a reminder to other Texas towns that expect to profit by the large tourist-business Texas is sure to have next summer to begin getting ready for that business. Automobileists simply will not stop in unattractive places longer than they have to stay. They are more and more seeking beauty, and certainly are entitled to comfort. Every Texas town and village could be made a resort, at least in a small way and without large expense.

Evidence of Prosperity

The Southwestern Bell Telephone Company announces that it will spend \$12,000,000 in Texas in 1927. Among the extensions will be 7,000 miles of new long distance wires and about 25,000 new telephones. The heavy expenditure is required to keep up with progress of the State.

Texas Banks Prosperous

No country is more prosperous than its bank reports show it to be and no country is in worse condition than its banks. Measured by that standard, the recent bank reports published in the newspapers of Texas show the State to be in a most flourishing condition at the beginning of the year.

SICKLY, PEEVISH CHILDREN
Children suffering from intestinal worms are cross, restless and unhealthy. There are other symptoms, however. If the child is pale, has dark rings under the eyes, bad breath and takes no interest in play, it is almost a certainty that worms are eating away its vitality. The surest remedy for worms is White's Cream Vermifuge. It is positive destruction to the worms but harmless to the child. Price 35c. Sold by CORNER DRUG STORE

In its initial stages the Canadian Pacific railroad, which spans the Dominion of Canada from the Atlantic to the Pacific, was a government enterprise, but was turned over to private ownership in 1881, the government conferring upon the company approximately \$25,000,000 and 25,000,000 acres of land as a subsidy.

Beating the bounds is a term applied to the periodical survey by which the boundaries of parishes in England are preserved. It is the custom in some parishes that the clergyman of the parish, with the parochial officers and boys of the parish school, march to the boundaries, which the boys beat with willow rods.



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The most dangerous phrase in the English language is "Step on it."

How Doctors Treat Colds and the Flu

To break up a cold overnight or to cut short an attack of grippe, influenza, sore throat or tonsillitis, physicians and druggists are now recommending Calotabs, the purified and refined calomel compound tablet that gives you the effects of calomel and salts combined, without the unpleasant effects of either.

One or two Calotabs at bed-time with a swallow of water—that's all. No salts, no nausea nor the slightest interference with your eating, work or pleasure. Next morning your cold has vanished, your system is thoroughly purified and you are feeling fine with a hearty appetite for breakfast. Do what you please, no danger.

Get a family package, containing full directions, only 35 cents. At any drug store. (adv)

Suffered weak, nervous

I WAS in a very weakened, run-down condition, in need of a tonic and builder," says Mrs. J. R. Wrenn, of Anna, Texas. "I was so weak I had to go to bed, and kept getting weaker."

"I suffered with my back so much. I was very nervous, couldn't rest good at night, I couldn't eat anything—I just wasn't hungry."

"I had read so much of Cardui, I thought best to use it. I took seven or eight bottles, and by the time I had taken them I was stronger than I had been in several years. I can highly recommend Cardui."

Thousands of other women have found that the tonic effects of the purely vegetable ingredients of Cardui were just what they needed to help restore their appetites, to help bring them easily and naturally back to normal health and strength. Its action has been found to be of great benefit in many common female ailments.

Buy it at your druggist's.

CARDUI
For Female Troubles

THINGS WORTH KNOWING
(By Roy E. Harrold, Rushville, In.)

The first submarine was built three hundred years ago, during the reign of James I of England. It was a crude affair, to be moved by cars, and of no value other than a curiosity.

When the Sultan of Turkey wished to be rid of a member of his harem, he was said to have put her into a sack and thrown her into the Bosphorus. Hence the expression, "get the sack," when we mean "to be discharged."

The natural color of the lobster is green, that being the color of the rocks around which he lives on the bottom of the ocean. When boiled he turns red, which is due to a certain chemical substance contained in the shell.

It has been little more than fifty years since the first telephone conversation was held, the first successful test having taken place March 10, 1876. Today telephone conversations are being held between people on the North American and European continents.

Large numbers of carrier pigeons are kept in England, Belgium, France and other European countries. There are numerous pigeon clubs which have pigeon races. Carrier pigeons have been known to travel as fast as 150 miles in four and one-half hours.

Ponce de Leon, early Spanish discoverer, who accompanied Columbus on his second expedition, was credited with having discovered Florida, which he thought an island, while in quest of the celebrated "fountain of youth," a fabled fount credited with being capable of conferring perpetual youth.

Pocahontas, about whose life many romantic incidents are related, is supposed to have descendants living in the state of Virginia. She married an Englishman named Rolfe while being held as a hostage by the English, and died in England a year after her marriage. She left one son who was educated in London.

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MAXIMS OF COMMON SENSE
(From Moss Feature Syndicate)

The walls of the world are full of copy-book mottoes. Most of them read well. Some are practical. Many can be set down as "bunk."

The late Victor Lawson, Chicago publisher, who may be accurately described as a practical idealist, gave out bits of counsel from time to time that live on usefully in the minds of those who knew and admired him.

Mr. Lawson, a newspaper publisher, made his counsel applicable to his own business. But his maxims represent a principle of behavior far too big to be wholly appropriated by one profession. Mr. Lawson said: "Ridicule no nationality, race or religious sect."

Write for the family, having especially in mind mother and the girls. Report all news truthfully, with due regard for the proprieties.

But exclusive matter, for only in that way can one show character in the publication.

Be true to your convictions, but never be unkind.

Keep the advertising clean.

Make your word as good as your bond.

Work with others for the public good.

Never suppress news for personal reasons.

If you are in doubt, that's your answer—don't.

Consider your newspaper a public trust, not an instrument for the advancement of personal attention, and see that in every respect it conforms to your ideals.

In this last paragraph of counsel alone there is the making of a complete success—if your ideals are what they ought to be.

Making our behavior through all the ramifications of business conform to our best ideals is the biggest task that confronts every man.

It means taking infinite pains. It means immeasurable attention to detail. It means the perpetual maintenance of the highest level of which we are capable.

These maxims of Mr. Lawson are without bunk. Study them.

And may we all go and do likewise.

According to Mr. Ground Hog, Spring Is Near

Wednesday, Feb. 2, was Ground Hog Day. The ground hog, the harbinger of Spring according to the legend, comes out from his long winter

sleep on the second of February to take a look around, and satisfy himself as to weather conditions. He is a very close observer along this line and there are those who believe firmly in him.

According to the story Mr. Ground Hog arouses himself on this date, shakes himself a little, does a little stretching to get his legs in shape and then sallies forth. He does not wander far from his winter home, however, for this first trip. He takes careful note on weather signs and then glances around closer to himself, to see if he can locate his shadow. If he discovers his shadow, he does not remain out for long. On the contrary he makes his way back to his burrow or where ever he happened to spend winter, and makes ready for another

snooze. For, according to the story, if this little animal gets a glimpse of his shadow, he knows that the winter is not yet over. If, however, on the other hand he fails to see his shadow,

this is a safe sign that the spring will soon be here, and that the hardest of the cold weather has passed. It is also said the ground hog makes his advent just at 12 o'clock, noon.

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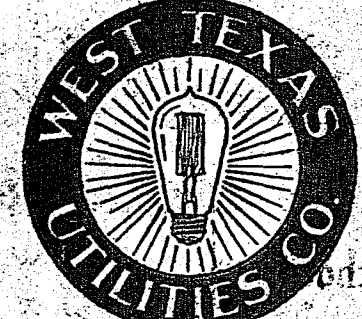
To have good credit you must pay your indebtedness promptly. To some each first of the month is pay-up time and those, if they desire good Credit, must pay their accounts by the tenth of the month or make satisfactory arrangement with the merchants they are dealing with, otherwise their good Credit is slipping.

Santa Anna merchants are glad to extend credit, if your record for prompt payment is satisfactory. To the man or woman who pays promptly they will extend gladly the courtesy of a charge account.

But the person whose record shows that they have been slow or unsatisfactory will be so reported on the books of this association and all merchant members will have access to this fact.

You make your own record by how you pay your bills.

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FOSTER'S WEATHER BULLETIN

February Weather

Washington, January 26, 1927.—As a general average, February temperatures are expected to be a little below normal; greater than usual temperature extremes will be experienced during the month, which will be of greater importance than the average of the month; severe cold waves centering on 6 and 21 will be expected to reach southward to the gulf; best period of outdoor weather 9 to 14; greatest temperature extremes, relative to local normals, in north central and northeast sections. Precipitation will average about normal for the continent for the month; most precipitation will occur during the periods 3 to 7 and 19 to 24; heaviest precipitation in eastern great central valleys, central and northern Pacific slopes, and south Atlantic sections; least precipitation will occur in western great central valleys, western plains sections and in section 9; February moisture will be sufficient for all purposes excepting parts of western plains and western great central valleys, principally that comparatively level strip just east of the Rockies. The most severe storm period of month will be expected to center on 15; a storm period of more moderate

intensity will center on 20; storm force will be of mild intensity during storm periods centering on 3, 8 and 26. Principal moisture for North America, during February, will come from south and southwest, causing most precipitation on southern and western slopes and land approaching those slopes; least precipitation on northern and eastern slopes and land approaching those slopes. Great extremes of temperatures will cause February to be only a fair cropweather month on winter grains.

Intermediate B. Y. P. U.

The Popularity of the Bible—Yantis Hines.
Bible not written first in English—Garrett Slaughter.
The Old Testament in Hebrew, and the New Testament in Greek—Buna Williamson.
First Translation—Moy Hines.
First Translations in English—Woodrow Niell.
The first printed Bible—Eris Gregg.
The King James' Bible—T. B. Pleasant.
The Revised Version—Oran Traylor.
Poem: "The World's Bible"—Mary Harriett Simpson.

CAN THE MOODY'S LIVE ON THEIR SALARY

"A friend of ours proposed that we set an example by living within Dan's salary, and I said we would do our best." That is the undertaking of Mrs. Moody, wife of the new Governor of Texas. If she succeeds in holding down household expenses to that extent she will be the most lauded-of wife in America. But Governor Dan will have to help. For there are constant calls that involve traveling expenses, hotel bills and so on and on.

And Texas ought to help. If Mrs. Moody has to work over an old dress or do with a less pretentious one than the most of her social circle are accustomed to wear, Texas will have to be loyal and understand. If the Governor's wife makes her entertaining list modest, and the accessories of her hospitality only those which are within her means, Texas will have to fall into the spirit of the enterprise and appreciate the meaning of it.

If Mr. and Mrs. Moody make out the year on the \$4000 which the state allows them they will probably be the first mansion occupants who have done it in years. And if they do it they will be in all probability the last pair who will have to confront the problem. For once the niggardly proportions of the Governor's salary are brought home to Texas, the State will do what is right in a handsome way: Texas can afford to pay more than \$4000 for the service of the Governor. And the services of a good governor are fairly worth several times that amount.

Mrs. Moody, of course, isn't campaigning for an increase in salary.—Dallas Daily Times Herald.

Love Amnesty Bill Favored By Majority

Austin, Feb. 1.—Repeal of the amnesty act which restored political citizenship to former Governor James E. Ferguson was presaged today by the action of the Senate in ordering printed the minority favorable report.

The amnesty act, returning to Ferguson the right to hold office in the state which the Senate in 1917 took from him by impeachment, was passed by the 39th legislature largely on the plea of ex-Governor Miriam A. Ferguson.

Senator Thomas B. Love of Dallas on the first day of the present session re-opened the struggle by the introduction of a bill designed to repeal the amnesty measure.

Following the return of the committee reports W. D. McFarlane of Graham, one of the signers of the minority favorable recommendation moved to be printed. Parr, of Benavides, moved a sub-motion that the majority report be printed which lost by a vote of 18 to 8.

A majority unfavorable report was returned.

Members signing the minority favorable report were: W. H. Bledsoe, Lubbock; A. E. Wood, Granger, and W. D. McFarlane, Graham.

Members of the committee: Woodward, chairman; Ward, Bledsoe, Bowers, Fairchild, Holbrook, Miller, Reel, Writz and Wood.

Motion of Love that the minority favorable report be printed prevailed over an opposite motion by Parr of Benavides with a vote of 18 to 8.

Preaching at Plainview

Elder G. B. Slinger will preach for the Church of Christ at Plainview school house First Sunday in Feb. at 10 o'clock, and Saturday night before. Everybody come.
Amos Taylor.

