

# The Miami Chief.

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## BOY SCOUTS ON OUTING

Tuesday morning the Miami Boy Scouts left for a three days outing on the Lard ranch, north west of town. One never saw a happier bunch of boys, and their enthusiasm was up to 210. Two trucks were used to take them and their escorts. One truck was loaded to the brim with their camping outfit and provisions, each boy taking his entire equipment, and the other truck was loaded with real boys. It takes a real boy to make a good Scout, and Miami has many of them.

Scout Master M. M. Craig, Jr., accompanied by Prof. H. H. Crain and C. T. Locke will have charge of the three patrols. Following is not a complete list of the membership of our scouts, but is a complete list of the boys on the outing.

### EAGLE PATROL NO. 1

Robert Robbins, Leader.  
B. F. Jackson, Jr.  
Frank Talley.  
Thos. Moore, Visitor.  
Robert Ewing.  
Acie Estes.

### WOLF PATROL NO. 2

Earl Fitzgerald, Leader.  
Claude Locke, Jr.  
Frank Kelley  
Ed Carr  
Gussie Joiner  
Andrew Jones

### BOBWHITE PATROL NO. 3

Walter Dial, Leader  
Jack Graham  
Mansel Waggoner  
Joe Cunningham  
Wesley Davis  
Polk Wells.

### SENIOR FAREWELL PARTY

In accordance with invitations received during the past week, the members and guests of the Senior Class of 1921 of Miami High School met at the home of Miss Virgie Dyer, at six o'clock on the afternoon of Saturday, August the twentieth. The big truck arriving, the jolly crowd climbed aboard and were driven to Locke's pasture for a picnic. The most of the evening was pleasantly spent in reminiscence, and in talking of plans for the future.

After a delicious repast from the well filled lunch baskets the crowd returned for "dessert" to Jones Drug Store, where the refreshment room was artistically decorated in the class colors of maroon and white. Each table carried a centerpiece of pretty flowers, and individual place cards. Music added enjoyment to the occasion and merriment ran high. The party dispersed amid declarations of "the best time I ever had," and regrets that this social meeting was perhaps the "farewell" before the various members enter the activities of their chosen work.

The Class regretted the unavoidable absence of three of its members. Those not in attendance were Misses Edna Gill, Ada Humphries and Daisy Lowry.

Seven members of the Class will enter college in September. The names of those who will attend, and names of their chosen colleges, follow: Misses Elizabeth Mathers and Jessie Cowan, C. I. A., Denton, Texas, Eva Seiber, Lindenwood College, St. Charles, Mo.; Messrs. Carl Gatlin, A. & M., College Station, Texas, John Osborne, Baylor University, Waco, Texas, and Paul Mathers, Kemper Military School, Booneville, Mo. Miss Edna Gill has not definitely decided which college she will enter. Four graduates of the Class are preparing to be successful school teachers during the next school term.

The Class of 1921 was the "finest ever" and the Miami people believe member will make a splendid record in what ever career he or she may enter.

## AGED LADY BURIED HERE SUNDAY

Mrs. Rebecca Raser, mother of our townsman, J. F. Raser died Friday of last week at Cordell, Oklahoma, and her remains were shipped to Miami, arriving here Sunday afternoon, and after a ceremony in the Methodist Church by Rev. Bone, the remains laid to rest in the Miami Cemetery.

Mrs. Raser was 89 years of age at the time of her death, and leaves six living children, three children having gone before her. Only three of the children were here, they being Mr. Raser, Mrs. T. D. Westbrook of Tyler, Texas, and Mrs. W. H. Dean of Cordell, Oklahoma. She also has a son, M. V. Raser of Montana, and two daughters, Mrs. Wallace Merchant of California and Mrs. Turner of this state who were not able to get here for the funeral.

Grandma Raser lived at Miami for several years and leaves many warm friends here. She has been a member of the Methodist church most of her life, and her departure was a very sad parting.

## "CAMP FIRE GIRLS GO ON HAYRIDE"

Last Saturday night, August 20th, the Ouchita Camp Fire Girls enjoyed a splendid hay ride given by their assistant guardian, Mrs. Chas. Burnett, accompanied by their guardian, Mrs. Lee Newman.

We met at the home of Miss Ina Lard at 7:30 and awaited the coming of our assistant.

Soon she came and all 18 climbed on the hay with our watermelons. Many songs were sung on the way down there until we came to the creek then several got out and waded across.

We soon reached the house and games of all kinds were played after which water melons were served and music was furnished by the Victrola.

About 11:30 Mrs. Newman called to us that it was time to go. We stopped and played in the creek on our way back.

We reached town a little after 12 o'clock and each one quickly decided that our assistant was a good entertainer.

Secretary.

## McCONNELL-STIBLING NUPITALS

Saturday afternoon at the home of the brides parents occurred the marriage of Miss Sue Stibling to Mr. L. M. McConnell of Pampa, the wedding taking place at 6:30, Rev. J. W. Whately officiating.

Mr. McConnell is one of the prominent business men and ranchmen of Pampa and the new bride the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Stibling of Miami. Mr. and Mrs. Stibling are pioneers of this section of the country and up to the past few years had a nice ranch near Miami, but of late living in town. They also lived at Pampa a few years.

Immediately after the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. McConnell took the train for Amarillo, from which place they will leave by automobile for a honeymoon trip to Colorado and New Mexico. They will be at home in Pampa after their trip.

## NOTICE

All parties knowing themselves indebted to us please call and settle by the first of September. Our obligations are pressing us and we must make collection to meet them, your special efforts in our behalf will be appreciated.

CENTRAL DRUG STORE

## AMARILLO BOOSTERS HERE MONDAY

According to schedule, the big train load of Amarillo Boosters arrived in our city Monday afternoon at exactly 2:45, and amid the cheers of the local populace, they alighted and in grand procession, marched to the center of our business district, led by the big Shrine band of Amarillo, and followed by the Canton Drum Corps also of that place.

After the big parade was over, and while the band continued to play throughout their stay, the visitors scattered in almost every direction, distributing their cards and getting acquainted with us. Some were driven for short rides over the city, others entertained in other ways, and some of them just naturally entertained some of us for their stay. Many pretty things were distributed among the kiddies and the hour was about as busy as any one Miami has ever had.

The train left Amarillo at 8 o'clock a. m., and will be gone three days, visiting every town between Amarillo and Shattuck, Oklahoma, and every town between Shattuck and Spearman on the new branch of the Santa Fe, spending half a day Tuesday at Perryton's big celebration.

Miami people very much enjoyed the splendid visit from Amarillo, and distributed cards of welcome and a standing invitation to come again. This is the first time the Amarillo business men have been down this line on a booster trip, but we believe that the towns along the line extended them such a nice welcome, that they will wish to come again.

## DYER SELLS TELEPHONE TO PARTNER

W. A. Dyer this week sold his interest in the Miami Telephone Company to his partner, Jno. Webster, who assumes full control of the business immediately.

The Dyer family will leave soon for Austin, where they expect to make their future home, they having sold all their interests in this part of the country, except of course a very warm friendship among a host of friends.

## OLD MAN HEARE COMING TO TOWN

Old Man Heare has purchased a home in our city. He bought of Mrs. Katie Joiner the residence now occupied by G. W. Wells, and will move in as soon as possession is available.

Pressing duties of the N. S. C. is given as his main reason for coming to town. The N. S. C. membership has fallen off this summer. He is desirous that the N. S. C. be invincible, and he the Ruling Monarch, Glory Be.

## PICNIC BARRAGE

On Thursday, August 18, a crowd of young people spent several hours of gaiety on the sand bluffs in the Woods Coffee pasture. Leaving town somewhere around seven o'clock they were transported to the picnic grounds in one large truck. There was wading, and a number of games which caused the young folks to forget their years and be "just kids" once more. Then came the feast. There was no keeping track of the amount each ate because it was dark a few minutes more was spent in games and laughter and they watermelons were out. After these were slaughtered the homeward trip was made.

Among those who enjoyed this outing were: Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Hill, Misses Eva Seiber, Clara Mae and Elvira Kinney, Anna and Pearl Wells, Ellie Carter, Marie Carter, Musa Carter, Ona Blair, Ollie and Bessie Coffee, Willie Fae Newman and Lulu Klingman of Oklahoma.

## HOG LAW NOTICE

There is a Hog Ordinance on our books, regulating the keeping of Hogs in Miami. This law was suspended only during the war, beginning Sept. 2, 1921, the City Board has ordered this law put back into effect. It covers all of Block one to twenty-eight in the original townsite of Miami, and also all of block twenty-nine to thirty-one of the first addition to the town of Miami, also all of Block 2 in the second addition to the town of Miami, also all of the tight of way owned by the railroad company within the city limits. Effective on and after Sept. 1, 1921. C. S. Seiber, Mayor.

## DUNIVEN BADLY BURNED

While doing some Acetyline welding at 11 o'clock this morning, W. G. Duniven, blacksmith, was severely burned about the hands and body. Mr. Duniven dropped the torch, and when he started to pick it up, the line burst, throwing gas and fire almost all over him. While the wound is being dressed, it is impossible to know just how badly he is burned. All of his clothes were on fire, but removed as quickly as possible when assistants saw what had happened.

## ORDINANCE NO. 44

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Miami, Texas That on or after Sept. 1, 1921 it shall be unlawful for any person to operate or run within the limits of the city of Miami, any truck, automobile, or motorcycle without first closing the muffler thereon, and keeping it closed while in the limits of the City of Miami.

Any person failing to comply with this ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof, shall be fined in any sum not to exceed ten dollars, and costs.

Passed and approved, this the 23rd day of August, 1921.

C. S. Seiber, Mayor.  
Jas. B. Saul, Clerk.

## EPWORTH LEAGUE PROGRAM Aug. 28, 7:30 P. M.

Commandments for Righteousness Before Men.  
(Ex. 20, 12-17. Mark 10, 17-19)  
Leader, Cecil Shields.  
Songs.  
Lord's Prayer in Concert.  
Reading the Ten Commandments, responsively.  
Song.  
Scripture Lesson.  
Leaders Address.  
First Assistant Leader's Address, Miss Elizabeth Mathers.  
Second Assistant Leader's Address, Miss Allelyn Coffee.  
Song.  
Third Assistant Leader's Address, Miss Thelma Precsang.  
Fourth Assistant Leader's Address, Miss Mae Russell.  
Fifth Assistant Leader's Address, Miss Winifred Carr.  
Announcements.

## PLEASE TAKE NOTICE!

All grocery accounts are due and MUST be paid on the first of each month otherwise the account ceases. Those owing me past due accounts must settle at once or legal proceedings will be entered. It takes money to buy groceries.

Yours truly,  
J. H. Dial.

MICKIE SAYS--

DONT NEVER COMPLAIN TO THE EDITOR THAT HE DONT PRINT ALL TH NEWS, BECAZ YOU'LL PROBABLY SEE TH TIME WHEN YOU'LL BE DARN GLAD HE DONT!



CHARLES SUGHERS

## JEWELRY STORE OPENED

I have just opened up a new jewelry shop next door to Locke Bros. Come in and see me when in Miami. I do all kinds of watch, clock and jewelry repairing; all work guaranteed. I also have a good line of Elgin, Hampden, Waltham and South Bend watches and a few clocks and other jewelry for sale.

O. G. McCormack.

Canadian will hold a Hemphill County Fair, Oct. 7-8. A big time they are planning, too.

## WHAT CAN I GET FOR A CHANGE?

That question is puzzling millions of housewives every day in the year in the preparation of the family meals.

We have solved it so far as practicable for the housewives of this community by gathering together the most complete appetizing stock of eatables to be found anywhere.

When in doubt ask us. A change is easy when you bring your perplexities to this store.

We handle everything that a grocery store ought to handle—the HIGHEST GRADE MERCHANDISE the Market Affords—Service that is Second to None.

Our Stock is Fresh. We specialize on Fruits and Vegetables.

You will find our prices in line, and if you are buying Harvest and Threshing bills, say—Our Hobby is "Small Margin, Quick Turnover."

We always welcome an opportunity to show you our goods and quote you prices. We carry only the best in everything.

## J. H. DIAL

Staple and Fancy Groceries.

## ANNOUNCEMENT

The Nash Motor Cars and Trucks are now being sold by The Nash Motor Co. of Miami, Sales Room, and cars on display at old D. K. Hickman Hardware Bldg.

See this splendid line of four and six cylinder automobile, ride in them, note the comfort, the roominess, the flexibility of this perfected car with the perfected valve in head motor, 2 1-4 in. x 2 1-2 in. crank shaft. 93 per cent of the Nash car is made in the Nash factory, probably more than any other car on the American market.

If you are not acquainted with the Nash ask the man that owns one.

All models come equipped with cord casings.

We'll be glad to demonstrate to YOU at any time.

NASH MOTOR CO.  
Miami, - - - Texas

## MILLINERY

Opening Friday and Saturday AT LOCKES STORE

My new line of Fall and Winter hats, for Ladies, Misses and Children have arrived, and been prepared for a splendid opening, which will be held tomorrow and Saturday. I especially invite you to see them. Some especially fine bargains are offered in the GRACE LINE of hats. I believe you can find anything you want in this line, and at a price you can afford to pay.

DELIGHTED TO SHOW YOU.  
MRS. TILLIE REID

ANYBODY CAN GET A STEADY LIVING OUT OF A STEADY EFFORT

The same clock that ticks off twenty-four hours for one man can't cheat his neighbor. The same laws of right and wrong—the same privileges to do and dare are open to both.

SUCCESS MEANS EFFORT, ENERGY AND PERSISTENT SAVING

## THE BANK OF MIAMI

Roberts County Depository  
Individual Responsibility over \$400,000.00  
H. Russell, President. Thos. J. Boney, Cashier.  
J. F. Johnston, V-Pres. Jas. B. Saul, A-Cashier.

## FAITH

The Greatest of all books says that "Faith moveth mountains." One of the essentials of success is faith in ones self. Nothing so stimulates self confidence or promotes good opinion in others, as a good standing at ones bank.

This does not necessarily mean a large account, but rather one that is growing and indicates thrift and good management. Your business and your financial matters are best managed when you consult your banker and gain the benefit of his varied experience.

THE BANK OF SAFETY AND SERVICE

## THE FIRST STATE BANK "The Guaranty Fund Bank"

B. F. TALLEY, President  
W. L. MATHERS, V-Pres. H. E. BAIRD, Cashier  
W. I. WHITSEL, V-Pres. H. A. TALLEY, A-Cash.

# Cuba Is Free of 'El Pote'

### Island Republic Rejoices at the Death of its Richest Millionaire.

### CRUEL POWER OF WEALTH

### Peasant Trod Down Millions as He Piled up Riches on Misfortunes of Others—Lived and Died a Brute.

Havana.—"El Pote" is dead and all Cuba rejoices. The peasant who became a millionaire many times over and used his wealth to wield a cruel power died as he had lived, haunted and hated, a victim of his own power. In 40 years he established a career lurid with tragedy, dark with sordid scheming, tremendous with both success and failure. A year ago reputed the richest man in Cuba, he came to a miserable end at his own hands, and almost his last words were that the wealth which cost him 40 years of unremitting toil to accumulate did not yield him one hour of happiness.

Jose Lopez Rodriguez was known to virtually every one in Cuba. He was a strange, sinister figure, and even in death he furnishes a remarkable example of what can be accomplished by the constant, ruthless application of power to a single task. Ferve el Pote (the pot boils) was his watchword, his motto, the rule of his sordid life, and it was from this that he came to be called "El Pote," the name with which millions became familiar. For years he thrived, at the expense of others. Then the fortunes of war turned against him, and, fearing the loss of all his ill-gotten gains, he committed suicide by hanging himself with a twisted sheet.

### Filthy of Body.

Not more than five feet in height, "El Pote" had the powerful, thickset frame typical of the Gallego peasant. He wore the oldest clothes he could find and was foul of mind and speech and filthy of body.

Jose Lopez Rodriguez was born in Spain and emigrated to Cuba in his fifteenth year, fleeing from the hard conditions of the Gallego peasant life. In Havana for a while he worked with pick and shovel, but as soon as he could he abandoned such hard manual labor to work for an old second-hand book dealer, peddling the books from house to house. One morning his aged employer was found dead in his bed and young Lopez Rodriguez, who slept on the premises, was arrested on suspicion of murder, but after spending some time in prison he was released for lack of sufficient evidence to indict.

The widow of the murdered book-seller continued the business and Lopez Rodriguez, after his release from prison returned to his old employment. One morning the widow was found hanging in her room, but no evidence being found to confirm a suspicion that there had been foul play, a verdict of suicide was returned. By the time the young employee had saved up some money and he bought the business.

### Piles Dollar on Dollar.

Living upon almost nothing and working tirelessly, he steadily increased his trade and piled one dollar on another until with the passage of the years his fortune grew to respectable dimensions.

When, after the wealth of Cubans had been drained by three years of revolution and embargo, the American fleet blockaded Havana in 1898, "El Pote"—for by that time he had come universally to be known by his sobriquet—was able to acquire for cash large properties for a tithe of their value, and when the Cuban republic was set up he was a rich man among men who had been ruined. The latter were compelled to go to him for cash which he alone was able to lend, and so it came to pass that many of those

to whom the government of the young republic was entrusted were his debtors—which he never allowed them to forget.

He secured a monopoly on all Cuban printing, for which scandal scores went to jail. Then he got control of one of the biggest banks and wrecked that, "borrowing" no less than \$11,000,000 without security of any kind. He loaned millions, but always demanded from 50 to 100 per cent interest.

It is believed that after the payment of all debts the estate of Jose Lopez Rodriguez will be worth somewhere around \$10,000,000, proving that it was not the fear of penny that drove him to end his life in the fashion by which his employer 40 years ago had died and which had marked the beginning of his own prosperity.

### Hogs' Snouts Do Plowing.

Woodstock, Ont.—Hogs take the place of plows and harrows in the cultivation of one of the best producing small apple orchards in Ontario. Most orchardists plow and replot and harrow and ditch the land between the rows of trees. J. W. Tuttle of Currie merely turns in a drove of hogs.

# \$66,000 Thief Given 3 Years

### Memphis Teller for 12 Years Missed Vacations to Shield His Shortage.

### COURT GETS HIS CONFESSION

### Began With \$100 Holdout and Lived in Hope of Making All Good—Nev. Missed a Day or Was Late—Strain Was Terrible.

Memphis, Tenn.—Alex V. Smith, formerly note teller for the First National bank, stood convicted, but elated with a three-year term, given him after he had confessed to a \$66,000.37 peculation and pleaded guilty.

During the 12 years Smith was connected with the bank he never took a vacation, never was absent or late in reporting for duty. He told reporters in order to cover up the shortage he had to be continually on the job.

John D. Martin, Smith's counsel, read a copy of Smith's confession to the court in his plea for leniency. The confession says:

"I, Alex V. Smith of Raleigh, Tenn., do hereby make confession.

"I was born in Liverpool, England, on June 8, 1883. I left England and came to the United States when I was about twenty-two years old. After a short stay in New York city I came to Memphis, Tenn., and became a bank clerk in the employ of the Bank of Commerce of Memphis, where I worked for about nine months. I then entered the employ of the First National bank of Memphis, Tenn., and was continuously employed there until January 13, 1921. I was note teller at the First National bank for about 12 consecutive years. During this time I gave diligent attention to the duties of the position.

"About 11 years ago, one day after the vaults were closed, to accommodate a customer I took a deposit of about \$100. That night I used this money to pay a debt, hoping to replace it immediately. It was never replaced, and the shortage grew, until January 12, 1921, it amounted to \$66,001.37.

"My method of concealment was throughout the entire period of short-

### WOMEN'S WATCH TOWER



The National Woman's party is coming into its own again and has bought a new home which will be a regular "political watch tower" to the capitol, which is within a stone's throw. The home is one of the most historic in Washington, having been the meeting place of congress from 1815 to 1819 while the capitol was being rebuilt, and was the scene of President Monroe's inauguration.

### age to hold for a day or two, then remit, being in the manner always short in my remittances.

"I married about eight years ago, and at the time of my marriage my shortage was comparatively small. My family consists of my wife, aged thirty-one years, and three children, Alex V. Jr., aged seven, Jim Mangrum, aged six, and Jay Shaw, aged two years, nine months.

"The moneys which I embezzled from the bank were absorbed in my personal expense and extravagances. I have not dissipated money in gambling or speculation. I have, of course, entertained the vague hope that I could make restitution of these peculations, but have been crushed with the realization that this was impossible.

### Strain Has Been Terrible.

"The strain of my situation has, of course, been terrible, and I have suffered immense mental torture for years.

"I have been unable to obtain sufficient sleep or rest except through the use of intoxicants, and have been compelled to resort to the same means as a stimulant to enable me to discharge the regular duties of my office.

"It is my intention and desire that in the event there should be an indictment returned against me on account of my wrongdoing to immediately enter a plea of guilty to the same and throw myself without reservation upon the mercy of the court.

"It is my desire to receive such penalty as may be inflicted on me as speedily as possible, it being my deep desire, after I have met my punishment, to rise again and be a man. It will be my earnest effort to make good, in the fullest measure possible, the loss which has been occasioned as the result of my wrongdoing."

After the shortage was discovered Smith says regarding his conversation with bank officials:

"I gave them the exact figures, to wit, \$66,001.37, together with all data and documents pertaining thereto, thereby enabling the officials of the bank to make a speedy adjustment of their records. I gave the exact amount of my shortage as stated above, so that the bank would not be put to the necessity of a long, laborious and expensive audit of my accounts."

### PAJAMAS "NOBBY" ON STREET

### Russ Officer's Garb Leads to Distribution of Garments to Refugees.

Constantinople, Turkey.—American Red Cross and army pajamas are being converted into jaunty street clothes here by ingenious Russian refugee soldiers and civilians.

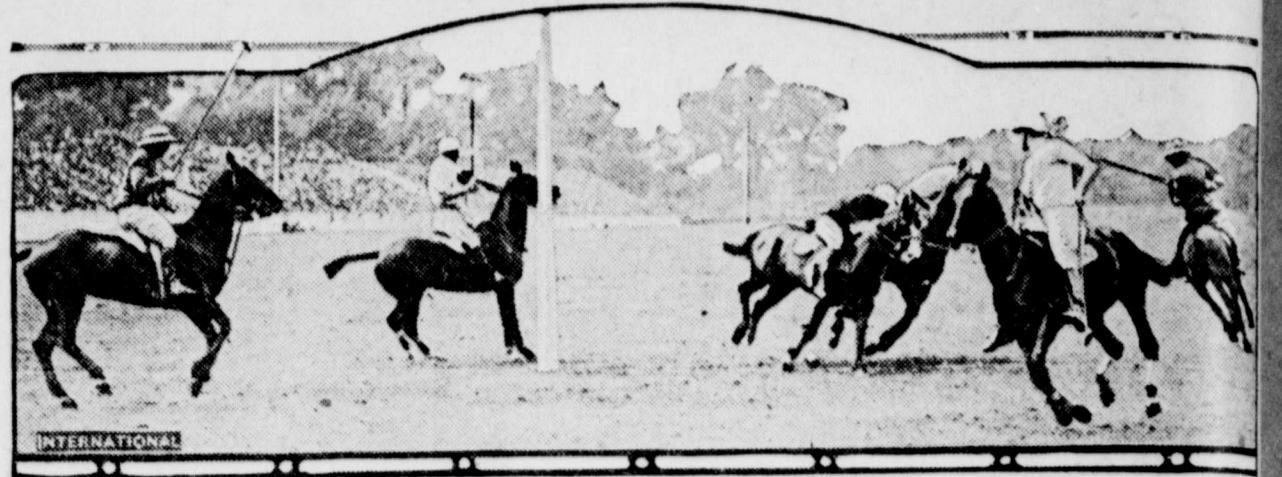
Hugh S. Bird, treasurer of the Red Cross, when here on a visit of inspection, saw a spick-and-span monocled Russian officer flourishing a cane and fanning himself with a straw hat at the local Red Cross offices. He noticed that the man had taken a suit of pajamas, sewed shoulder strap braid on them, strapped his officer's belt about them and rolled up the bottoms to give a trouser effect.

Mr. Bird thought so well of the ingenuity of the man, who had defeated the hot weather, that he gave orders for several thousand more pajamas to be distributed, so no Russian need wear his heavy, shabby winter clothes.

### Partridges Aflight in Street.

Coatesville, Pa.—A covey of partridges came into this city and alighted on the paved streets in the business section. Volunteer firemen caught a few and placed them in a box, liberating them later in the country. They had become frightened when a cooper's hawk attacked them on the hill.

### Regaining the International Polo Cup



Here is a remarkable action picture taken during the polo games at Hurlingham, England, in which the American team recaptured the international trophy. It shows a sharp tussle in front of the American goal.