PREVENTS INFECTION

The greatest discovery in flesh healing is the marvelous Borzone, a preparation that comes in liquid and powder form. It is a combination treatment that not only purifies the wound of germs that cause infection but it heals the flesh with extraordinary speed. Bad wounds or cuts which take weeks to heal with the ordinary liniments mend quickly under the powerful influence of this wonderful remedy. Price (liquid) 30c, 60c and \$1.20. Powder 30c and 60c. Sold by

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BAPTIST CHURCH NOTES

Hear Rev. H. R. Whatley at the Baptist Church Sunday, Special Service.

Sunday school will begin at 9:45. We want the largest attendance that we have had during the last month. Come, bring a friend.

Morning worship at 11 o'clock. Sermon by Rev. H. R. Whatley. Choir practice at 3 o'clock.

B. Y. P. U.'s will meet at 6:30 next Sunday evening.

The evening service will begin at 7:30. Rev. H. R. Whatley will preach. Many will want to hear Bro. Whatley Sunday. You know what to expect as you heard him during our last summer's meeting. We all learned to love him and appreciate his preaching. Be sure to hear him at both hours Sunday. It will be well for you to remember that Sunday evening the song service is going to be different. All the songs used will be written by a Negro Author. If you like the old spiritual songs be sure and come.

Sidney F. Martin, pastor.

Self Culture Club Program, Feb. 11

1. When and where was Guy de Maupassant born?
2. Tell of his earliest writings and his association with Flaubert?
3. What is said of Flaubert's literary ability? And what was the character of his writings?
4. Give the principal characteristics of de Maupassant's writings.
5. When and how did he die?
6. Who was Bjornstjerne Bjornson and where and when was he born?
7. How was he regarded by his friends and critics?
8. Tell of his association with his great contemporary, Ibsen?
9. Give general characteristics of his writings.

FORT WORTH THEATRE MAN ROBBED AND SLAIN

Bandit Pair Get Away in Speeding Car

Fort Worth, Jan. 31.—Two dapper highwaymen killed Roscoe Wilson, treasurer of the Majestic Theatre, grabbed a bag containing about \$4,000 and escaped in a fast roadster at 10:30 a. m. Monday. The holdup was at Tenth and Commerce streets, opposite the theatre.

The men had been waiting for Wilson to start to a bank with the weekend receipts of the theatre. Patrol-

man A. C. Maclin passed the corner less than two minutes before the hold-up and saw a man in a brown suit sitting in the roadster with hat pulled over his eyes.

"Drop That!"

When Wilson emerged from the theater, he waited a moment for a green signal to cross the street, and as he crossed M. N. Cotton was less than three feet behind him. At the curb on the northwest corner, one of the highwaymen pulled a pistol, pointed it at Wilson and shouted: "Drop that!"

These were the only words spoken, except when Wilson murmured "Don't" as the shot which killed him was fired. Only one shot was heard.

The highwaymen had planned the robbery very carefully. Wilson dodged behind a post, but as he did so the robber threw on the ground a bag,

almost identical with the one taken. The ruse for a half hour led police to believe the bandits failed to get any loot.

Car Is Found

At noon the robbers' car was found abandoned on Seventh Avenue. Police pointed out that the highwaymen probably got into another car by pre-arrangement and fled.

D. Friedman, who was within six feet of Wilson, when the shooting occurred, said the robber fired without reason, and that Wilson offered no resistance except to dodge behind a post.

"The robber was less than two arm lengths from Wilson when he fired," Friedman said.

Later—The parties were arrested in Sulphur, Okla., identified and brought back to Fort Worth, placed in jail to await action of the courts.

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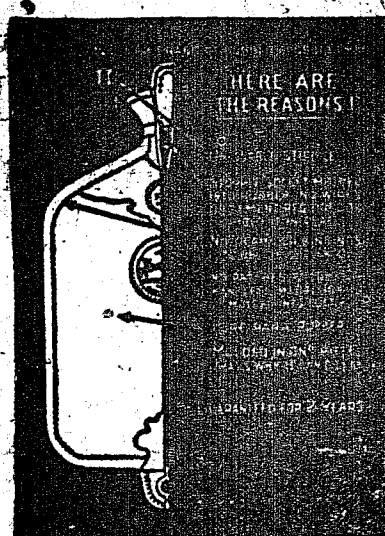
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WHAT'S DOING IN WEST TEXAS

(By West Texas C. of C.)

The West Texas Chamber of Commerce is maintaining an informational and legislative bureau in Austin during the session of the legislature with Manager Homer D. Wade in charge. This bureau is located at 218-219 Littlefield Building and is at the service of all West Texans. Those desiring information on legislative matters or desiring service of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce in legislative matters are invited to write the bureau concerning their needs.

Manager Wade is issuing each week a legislative letter concerning activities in the state legislature. He will keep West Texans informed of the matters of legislation concerning West Texas, and will undertake to give a weekly digest of the proceedings in Austin. This letter will go to all chamber of commerce secretaries in West Texas, will go to all officers and directors and unit directors of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, and will be sent to all members of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce who will write to the general offices at Stamford, Texas, that they would like to receive same. There will, of course, be no charge for the service.

West Texas fared well in the organization of the legislature and in committee assignments for the past week. Hon. R. L. Bobbitt of Laredo was elected speaker without opposition. Another West Texan, Carl P. Phinney of Brownwood, was selected as chief clerk of the House. West Texas was signally honored by the appointment of committee chairmen.

Dewey Young of Wellington becomes chairman of the committee on revenue and taxation, Lee Satterwhite of Amarillo, chairman of the Penitentiary Committee. Cecil Storey of Vernon is chairman of the Oil Gas & Mines committee. Chairmanship of the committee on Municipal and Private Corporations fell to E. S. Cummings of Abilene; George Kemble of Fort Worth was made Chairman of the insurance committee; Grady Woodruff of Decatur was appointed Chairman of the committee on Eleemosynary Institutions. The Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence will be headed by Alfred Petsch of Fredericksburg. The Chairmanship of the Committee on Commerce goes to M. H. Haggaman of Ranger.

Mr. Wade in his first report declares that the West Texas group in the legislature is recognized as one of the strongest contingents in the state law making body. They stand together for the good of West Texas and work as a unit on legislation affecting this section of the state. He reports that the hoppers of both houses are filled with a mass of bills seeking to regulate every line of human endeavor in Texas. However this is customary for the first week of a new legislature. Some bills die in the committee rooms. Others fall in the houses. Within a fortnight the matters of legislation to be considered by both houses will begin to take shape and the attitude of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce concerning the different bills will be announced as they take form.

In the opinion of Mr. Wade, the present session of the Texas legislature bids fair to be a constructive session of the Texas legislature, and he is optimistic of the outlook.

M. T. W. CLUB

Dr. and Mrs. R. R. Lovelady and Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Burris entertained the M. T. W. Club Thursday evening in their regular meeting at the Lovelady home. The rooms were gaily decorated with calendars, hand made flowers and beautiful floor pillows. The dining table was laid with a gorgeous red oil cloth, the center being graced with a handsome silver caster. Attics must have been ransacked and chests opened to give up their choicest treasures of costumes that were worn on this gala occasion.

A quartet composed of Messrs Ford Barnes, Lloyd Burris, R. R. Lovelady and D. J. Johnson made the hit of the evening. Games and stunts which held sway until near midnight, caused much merriment. After delicious refreshments of wax, stick candy, fried dough-nuts and hot chocolate served in antique cups, were served, officers were elected.

Judges were appointed to award the prizes of those who were most appropriately dressed for the occasion. Competition was so close that several of the contestants were compelled to pass in revue again and again, the final awards going to Mr. Sam H. Collier and Mrs. I. Williamson.

Mr. Collier was dressed in blue serge trousers, with cuffs touching the tops of his white canvas shoes,

and a coat made of white and blue stripe alpaca cloth. He wore his hair with a deep part in the middle pasted down on either side with stay-comb. For this unique costume Mr. Collier was awarded a serviceable celluloid collar.

Mrs. Williamson was attractively gowned in a frock of sheer white china silk, trimmed with pearl lace, a small black hat and other accessories not in harmony for this exquisite costume. she was awarded a beautiful hand crocheted gown yoke.

For a consolation W. I. Mitchell and Mrs. Ford Barnes were the successful contestants. Mr. Mitchell wore a handsome soup and fish, for which he received a genuine cob pipe.

Mrs. Barnes was gowned in a flame color georgette gown, semi-evening model. She wore black satin slippers studded with diamonds, and the hair ornament was a pink corsage. For this costume she was awarded a lovely necklace. Among the ones attending this meeting were Messrs and Mesdames Jodie Mathews, J. O. Martin, Sam Collier, Ford Barnes, P. P. Bond, W. I. Mitchell, D. J. Johnson, George Johnson, I. Williamson, E. R. Purdy, R. R. Lovelady, Lloyd Burris, Mrs. Comer Blue, Misses Grace Mitchell and Ethel Whetstone.

Cleveland Demonstration Club

The Club ladies with Miss Brent, will meet Feb. 15 with Mrs. M. F. Blanton, and spend the afternoon on chicken demonstration, using the canner and canning chicken different ways. We will make chicken hot tomatoes and also chicken olive, king baked chicken, and a few more ways. All members are requested to be present at this meeting.—Reporter.

Junior B. Y. P. U. Program

Topic: How God Gave His Book to Us.

Introduction—Seth Ford. In the beginning—Aline Harper. The first written word—William Ragsdale.

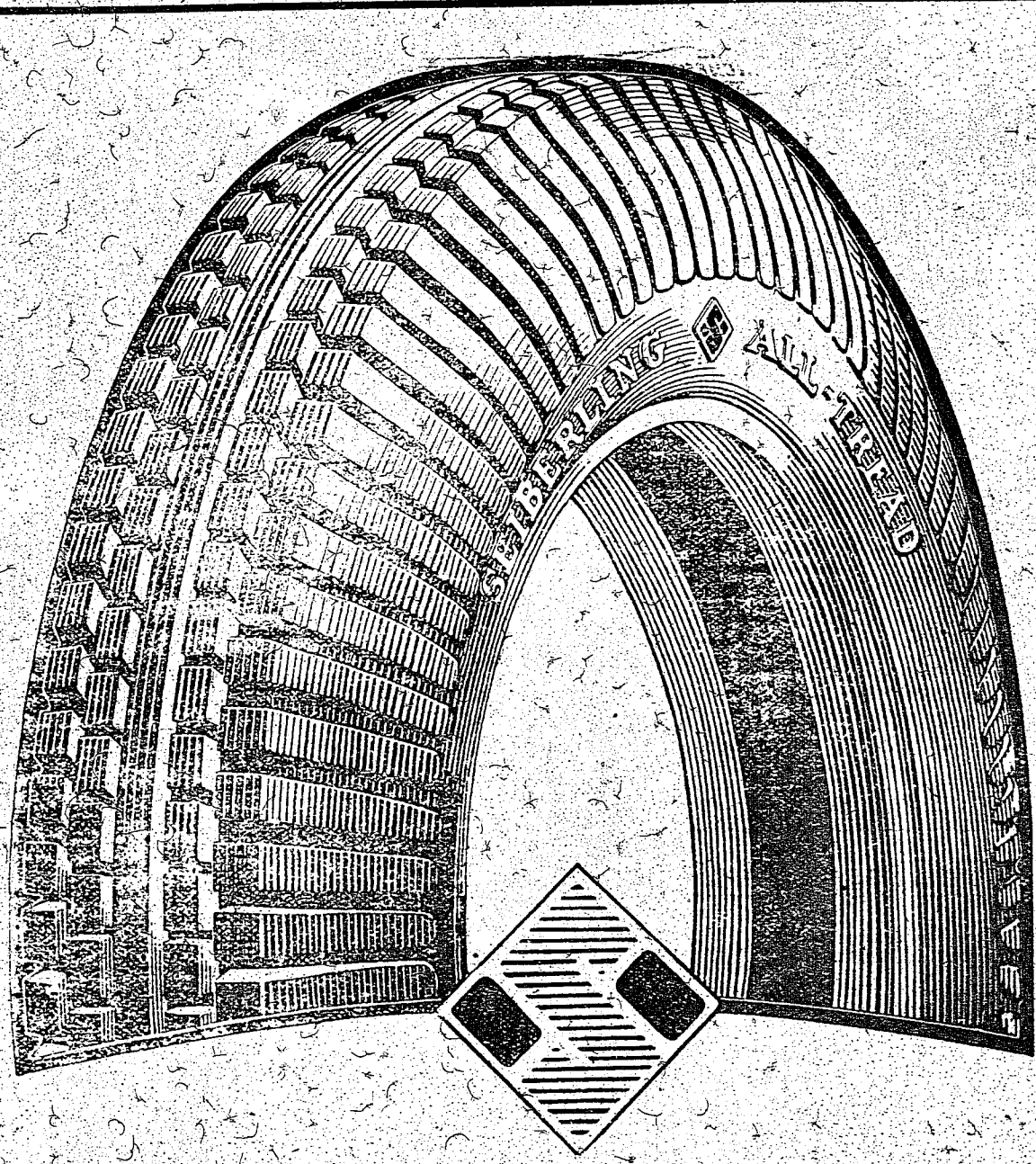
Other books are written—Dosh T. McCreary.