# Pirates Again Sweeping Seas

### Theory Put Forward as Explanation of Disappearance of American Vessels.

### PIRACY FOLLOWS GREAT WARS

### Island-Dotted Areas of the Oceans Offer Lurking Places for Sea Rovers—Piracy Has Flourished Since Early Days of History.

Washington, D. C.—The theory that pirates are again infesting Atlantic waters has been put forward in connection with the grounding of the Carroll Deering and the mysterious disappearance of three other American steamships.

"An epidemic of piracy has followed in the wake of nearly all of the great wars. Even as recently as 1815 restless souls who had smelled the blood of battle and felt the intoxication of danger became loath to settle down into the peaceful ways of men and commerce, and chose the wide seas as an asylum because they refused to live under the law," says a bulletin of the National Geographic society from its Washington, D. C., headquarters.

### Some Famous Pirate Bases.

"Beside the broad oceans which offered infinite chance for escape there have always been the island-dotted areas which furnish excellent lurking places from which these exponents of absolute freedom might take their quarry for examination and long division among them. The Greek Archipelago, the Barbary coast, the East Indies, the China shores and the Spanish Main, within the shadow of our own doors, have been pirate bases for centuries and given to the world a wealth of stories of breathless interest.

"In ancient times these sea robbers off the coast of Greece, Italy, and Asia Minor with their thousands of light, swift vessels, or 'sea mice' as they were called, 'taxed' merchant shipping so heavily that they lightly and rightly termed their base of operations the 'Golden Gulf.' They flaunted their black flag in the face of mighty Rome, which remained impotent against them until Pompey with almost unlimited resources at his command curbed their operations.

### Pandora's Box of Piracy.

"Ferdinand and Isabella unwittingly, in their decision to drive the Moors from Spanish soil, let loose upon the world and particularly upon Spanish shipping, then at the height of its pride, a fearful horde of daring and unscrupulous avengers.

"In the early days of Moslem power one of the caliphs wrote to his general and asked him what the sea was like. The general answered, 'The sea is a huge beast which silly folk ride like worms on logs.' Consequently the caliph gave orders that no Moslem should voyage upon it, but they soon learned that they must conquer it if they were to hold their own among other peoples, and they subsequently furnished some of the most audacious and picturesque of the pirate figures.

### The James Brothers of the Seas.

"Two of the most daring and ingenious of these were the Barbarossa brothers, 'Red Beard' terrorized the Mediterranean world from Constantinople to the Pillars of Hercules. The excellent harbors and the island hiding places made it possible for him to defy the fleets of England, Italy, Spain and Holland, to levy tribute on all the vessels that passed over the highway, to capture the richly laden Papal galleys bound for Rome in Moslem defiance of Christendom and chain the Christians to their oars. In 1510, at that time notorious and immensely wealthy, he changed the base of his operations to the island of Jerba, off the coast of Tunis, where the Fates ceased to smile so kindly upon him. After many hard-fought battles and vicissitudes of fortune he fell before the forces of Charles V of Spain near Tremizan on African soil. He had actually escaped, but upon learning that his faithful followers were close pressed he returned to die with them. The career of his brother Kheyr-er-din is scarcely less romantic.

"Piracy on the American coast among the French and Spanish navigators began before the days of the English colonists. Queen Elizabeth is said

to have covertly countenanced as well as helped expeditions by buccaneers, and in the West Indies the trade restrictions placed by the various mother countries led to acceptance by many island governors of wares brought by navigators whom they knew to be free-booters and whose methods they could not afford to question.

### Piracy Road to High Office.

"Perhaps the most unscrupulous and wily of the perverted sea kings was Henry Morgan of the Caribbees. He was a magnate, an indomitable ruler, a crafty strategist, and a commander of genius as well as a pirate par excellence. In fact he flirted with one danger after the other always to come out on top. He marched into Puerto Principe in the heart of Cuba and took it despite every resistance. He outwitted with uncanny cunning the officers at Porto Bello in Panama, one of the strongest cities near the Caribbean shores and the storehouse for the riches which had been brought by Spanish galleons and mule packs from the interior. He escaped with a few jewels, ingeniously employing a fire-ship against the Spanish to accomplish his escape when he was bottled up in Maracaibo lake. Finally he took and sacked the city of Panama. Then leaving his companions in the lurch, he slipped away at night with all the booty to Jamaica, ingratiating himself with the governor, and was clever enough to get himself into the graces of the English king who knighted him and made him lieutenant governor of Jamaica for his 'long experience of that colony.'

"In our boyhood, stories of Captain Kid were frequent. The subject of the narratives was really a respectable sailor in the merchant service with a wife and family in New York when he was commissioned by the English

king in 1680 with power to seize and destroy off the American coast a pirate ships. Having been given ship and crews to accomplish the purpose he gayly set sail across the Atlantic around the Cape of Good Hope, Madagascar and the Red sea to range East India waters and convert to his own uses his captures. Then he himself, so the story goes, to West Indian waters and buried his superfluous treasures before he finally went to Boston where he was captured, sent to England for trial, was executed as his body left to dangle in the waters for years as a warning to sailors.

### COCKATOO KILLS BIG ROOSTER

### Bird, at Outs With Barnyard Foe Wins Battle at Martinez, Cal.

Martinez, Cal.—A bitter battle was fought at the home of B. F. Rhine, local merchant, by a two-pound cockatoo and an eight-pound rooster.

The diminutive cockatoo prevailed for after taking a severe grueling for almost five minutes he grabbed the rooster in the windpipe with his sharp beak, administering the death blow.

According to Rhine, the pair had been at outs for several weeks. On morning the cockatoo was perched on a bush in the back yard when the rooster spied him. The heavyweight barnyard champion made a rush at his smaller enemy, spurs and beak.

The cockatoo, however, dug his claws into the rooster's breast, and pulling himself upright administered the death blow.

### FLIES 300 MILES AN HOUR

### Monoplane Invented by Italian Engineer Said to Need Little Landing Space.

Rome, Italy.—An airplane capable of landing without the need of a large aviation field, able to travel more than 300 miles an hour, and, if necessary, meander along at only a few miles an hour is announced as the invention of an Italian engineer, Epaminonda Bertuccioli of Rome.

The inventor reports that he has already tried out the machine on a small scale and regards his first experiments as indicative of the success of the invention. The new machine is primarily intended for aerial work, chasing and is to be armed with a machine gun. It is a monoplane.

### MILLION IN MEXICAN CAPITAL

### Population of City Is Estimated to Be Twice That of Ten Years Ago.

Mexico City, Mex.—The population of Mexico City has increased more than 100 per cent during the last 10 years, according to recent estimates based on statistics, which fix the figure at approximately 1,000,000. This is far above the normal increase of the influx of persons is attributed due to revolts. Housing conditions as a result, are bad, and suitable dwellings are at a premium.

### "Dips" Robbed of Haven

### When Art Center Moves

London.—Burlington House, the present home of the Royal Academy exhibition, does not seem to afford such a fine harvest for pickpockets as the great room at Somerset House, where exhibitions were held until 1837, remarks the London Morning Post. A wooden dado ran round the room, and when after the academy resigned possession, this was removed in the course of renovations, the narrow space between it and the brickwork was found to be stuffed with innumerable purses, ancient and modern—an eloquent testimony to successful pocketpicking and cleverness in disposing of recognizable property.

### When Warren Harding Was Six



When this photograph of little Warren Harding and his two sisters was made in Caledonia, O., the six-year-old lad's father probably told him: "You will be President some day."

### Sylvia Pankhurst Toasted by Reds



Miss Sylvia Pankhurst (center), who served five months' imprisonment at Holloway for preaching sedition in the British navy, was recently dismissed. Following her "coming out" she was tendered a breakfast in London by the Communist party. This photograph shows the "reds" offering a toast to Miss Pankhurst.

# The Wreckers

By FRANCIS LYNDE

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CHAPTER XIX—Continued.

"Where—whereabouts are we, Jimmie?" she asked.

Before I could open my mouth the black shadows of the crooked valley beyond the switch were shot through with the white, shimmering glow of a headlight beam, and a second later the special flicked into view on the curve of approach.

As we looked, there was a short, sharp whistle yelp, the brakes gripped the wheels, the one-car train, with fire grinding from every brake-shoe, came to a jerking stop a short car-length on our side of the switch, and a man dropped from the engine step to go sprinting to the rear. And it was plain that neither the engineer nor the man who was running back saw our outfit waiting on the leg of the old "Y."

Kirgan was the first one to understand. With a shout of warning, he jumped and ran toward the stopped train, yelling at the engineer for God's sake to pull out and go on. Back in the hills beyond the curve of approach another hoarse murmur was jarring upon the air, and the special's fireman, who was the man we had seen jump off and go running back, and who, of course, didn't know that we had our man there, was apparently trying to reach the switch behind his train to throw it against the following engine to shoot it off the "Y."

By this time the boss was off of our engine and racing across the angle of the "Y" only a little way behind Kirgan. He realized that his plan was smashed by the stopping of the special, and that the very catastrophe we had come out to try to prevent was due to happen right there and then. Whatever our man waiting at the switch might do, there was bound to be a collision. If he left the points set for the main line, the wild engine would crash into the rear end of the stopped special; and if he did the other thing, our engine and coach standing on the "Y" would get it.

"Get the people out of that car!" I heard the boss bellow, but even as he said it the pop-valve of the stopped engine went off with a roar, filling the shut-in valley with clamorings that nothing could drown.

Two minutes, two little minutes more, and the sleep-sodden bunch of men in the special car might have been roused and turned out and saved. But the minutes were not given us. While the racing fireman was still a few feet short of the switch the throwing of which would have saved the one-car train only to let the madman's engine in on our engine and coach, and our man—already at the switch—was too scared to know which horn of the dilemma to choose, the end came. There was the flash of another headlight on the curve, another whistle shriek, and I turned to help the major take Mrs. Sheila off our car and run with her, against the horrible chance that we might get it instead of the special.

But we didn't get it. Ten seconds later the chasing engine had crashed headlong into the standing train, burying itself clear up to the tender in the heart of the old wooden sleeper, rolling the whole business over on its side in the ditch, and setting the wreckage afire as suddenly as if the old Pullman had been a fagot of pitch-pine kindlings and only waiting for the match.

If I could write down any real description of the way things stacked up there in that lonesome valley for the little bunch of us who stood aghast at the awful horror, I guess I wouldn't need to be hammering the keys of a typewriter in a railroad office. But never mind; no soldier sees any more of a battle than the part he is in. There were seven of us men, including the engineer and fireman of the special, who were able to jump in and try to do something, and, looking back at it now, it seems as if we all did what we could.

That wasn't much. About half of the people in the sleeping-car—six by actual count, as we learned afterward—were killed outright in the crash or so badly hurt that they died pretty soon afterward; and the fire was so quick and so hot that after we had got the wounded ones out we couldn't get all of the bodies of the others.

As you'd imagine, the boss was the head and front of that fierce rescue fight. He had stripped off his coat, and he kept on diving into the burning wreck after another and yet another of the victims until it seemed as if he couldn't possibly do it one more time and come out alive. He didn't seem to remember that these very men were the ones who had been trying to run him—that at least once they had set a trap for him and tried to kill him. He was too big for that.

After we had got out all the victims who could reach, there was still one left who wasn't dead; we could see him above the hissing of the

steam and the crackling of the flames, screaming and begging us to break in the side of the car and kill him before the fire got to him. Kirgan had found an ax in the emergency box of our day-coach, and was chopping away like a madman.

The minute he got a hole big enough, the big master-mechanic dropped his ax and climbed down into the choking hell where the screams were coming from. Our fireman picked up the ax and ran around to the other side of the wreck where Jones, the engineer of the special, and his fireman were trying to break into the crushed cab of the 416.

The old major, the boss, and I stood by to help Kirgan, and the minute his head came up through the chopped hole we saw that he needed help. He had pried the screaming man loose, somehow, and was trying to drag him up out of the smoking furnace. It was done, amongst us, some way or other. Kirgan had wrapped the man up in a Pullman blanket to keep the fire from getting at him any worse than it already had, and as we were taking him out the blanket slipped aside from his face and I saw who it was that the master-mechanic had risked his life for. It was Hatch, himself, and he died in our arms, the major's and mine, while we were carrying him out to where Mrs. Sheila was tearing one of the Pullman sheets that I had got hold of into strips to make bandages for the wounded.

With the chance of saving maybe another one or two, we couldn't stay to help the brave little woman who was trying to be doctor and nurse to half a dozen poor wretches at once. But she took time to ask me one single breathless question:

"Have they found him yet?—you know the one I mean, Jimmie?"

"No," I said. "They're digging away at that side now," and then I ran back to jump in again.