Make unto one book—Edwin Niell. Changed into other languages—Jessie Lee Sparkman.

Men suffered to give us the Bible—Jack Gregg.

What should one do with this book?—Melvell Hines.

Poem—John Frank Byrd.



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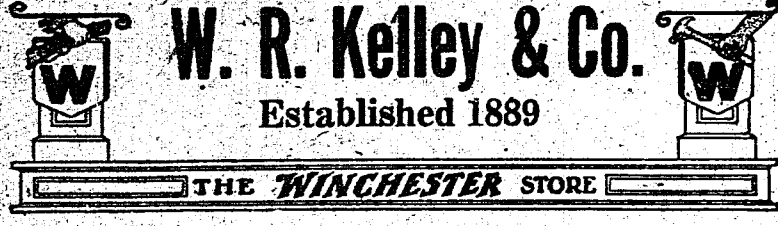


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E. T. Haden and family and M. O. Lightfoot and family of Miles, were brief visitors in the Mountain City this week enroute to their homes from Brownwood where they attended the Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary of Mesdames Lightfoot and Haden's parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Jopling. Newspaper mention of the affair in the Brownwood papers indicates a great time was had. The eight living children were present and added much joy and amusement to the happy occasion. The following were reported to be present beside the pioneer couple: Mr. and Mrs. Jess Jopling, Brownwood, M. O. Lightfoot and family, E. T. Haden and family of Miles, J. Jopling and family of Fort Sumner, New Mexico, Hoyt Jopling and family of San Antonio, Mr. and Mrs. F. R. McKinney of St. Louis, and Burl Jopling and family of Ponotoc, Texas.

NEWMAN-McCLATCHEY

Friends will be interested to learn of the marriage of Mr. Frank Newman of Sterling City, and Miss Grace McClatchey of Eldorado, the happy event taking place at Eldorado Sunday, Jan. 23. Mr. Newman is a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Tom Newman of the Liveoak community, and Miss McClatchey formerly lived at Trickham, both parties are well and favorably known. Friends will join the Santa Anna News in extending congratulations and best wishes to the happy young couple. They will make their home in Sterling City, according to information received here.

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Caught in the Round-Up

S. M. Polk, Jr. spent several days this week with his family in Abilene. Mrs. J. P. Woodruff of Dallas is visiting relatives in this city. S. D. Harber Jr. of Eldorado visited relatives in this city first of the week. Mr. and Mrs. John Pool of Coleman were visiting relatives in Santa Anna Saturday. Gus Nabours and family moved to Brownwood last week where they will make their home in the future. Mrs. T. H. Moore of Tahoka is visiting her mother, Mrs. J. M. Childers and other relatives in Santa Anna. Mr. and Mrs. Jim Robin and Mrs. Hardy Blue visited Mr. and Mrs. O. T. Laws in Cross Plains Sunday.

PROGRAM

Monthly Workers Conference, Coleman County Baptist Association, Meeting With Immanuel Church at Talpa, Feb. 7th, 1927.
10 A. M. Devotional—W. T. Sparkman, Brownwood, Texas.
10:15 Dedication to God—Its Nature (Rom. 12:1)—R. B. McGinnis, Abilene.
10:35 Dedication to God—The Means (Rom. 12:1)—G. C. Ivins, Brownwood.
10:55 Dedication to God—The Wisdom of It (Rom. 12:1)—Rev. C. E. Lancaster, Coleman.
11:15 Special Music—Joe Trussel and wife.
11:30 Sermon—Rev. Sidney F. Martin, Santa Anna.
12:30 Lunch served by Talpa ladies.
2:00 Board Meeting.
2:30 Special Music—Mr. and Mrs. Joe Trussel.
2:40 Dedication to the Conquest Campaign of Southern Baptists—Dr. E. Godbold, presiding.
3:30 Adjournment.

FRIDAY BRIDGE

Beautifully appointed in each detail was the Bridge Party Friday afternoon, when Mrs. Leman Brown opened her home to the Friday Bridge Club and other guests. Spring flowers in artistic assemblage gave floral charm to the reception rooms where six tables were in pretty arrangement for the afternoon diversion. After a number of interesting games were played, the tables were centered with vases of flowers and a dainty refreshment course of pressed chicken, cranberries, fruit salad, flakes, russian rocks and hot tea was served to Mesdames Ed Baxter, P. P. Bond, G. W. Faulkner, J. R. Gipson, I. Sheld, Jodie Mathews, D. J. Johnson, S. W. Childers, O. C. Petty, Comer Blue, R. C. Gay, Ford Barnes, W. I. Mitchell, Jerry Simpson, Geo. Johnson, Andrew Scriber, Willie Gipson, J. O. Martin, E. R. Purdy, C. A. Walker, Miss Jeannette Johnson and Mrs. Switzer of Coleman.

Mrs. J. D. Simpson, Jr. is Hostess

A party of charming appointment was that of Wednesday afternoon in the home of Mrs. J. R. Gipson, with Mrs. J. D. Simpson Jr. acting as hostess, to the members of the Wednesday Bridge Club and a number of invited guests. The reception rooms were made gay and fragrant with baskets of exquisite pink and white carnations, and heather grouped with fern fronds.

Three tables of players progressed through an interesting series of games, and in the final count the success trophy went to Mrs. Willie Gipson, consolation to Mrs. George Johnson and the guest prize was awarded to Mrs. I. Williamson. At the close of the games a delightful salad-cullation, marshmallow whip, angel food cake and hot tea was served to a personnel of twelve players. Beautiful chinese lilies and lace fern were used as plate favors. Mrs. Simpson was assisted in hostess duties by her mother, Mrs. J. R. Gipson.

Methodist Church Services

After a brief sermon at 11 o'clock the Holy Sacrament will be administered. Every member of the church is cordially invited to be present at the Communion Service. At the evening hour the pastor's message will be on "The Power of a Witnessing Church." Our Epworth League services are well attended. The interest of the young people is fine. Let our young people line up with these League services. Bring the whole family to church next Sunday. Seba Kirkpatrick, pastor.

Ranch Near Angelo To Be Playground-W. T. U. Employes

(Abilene News.)

One of the first 'dude ranches' in Texas is to be established by George W. Fry, general manager of the West Texas Utilities Company. Last week he bought 3,100 acres of land at the junction of Dove and Spring creeks, near San Angelo, for the purpose. The ranch will be electrically equipped. The current will be supplied from a high line which is to be built from San Angelo to the oil fields in Reagan and Upton counties.

Located in one of the prettiest sections around San Angelo, the ranch is regarded as ideal for the purpose for which it was acquired—namely, as a place to hold their outings. It is easily accessible and contains some of the best holes of water on Dove and Spring creeks.

In addition to equipping the ranch with every modern electrical convenience, Mr. Fry also plans to stock it with registered cattle, sheep and polo ponies. It is reported he will build a large barn there this summer and will later erect a residence. There is plenty of water with which to supply the 175-acre irrigated farm which is included in the ranch.

The land was bought from Sam Ross of San Angelo. Immediately after the purchase it was leased to Ross for the remainder of the year.

Texas Pastor Gets \$800,000

Houston, Texas, Jan. 29.—Despite the fact that he has just inherited \$800,000, the Rev. F. E. Clark, pastor of a little church in South Houston, will continue to preach to his flock and forego the comforts and ostentation of riches.

Mr. Clark has been notified that he was willed nearly a million dollars by an old friend on the Pacific Coast for having saved the lives of the old friend's two daughters when they were growing almost a century ago.

Scandal is not so harmful until it is syndicated.

GIRL SCOUTS

The Girl Scouts met last Monday in a business meeting. Mrs. H. E. Hopper met with us and the following officers were elected: Patrol Leader—Margaret Donham. First Corporal—Ruby Bolton. Secretary—Eileen Barnes. Treasurer—Linnie Routh. Flag Bearer—Bessie Evans. Reporter—Queenie Gregg. We are to meet every Monday afternoon after school in one of the Grammar school rooms. Please, all the Girl Scouts be loyal and attend all meetings if possible.

Coleman Jeweler Called By Death

Coleman, Feb. 1.—Walter Penny, prominent jeweler of this city, died at his home here this morning at 10 o'clock at the age of 47 years.

He is survived by his wife and his mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Penny. Mrs. Penny is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Bickle of Ft. Worth. Mr. Penny has conducted a jewelry store on Commercial avenue for a number of years.

Two or two ago the rates were raised on postal cards from one to two cents, the idea being to double the postage. Practice shows the income was cut nearly one-half. The same may be said in sending newspapers in single wrappers. It killed that business since letters were often cheaper. The government will now change with and come back to the old regulations.

The Nicaraguan tangle has so many angles that a corporation law could not untangle one phase of it. Which is the constitutional government there involves three different questions: how the Monroe doctrine touches the case involves a few more phases, and our relation to Mexico's attitude in the matter has other phases that must be considered.