Though the fire was now licking at everything in sight, Kirgan, who had taken the ax from our fireman, had managed to cut some of the car timbers out of the way so that we could see down into the tangle of things where the cab of the 416 ought to have been. There wasn't much left of the cab. The water-gauge was broken, along with everything else, but in spite of the reek of smoke and steam we could see that Hogan and his fireman were not there. But down under the coal that had shifted forward at the impact of the collision we could make out the other man—the murderer—lying on his back, black in the face and gasping.

That was enough for the boss. It looked like certain death for anybody to crawl down into that hissing steam-bath, but he did it, wriggling through the hole that Kirgan had chopped, while two or three of us ran to the little creek that trickled down on the far side of the "Y" and brought back soaking Pullman blankets to try to delay the encroaching fire and smother the steam-jets.

I couldn't see very well what the boss was doing; the smoke and steam were so blinding. But when I did get a glimpse I saw that he was digging frantically with his bare hands at the shifted coal, and that he had succeeded in freeing the head and shoulders of the buried man, who was still alive enough to choke and gasp in the furnace-like heat.

Kirgan stood it as long as he could—until the licking flames were about to drive us all away.

"You'll be burnt alive—come up out of that!" he yelled to the boss; but I knew it wouldn't do any good. With Collingwood still buried down there and still with the breath of life in him, the boss was going to stay and keep on trying to dig him out, even if he, himself, got burned to a crisp doing it. Loving Mrs. Sheila the way he did, he couldn't do any less.

It was awful, those next two or three minutes. We were all running frantically back and forth, now, between the wreck and the creek, soaking the blankets and doing our level best to beat the fire back and keep it from cutting off the only way there was for the boss to climb out. But we could only fight gaspingly on the surface of things, as you might say. Down underneath, the fire was working around in front and behind in spite of all we could do. Some of it had got to the coal, and the heavy sulphurous smoke was oozing up to make us all choke and strangle.

Honestly, you couldn't have told that the boss was a white man when he crawled up out of that pit of death, tugging and lifting the crushed and broken body of the madman, and making us take it out before he would come out himself. We got them both away from the fire as quickly as we could and around to the other side of things, Kirgan and Jones carrying Collingwood.

The poor little lady we had left alone with the rescued ones had done all she could, and she was waiting for us. When we put Collingwood down, she sat down on the ground and took his head in her lap and cried over him just like his mother might have, and when the boss knelt down beside her I heard what he said: "That's right, little woman; that's just as it should be. Death wipes out all scores. I did my best—you must always believe that I did my best."

She choked again at that, and said: "There is no hope?" and he said: "I'm afraid not. He was dying when I got to him."

I tried to swallow the big lump in my throat and turned away, and so did everybody else but the major, who went around and knelt down on the other side of Mrs. Sheila. The wreck was blazing now like a mighty bon-

fire, lighting up the pine-clad hills all around and snapping and growling like some savage monster gnawing over its prey. In the red glow we saw a man limping up the track from the west, and Kirgan and I went to meet him. It was Hogan, the missing engineer of the 416.

He told us what there was to tell, which wasn't very different from the way we'd been putting it up. They—Hogan and his fireman—hadn't suspected that they were carrying a maniac until after they had passed Bauxite and Collingwood had told them both that what he wanted to do was to overtake the special and smash it. Then there had been a fight on the engine, but Collingwood had a gun and he had threatened to kill them both if they didn't keep on.

"I kept her goin'," said the Irishman, "thinkin' maybe Jones'd keep out of my way, or that at the lasht I'd get a chanst to shut the 'Sixteen off an' give her the brake. He kep' me fr'm doin' it, and when I saw the tail-lights, I pushed Johnnie Shovel off an' wint after him because there was nawthin' else to do. Johnnie's back younder a piece, wid a broken leg."

Just then Jones, the special's engineer, came up, and he pieced out Hogan's story. The wire to Bauxite had warned him that a crazy man was chasing him and overrunning stop-signals. He had thought to side-track the chaser at the old "Y" and that was what he had stopped for.

Thereupon the three of us went after the crippled fireman, and when we got back to the "Y" with him it was all over. Collingwood had died with his head in Mrs. Sheila's lap, and the boss, fagged out and half dead as he must have been, was up and at work, getting the wreck victims into our day coach, which had been backed up and taken around to the other leg of the "Y" to head for Portal City.

When it came time for us to move Collingwood, Mrs. Sheila pulled her veil down and walked behind the body, with the good old major locking his



"I Shall Always Believe That You Are One of God's Own Gentlemen."

arm in hers, and that choking lump came again in my throat when I remembered what Collingwood had said to the boss the night he came to our office: "Sheila made her wedding journey with me once, when she was just eighteen. The next time she rides with me it will be at my funeral."

I guess there's no use stretching the agony out by telling about that mournful ride back to Portal City with the dead and wounded. We left the wreck blazing and roaring in the shut-in valley at the gulch's mouth because there wasn't anything else to do; Kirgan and Jones and one of the firemen handled the engine and pulled out, while the rest of us rode in the day-coach and did what we could for the suffering.

At Banta we made a stop long enough to let the boss send a wire to Portal City, turning out the doctors and the ambulances—and the undertakers; and though it was after three o'clock in the morning when we pulled in, it seemed as if the whole town had got the word and was down at the station to meet us.

I couldn't see Mrs. Sheila's face when the major helped her off at the platform; her veil was still down. But I did hear her low-spoken words to the boss, whispered while they were carrying Collingwood and Hatch, and two of the others, who were past help, out to the waiting string of dead-wagons.

"I shall go east with the body tomorrow—today, I mean—if the strikers will let you run a train, and Cousin Basil will go with me. We may never meet again, Graham, and for that reason I must say what I have to say now. Your opportunity has come. The man who could do the most to defeat you is dead, and the strike will do the rest. If I were you, I should neither eat nor sleep until I had thought of some way to take the railroad out of the hands of those who have proved that they are not worthy to own it."

I didn't know, just then, how much or little attention Mr. Norcross was paying to this mighty good, clear-headed bit of business advice. What he said went back to that saying of hers that they might never meet again.

"We must meet again—sometime and somewhere," he said. And then: "I did my best; God knows I did my best, Sheila. I would have given my own life gladly if the giving would

have saved Collingwood's. Don't you believe that?"

"I shall always believe that you are one of God's own gentlemen, Graham," she said, soft and low; and then the major came to take her away.

## CHAPTER XX

### P. S. L. Comes Home

By nine o'clock the next morning, as soon as I'd swallowed a hurried bite of breakfast in the grill-room I swiped a camp-stool and a magazine out of the lounge and trotted upstairs to plant myself before the boss's door, determined that nobody should disturb him until he was good and ready to get up.

He turned out a little before twelve, looking sort of haggard and drawn, of course, and having some pretty bad burns on the side of his neck and on the backs of both hands. But he was all there, as usual, and he laid a good, brotherly hand on my shoulder when he saw what I was doing.

"They don't make many of them like you, Jimmie," he said. And then: "Have you any news?"

I had, a little, and I gave it to him. Fred May had come tip-toeing up into my sentry corridor about ten o'clock to tell me that Mr. Perkins had arranged with the strikers to have a special go east with the major and Mrs. Sheila and Collingwood's body to catch the Overland at Sedgwick; and I told the boss this, and that the train had been gone for an hour or more.

Also, I gave him a sealed package that a strange boy had brought up just a little while after May went away. We took the elevator to the grill-room for something to eat, and at table Mr. Norcross opened the package. It contained a bunch of affidavits, eleven of them in all, and there was no letter or anything to tell where they had come from.

He handed the papers over to me, after he had seen what they were—sort of frowned across the table at me and said: "Do you know what it means—this surrender of those bribe affidavits, Jimmie?"

I said I guessed I did; that Hatch being dead, and Collingwood, too, there wasn't nerve enough left in the Red Tower outfit to keep up the fight; that the surrender of the affidavits was a kind of a plea for a let-up on our part.

"We'll begin to show them, in just about fifteen minutes, Jimmie," was the short comment. "Reach over and get that telephone and tell Mr. Ripley and Mr. Billoughby that I want them to meet me at my office at half-past twelve. Any news from the strike?"

"Nothing," I told him, while "Central" was getting me Mr. Ripley's number. "Fred May said it was going on just the same; everything quiet and nothing doing, except that the wrecking train had gone out to pick up the scraps at Timber Mountain 'Y.' Kirgan is bossing it, and the strikers manned it for him."

Nothing more was said until after I had sent the two phone messages, and then the boss broke out in a new spot.

"Has anything been heard from Mr. Van Brit?" he asked.

"Not that I know of."

Again he gave me that queer little scowl across the table.

"Jimmie, have you found out yet why Mr. Van Brit insisted on quitting the service?"

I guess I grinned a little, though I tried not to.

"Mr. Van Brit is one of the best friends you've got," I said. "He thought you needed this strike, and he wanted to go out among the pay-roll men and sort of help it along. He couldn't do a thing like that while he was an officer of the company and drawing his pay like the rest of us."

"I might have known—he as good as told me," was the reply, made kind of half-absently; and then, short and quick: "How's the stock market? Have you seen a paper?"

I had seen both papers, at breakfast-time, but of course they had nothing startling in them except a last-minute account of the wreck at Timber Mountain "Y." grabbed off just before they went to press. They couldn't have anything later from New York than the day before. But Fred May had tipped me off when he came up to tell me about the Major Kendrick special. The newspaper offices were putting out bulletins by that time.

I told Mr. Norcross about the bulletins and was brash enough to add: "We're headed for the receivership all right, I guess; our stock has tumbled to twenty-nine, and there's a regular dog-fight going on over it at the railroad post in the Exchange. Wall Street's afire and burning up, so they say."

The chief hadn't eaten enough to keep a cat alive, but at that he pushed his chair back and reached for his hat.

"Come on Jimmie," he snapped. "We've got to get busy. And there isn't going to be any receivership."

We reached the railroad headquarters—which were as dead and quiet as a graveyard—a little before Mr. Ripley and Billoughby got down. But Mr. Editor Cantrell was there, waiting to shoot an anxious question at the boss.

"Well, Norcross, are you ready to talk now?"

"Not just yet; tomorrow, maybe," was the good-natured rejoinder.

"All right; then perhaps you will tell me this: Do you, yourself, believe that four or five thousand railroad men have gone on strike out of sheer sympathy for a few hundred C. S. & W. employees, most of whom are merely common laborers? Can you look me in the eye and tell me that you haven't fomented this eruption on

the quiet to get the better of the Red Tower crowd in some way?" demanded the editor.

"I can, indeed," was the smiling answer.

Cantrell looked as if he didn't more than half believe it.

"Being a newspaper man, I'm naturally suspicious," he put in. "There are big doings down underneath all this that I can smell, but can't dig up. Everything about this strike is too blamed good-natured. I've talked with half a dozen of the leaders, and with any number of the rank and file. They all grin and give me the wink, as if it were the best joke that was ever pulled off."

Again Mr. Norcross smiled handsomely. "If you push me to it, Cantrell, I may say that this is exactly their attitude toward me!"

"Well," said the editor, getting up to go; "it's doing one thing to you, good and proper. Your railroad stock is tumbling downstairs so fast that it can't keep up with itself."

"I hope it will tumble still more," said the boss, pleasantly, with another sort of enigmatic smile; and with that Mr. Cantrell had to be content.

As the editor went out, Fred May brought in the bunch of forenoon telegrams and laid them on the desk. They were quickly glanced at and tossed over to me as fast as they were read. Most of them were plaintive little yips from a strike-stricken lot of people along the Short Line who seemed to think that the world had come to an end, but there were three bearing the New York date line and signed "Dunton." The earliest had been sent shortly after the opening of the Stock exchange, and it ran thus:

"Morning papers announce strike and complete tie-up on P. S. L. Why no report from you of labor troubles threatening? Compromise at any cost and wire emphatic denial of strike. Answer quick."

The second of the series had been filed for transmission an hour later and it was still more saw-toothed.

"Later reports confirm newspaper story. Your failure to compromise instantly with employees will break stock market and subject you to investigation for criminal incompetency. Answer."

The third message had been sent still later.

"Your continued silence is inexcusable. If no favorable report from you by six o'clock you may consider yourself discharged from the company's service and criminal proceedings on charge of conspiracy will be instituted at once."

I thought things were beginning to look pretty serious for us if Mr. Dunton was going to try to drag us into the courts, but Mr. Norcross was still smiling when he handed me the last and latest telegram in the bunch. It was from Mr. Chadwick, and was good-naturedly laconic.

"To G. Norcross, G. M., Portal City."

"Just returned from trip to Seattle. What's going on the Short Line?" "Chadwick."

"A couple of telegrams, Jimmie," said the chief, as he passed this last wire over, and I got my note-book ready.

"To B. Dunton, New York. Strike is sympathetic and not subject to compromise. Mails moving regularly, but all other traffic suspended indefinitely. My office closes today, and my resignation, effective at once, goes to you on Fast Mail tonight."

"Now one to Mr. Chadwick, and you may send it in code," he directed crisply. Then he dictated:

"See newspapers for account strike. Hatch and eight of his associates were killed last night in railroad wreck. Dunton has demanded my resignation and I have given it. Have plan for complete reorganization along lines discussed in beginning, and need your help. At market opening to-morrow sell P. S. L. large blocks and repurchase in dribbles as price goes down. Repeat until I tell you to stop. Wire quick if you are with us."

Just as I was taking the last sentence, Mr. Ripley and Billoughby came in, and Mr. Norcross took them both into the third room of the suite and shut the door. An hour later when the door opened and they came out, the boss was summing up the new orders to Billoughby: "There's a lot to do, and you have my authority to hire all the help you need. See the bankers yourself, personally, and get them to interest other local buyers along the line, the more of them, and the smaller they are, the better. I'll take care of Portal City, myself. I've had Van Brit on the wire and he is taking care of the employees—yes, that goes as it lies, and is a part of the original plan; every man who works for P. S. L. is going to own a bit of stock, if we have to carry him for it and let him pay a dollar a week. More than that, they shall have representation on the board if they want it. And while you're knocking about, take time to show these C. S. & W. folks how they can climb back into the saddle. Red Tower is down and out, now, and they can keep it out if they want to."

I suppose I might rattle this old type-machine of mine indefinitely and tell the story of the financial fight that filled the next few days; of how the boss and Mr. Ripley and Billoughby got the bankers and practically everybody together all along the Short Line and sprung the big plan upon them, which was nothing less than the snapping up, on a tumbling stock market, of the opportunity now presented to them of owning—actually owning in fee simple—their own railroad, the buying to be done quietly through Mr. Chadwick's brokers in Chicago and New York.

There was some opposition and

jangling and see-sawing back and forth, of course, but the newspapers, led by the Mountaineer, took hold, and then, pretty soon, everybody took hold; after which the only trouble was to keep people—our own rank and file among them—from buying P. S. L. Common so fast that the New Yorkers would catch on and run the price up.

They didn't catch on—not until after it was too late; and the minute Mr. Chadwick wired us from Chicago that we were safe, the strike went off, as you might say, between two minutes, and Mr. Norcross called a meeting of stockholders, the same to be held—bless your heart!—in Portal City, the thriving metropolis of the region in which, counting Mr. Chadwick in as one of us, a good, solid voting majority of the stock was now held. The Mountaineer printed the call, and it spoke of the railroad as "our railroad company!"

The meeting was held in due time, and Mr. Chadwick was there to preside. He made a cracking good chairman, and the way he dilated on the fact that now the country—and the employees—had a railroad of their own, and that the whole nation would be looking to see how we would demonstrate the problem we had taken over, actually brought cheers—think of it; cheers in a railroad stockholders' meeting!

Following Mr. Chadwick's talk there was the usual routine business; reports were read and it was shown that the Short Line, notwithstanding all the stealings and mismanagements, was still a good going proposition at the price at which it had been bought in. A new board of directors was chosen, and as soon as the new board got together, Mr. Norcross went back to his office in the headquarters, not as general manager, this time—not on your life!—but as the newly elected president of Pioneer Short Line. And by the same token, the first official circular that came out—a copy of which I sent, tied up with a blue ribbon, to Malsie Ann—read like this:

"To all Employees: "Effective this day, Mr. James F. Dodds is appointed assistant to the president with headquarters in Portal City."

"G. Norcross, President."

That's all; and all but a little talk between the boss and Mr. Upton Van Brit that took place in our office on the day after Mr. Van Brit, still kicking about the hard work that the boss was always piling upon him, had been appointed general manager.

"You've made the rifle, Graham—just as I said you would," said our own and only millionaire, after he had got through abusing the fates that wouldn't let him go back east and play with his coupon shears and his yachts and polo ponies. "You're going to be the biggest man this side of the mountains, some day; and the day isn't so very far off, either."

It was just here that the boss got out of his chair and walked to the other end of the room. When he came back it was to say:

"You think I have won out, Upton, and so does everybody else. I suppose it looks that way to the man in the street. But I haven't, you know. I have lost the one thing for which I would gladly give all the business success I have ever made or hope to make."

Mr. Van Brit's smile was more than half a grin.

"It isn't lost, Graham; it's only gone before. Can't you wait a decent little while?"

"If I should wait all my life it wouldn't be long enough, Upton," was the reply. "What you said to me—that time when we first spoke of Collingwood—was true. You said she loved the other man—and so she did."

This time Mr. Van Brit's smile was a whole grin.

"I said it, and I'll say it again. She didn't realize it or admit it, even to herself, you know; she's too good and clean-hearted for anything like that. But I could see it plainly enough, and so could everybody else except the two people most nearly concerned. I didn't mean Howie Collingwood; you were the 'other man,' Graham."

At this the boss whirled short around and tramped to the other end of the room again, standing for quite a little while with one foot on the low window-sill and making out like he was looking down at the traffic clattering along in Nevada avenue. But I'll bet a quarter he never saw a single wheel of it. When he came back our way his eyes were shining and he put his hand on Mr. Van Brit's shoulder.

"It ought to have been you, Uppy," he said, dropping back to the old college nickname. "You're by long odds the better man. When—when do you think I might venture to take a little run across to New York?"

At that, Mr. Van Brit laughed out loud.

"Ho! ho!" he said. "I suppose I ought to say a year. You can wait one little year, can't you, Graham?"

"Not on your life!" rasped the boss. And then: "I'll tell you what I'll do; I'll compromise with the proprietors, or whatever it is that you're insisting on, and make it six months. But that's the limit—the absolute limit!" And so it was.

(THE END.)

### Tribute to Good Heart

A good heart is the sun and moon, or, rather, the sun and not the moon; for it shines bright and never changes, but keeps its course true.—Shakespeare.

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### NEW HART PICTURE "THE TOLL GATE" A TALE OF THE WEST Pinto Pony Appears With Famous Star in Story of Bandit's Return to Faith

Black Deering, erstwhile bandit, killer and fearless hold-up man of the southwestern country, at a time when he had come to the conclusion that there was no good in humanity, found his faith restored, or, rather, discovered that he possessed such faith, when he met the first good woman in his life, since he left his mother's knee; and in the person of a sheriff who had set out to track him down, found that good is present in the most unexpected places.

The story of Black Deering's daring career will be seen on the screen at the Pastime Theatre next Monday when "The Toll Gate," William S. Hart's newest Paramount-Artaft picture is exhibited.

Under the direction of Lambert Hillyer and photographed by Joe August, A. S. C., this picture is one of the most powerful dramas of life in the frontier lands that has ever been filmed. Mr. Hart is at his best, riding, shooting, wrestling with the devil of revenge, and finally coming to realize that the world is not all bad, after all.

The Pinto pony reappears in this picture, which is an added source of interest.

### CAPT. PETER B. KYNE, LUMBER CLERK ONCE Author of "The Valley of the Giants" Knows Redwood Country

Capt. Peter B. Kyne, U. S. A., author of the well known novel, "The Valley of the Giants," a Paramount-Artaft picture with Wallace Reid as star, which will be shown at the Pastime Theatre next Saturday, was once a lumber clerk in the redwood country of California, where the scenes of the story are laid. He knows every inch of the territory and the business as well.

the novel were utilized in filming the story. Some of the most wonderful photography ever secured for a motion picture is said to have been obtained for this picture by Frank Urson, the cameraman. Grace Darmond heads a capable supporting cast which includes such well known players as Will Branton, Charles Ogle, Alice Taaffe, Ralsh Lewis, Kay Laurel, Hart Hoxie, Noah Beery, Guy Oliver and other well known screen players.

### AUDIENCE IS DELIGHTED Clever Twists, Abound in Picture "The Third Kiss"

Clever twists and surprises are a feature of "The Third Kiss," the latest Paramount-Artaft photoplay starring Vivian Martin, which is booked for the Pastime Theatre Tomorrow. To reveal what these unexpected developments are would spoil half the pleasure for the multitude of folks who are sure to witness the picture. Suffice it to say that Miss Martin, pretty as she is in her factory girl costume, is not quite what she seems.

And the screen lovers who view the film are sure to like it all the more when the big surprise is sprung and she reveals her identity. "The Third Kiss" is said to be the most delightful picture in which the popular little star has yet appeared. It was adapted from a novelette which appeared recently in a popular magazine. Robert Vignola directed Miss Martin, as he has done in all of her recent successes.

### "LUCK IN PAWN" IS A CLEVER PICTURE WITH NOVEL TWIST Stage Comedy Offers Ideal Vehicle for Marguerite Clark, the Dainty Screen Star

The familiar story of the country girl who aspires to be a great artist is given a brand new twist in "Luck in Pawn," Marguerite Clark's latest Paramount-Artaft picture, which will be the attraction at the Pastime Theatre Tuesday next. Generally in fiction the aspiring heroine wins immortal fame with a masterpiece just as she is about to succumb to starvation. "Luck in Pawn" treats the situation in a much more true-to-life and pleasant manner. Annabel Lee, the pretty heroine, played by Miss Clark, is a country girl whose mother has paid for her art training by considerable sacrifice. Annabel is informed by a noted painter that her talent is infinitesimal and is feeling pretty blue when a bored young millionaire, attracted by her unaffected clothes and ingenious manner, strikes up an acquaintance with her. The pretty love story that follows, with its rather startling ending, is said to furnish a thoroughly entertaining comedy picture in Miss Clark's best manner.

Charles Meredith heads a capable supporting cast, which includes Leota Lorraine, Richard Wayne, and John Stepping. Walter Edwards was the director.

**DOGS LOST.** Strayed from my ranch Apr. 12, 2 young greyhound female dogs, year and half old, both brindle, steel bound breed, also two Russian Wolf Hound pups, 3 months old. Reward for information.  
R. D. Duniven or Addran Dial.

Amarillo is doing a lions share toward promoting the Panhandle-Plains Fair this fall. If we could all but understand that the Fair is a Panhandle affair, and not an Amarillo affair, we could cooperate more closely. The Panhandle don't necessarily need go to Dallas for a Fair, lets have one nearer home.

Gentlemen from Wichita, Kansas were through the Panhandle this week doing preliminary work toward establishing a new highway from Wichita to El Paso. So far as we know, this is about the first time Wichita has taken an interest in highways pointing in this direction. They may have thought there was only one way to the West, and that was by Wichita, but tourists have certainly been showing them different. When any town thinks the world cannot move without it, or its assistance, it will soon wake up and be just as far behind as any individual who thinks the community or world cannot move without them. You've got to stay in the procession and pull, else you will soon be behind pushing.

Electricity is as dangerous as a hot gun and will kill you as quick or quicker. You can get killed in a half a second by grabbing an ordinary light socket or a switch, if there should happen to be something wrong. The Miami light plant produces a 2300 volt output, enough to cremate you in half a minute, this current is reduced by the transformers down to 110 volts, which is not so very dangerous. Transformers sometimes get shorted and turn a heavy voltage into the 110 volt line. Then should you happen to be standing on a damp floor, especially of concrete and grasp a light socket, it is very liable to kill you. People can usually tell if something goes wrong with their light wiring, and if there is anything wrong, stay away from it and call an electrician, the light plant, or City Manager. It is useless to take a chance, let the fellow that knows take the chances.

### CARD OF THANKS

In behalf of the family, I wish to very heartily thank the many good Miami friends for their kindness and assistance during the funeral and burial of our dear mother. Our Miami friends were indeed very kind and offered many assistances, all of which were very highly appreciated.  
J. F. Rasor.

### Some Old Story But a Good One.

Mrs. Mahala Burns, Savanna, Mo., relates an experience, the like of which has happened in almost every neighborhood in this country, and has been told and related by thousands of others, as follows: "I used a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy about nine years ago and it cured me of flux (dysentery). I had another attack of the same complaint three or four years ago and a few doses of this remedy cured me. I have recommended it to dozens of people since I first used it and shall continue to do so for I know it is a quick and positive cure for bowel troubles."