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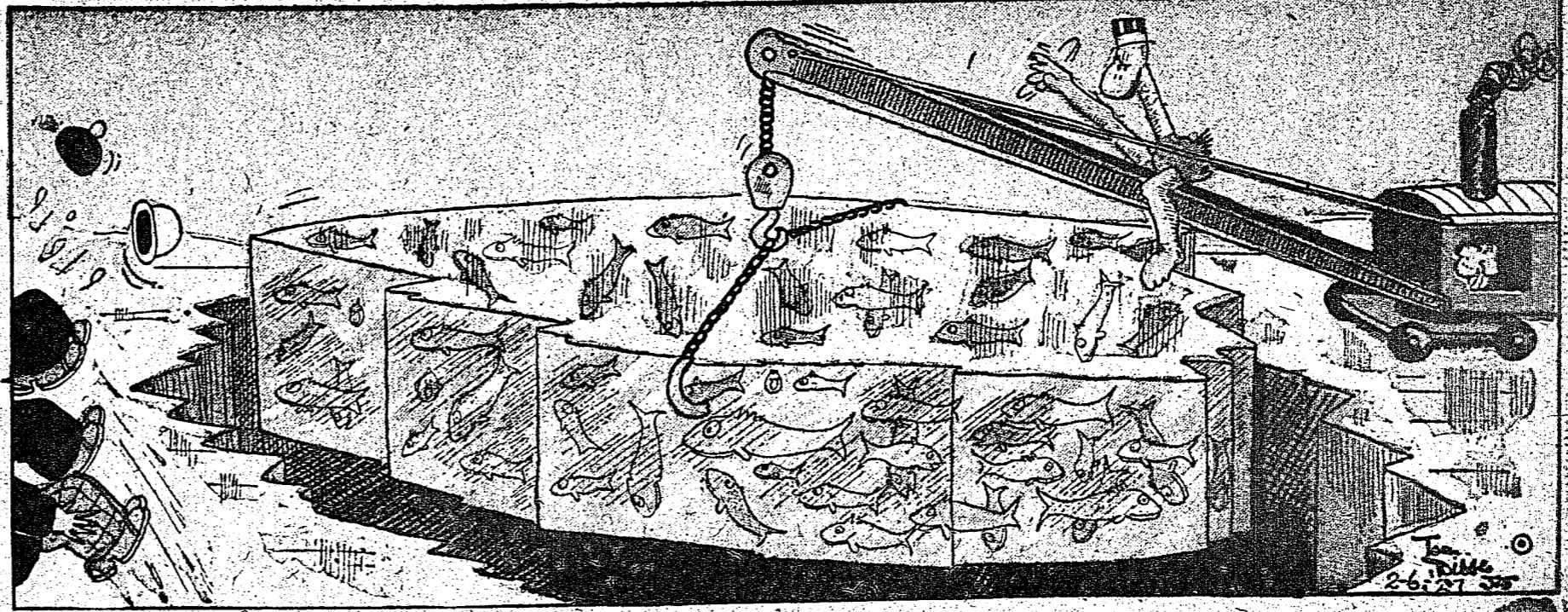
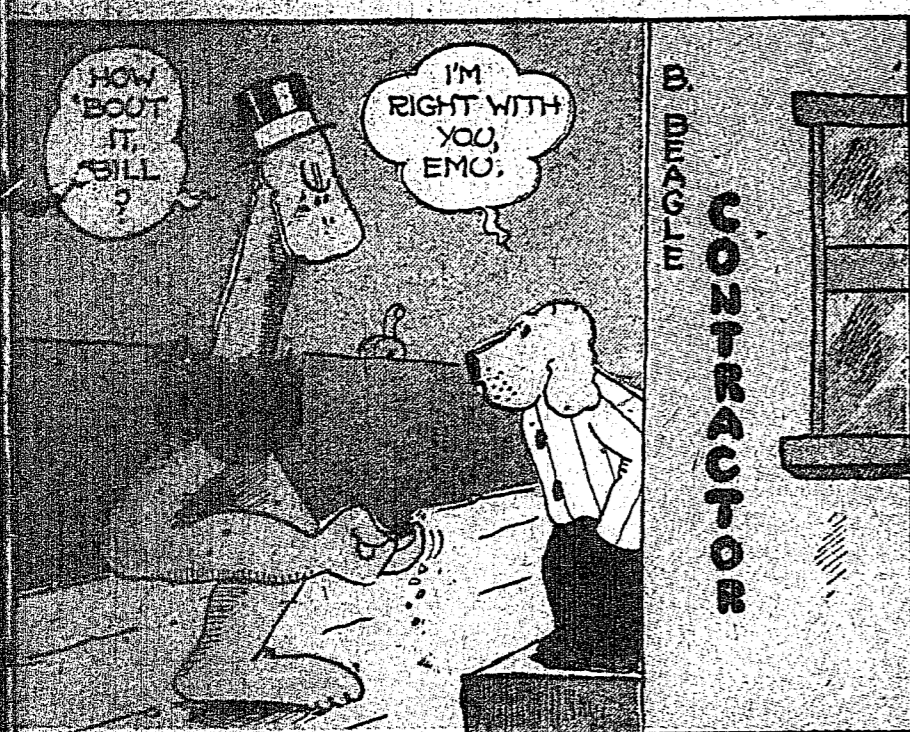
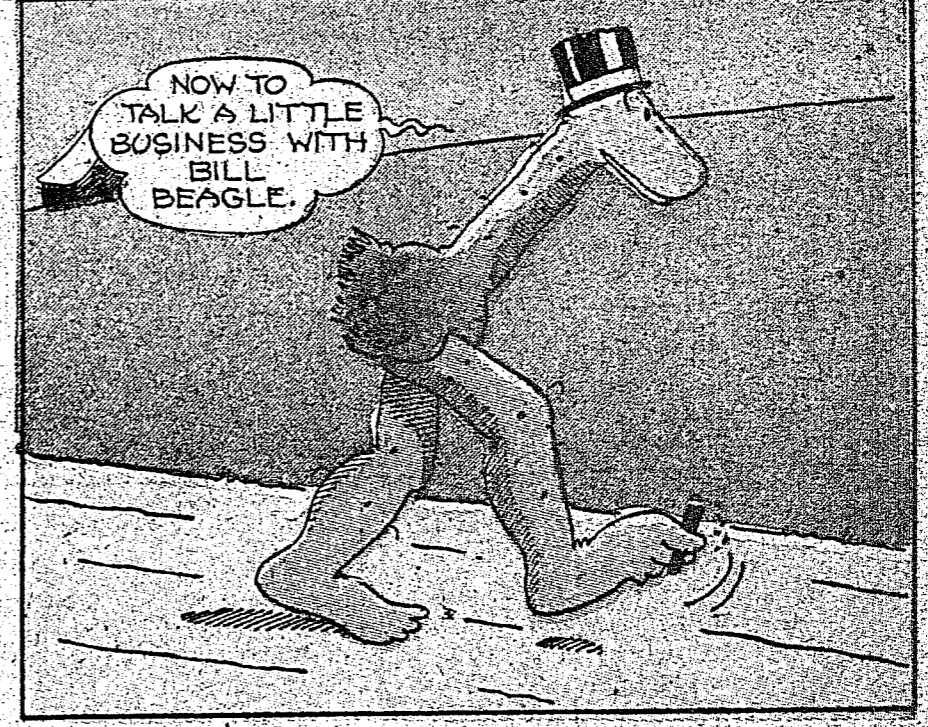
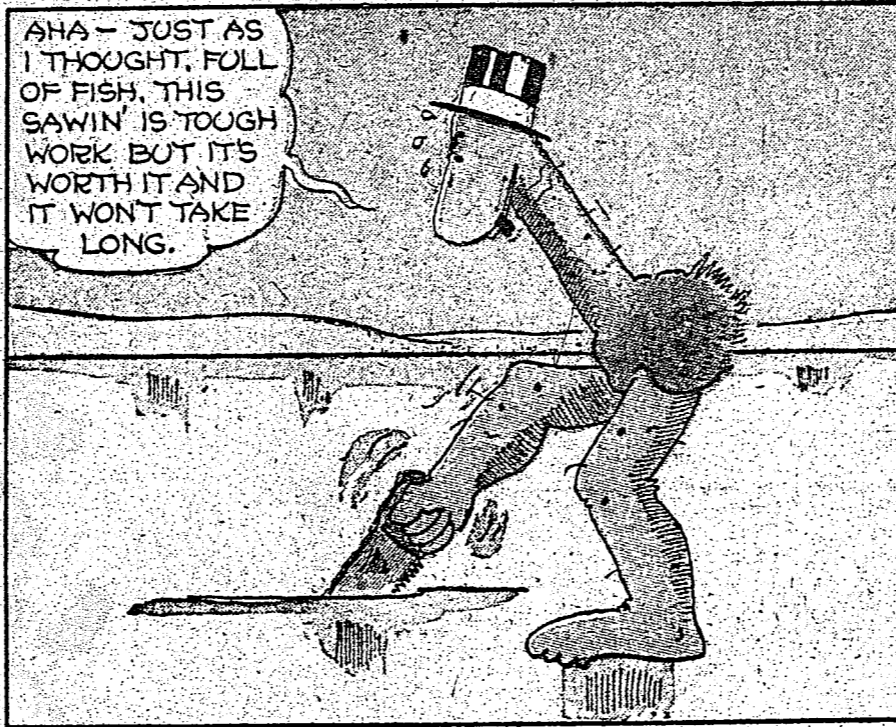
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By Tom Dibble, Jr.



SCHOOL DAYS on the FRONTIER

By MRS. S. A. COWAN.

IN these days of modern school houses, county superintendents, county agricultural agents, and State aid, we doubt whether the reader can give the school children of the frontier days the sympathy which they deserve, for the majority of the pupils were compelled to travel a long distance to school, over trails instead of roads, and by slow methods of transportation.

But our school days on the Texas frontier were dear to us and the memories of certain occasions linger in our minds, although it has been two score of years since we attended the little school house made of pickets chinked inside and out with mortar made of clay and straw, the straw being used to make the clay adhere to the walls. This plastering of times had to be replaced, almost every year, especially on the outside where the rains soon beat it off. Each year the little school house received a new coat of whitewash, which one of the patrons furnished from a rudely made kiln. This school house, located in Llano county, in 1870, was about 14x16 feet, and was furnished with two tables placed lengthwise of the room; four benches, one on each side of the tables, provided seats for the pupils. These tables and benches were made by the patrons of the school. An ordinary wooden bucket and a tin dipper served as the "fountain" at which we quenched our thirst.

Very Little Free School Money.

We had very little, if any, free school money in pioneer days. Our community, which was mainly composed of German colonists, would send abroad for some relative or friend who was a teacher, and engaged him to teach the school. Our school opened on the first day of September and closed on the last day of June, giving us a ten month's school, without a recess or a holiday, except the religious holidays which were observed by the Lutheran Church of the Fatherland. Our books were scarce and expensive, most of them being in the English language, except a German reader. Our teacher taught

both the English and the German language; and we translated all our English lessons into German. As the students were all of German parentage, their conversation was carried on in German, and the majority of them grew to maturity before they could carry on a conversation in the English language, although they made excellent grades in English in school.

The first step our professor took, after his arrival from the Fatherland, was to teach these young Americans how to enter the school room and put up their hats. This was accomplished in military order, and this little feature of orderliness added much to the discipline of the school. Our teacher also used the rod if it became necessary.

At the noon hour the students ate their lunches under the shade of the trees, grouped as our congenial relations permitted, and we exchanged home-made sausage and ham sandwiches with our neighbors, each finding the lunch of the other perhaps just a little more palatable. The professor always remained at the school house at noon, bringing his lunch, and after all had finished eating, we would play games. The boys and girls always played together. Most of our games were brought from abroad, but we oftentimes played "Indians" and several raids would take place during the noon hour. The teacher would also teach the boys drills off time and give them exercise.

Taught to Respect Laws.

One thing we want to impress upon our readers: we were taught from infancy that the laws of the land must be respected. Our parents were all naturalized citizens of these United States, and were very faithful to their obligations. They never had to be coaxed to vote, but considered it a great privilege to take part in choosing the officials of their State and county. When election day came, all work was suspended, and

having to come a considerable distance. Two to six miles was not considered too far to come to school in those days. Most of those coming a long distance came on horseback.

Children of the frontier had very little recreation. Picture books were very scarce, and "funny papers" were not in evidence among the few newspapers which came our way. But we learned to make "moving pictures" with our hands by the light of a candle or a lamp, by making on the wall shadow pictures of rabbits that would wiggle their ears and tails, and we could make horses and donkeys that would "buck." We also had lots of fun attending the rodeos, although we did not call them that in those days. We called them "mustang breaking." We could sit on the bank of the river and watch our big brothers bring in the wild horses off the range and lead them on a sand bar where they placed the first saddle on them, and then mounted the snorting mustangs. How these wild ponies would buck after being released! The men would keep them pitching on the sand bar until the horses were well tired out before they would head them for the open range. A "fellow" who could subdue a mustang was "some hero" in our estimation.

Organized Gun Clubs.

All boys and girls learned to ride and to shoot a gun. We had gun clubs where the girls and boys would shoot at a target for amusement and practice. The

girls really had a harder time than the boys, for boys naturally love to be out with the horses and cattle, but the girls had to amuse themselves at home by playing dolls made of corn cobs and by sewing their doll dresses with horse hair taken from some pony's tail, instead of using mother's good thread, which was so hard to get. Everything was hard to get in those days, as we were hundreds of miles from any railroad. It took a whole week to go and get supplies, and if the weather became bad, it would, perhaps, be ten days before a trip could be completed over rough and muddy roads.

Our parents all owned their homes and remained on the same places. Very few ever moved to another community. Neither did we change our teachers often. During our school years we made only one change.

Our readers, no doubt, think that no one got very far in this world under such environments, but we are proud to say that a greater percentage of the students "made good" in those days than they are doing today. We recall with pride several men who started in one of our little log school houses and who are today outstanding characters of this State. One of them is a professor of science in one of the largest universities of Texas; another one is a professor of languages in a leading college; still another one is a noted physician. Those who did not choose a career are now the parents of outstanding personalities; we are now thinking of a young lady who is a professor of zoology in the State University, whose father graduated from this same log cabin school, and whose dear grandmother never learned to speak the English language.

The picture that accompanies this story was taken at the little school house some thirty-eight years ago. The little girl to the right of the professor is our little sister, wearing the first dress ever made by the writer, who was then about fourteen years old. The "little sister" is now the mother of six children, the three eldest daughters having graduated from high school, one of them being a teacher in a large city school.



Teacher and pupils of a frontier school which was established in 1888, two miles below Castell, in Llano county, Texas. In the center of the photo is the teacher, Professor Constantin Kowierschke.

everybody who was old enough to vote came to the little school house, dressed in his best clothing, and cast his ballot.

The students all used slates and slate pencils for general writing, only for special penmanship using pen and ink and a writing tablet. Each tablet had to be kept scrupulously clean, as we were graded on neatness as well as on knowledge.

The beginners remained in school until four o'clock in the afternoon, just as the older students did, most of them

PROMOTING the GAME SUPPLY of TEXAS

By DAVID J. MORRIS.