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Bob Townes,

AT J. A. COVEYS WORKSHOP

Mrs. and Mrs. Dallas George of Lawton, Oklahoma came in yesterday and are visiting at the Baird and large homes. Mrs. Claude Carr and small son, Harvey spent the week end at Lake with her brother, H. H. Carr, last week. J. V. Coffey returned Monday from Afton, Iowa and other points in Chicago where he went on business.

Mrs. N. S. Locke returned Monday from Lubbock where she has been for the past ten days with her mother. Mrs. Ellis underwent an operation on her left arm last week, and is now getting along nicely. Mayor F. P. Reid of Pampa spent Tuesday morning in Miami looking after business interests. Clarence Nelson left Tuesday for Paris, Texas after spending the summer with homefolks in Miami.

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N. A. Gray has just completed putting a new coat of paint on his big barn south of town.

Clarence Lyons, Roy Lard and Jim Talley are among the Miami people who visited the Perryton celebration first of the week.

Mrs. Clarence Lyons and children went to Amarillo Monday for a few days visit.

Frank Pursley and Jake Murray drove trucks to Panhandle last week where they loaded the belongings of C. P. Pursley, and drove them back to their home in Miami. Mr. Pursley has been in the meat business at that place for the past several months, but recently sold out.

Mrs. Jno. Short of Amarillo visited at the Dan Kivlehen home last of last week.

Joe Collins of Reserve, N. Mex., is here visiting John Van.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Tepe of Liberal, Kansas. Mr. and Mrs. Weimer Tolbert of White Deer and Bill Tolbert of Littlefield were visitors first of the week with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Tolbert of Codman. Mr. Tepe, in conversation with the Chief writer, states that they raised a wonderful wheat crop. Liberal is located in the extreme south-west corner of Kansas.

Harry Warren of Clarendon visited a short while in our city Monday of this week.

Miss Alta Long of Clarendon, and Miss Ernestine Bolin of Blackwell were visitors first of the week at the Rev. Wallace home.

Mrs. J. A. Scarborough of Arlington Heights Sanitarium of Ft. Worth, Texas is visiting this week at the home of Mrs. J. E. George.

Robert Robbins returned home first of the week from Eureka, Kansas after about a month's visit there with relatives.

Atty. E. J. Pickens and Judge W. D. Fisher of Canadian visited Judge W. R. Ewing Sunday. Judge Fisher has been filling the place of Judge Ewing on the District Court bench at Canadian, during Mr. Ewings sickness.

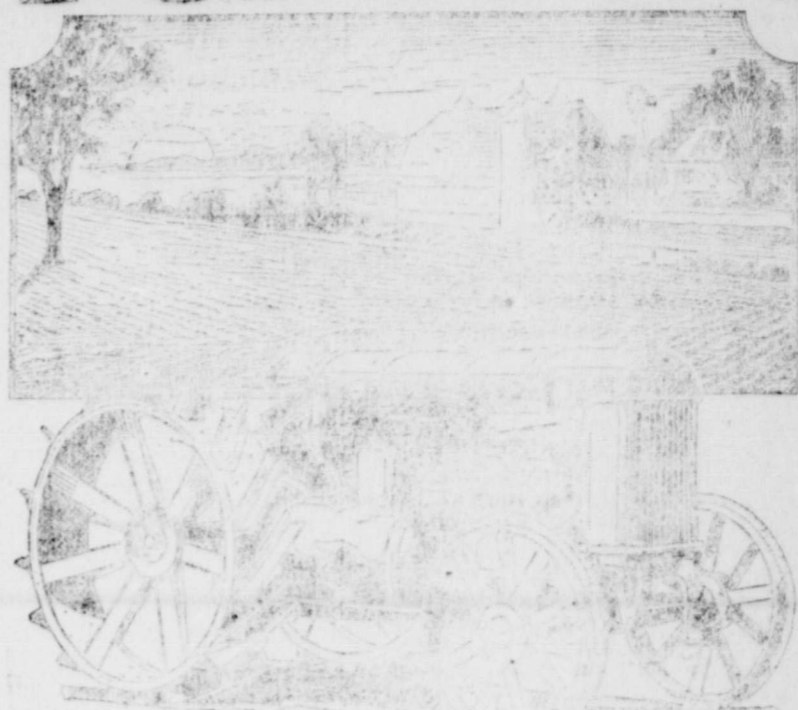
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Mrs. W. H. Craig went to Pampa Monday for a short visit with Mrs. Stroup.

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MIAMI, TEXAS.

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Mrs. Mamie Kuehn and son Charles returned Monday from Canyon and Amarillo where they have spent the past six weeks.

Owing to the slight breakdown of the light plant yesterday, which stopped our printing yesterday afternoon, the Chief is a few hours late today.



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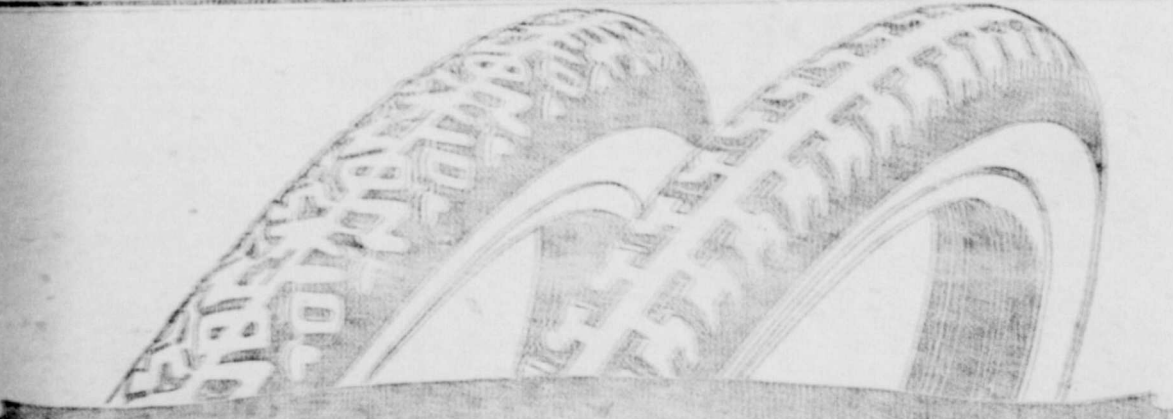
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Western Canada Farmers Rejoice Over Bountiful Harvest.

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There are those in nearly every state in the Union who have relatives or friends, or someone they have known, who are residents of some of the provinces of Western Canada. They have gone there to carry on the profession and occupation of farming. Their progress has been carefully watched and such news as may come from them or the country that they have taken partial possession of will be read with interest. Important news just now is the condition of the crops. Newspaper correspondents and government representatives are now in a position, after making a careful survey of conditions, to announce that the crop conditions in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta carry the promise of an early and bountiful harvest and farmers view the outlook with utmost pleasure. Good growing weather has prevailed since seeding and all cereal crops are well advanced. Wheat headed out has long, heavy heads, and big yields are indicated; predictions are being made that the record production per acre in 1915 will be exceeded. Harvesting began in some sections in the early part of August. An interesting feature of the situation is the fact that there are no bad reports from any part of the country from the Red river to the Rocky mountains and from the International boundary to Peace river. There will also be good fruit, vegetable and root crops.

Most remarkable has been the germination of most of the grain. Marquis wheat sown on May 11 was fully headed out on June 30.

Considerable advancement has taken place in the last few years in the growing of corn. Sunflowers are also being grown quite extensively. Both these do wonderfully well. On July 4 the writer was shown a twenty-acre field of corn that had reached a height of upwards of five feet, while a five-acre field of sunflowers close by, was entering for a keen race skyward. Both will doubtless be used for ensilage, to which will be added a splendid crop of alfalfa or sweet clover, which also have proved very successful. Now that corn, sunflowers, sweet clover and alfalfa have taken a liking to the country, it will mean a period of reconstruction in many farming districts, and mixed farming will supersede the period of "grain mining" that, no matter how fertile the soil, no matter how generous it may be in giving forth from its great storehouse of all the properties that have given to Western Canada its well-earned name of the wheat granary of the world, too much may be asked of it; the departure from this into the sphere of more intensive farming, covering many generalities not before indulged in, will add dollars per acre to the value of this productive land. Those who have watched the progress of Western Canada, have been looking for the day when corn and such like can be grown successfully. It has now arrived.

The cattle and dairy industry will be given an impulse that will attract those who have been wedded to this kind of farm life, while none of the interest that may be taken by the grain grower will be lessened. Already there is an influence following the fact that corn and sunflowers can be grown, that is leading to the erection of silos in many parts of the country, all indicating a growing satisfaction as to the great future that lies before it.

Due chiefly to the drop in costs of materials and wages, farmers throughout the prairie provinces are erecting many buildings this year, says the editor and manager of the Prairie Lumberman, who was a visitor to Vancouver a few days ago. A campaign is under way among the retail lumbermen and farmers, urging the erection of 2,000 silos this year, and this is meeting with success, more plans and specifications having been prepared and more structures being under way probably than at any other time in the history of the West.—Advertisement.

**Protection Against Radium.**  
A physician using radium has to insulate himself thoroughly from its effects. Dr. Belcher of the French Academy of Medicine says they must wear gloves lined with lead, and spectacles containing lead salt; they must handle the radium salts with pincers and sit at the table lined with lead. He is perfecting a lead protector for the heart and lungs, but advises operators to wrap themselves in thin lead sheets.

**Jud Tunkins.**  
Jud Tunkins says nature puts enough scales on a fish to give it more of a bathing suit than some human beings wear.

**From Missouri.**  
"What in the world are you kicking about?" asked the red-headed landlady. "When I took my room you told me there was a single hair mattress on the bed," said the thin boarder. "So I did." "Well, will you please come up to my room and show me the single hair?"

**Knows a Lot.**  
"So your son is home from college?" "Yep." "Has he learned much?" "He certainly has. More than his mother and I have picked up in a lifetime."

## IMPROVED ROADS

ROAD CONSTRUCTION IN 1920

Cost Was About Twice as Much as in 1917 on Account of Distinct Shortage of Labor.

(Prepared by the U. S. Department of Agriculture.)

Every kind of road cost about twice as much to build in 1920 as it did in 1917, according to the chief of the bureau of public roads, United States Department of Agriculture, and highway construction suffered more than any other class of work through railroad congestion, strikes, labor troubles and material shortages.

After the war there was a great public demand for improved roads. Many roads had been seriously damaged by war traffic, and it appeared that the return of men from military service would provide an abundance of labor. The army of laborers which was expected to apply for the work did not, however, materialize. On the contrary, there was a distinct shortage



Well Kept Roadside Where Weeds Are Controlled by Frequent Mowing.

of labor, and wages reached the highest levels attained in the history of the country. In 1917, competent labor could be secured for from \$1.50 to \$3 per day, but the corresponding wages in 1920 were from \$3 to \$5 for a shorter day's work.

In proportion to this demand there was also a pronounced scarcity of construction materials. Sand, gravel, stone, and cement, and materials commonly used in road work increased in price between 1917 and 1920 from 50 to 100 per cent. Naturally, these increases in cost were reflected in the prices paid to contractors for road work. Gravel roads increased from \$4,535 to \$7,250 per mile; concrete from \$21,165 to upward of \$40,000 per mile, and brick roads from \$33,000 to \$55,000 per mile.

As funds available for road construction are largely limited by statute, or by the returns from taxation, a majority of the states this year have deliberately withheld work, the plans for which had been completed, until they could obtain a greater return for their expenditure.

### SCOTS USED FIRST MACADAM

Resident of Ayrshire Made His First Experiments About 1814—Roads Now Common.

Macadam roads are so common in America that national pride may well lead us to look upon them as a domestic product.

But John MacAdam was a Scot, resident in Ayrshire, where he made his first experiments about 1814, according to the New York Sun. Five years later the first public roads were laid with the pavement and a grateful parliament awarded the inventor a grant of \$50,000.

In 1827, after the new pavement had been thoroughly tested, MacAdam was made surveyor general of all metropolitan roads in and about London and the use of his method became general throughout the United Kingdom.

### HARDING LAUDS GOOD ROADS

President in First Message to Congress Deplores Money Wasted in Improved Highways.

In no uncertain terms, President Harding expressed his opinion of the automobile, motor transport and good roads in his first message to congress. He said: "The motorcar has become an indispensable instrument in our political, social and industrial life. . . . I know of nothing more shocking than the millions of public funds wasted in improved highways—wasted because there is no policy of maintenance. Highways must be patrolled and constantly repaired."

### Hens Vary in Weight.

Egg-producing hens vary in weight, the average being about four pounds. The principal breeds of egg producers are the Leghorns, the Wyandottes, the Plymouth Rocks, the Rhode Island Reds and the Minorcas.