INCE the "whirl" and whistle of the bobwhite and the gobble of the wild turkey, as he strutted around his flock, were common sounds in Texas woodlands. But the hunter's gun, hawk, crow and predatory wild animals have made these birds scarcer; and along with them has passed the prairie chicken. Deer and antelope are also being depleted.

When we stop to consider the old days when the turkey strutted and the bobwhite whistled along the hedges and the timber edges of Texas woodlands, and realize that these fowls are in a state of being exterminated and silenced forever, then, and only then, do we realize the importance of the work taken up by the Texas Game, Fish and Oyster Commission, at Austin, under T. E. Hubby, Commissioner.

This campaign calls for 40 game preserves, 30 of which have already been established. Texas people have donated, of their own free will, something over one million acres for game sanctuaries. On these lands the commission is distributing game birds and animals, suitable to the territory in which each preserve is located. This commission is, also, arranging to provide proper protection for them over a period of ten years, so that they may multiply undisturbed.

The Reason for Game Preserves.

"Our only means of protecting and increasing the game supply," stated Judge J. R. Smith, chief deputy of the commission, "is to locate places where game may be properly distributed and protected. We, therefore, obtain from the land owners certain acreages of their land, whatever they are willing to lease to us for ten years, to stock game on. There must be a strong desire for game conservation in the centers where we stock; otherwise, we should waste our efforts.

"Our idea in forming game preserves is, that, within a few years, the game with which we are now stocking these preserves will have increased to such an extent that they will have to seek new feeding grounds. It will then come to pass that the game will scatter to unprotected lands and become a source of sport for the hunter. Therefore, after that saturation point is reached, each year there will be more and more game to scatter out from our preserves, and offer the hunter better and better opportunities each season."

When we vision before our eyes the time, not so long ago, that the observer could, if silent enough, stand in Texas woods and see dark objects gliding among the trees, and knew deer were near, or standing on a little hill and,

gazing across the vast and beautiful Texas prairies, see countless dark objects, which he knew to be buffalo, out there grazing; it is then that we realize the importance of the work involved, to save these animals. At this time there are only a few privately owned herds of buffalo, possibly the largest being on the Goodnight ranch, near Clarendon. Deer have been given some security where they have been protected by their owners' charging hunters a fee for hunting each year; but the idea of the Game Commission is not altogether to protect them from being killed, but also to enlarge the herds.

A 300,000-Acre Preserve.

A game preserve is selected where there is territory suitable for the game, and where the land will never be adaptable for cultivation of crops, to any large extent. The grazing lands and the rough, rocky or mountainous lands are selected. For quail the grassy, shrubby lands around the outer edges of timber are best. For deer the more thickly timbered, rough, hilly country is chosen. For prairie chickens the stock ranches cannot be surpassed; and for wild turkey the timbered sections, the thicker and rougher the better. Under the present laws of Texas, only 10 per cent of any county can be selected as a game preserve. Therefore, the largest preserve yet established is located in three counties in such a manner that they join to make in all 300,000 acres. This is in Presidio, Brewster, and Jeff Davis counties, and has been leased for 25 years. This preserve is already fairly well stocked with all kinds of game, and much of it has never been explored. Other preserves run from 10,000 to 100,000 acres. West of Mineral Wells is a fine preserve and attractive, as far as scenery is concerned. Through the canyons of the meandering Brazos, this preserve stretches, and on account of the rough character of the country, it offers an ideal sanctuary for game

and, also, a place for the tourist to visit. In fact, the idea of the Game Commission is to make some State parks for Texas in the future, and possibly to locate one of these in this section, according to Judge Smith. He also said one was being planned in the Jeff Davis Mountains. Texas is about the only State that has never created a State park; whereas, she has, within her territory, picturesque scenery enough to establish parks of far rarer beauty than are to be found in any other State in the Union.

Hunters Lend Support.

"From the hunters," according to T. E. Hubby, Commissioner, "we have had all the support we could expect and did

scarcely a river or lake with good duck food growing on it. So they have banded together and have obtained the services of a United States Government man to come here to tell them what kind of duck food to plant. Then this will be planted. And, if proper protection is given to the lake, it ought to cause many ducks to remain in this region twelve months out of the year. There are many lakes and streams in Texas that ought to be so planted; but our work has not expanded to this degree as yet.

"Other supporters of our plan that have given us much encouragement, are the land owners themselves; then the school teachers and their children; and last, but not least, that great organization of Boy Scouts. There are predatory animals that devour our game. Under this head comes the crows, hawks, owls, skunks, weasels, bobcats, etc. These prey upon the birds, bird eggs, and animals. We are planning a war on these devourers; we are enlisting the school children and Boy Scouts to help in this work."

In eradicating these undesirable animals, the Game Commission discourages the use of dog or gun. By this method the game on the sanctuaries are frightened and often leave the preserve. The trapping method is the one being employed and depended upon.

Animals That Prey on Game.

The roadrunner is a peculiar Texas bird that tears up the bird nests and eats the eggs. It is rather hard to catch, but methods will be worked out to eradicate it. The coyote also preys upon the young of the game animals, and will have to be eradicated. Snakes also eat bird eggs and the young of the birds, and are probably the most elusive predatory animals to make raids on, to the extent of eradicating them. These animals have, during the past years, done about as much as the hunter to kill out and destroy our game in Texas. It is instructive to take a look at the

methods and means that the Game Commission uses to obtain its game for restocking purposes. Most of the game is taken from well-stocked areas or those more favored for game development, and carried to places less favored. In some places, where the game has been almost annihilated, the Commission resorts to importers, possibly the most noted being "Snake" King, of Brownsville, who imports many quail and turkey from Old Mexico. Within a few years, the Commission hopes to develop the Texas game supply at home, whereupon it will not have to resort to further importation.

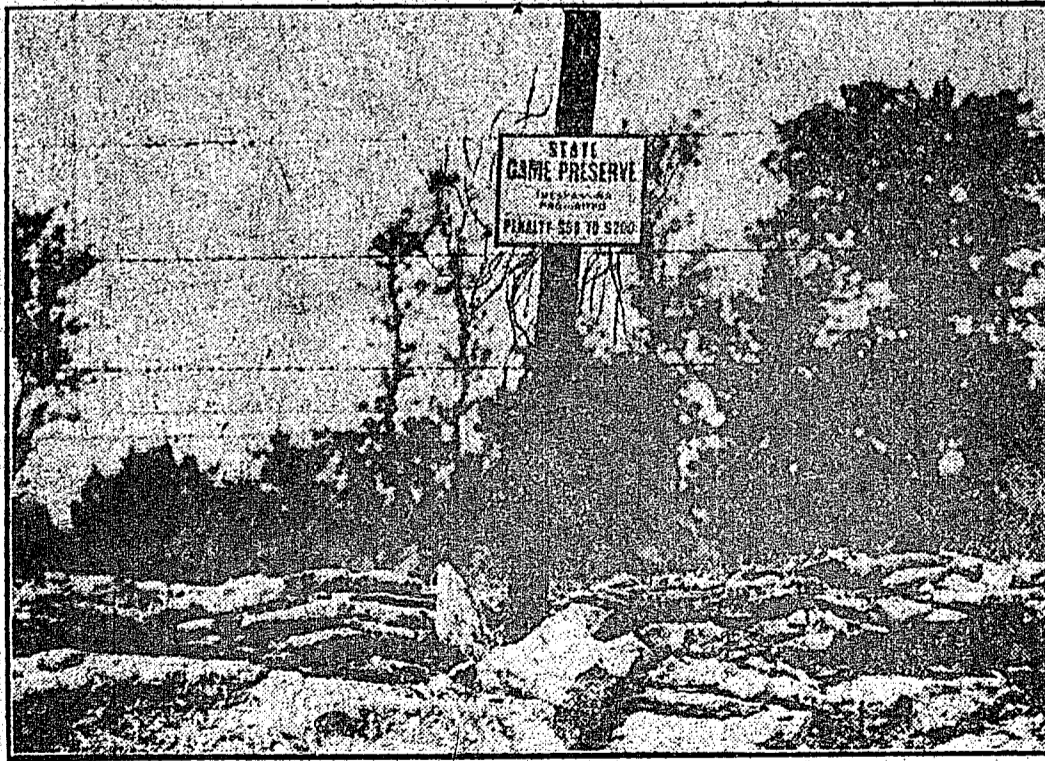
For catching wild turkeys, traps are built in the woods. A large pen is built, and under one or two sides of it, a long, sloping ditch is dug. This ditch is made deep and wide enough for a turkey to walk through without hindrance. On the inside of the pen a wide board is placed over the ditch. Corn is scattered outside and through the ditch leading to the inside. Mr. Turkey and his family find the corn, and finally eat their way inside through the ditch. Once inside, the turkey's only idea of how to get out is through the top of the pen; he never looks downward. As the turkey excitedly wanders around and around on the inside of the pen, he walks on the board placed over the ditch, and never finds the opening through which he entered. These birds, after being trapped, are placed in crates and shipped to points of distribution.

Quail are caught in the well-known log-cabin type of traps that children like to set. Down in Mexico these traps are made of corn stalks. The setting of these traps is an unending source of pleasure for the boy, especially the farm boy. There is not only pleasure for the farmer boy, but also profit; for the Game Commission will buy all the younger birds trapped.

Deer are obtained by taking fawns that are but a few days old and raising them on the bottle. When they are about six weeks old, they are able to take care of themselves, and are then turned loose on a preserve. The people of Cisco have established, near Lake Cisco, a park, and in this park they have a special pen for deer, which they are raising. The fawns are released, when they are old enough, on the outskirts of the park. This kind of promotion work by a city means that the game will be protected properly and assisted to increase.

The former adequate supply of prairie chickens in West Texas has indeed been depleted. It will require many years to supply the deficiency. An animal or a bird once exterminated, rarely ever

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Sign on a Game Preserve as provided by law.

CURRENT COMMENT

By J. H. LOWRY

February.

FEBRUARY is the shortest of all months. It was the smallest month from the beginning, but because it was small, it was picked on and a portion of what rightfully belonged to it was taken away. The weak always suffer most when the unrighteous and vicious go on a tare. When old Augustus Caesar concluded that one of the months must bear his name he found that he could rustle only thirty days for August. This would never do, for July, which had been christened in honor of Julius, had a full complement of days, and Augustus' month must not be inferior to Julius' month in any respect. So Augustus looked about him for a month upon which he might prey, and noting that February was the smallest, swiped a day from it, graciously permitting that month to gather up the scraps of time, the accumulation of which is sufficient to make an extra day every four years. Like other politicians, Augustus was anxious to have the ladies on his side, and so he made the year in which February gets an extra day "leap year," during which women are permitted to make proposals of marriage. This was the beginning of women's rights, a policy which has spread until it is now difficult for a man to get an office that is worth having.

But while February is the shortest month, it has more big days than any of its sisters. It is very popular with government employes and bankers, because it has two holidays, leading all others in this respect save November, which it equals. It has Groundhog day, Arbor day, Lincoln's birthday, Saint Valentine's and Washington's birthday, and its attractions are accorded more space in the papers than those of any other month on the calendar. I imagine that if old Augustus could awake and see little February with all these big days, and nothing of note in his month except "dog days," he would feel that retributive justice had overtaken him. While Washington, Lincoln and other immortals were born in little February, no one has as yet been born in August of sufficient importance to place red figures on the calendar.

While February brings us many things besides big days, there is space here to speak of only one. It is during the last days of February that people experience the first touch of gardening fever. Last summer most people swore off from gardening forever and a day. They had spaded, hoed and raked, they had pulverized and fertilized the soil,

they had nursed the slow-growing plants with tender care, they had purchased expensive plants and seeds, they had shooed and rocked their neighbor's rooster and his harem of hens from the garden plot, but they gathered only a few stunted beans and sun-blistered tomatoes as a reward for their toil and care. They counted the cost of seeds, plants, fertilizer and labor and compared it with the few scrawny vegetables grown, and they said, "Never again!" But just as the young man's fancy turns to thoughts of love in the springtime, so do the thoughts of older people turn to gardening in the last days of February. These days touch sentiment into the system and poetry into the soul, and turn man from a cold, calculating creature, counting profit and loss, to a poet, with a love for nature and a passion for the beautiful and the true. About the same time the grocers begin displaying their garden seeds, with pictures of long, green cucumbers, compact heads of cabbage and lettuce, and large, red tomatoes on the packages—and the man who threw away his garden tools in disgust last summer and said, "Never again," buys more tools and goes forth to tickle the soil and to plant, firm in the belief that he can grow tomatoes, cucumbers, cabbage and lettuce like the pictures he sees on the packages of seeds in the grocery stores. "Alas, poor Yorick!" The gardening habit, like the circus habit, is one that man can't throw off. The love for the circus dies at the conclusion of the same old performance, and the desire for gardening is killed by the summer heat which withers plants, but one is revived by pictures of the spotted clown and the girl in abbreviated skirts, the other by pictures of the mammoth vegetables on the packages of seeds, just as the brown rose bush is quickened into new life by the zephyrs of spring. So far as gardening and circus performances are concerned, the works of art transcend the works of nature.

Legislatures in Session.

The Legislatures of Texas and Oklahoma are in session, dividing with the trials and other sensations the space of the daily papers. One thing I like about a Legislature is that you can cuss it as much as you like without having gems of profanity flung at you in return. It's dangerous to say something bad about a legislator, and most of us have learned better than to do such a thing, but it is absolutely safe to say anything you please about a Legislature. There is a big difference in speaking unkindly of a body of men collectively and singling out individuals in

the body as objects upon which to pour out the phials of your wrath or hurl your arrows of contempt or sarcasm. David, the psalmist of old, understood this. He wouldn't for a moment have considered singling out a strong-armed Hebrew and calling him a liar, but he shouted it from the house-top that "all men are liars"—and got by with it without being called.

I haven't as yet enjoyed the gracious privilege of looking in on the present session of either Legislature, but I have seen the photos of most of the representatives and know about how they look. In appearance the legislative assemblies now looking after the interests of these States differ materially from the assemblies I saw nearly half a century ago. In the old days most of the law-makers, especially the leaders, flew a megatherian lung and sported a rank growth of whiskers. A statesman with flowing whiskers was the envy of his colleagues, and if he were also the happy possessor of strong lungs he was much seen and heard in the councils of State. A voice that carried well, and rumbled like muttering thunder, and a well-crested chin were splendid assets to law-makers half a century ago. But times have changed, and so have law-makers. In the legislative sessions of the present you will see few sets of whiskers, neither do you hear many long speeches. This is not because oratory has become a lost art, or true eloquence has lost its power to electrify and move men. It is because a "more excellent way" of doing things has been found. The law-maker studies bills in the committee rooms and at his desk, and picks up all the information he can on the outside. And then, in a plain, impassioned way, he states his views and reasons with his colleagues. If a law-maker agitates the circumambient too much, and undertakes to convince the world that he is a great orator, he will hear more sneers and heckling than applause. People have little time for Ciceros and Demostheneses these busy, hurrying times. Of the lawmakers I have known the one who was most successful in getting things done in the Legislature never made a speech. Indeed, he could not have orated had he so desired and tried. Had all the digits of hades swarmed in his hair it would not have produced one strain of eloquence. But, to employ a slang expression, he "knew his okra." He knew what he wanted to do, where to go, whom to see and what to say.

Legislatures are not perfect—far from it—but they are making progress. They are not perfect because nothing here below is perfect, especially human-

ity. The lawmakers are "good, bad, weak, strong, wise, foolish," even as other people. But I have long been convinced that they deserve far less censure and far more praise than they receive. The idea obtains with many that serving as a lawmaker is merely a snap, a vacation, a spree, and that the States would be better off if legislative sessions were abolished. If one who is juggling such a belief around spends much time in the State capitol when the Legislature is in session he will be quickly disillusioned. I have seen representatives spend the entire day in the halls, watching, waiting, studying and pleading, and then work in the committee rooms until midnight's holy hour. And for this they receive hardly enough to meet their expenses in the Capital city. To be sure there are drones in the Legislature, as everywhere else, but the honest, conscientious man, who is anxious to serve his State and do something worth while for the people gives far more than he receives.

In a way the Legislature is the head of a family, confronted with the same opposing problems that the head of a family finds it necessary to solve. Reduced to a final classification, the people want two things, and ask two things of their Legislature—economy and liberality. That is what the average family asks of its head. Wife and children are anxious for the "old man" to accumulate, that he may make large provision for them when he passes to the bourne from which travelers do not return, but they are also anxious that he appropriate liberally for their present comfort and luxury. They put if the home is not palatial and its furnishings gorgeous. They complain if they are stinted in matters of dress or the car is used until it rattles and the paint is worn, but they also feel that they have been treated outrageously if nothing is laid up for their future use. To be economical and liberal at the same time is the great problem of the Legislature, as well as the head of the family. All people demand public economy, in order that the tax burden may be light, yet all of them demand liberality along some line. Fine highways are demanded, and fine highways cost much money. A nine-months' school in town and country is the cry, but if there are such schools there must be large appropriations of money, and money can not be appropriated unless it is paid in by the taxpayers. Every higher institution of learning needs more, and presents a larger budget; so does every State department and every eleemosynary institution. What the people want is a Legislature that can keep the tax rate

low, build many highways, and give the schools and other institutions all the money they want. They reserve the right to criticize severely any Legislature or any administration that does not do this, and always exercise the right.

I am confident that the present Legislatures compare favorably with their predecessors, and I am confident that the new Governors are able and sincere, that they are committed to the policy of lightening the tax burden of the people, yet I know this can not be done, and those who build their hopes upon such relief are doomed to disappointment. Retrenchment with a large State is as difficult as with the man who has three sons in school and three daughters of marriageable age. Just as there are appeals for more money from the boys in school, and for more dresses from the girls, even so are the appeals from the departments and the State institutions. I have read some of the budgets and some of the reports of the governing boards of institutions and find that all of them must have more money or suffer. The departments and the friends of the institutions will besiege the lawmakers and the Governors, and what will the poor officials do? They will do the best they can—but the institutions will not get all they want and need, neither will the tax burden be decreased.

I have no intention of trying to break up our legislative system, but I have never been able to see the need or the good of the double house system. The only argument I ever heard advanced in behalf of the dual system is that one house serves as a check against the other—that one house will attempt to do something that should not be done and the other will head it off. This argument, it appears to me, would be as strong in behalf of three or four houses as two. And the argument that one house serves as a check against the other is as strong against the dual system as in its favor. 'Tis true that one body can keep the other from doing something it should not do, but it is also true that one house can keep the other from doing something that should be done. I can see the scheme of the double house system in the British Parliament and the United States Congress, because the representatives of the bodies are chosen in a different way, or from different districts, equalizing the representation of States, but why a State should have two law-making bodies, chosen in the same way, by the same people, is a riddle I haven't been able to solve.

RUBBER From the GUAYULE SHRUB

At a meeting of the American Chemical Society, recently held in Philadelphia, Dr. David Spence, an internationally known chemist, in a paper read before the rubber division of the society, stated as a result of his experiments that all obstacles had been overcome and that a new product of the guayule shrub had been developed which vulcanized readily, matching, when vulcanized, the tensile, elongation, abrasion and other tests now demanded of the best grades of plantation rubber, and that this new product would meet all the major requirements of manufacture of tires, and especially tire treads.

This is, indeed, capital news. It is well known that this country cannot raise its own hevea (the Para rubber tree of the Amazon), because that tree will flourish only in frostless, tropical latitudes and the United States contains no such areas. With the advent of the new guayule product, however, the need of tropical areas disappears, for the shrub thrives in temperate and subtropical climates. It not only withstands frost, but requires it.

Grows in High Altitudes.

The wild guayule shrub is indigenous to northern Mexico, extending over into the Big Bend of the Rio Grande river in Texas. It flourishes in altitudes ranging from four to seven thousand feet above sea level, where the rainfall is seven to fourteen inches annually, with considerable dry periods every year. It has never been found growing naturally outside this area, which, in extent, occupies some 130,000 square miles.

As long ago as 1912 the Intercontinental Rubber Company, which is responsible for the guayule of commerce, realizing the difficulties of conducting business in an alien country under conditions of constant political disturbance, began its experimental work of transplanting the wild shrub in United States soil. During these fourteen years the plant has been evolutionized, Burbanked and tamed from a wild product of the hilly limestone slopes of its Mexican home to the semi-arid environment of California. Here, in central California, 200 acres of the guayule shrub have been planted, which is to form the nucleus of America's efforts to grow her own rubber. So successful have been

the results that an additional 600 acres are about to be set out.

It is the aim of those responsible for this innovation that guayule growing shall be in the hands of the individual farmer and land owner, whose planting, cultivating and harvesting operations will be guided and financed by the central factory organization in his vicinity, which will buy and mill his product in much the same manner as the beet sugar industry is now conducted. Supplied with seedlings from the central organization, the farmer will plant, say, a quarter or a fifth of his total guayule area each year, depending on the type of land he happens to own. Since it takes about four years for a shrub to mature ready for harvesting (uprooting), this rotating process will practically iron out labor peaks and furnish a regular annual income.

Feature for Farmers.

It has been developed that the guayule shrub will continue to manufacture and store up rubber within its cells even if for any reason, such as an unfavorable market, it is not harvested on schedule time, and conversely, it may be harvested earlier if there is sufficient incentive, as a high market, or national emergency. In these respects it differs from almost any other agricultural product and promises to be an attractive feature to farmers, whether in California or in Texas.

On the California plantation no irrigation is employed, and it is expected that none will be necessary on any of the farms that may add guayule growing to the list of their products. The spacing of the plants is designed with special reference to the root system, which will exhaust at a given period the available moisture remaining in the soil after the winter rains.

The rubber in the guayule shrub is contained almost entirely in the cells of the thick cortex underlying the bark of the trunk, root and major branches, consequently the entire shrub is uprooted in harvesting. Practically no rubber is found in the wood itself, nor in the small twigs and leaves. In extracting the rubber content the whole plant, as well as root and branches, is first crushed by a series of crusher rolls in the presence of water. The mass is then fed continuously with additional water to a series

of tube mills. These mills, as described by Dr. Spence, contain flint pebbles and revolve slowly on a horizontal axis. Their action on the shrub depends on the rolling motion of the pebbles in the water, and results in a disintegration of the fiber and the "worming," as it is called, of the rubber substance into small, round, spongy particles.

These fine particles of rubber, being lighter than water, float on the surface of the discharged liquor from the tube mills, while the bulk of the fiber and other impurities sink and may readily be separated. The rubber "worms" which then rise to the surface of the settling tanks into which the liquor from the tube mills is run, are skimmed off and collected. The mass of small "worms" is then agitated with more water and the resultant is worked into sheets in sheeter rolls.

Resin Content a Benefit.

A good average shrub in prime condition will yield under these conditions of treatment from 14 to 16 per cent of bone-dry rubber, on bone dry weight of shrub. The rubber thus obtained is of the same chemical composition as hevea rubber, except that in the mechanical process of extraction approximately 20 per cent of resin is incorporated with the pure rubber.

It would be looking far ahead to the time when America will grow all the rubber it requires, and it is not necessary to do so at the present time. If but a quarter of our annual requirements was raised in this country by guayule farmers it would be enough to stabilize the market, render further Stevenson Plans abortive, and furnish our farming areas with a new and profitable product and make us reasonably secure against wartime shortage. Let us see what this quarter would mean. Within a year or so the crude rubber demand of the United States will amount to upwards of 1,000,000,000 pounds a year—500,000 short tons. In order to obtain an annual output of 250,000,000 pounds from farm guayule of the types now available would require a total area of 640,000 acres or 1,000 square miles, or approximately a square of thirty-two miles on each side. Of course no such block of suitable land is available in a single piece, but it seems entirely reasonable that a sufficient

number of scattered units of area are available to make up the quota.

Cheap Labor No Handicap.

Considering the economics of production it has been the aim of the California experimenters to make guayule a machine grown, cultivated, harvested and fabricated product from start to finish. By the employment of every modern, labor-saving device is the only way this enterprise can be made to compete successfully with the plantation rubber of the Far East. On the California farm special attention has been given to this feature, the results of which will be passed along for the benefit of the individual farmer.

To illustrate the fact that, under the plan of economic operation which has been perfected, cheap labor of the East will be no handicap in guayule farming, George H. Carnahan, president of the Intercontinental Rubber Company, states that, in the annual making of a billion pounds of crude Para rubber in the East, the continuous employment of 600,000 laborers is necessary; in other words, the annual output of rubber a man amounts to 1,660 pounds. Against this the same amount of guayule rubber, with the stabilized and improved characteristics developed by Dr. Spence, can be produced in United States soil by well-paid mechanics with a human effort equivalent to 40,000 men continuously employed throughout the year. This represents an annual return of 25,000 pounds of rubber per man, and the ratio of 1,660 to 25,000 is sufficient, Mr. Carnahan says, to cover all labor differences and dispel the bogey of coolie competition.