### Work Is World Wide.

Road construction and maintenance have become world wide as well as provincial problems and foreign governments are doing much work toward highway development.

## STRAIGHT LINES NOW FEATURE CLOTHES FOR STREET WEAR



ALONG with new suits for fall, come the new cloth dresses, the one-piece daytime frocks that have made a secure place for themselves among street clothes. They employ the same fabrics as suits do—the same sort of decoration and finish—with more latitude in the matter of trimming—and have become a necessity in the wardrobe. They have an advantage because they are worn without a coat for early fall and under heavy wraps for midwinter.

The new arrivals in street dresses disclose designers to be of one mind, at least in the matter of the straight-line silhouette. They have developed their ideas in many ways, but the foundation of the styles lies upon the straight-line figure, even when plaits are employed in the skirts. Some of these dresses have the effect of skirts set on to bodies, under narrow strap belts, placed at a low waist line; but this belt does not break the line from shoulder to hem. Bell sleeves, elbow or three-quarter length appear to have

captured the fancy of their makers—but collars and the neckline are much varied.

The dress pictured here is of navy tricotine. Its half-length sleeves are slashed and faced with crepe-de-chine. The wide opening is bordered with the crepe and ornamented with buttons—one square, white button following another from neck to hem, in two rows. They also outline the bottom of the sleeve. A black patent leather belt, piped with white, could hardly be narrower, and is loosely adjusted about the waist.

Many street dresses have panels that emphasize the straightness of their lines. Narrow braid and small beads in neat rows, maintain the tailored character of these frocks or of the smartest models, and the strap belt adds its testimony to the same feature of the style. Small fur neck pieces, for crisp autumn days will be added when the time comes to wear these graceful substitutes for the suit.

## SMART STYLE IN KNITTED THINGS FOR FALL WEAR



STYLES have become so important in knitted things for outerwear that garments are named after them—as "tuxedos," "slip-overs," "tie-backs," and so on, rather than by more revealing terms. In wool, silk and fiber silk manufacturers have made smart things for outer wear that deserved to be named and are. The sweater-coat has become the "tuxedo," our old favorite the surplice waist is now a "tie-back," and the sweater pure and simple almost is no more—the "middy"—with various descriptive words preceding this title, the tuxedo and the semi-tuxedo have replaced it, aided by new sweater-blouses.

This movement to emphasize style has resulted in the most attractive outer wear for fall that has ever been presented by the knitting mills. These knitted things are for everyone—young or old—but they fit the youth of school girls and young women at college as surely as smooth cheeks and sparkling eyes. Worsteds middles in white with collars in navy or cadet blue or jockey red are turned up about the bottom, with flat pearl buttons calling attention to the fact, and made with elbow-length sleeves also provided with turned-up cuffs. As sure as fate someone will invent a knitted hat to complete this snappy affair for fall.

A plain tuxedo is shown above. Full length revers and cuffs are provided by knitting the yarn in a different stitch and there is a detachable knitted sash finished with small tassels

that slips through supporting straps at the sides. This is a dignified coat that has many rivals in fancier stitches and revers of angora or other wool furs. Very often the revers and cuffs are in white on a colored coat, or in another color, as pearl gray on shell pink, gray on navy, white on jade, flame on white.

One sees these knitted tuxedos everywhere—at the country club, the country, the beach, on the street. Their numbers will increase with the coming of fall and we shall find them in the company of dainty blouses like that shown here and with silk skirts. This blouse is made of French blue georgette with embroidery in black and cerise. It features the bell sleeve and illustrates the tuck-in style, which is at least holding its own among many over-blouse rivals.

*Julia Bottomley*  
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**Dotted White Vests Popular.**  
It is surprising how the colored chenille dot holds its own in fashionable velling. And now that the white veil is having such a tremendous vogue we see white veils dotted in bright colors such as jade, cornflower blue, cherry, coral, etc. Even the new nine-inch veillings that are becoming so popular are being shown in white.

## Home Town Helps

CUT DOWN LOSSES BY FIRE

Recommendations That Should Be Heeded by Every Dweller in City or Country.

Read all tall buildings, using standard equipment and see that it is properly installed. Inspect every inch of rodding at least once a year.

Put up "no smoking" signs about barns and outbuildings, and enforce them.

Ventilate the barn, but also see that tight doors and windows are provided against the invasion of sparks and blizzards.

If you have nothing to fight fire with, get something if only a bunch of buckets.

Do not put the well pump too close to the barn—you may need that water to save your property some night.

Get non-freezing pumps.

Know where the ax is, and have two ladders on hand long enough to reach over the eaves of the tallest buildings.

Talk over with the family just what each is to do in case of a fire in home, barn or field.

Keep oils out of the house and barns.

"Stagger" your buildings with reference to the prevailing winds. Do not let a fire in one building wipe out your entire place.

Watch for spontaneous combustion in the barn.

Cut the weeds and do not "bank up" the house with dead herbage.

Keep matches in a metal box away from children, mice and rats.

Never leave an outdoor fire for the night nor leave an indoor fire without safeguarding your home from fire.

Do not stack crops close to buildings and see that your road from pike to house and barns is in good shape.

Conserve your water supply.

### CARELESS DRIVER WARNED



Instructions to motorists who disregard signs merely calling attention to steep hills or railroad crossings must be explicit, according to the Travelers' Standard. Any novice should be able to make a safe crossing if he follows the advice set forth by this warning near Ithaca, N. Y.

**Grow Flowers With Vegetables.**  
There is no reason why flowers and vegetables should not be grown together. It is difficult to draw the line, anyway. The dahlia, now one of the most popular flowers, was originally planted with the intention of using the tubers as a potato substitute. The scarlet runner bean, grown by the acre on the farms of England, is most often used in America as a climbing vine around the house; in fact, there are many persons not aware the beans are good to eat.

The ideal garden is one which combines flowers, vegetables and fruit. Such a garden should have a place on every farm and back of every suburban home. Oftentimes the vegetable plot can be surrounded with a border planted on two sides with small fruit like raspberries, currants, gooseberries and grapes, and on the other two sides with annual and perennial flowers.

**May Restrain Billboards.**  
Many people, especially those that go down to the country in motorcars, will welcome the efforts that are being made in Maine to deal more faithfully than ever with the billboard. If an amendment to the state billboard regulations now before the senate is carried, no billboard or advertising sign may in future be erected at any point where it can obstruct the view of a curve or angle. It is a good amendment so far as it goes. A better one would be to abolish the billboard in the country, altogether.—Christian Science Monitor.

**Four-Handed Twin-Grand Piano.**  
A twin-grand piano, the first of its kind ever constructed, was recently demonstrated at an orchestral concert, at Leipzig, Germany. This novel instrument, of which a photograph appears in Popular Mechanics Magazine, is like two grand pianos placed end to end and inclosed in one frame, excepting that it has only one soundboard. Consequently, the keyboard is at opposite ends, and the players face one another. The soundboard is constructed so that there is no intermingling of sound waves.

## SKIN TROUBLES

May Defy Lotions & Ointments  
Eczema, tetter and similar affections should be treated through the blood. Outside applications offer only temporary relief. The thing to use is S. S. S.—the standard blood purifier, which has successfully relieved such troubles for over 60 years.

For Special Booklet or for individual advice, without charge, write Chief Medical Adviser, S. S. S. Co., Dept. 431, Atlanta, Ga. Get S. S. S. at your druggist.

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## WHY DRUGGISTS RECOMMEND SWAMP-ROOT

For many years druggists have watched with much interest the remarkable record maintained by Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney, liver and bladder medicine.

It is a physician's prescription. Swamp-Root is a strengthening medicine. It helps the kidneys, liver and bladder do the work nature intended they should do.

Swamp-Root has stood the test of years. It is sold by all druggists on its merits and it should help you. No other kidney medicine has so many friends.

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A woman's idea of economy is to have things charged.

## ALLEN'S FOOT-EASE DOES IT

When shoes pinch or corns and bunions ache, get a package of ALLEN'S FOOT-EASE, the antiseptic powder to be shaken into the shoes. It takes the sting out of corns and bunions, gives instant relief from smarting, itching, swollen feet. 1,500,000 pounds of powder for the feet were used by our Army and Navy during the war.

The next thing to being sick is to be told you are sick.

The housewife smiles with satisfaction as she looks at the basket of clear, white clothes and thanks Cross Ball Blue. At grocers, 5c.

The landlord loveth a cheerful giver.

Do you know why it's toasted?

To seal in the delicious Burley flavor

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Prepared by The American Tobacco Company

## Acid Stomach for 10 Years

NOW A DIFFERENT WOMAN Earnestly Praises Eaton

"My wife was a great sufferer from acid stomach for 10 years," writes D. Crippen, "but is a different woman since taking Eaton's."  
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## OLD WOMEN OF MIDDLE AGE

Escape the Dreaded Sufferings of that Period by Taking Mrs. Block's Advice

Hopkins, Minn.—"During Change of I had hot flashes and suffered for two years. I saw Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound advertised in the paper and got good results from taking it. I recommend your medicine to my friends and you may publish this fact as a testimonial."—Mrs. ROBERT BLOCK, Box 542, Hopkins, Minn.

It has been said that not one woman in a thousand passes this perfectly natural change without experiencing a train of very annoying and sometimes painful symptoms. Those dreadful hot flashes, sinking spells, spots before the eyes, dizzy spells, nervousness, are only a few of the symptoms. Every woman at this age should profit by Mrs. Block's experience and try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

If you have the slightest doubt that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound will help you, write to Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co., Lynn, Mass., about your health. Your letter will be answered, read and answered by a woman, and held in strict confidence.

Identified. Edith—Nobody loves me. Ethel—Oh, then Reggie has proposed, has he?—Boston Transcript.

## ASPIRIN

Name "Bayer" on Genuine



Beware! Unless you see the name Bayer on package or on tablets you are not getting genuine Aspirin prescribed by physicians for twenty-one years and proved safe by millions. Also Aspirin only as told in the Bayer package for Colds, Headache, Neuralgia, Rheumatism, Earache, Toothache, Pain, and for Pain. Handy tin contains twelve Bayer Tablets of Aspirin cost few cents. Druggists also sell larger packages. Aspirin is the Bayer mark of Bayer Manufacture of Pharmaceutical Division of Saliicylicacid.

Lots of men who believe in Darwin's theory are busy transforming themselves back into monkeys.

Important to Mothers Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA, that famous old remedy for infants and children, and see that it bears the signature of *Dr. J. C. Fletcher* for Over 30 Years. Children Cry for Fletcher's Castoria

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# The American Legion

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## RELIGION'S PART IN BIG WAR

Senior Chaplain Found That 90 Cent of Fighters Were Men of Some Faith.

To those disquieting souls who publicly lament that the average American lost what little religion he possessed during the trying days of 1917-18, Rev. Henry Russel Talbot, B. D., canon of the National Cathedral of Washington, D. C., makes answer. As senior chaplain of the embattled First Division, A. E. F., in the Argonne fighting, Dr. Talbot viewed a cross section of the country's manhood and found a religion that will puzzle and amaze the orthodox church-goer.

In his work, Dr. Talbot collected and examined the personal effects of men killed in battle. In ninety percent of them he found either a Bible, a scapular, a prayer book, a cross, a crucifix or some other token which, he says in a letter to national headquarters of the American Legion, proved that religion was a real element in the men's lives. And in those days, the former chaplain continues, the First was not carrying a single article it did not consider essential.

Admitting that the average American is "uncommonly timid in the exercise of his religion," Dr. Talbot declares that "nevertheless it is there and needs only to be cultivated and intelligently used." He summarizes his refutation of the assertion that the American soldier was an irreligious person by the statement: "If a simplicity which is elemental; a trust which is childlike although it expresses itself in what is called 'chance' or 'luck'; a sense of reverence which is so profound that it is never fooled by cant; an honesty which, while it is apt to be communistic is so essential that shams don't last—if these are notes of religion, there was in the spiritual life of the Expeditionary Force something that was fine."

## DAN CUPID WAS ON THE JOB

Nebraska Legion Man Won Bride From Home When They Met in France.

They met in France. He was a soldier, she a canteen worker. The romance culminated as only a romance could—culminated in the marriage recently of Frank B. O'Connell, department adjutant of the American Legion of Nebraska, and Miss Rachel N. Blodgett of Orleans, Nebraska. The wedding was at Orleans and the "vets" are now domiciled at Lincoln.