Although guayule experiments by chemists, botanists and other trained scientists and engineers on nineteen different stations in California and Arizona have been in progress for a number of years, rubberdom generally knew but little of what was going on nor of the results reached until the matter was fully exploited at the meeting of the American Chemical Society. Hard-headed manufacturers knew that guayule rubber from wild sources in Mexico and Texas could only supply approximately 1 per cent of their present annual requirements, and whether a larger quantity could be successfully employed

was an academic question of no immediate interest. However, the old-timers remember that for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1910, total American imports of raw rubber amounted to 101,000,000 pounds, and of this over 20,000,000 pounds were Mexican guayule as then crudely produced. Hence there is nothing revolutionary about contemplating its use today to the extent of at least 20 per cent as soon as this amount can be made available as a home-grown product, and with dederesination it seems reasonable to assume that a much larger proportion could be advantageously employed.

Old-time rubber manufacturers also recall the fact that when plantation grown hevea first came on the market it was rather difficult to convince them that a suitable Para rubber could be grown anywhere outside of its natural Amazon Valley. With rapid strides, however, plantation rubber forged ahead and the Amazon rubber as rapidly faded away, till now the latter product is hardly a factor in the market. Plantation hevea was stabilized and improved as has now been done with cultivated guayule, and the British reaped a well-earned reward for their courage, foresight and tenacity. That their financial or physical control of this enormously important raw material will continue indefinitely is now seriously questioned for the first time.

At Marathon, in Brewster county, Texas, is a guayule rubber factory that has been in operation for several years. This factory obtains its supply of the guayule plant, in a wild state, from the mountain slopes of Brewster and adjoining counties. The plant grows wild over a considerable portion of Southwest Texas, especially in the region contiguous to Marathon.

The fact that California has succeeded in taming the guayule and cultivating it like an ordinary crop is of special interest to Texans, because it opens up the possibility of a new industry for the western part of our State. The plant possibly might be grown all over Texas. A prospect is hereby afforded live chambers of commerce in Texas to foster guayule planting in their respective communities, not as yet on a large commercial scale, but on an experimental scale, to demonstrate if the plant be indigenous to their soils.

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A. & M. SUBSTATION IS PLANNED FOR NORTH-EAST TEXAS.

An enthusiastic meeting was held at Paris early in January in the interest of an A. & M. substation for Northeast Texas. The following counties were represented at the meeting by delegates: Fannin, Delta, Red River, Lamar, Hopkins, Hunt, Collin and Gregg. The meeting was sponsored by the East Texas Chamber of Commerce. The delegation from the various counties were composed of mayors, county officials, county demonstration agents, farmers and business men. The need of an experimental substation to conduct research on agricultural conditions peculiar to the black land section of Texas, was voiced by many speakers. Definite steps toward furthering the project were taken in a resolution which was unanimously adopted, delegating full leadership in the matter to the East Texas Chamber of Commerce.

UNIVERSITY OIL ROYALTIES EXCEED \$5,000,000.

December oil royalties received by the University of Texas for the month of December total \$1,820,662.62, according to J. T. Robison, State Land Commissioner. This is approximately \$10,000 less than the royalties for November, he said. Of the December royalties \$127,817.44 was received from the Big Lake Oil Company and \$54,249.18 from Texon Company. The University of Texas now has \$5,169,203.46 in its permanent building fund accrued from oil royalties. All of this money has been converted into Liberty bonds drawing almost 4 per cent interest.

According to an interpretation of the State Constitution and an opinion issued last year by Attorney General Dan Moody, the principal from the oil royalties is not available for building purposes and only the interest yielded can be used to erect buildings.

METAL MINING IN TEXAS IN 1926.

Metal mines in Texas in 1926 produced 95 ounces of gold and 381,000 ounces of silver and nominal quantities of copper and lead, according to Chas. W. Henderson, Bureau of Mines, Department of Commerce. The greater part of the production came from the Presidio mine, at Shafter, Presidio county, a consistent producer since 1885. In April, 1926, this mine was taken under option to purchase by the American Metal Company, which shut down the cyanidation mill in September, in order to concentrate on underground development work.

TESTING FOR OIL IN FANNIN COUNTY.

A test for oil is now being made in northeast Fannin county by the Honey Grove Oil & Gas Company. Drilling will soon be in progress ten miles north of Honey Grove. A contract to drill to a depth of 3,000 feet has been made.

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The Ruling Passion.
 Mrs. Jones—How did the detectives happen to suspect him, disguised as he was in women's clothes?
 Mrs. Smythe—He passed a milliner's show-window without looking in.

A Rueful Rhyme.
 A son at college wrote to his father:
 "No mon, no fun, your son."
 The father answered:
 "How sad, too bad, your dad."

"Contrary" Twins.
 "An' yo' say dat little twin baby am a gal?" inquired Parson Jones of one of his colored flock.
 "Yassuh."
 "An' de other one. Am dat of de contrary sex?"
 "Yassuh. She am a gal, too."

100 Per Cent Optimist.
 Here is a story about the most optimistic man: Totally bald, he went to a drug-store and asked for a bottle of hair-restorer.

"Yes, sir," the clerk said, "here is a preparation that is sure to make your hair grow."
 "All right," replied the optimist, "I'll take a bottle. And please wrap up a comb and brush with it."

Echo of the Cross-Word Puzzle.
 "What was the name of the last station we stopped at, mother?"
 "I don't know. Be quiet. I'm working out a cross-word puzzle."

"It's a pity you don't know the name, mother, because little Oscar got out of the train there!"

How It Looked.
 "Do tell me something about the play," she said to the young man. "They say the climax was superb."
 "Well, the heroine came stealthily on the stage and knelt, dagger in hand, behind a clump of ribbons. The hero emerged from a large bunch of purple flowers, and as soon as she perceived him she fell upon him, stabbed him and sank half unconscious into a very handsome aigrette. This may sound queer, but the woman in front of me wouldn't remove her hat, and that's how it looked."

He Didn't Get the Raise.
 Young Abie, working for "Cohen, the Clothier," asked for a raise. Cohen got a piece of paper and pencil and began to figure.
 "There is 365 days in a year," he began, "and you work 8 hours a day. That makes 122 days. Taking off 52 Sundays leaves 70 days. There are 14 legal holidays and two Jewish holidays, which leaves 54 days. I gif you two weeks vacation. That leaves 40 days and that don't allow nutting for time off for lunch every day and so on. Say, ven do you work any way?"

Just a "Flat."
 Professor—"Your pneumatic contrivance has ceased to function."
 Motorist—"Er—what?"
 Professor—"I say, your tubular air container has lost its rotundity."
 Motorist—"I don't quite—"
 Professor—"The cylindrical apparatus which supports your vehicle is no longer inflated."
 Motorist—"But—"
 Professor—"The elastic fabric surrounding the circular frame whose successive revolutions bear you onward in space has 'not retained its pristine roundness."
 Small Boy—"Hey, mister, you got a flat tire!"

Why He Forgot.

Barber—Didn't I ever shave you before?
 Victim—"Yes, once."
 Barber—"But I don't seem to remember your face."
 Victim—"No, I guess not. It's all healed up now."

Sticking to Essentials.
 A teacher found it necessary to send a note home with one of her boys asking the mother to give him a bath. The teacher got this note in reply from the boy's mother:
 "Dear Miss: When I send Johnny to school I send him to be learnt not to be smelt. He ain't no ross."

And Nothing Else But!
 A slight variance from the old story of the man who cut two-holes in his door—a big one for the old mother cat and a little one for the kitten—is told on Sam Ross. Sam cut four holes in a door, one for each of his Krazy Kats. When asked why one hole wouldn't have been sufficient for all the cats, Sam replied: "Brother, when I says 'SCAT' I means scat!"

Tar Soap Being Black.
 The young mistress sent her colored maid, newly hired, for a bill of toilet articles.
 "Mandy," said the mistress a few days later, "where is that tar soap you got for me the other day?"
 "Lawzee, Miss," exclaimed Mandy, "what all's a blondee baby like you to do wid tar soap? Ah thought you ordered it for mah own puissal use."

He Was a Good Lawyer.
 The jury had acquitted the defendant for horse stealing because of the powerful plea of his lawyer.
 "Honor bright now, Bill," said the lawyer as the two left the court house, "you did steal that horse, didn't you?"
 "Well now, look here. I'll be honest with you. I always did think I stole that hoss until I heard you make that speech to the jury. Now I'll be doggoned if I ain't got my doubts about it."

They Paid.
 A Hebrew storekeeper, much to the astonishment of his neighbors, suddenly decorated his shop windows with a gorgeous new blind. It was the sensation of the day, and few of his brethren failed to make some remark to him about it.
 "Nice blind you got there, Isaac," said one. "Vat did it cost you?"
 "It don't cost me anything, Aaron. My customers pay for it. I put a leedle box on my counter, 'For the Blind,' and they paid for it."

Couldn't Keep Him Down.
 An American visiting in London boasted about America's superiority until his friends tired of it. Loading him to the sleeping point with whisky, they carried him to a cemetery and let him down into a newly dug grave, where he slept thru the night. Awakening next morning, he climbed out and looked around. All was still.
 "I'll be blowed," he exclaimed.
 "It's the resurrection morn and I'm the first man up. America is still ahead."

How Pat Saved His Neck.
 Three soldiers of fortune, caught in the Far East, were sentenced to death but each was permitted to choose the tree on which to be hanged. The Englishman selected an oak, the Scotchman an ash, and the Irishman a gooseberry bush.
 "But," protested the hangman, "a gooseberry bush is far too small for a hanging."
 "Bogorra an' Oi don't moind that," answered Pat. "Oi'll wait till it grows up."

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TEXAS WILL GET EIGHT MILLION FOR HARBORS.

The national river and harbor bill carries slightly more than eight million dollars for harbor projects, virtually the same as the appropriation of last year. The bill carries a provision for giving the Galveston harbor a depth of thirty-two feet, as against thirty feet at present. It provides for the extension of the inter-coastal canal from Galveston Bay to Corpus Christi, with an authorized survey from Corpus Christi to Point Isabel and Brownsville. The board of army engineers now has authority to complete a survey of the Houston ship channel, recommending any depth which may be found feasible and profitable.

DRILLING FOR OIL IN CROSBY COUNTY.

Crosby county is slated for extensive oil drilling this year. One well is now being drilled in the extreme south-west corner of the county. A contract has been let for a 3,500 test-15 miles south of Ralls. Acreage is being blocked adjoining the city on the south for a deep test, and a contract will soon be let for a deep test near Mount Blanco.

GONZALES TO HAVE HOME DEMONSTRATION AGENT.

Gonzales has joined the long list of Texas counties employing an agent for home demonstration work. At a recent meeting of the Commissioners' Court of that county a petition signed by a large number of representative people asked that an appropriation of \$1,000 be made toward securing home demonstration work for the county. The petition was granted without a dissenting vote. The amount appropriated will be matched with a like amount, including both State and Federal aid, provided in the Smith-Leever law.

SHIPPING PALMS TO FLORIDA.

Shipping palms is comparatively a new industry for Texas, but in the latter part of January fifteen carloads of palms were shipped. This was the second shipment of palms recently from the State, eight carloads having been shipped a short time before. Strange to relate, the palms were shipped to Florida, the State where they grow to perfection, and which has made them famous in this country.

The palms were shipped to various places in Florida to replace those destroyed by the great hurricane last year.

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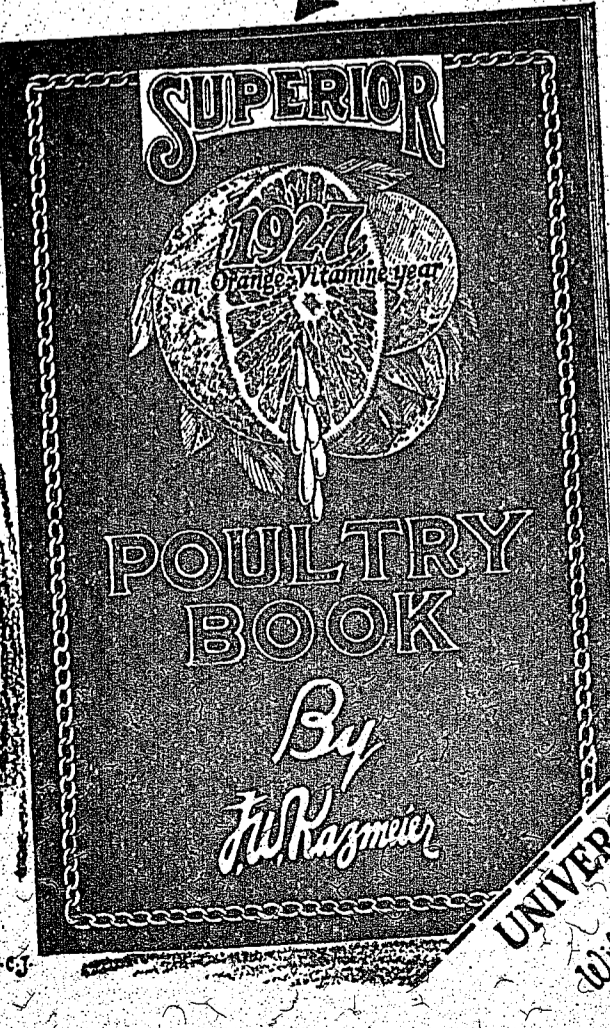
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Motorists whose cars are equipped with high pressure tires but who try to achieve the easy riding effects of balloons by underinflating the tires, are doing so at a terrible cost in mileage. Only tires made especially for underinflation can be used in this manner without injury.

When the water in the cooling system suddenly turns to steam, due to evaporation or leakage, do not add water immediately to the radiator to cool the engine, but allow it to drop to a temperature that will not burn the fingers. Even then add water slowly. Pouring cold water into the jackets of an overheated engine is very likely to cause violent contraction of parts of the cylinders and head that may result in the formation of cracks and perhaps ruin these expensive parts.

A dirty windshield will always cause headlights to glare.

Cover the distributor and coil to protect them from rain and fog. Any moisture in either of these units may cause a short circuit and the engine will fail to start.

A slipping clutch can be diagnosed by placing the gears in low and letting in the clutch pedal while the brakes are locked. If the engine does not stall the clutch is obviously slipping.

One way to locate a missing cylinder is to feel the porcelain of all spark plugs after the engine has run a few minutes. If one plug is cooler than the others, the cylinder beneath it is the one, which is not firing regularly.

To get long life from tires they must be kept fully inflated. "Blowouts" rarely occur in the same places; sometimes the separation occurs between the tread and the breaker, between the breaker and cushion, cushion and carcass, or between the outer two plies.

The country near Rawls reports the greatest acreage in wheat in its history, and the early planting is looking especially good.

On January 12, J. B. Taylor, of Lampasas, sold 600 head of Rambouillet Delaine bred ewes to Hillman Bros., of San Saba, the purchase price being \$10 per head.

Terry county people are enthusiastic over the increased rainfall in that county last year. The precipitation was 27.66 inches, which is eight inches above normal.

The dairying interests have been given a boost in the country surrounding Hubbard by the announcement that a butter and cheese factory is to be erected there.

The first contracts for long wool of the 1927 spring crop have been signed in Sterling and Menard counties by buyers of San Angelo, America's largest inland wool market.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Chapman, of near Wellington, have 285 White Leghorn pullets, from which they market half a case of eggs every day.

The figures show that Texas lacked something like a million pounds of producing enough butter to supply her own needs last year, making necessary the bringing in of about that much from Minnesota and Iowa.

The Hillsboro Mirror conducted a five-acre corn and cotton contest last year which created a deeper interest in better farming and was productive of splendid results.

Three farmers who are neighbors, near Rosalie, Red River county, sold during 1926, \$1,712.40 worth of cream.

Lindale, Smith county, the growing center for blackberries, is also to give more attention to strawberries. A movement has been inaugurated to induce farmers to put out at least 300 acres in strawberries this year.

F. L. Andrews, of Hyman, an inland town 25 miles southwest of Colorado, has fully demonstrated the fact that a few cows kept on the farm are a valuable adjunct.

Mixing alfalfa with sheep has proved a very profitable experiment with W. W. Groom, of Spearman. In December, 1925, Mr. Groom purchased 50 head of mixed ewes and lambs for \$302.

The average return yielded by the farm for a period of ten years was 3.3 per cent on the money invested, while the city average reached 11 per cent on the investment.

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The directors of the Chamber of Commerce at Lampasas have decided that it would be well for the county to have a county agent who can give all his time to the work and have expressed a willingness to co-operate in supporting an agent.

The question of the proper distance to space cotton in the rows has been a much discussed question in the various sections of Texas the last few years. The State Experiment Station at Troup, Smith county, has conducted a series of experiments for a period of twelve years to determine the best distance for spacing.

For the year 1926 the receipts of cattle, calves and hogs at Fort Worth showed a large decrease over the previous year. There were 112,892 fewer cattle, 76,196 fewer calves, and 94,895 fewer hogs.

The farm income of the State of Iowa for the last year may be read with interest, and perhaps with profit, by the farmers of Texas. Iowa is a much smaller State than Texas, and of course the value of her crops falls behind the value of Texas crops.

In a ten-year variety test conducted at the Texas experiment station at Troup, staple cotton was found to yield nearly as much per acre as the short staple. Allowing full premium for staple, a well-known variety of staple cotton had a higher money value than shorter staple, based upon yields per acre.

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FARMS AND RANCHES

OIL PROSPECTS with 10 A ranch, building equipment, 8500. Address: Owner, A. O. RADDATZ, Fair Oaks, Calif.

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HOME PROBLEMS

FEBRUARY HINTS FOR THE SUMMER YARD.

This is the month to plan and prepare the
yard for the summer. What joy and pleasure
the velvet lawns and the blooming glorious
flowers afford.

The commonly called "summer grass" is
very easy to grow, and in many localities stays
greener with less care than Bermuda grass.

If you have not already placed a thin layer
of new dirt over your lawn, February is not
too late.

Roses are best pruned in the latter part of
February, as danger of real heavy frost is,
as a rule, past at that time. If pruned before
this, the frost might travel down the pithy
centers of the stems and loss of bushes result.

When pruning, cut with a downward slant so
the water will not stand in the stub and cause
decay. Pruning is to the plant what an opera-
tion is to the human body. Remove only the
parts that are a hindrance or of no use to the
plant.

There are some very pretty plants that are
little used and yet are hardy and easy to grow.
The Golden Elder is, according to its name, a
bright yellow. Plant on the side of the house
where it will get plenty of sunshine. The Cut-
leaved Elder is very attractive and can be used
anywhere in the garden or yard. The Tartar-
ian Honeysuckles grow to the size of small
trees and have beautiful blooms, followed by
pretty berries.

Have you tested your left-over seeds and
the new ones, too? If not, a blotting paper
kept moist or a cigar box filled with dirt will
do the trick. The trouble will well repay you.

If you haven't planted fruit trees on your
farm or suburban home lot, plant a few this
year and three or four years from now you
will thank your good judgment and this sug-
gestion. What is more tempting or gives more
real pleasure to the family than delicious fruit
gathered from your own fruit trees? Select
early, medium and late-bearing kinds of each
variety. Peaches are especially favorable for
the Southwestern States and are very easy to
grow. Consult the florist in your locality as
to the best varieties for your climate.

See that the garden tools are in good condi-
tion. It will save time and patience when the
real work comes.

Why not grow a few of the old favorites this
year? They are hardy and easy to grow. The
most popular of these old plants are the
"pinks," which may be grown from seeds or
plantings. If given a little protection in the win-
ter months they will bloom again each suc-
ceeding year, increasing in size and color each
year. A frequent watering with water drained
from manure will increase their blooming
greatly. Then there is the old-fashioned "lady-
slipper," "bleeding-heart," "jack-in-the-pulpit,"
and countless others that graced our grand-
mothers' gardens and yards, now fragrant
they are, and how inviting.

BEANS FOR THE HOME GARDEN
By LILY REED YORK, Tahlequah, Okla.

was promptly pulled up. From the other
five rows, about sixty feet long, we had a
plentiful supply for home use, and in addi-
tion about ten dollars worth was sold. The
first ones sold for twelve cents per pound; but
later they dropped to eight cents. One gallon
of string beans weighs two to three pounds,
according to how closely packed.

The Tennessee Greenpod, commonly called
Caseknife bean, is unsurpassed for a first
early bean of high quality. It resists cold and
comes into bearing early. Other good sorts
are Stringless Greenpod, Valentine and Black
Wax. Creaseback, the striped variety, is a
supreme second early sort, and one of the
most reliable in existence. The beans are
four to six inches long, thick and of fine qual-
ity; the vines will bear all summer, then bloom
and bear a light crop in the fall.

Pole beans are preferable for later plant-
ing; they yield better and the beans, as a rule,
are of better quality. Kentucky Wonder and
the pole Creaseback are among the very best
of the running varieties. Lazy Wife has never
produced a half crop in me, planted along
with other varieties; it has always proved a
failure. Kentucky Wonder Wax is good where
a green podded bean is disliked. The cutshorts
are especially fine for planting in corn and
are a fine late bean for field or garden. Beans
will not thrive in corn unless corn is planted
very thin; land must also be rich to furnish
plant food for both beans and corn.

I much prefer home grown seed. No matter
how high the rating of commercial seed, we
occasionally find several hills growing tough
hulled beans. I always make it a rule to pull
up such vines and throw them out of the gar-
den to prevent others from being fertilized
from their blooms. Half a dozen tough beans
spoil an entire mess of good tender snaps, and,
certainly, no gardener can afford to place
tough, fibrous pods on the market.

In order to keep up a continuous supply of
green beans for table use make frequent plant-
ings, from early in the spring until the middle
of summer. One exceedingly dry summer, a
shower came the sixteenth day of August. The
little boy took the garden plow and laid off
rows between the rows of early beans and I
gathered dry beans, the Creasebacks, from the
early rows and planted in between. They came
up and grew very rapidly and gave the heaviest
yield of late beans I have ever seen.

For one reason the growing of field
beans for sale has never proved profitable in
this section. Some seasons they give a fair
yield, but too often they fail to put on a full
crop. A few farm folk grow enough white
beans for winter use; however, as a rule, it is
more profitable to grow some more certain
crop which may be exchanged for this staple
article.

Beans require a fairly fertile, well drained
soil. Do not hill up, but give frequent flat
cultivation. Never stir ground when cold, or
wet from dew or rain. This frequently causes
rust of the vines. Keep all tender beans picked
off and the bearing season will be much pro-
longed. Frequent cultivation during dry
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NOTES FROM THE POULTRY YARD.

Last month I told you I would give you data on the num-
ber of chickens, the cost of equipment, etc., of starting in
the chicken and turkey business. Because of unforeseen
difficulties I have not been able to make as rapid progress
as I desired, so I must delay until next month giving the
cost of equipment, as these articles are to be based on facts
and not theory. Perhaps you would like to know the cir-
cumstances under which I am starting and the foundation
I have laid.

First, all of my experience has been with small flocks,
raised only for family use. This is the general experience
of most women. Lacking broader experience, I
determined to post myself as fully as possible by consulting
experienced and successful poultry raisers. These are the
points they all stressed to me: First of all, do not start on
too large a scale; let your business grow as you learn more
about it and the profits justify it. Second, disease is the
greatest handicap of the poultry raiser—study the symp-
toms of all diseases, keep in close touch with your flock and
separate or kill all diseased fowls at once. Third, sanitation
is the greatest aid to the profit side of the books. So with
this very excellent advice I am going to make a start in
this new adventure.

With our home situated on top of a hill, overlooking a
very fertile valley, I am going to put my chicken pens and
house on the "second level" of the hill, just below the house.
The chickens will be on the southwest side of the hill, where
rain will drain quickly away, and they are protected from
the north wind by the hill in winter. I am telling you this
that you may better gain a mental picture of the conditions
under which I am going to glean the facts I want to pass
on to my readers.

Born with a love of the outdoors and the desire to create,
I hope in this work to find the outlet of my emotions. This
I believe, the chief point in making a success of anything.
We must love to do, the thing we undertake in order to
succeed.

Next month I am going to go into the details of all my
housing as I start, the number of chickens, etc. From
time to time as these articles take form I would like to hear
from my readers. Do you believe such articles as these will
be beneficial? Does your experience correspond with mine?
If not, what is your experience? These are the questions,
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