O'Connell, during the summer of 1918, served at Le Mons, where he edited a soldier newspaper. Miss Blodgett was stationed there as a canteen worker with the Y. M. C. A. They had known each other as children, but not seriously. They met at Sable. Cupid did the rest.

## WAR BROUGHT WORK FOR HER

Fargo (N. D.) Girl Found Plenty to Do During and After Big Conflict.

Maybe woman's place was in the home, but when America entered the World War, Miss Abbey N. Hurley, Fargo, N. D., was a clerk and stenographer in the district court of her county. Then the district clerk enlisted for service and Miss Hurley forsook the files and keys to help the deputy carry on the work.

Then the deputy enlisted—and the little stenographer carried on the work alone while she broke in a new deputy. She did the task so well that she was named deputy clerk herself in October, 1919, a position which she now holds.

When the boys came marching home again, her brother, who had enlisted early in the state's infantry regiment, began forming a post of the American Legion and Miss Hurley started in to organize a unit of the Legion Women's auxiliary. Last May she was elected secretary treasurer of the North Dakota department of the auxiliary. She is, ah—twenty-one.

## LEGION MAN FED UP ON WAR

Veteran of the World and Other Conflicts Returns to Greece and is Nabbed for Service.

John P. Poulos, veteran of the World War and a member of Albert V. Braden Post No. 58, the American Legion, Ishpeming, Mich., is getting tired of going to war every year or so. He has the United States government at work trying to get a red chevron that will keep him out of battle long enough to at least recover his breath.

John is a native of Athens, Greece. When he came to this country his name was John Peter Contogiannopoulos. On account of his great difficulty in making his intensive handle understood, he cut off several yards of it and became John P. Poulos. He was drafted for service with the Greek army during the first Balkan war. After being mustered out he emigrated to America and found employment in the copper mines of Michigan.

After a few years in this country he returned to Greece for a visit. Greece was having another little scrap then, and he was drafted for the second Balkan war. He did his bit and left for America again. America entered the war just after John got back, and he enlisted for his third fling in the infantry. He did it well, and after Uncle Sam had given him his discharge, he decided once more to visit Greece. Result, he's in again!

This time the Greeks have drafted him for service against the Turks. John recently appealed to his congressman, W. Frank James of the Twelfth Michigan district, opining that he was fed up on wars and that he wanted to get out of the army and be married. Mr. James has taken up the case with the State department.

## HE FOUND THE EXCITEMENT

Hoosier, Seeking Battle Lines, Discovered Liberal Share of What World War Offered.

Few bucks can equal the record of Ralph G. Patterson, Hoosier of strong Irish extraction, who went A. W. O. L. looking for the battle. He found it.

Patterson left his quiet home in Muncie, Ind., early in search of excitement. He found what he wanted in the cattle ranches of the Northwest. His life in riding the ranges was the most exciting career he had heard of until he conveyed a load of cattle to Chicago in April, 1917, and found out that America had entered the war. So did Pat.

Going to France with Headquarters Troop of the First division shortly after Pershing, Private Patterson was stationed in the peaceful French village of Gondrecourt for weary and drab months while the battle was going on without him. Finally he and two buddies hopped a French meat truck bound for the front. It took them as far as Bar-le-Duc, from which place they hiked in the direction of the front. They found the front line trenches around Luneville, introduced themselves to the amazed poilus and declined to leave because they couldn't understand what the horizon blues were so excited about. After ten days an American officer came to the front after them. They polished the company's pots and pans for two weeks for their pains.

## INDIAN BOYS AS LEGION MEN

Charter for Post in South Dakota Bears the Names of Four Sioux Braves.

When adjutants of a number of western posts of the American Legion call the membership roll at meetings, it is not always the easiest thing in the world to "make out" the names, for American Indians who served during the World War, are lining up with the ex-service men's organization, according to applications for post charters received at national headquarters.

A recent charter request for a post at St. Charles, S. D., bears the names of four Indians who sign themselves: Benjamin Comes-Out-Bear, Charles Owl-Walks-In-the-House, Narcisse MacKenzie and John Bluebird. Sixty Sioux Indian braves have been engaged to stage a real war dance for the Legion's third annual national convention in Kansas City next fall. The Indians performed valiant service against the enemy in the World war as intelligence scouts

# LIVE STOCK

## FAILURE OF SWINE TO MATE

It May Be Caused by Improper Functioning of System Brought About by Improper Feed.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.) Failure in the ability or desire of swine to reproduce may be caused by any of several conditions, say specialists of the United States Department of Agriculture. It may result from a disease or injury that seriously affects or destroys the secretory reproductive organs. It may be caused by improper functioning of the system, which in turn is often brought about by unsuitable feed or faulty elimination of waste products, or it may be due to a general lowering of body vitality.

There are also cases of sterility or impotence for which definite causes are difficult to find. Failure to breed quite frequently occurs in boars and sows which have been fitted and kept in high condition for show purposes. In some instances the sow fails to come in heat, or perhaps indicates that she is in heat and is successfully served by the boar without resulting conception. In other cases the boar shows no desire to mate, or acts ineffectively.

The first step in overcoming the trouble is to find a positive cause, when possible, by making a thorough examination. This should include a search for physical defects, the presence of disease, the results of injuries, or lowered vitality from any cause.

When, from such examination, it appears that proper treatment will prove successful, remedies should be administered promptly. But if the cause is obscure, or if there is little likelihood of correcting the defect successfully, it is best to remove the animal from the breeding herd. Boars may be castrated and fitted for slaughter as market hogs. Similarly, sows should be discarded when they become uncertain breeders.

When there is no apparent cause for failure of swine to mate, experts of the United States Department of Agriculture frequently have observed a lazy or sluggish temperament. These hogs generally are of the type known as "hot-bloods." They are fat and show an unwillingness to exercise. The tendency is more common in mature hogs and increases with age, but is frequently found in young stock. Careless and unwise inbreeding practices tend to produce hogs of this type, but inbreeding does not necessarily bring about the condition.

When the lack of sexual vigor is shown in only an occasional animal it



Pigs on Oat and Pea Forage.

may be possible to recognize the fault in blood lines or type. But when failure to mate occurs frequently and when the type is right, the indications are that the system of management is fundamentally wrong.

Upon the appearance of this condition an effort should be made to correct it by a restriction or modification of the diet and an abundance of exercise. The ration must have the fat-producing feeds largely reduced and protein feeds plentifully supplied. Pastures should be provided where possible, but when these are not available then the ration should consist of alfalfa meal, alfalfa, soybean or clover hay to supply protein and vitamins, high-grade tankage, fish meal, linseed meal, or a good grade of white middlings and whole oats—with but small amounts of corn or ground barley, together with a good mineral mixture. In addition an abundance of daily exercise must be given. This will probably have to be forced by driving the boar or sow about the paddocks or pastures daily until the animal is tired.

By maintaining the digestive functions in a proper manner, by causing abundant exercise and by supplying proper nourishment, there will be brought about a proper elimination of the body wastes and a rebuilding of the tissues. This should cause the reproductive organs to function properly and bring about a toning up of the system in such manner that breeding operations will be successfully conducted.

Swine breeders must be alert to the necessity for ruggedness in herd boars in addition to other qualifications. Breeders must refrain also from too great a degree of fineness and smoothness in the selection of their breeding animals, or loss of breeding power will ultimately develop in their herds.

## TELL 'EM TO SEE ME, SAYS TOWNS

Every Time I Sit Down to a Juicy Steak Now I Give Thanks to Tanlac, He Declares.

"Every time I sit down to a juicy steak now I give thanks to Tanlac for taking me off that milk and mush diet I had to live on for a year," said Joseph R. Towns, the well-known and popular proprietor of the Sanitary Meat Market, of Marshall, Mich.

"I had stomach trouble of the worst sort and was going down hill so fast I thought I would have to give up my business. I was so nervous and worried I dreaded to see night come, as it meant little for me and then in the morning I was so fagged out I dreaded to go to my market."

"The money I spent for Tanlac was the best investment I ever made. I never dreamed a medicine could do the work it did for me. Three bottles was all I needed to make me as sound as a dollar. I never felt better or more like working in my life than I do right now. I eat anything I want, my stomach is in good shape and I am brimful of energy. I sleep all night without turning over and get up in the morning as happy as a boy."

"Not only has Tanlac made me feel fit and fine, but I have also gained twenty-five pounds in weight. If anybody wants to know more about what I think of Tanlac, let them come to me and I will be glad to tell them. It certainly hasn't an equal."

Tanlac is sold by leading druggists everywhere.—Advertisement.

The average doctor's private opinion of the medical fraternity wouldn't show up well in print.

## A Lady of Distinction

Is recognized by the delicate fascinating influence of the perfume she uses. A bath with Cuticura Soap and hot water to thoroughly cleanse the pores, followed by a dusting with Cuticura Talcum powder usually means a clear, sweet, healthy skin.

Most men are too modest to admit the size of their faults.

Snowy linens are the pride of every housewife. Keep them in that condition by using Red Cross Ball Blue in your laundry. 5 cents at grocers.

## NOTHING NOVEL ABOUT THAT

Old Joe Had Tried "Electricity" and Found It Was No Cure for Rheumatism.

Old Joe Carter had suffered from rheumatism until, he declared, he had "no patience with it," but he was always eager to hear of possible remedies, and when his sister in Mobile wrote that she knew of a cure that had been tried with great success, and would tell all about it on her next visit, old Joe was all excitement.

"Now, Mary!" he exclaimed to his sister, eagerly, a few minutes after she had reached the house, "you-all tell me 'bout dat cure for rheumatism! I was so anxious I could hardly wait fo' yo' to get heah!"

"Well, Joe," began the sister, "it's electricity and—"

Before she could continue Old Joe interrupted:

"De idea, Mary, of yo' comin' heah suggestin' dat to me! Don't you-all remember dat only last summer I was struck by lightning, and it didn't do me no good?"—Philadelphia Ledger.

## Mental butterflying at 2 a. m.

A great indoor sport for thoughtless people

One of the surest ways to become physically incapable of doing your best work is to get only snatches of sleep—broken by disturbing dreams.

If your sleep is being disturbed by drinking tea or coffee, you may be sowing the seeds of a nervous breakdown.

Do not wait until your nerves are affected by the drugs, then and caffeine, in tea or coffee. Protect your strength, vitality and endurance.

Have sound, restful sleep, and wake refreshed and fit for any task.

Postum, the delicious cereal beverage, with its golden-brown richness and coffee-like taste, will

## EASY TO KILL RATS AND MICE

By Using the Genuine STEARNS' ELECTRIC PASTE

Parents whose children are underweight, pale and puny, and generally backward, will find in FORCE an efficient corrective agent. It lays a solid foundation for later physical development.



## Kill All Flies!

They spread disease. Kill all flies! They spread disease. Kill all flies! They spread disease. Kill all flies! They spread disease. Kill all flies! They spread disease.

PARKER'S HAIR BALM

HINDERCORNS

LEARN THESE SECRETS

BLUE MOUNTAIN CANNING COMPOUND

## NO LOSS IN THAT VENTURE

Darky Got More Out of Garden Than Ever the Owner Was Lucky Enough to Get.

Not long ago a couple of negroes who had long before been neighbors in a southern state rather unexpectedly met in Philadelphia. Of course, they talked of old times in the South and one of them remarked:

"How 'bout dat truck garden, Joe? When I left you had jest taken it over. Did it pay?"

"Well," said Joe, "I didn't have nothing to complain 'bout."

"I always had a mighty pore opinion 'bout dat truck garden," continued the other darky. "You remember I told you before you got it that you would never get your money back."

"But I did get my money back," returned the other. "I made more outter that garden than the owner ever did."

"You don't say so?"

"I shore does," continued the other. "I got the rent out of it, and that's what the owner never got!"—Philadelphia Ledger.

## Unsentimental Critters.

Short skirts are said to encourage the activities of mosquitoes. Maybe so, but we don't see how they could possibly be more active than they are around our own betrousered shanks.—Boston Transcript.

## FALL IS COMING

So is our Fall and Winter Dry Goods coming in every day.

Just received a big bunch of up to date Ladies fall dresses made out of fine Tricotteen. These dresses are marked at a price to sell quick. On display 10 days only.

Our Men and Boys Fall Suits are here for your inspection.

See our new Dress Goods just arrived.

We have just received a bunch of new Axminster Rugs and Linoleum rugs.

We will allow 10 cents Discount on all of our Summer Dress Goods for cash.

Come in and let us fix you up for School Our Stock is complete.

Look for Our Bargains, We have Many.

**J. L. SEIBER & CO.**

## Public Sale FRIDAY, AUGUST 26 1:30 P. M.

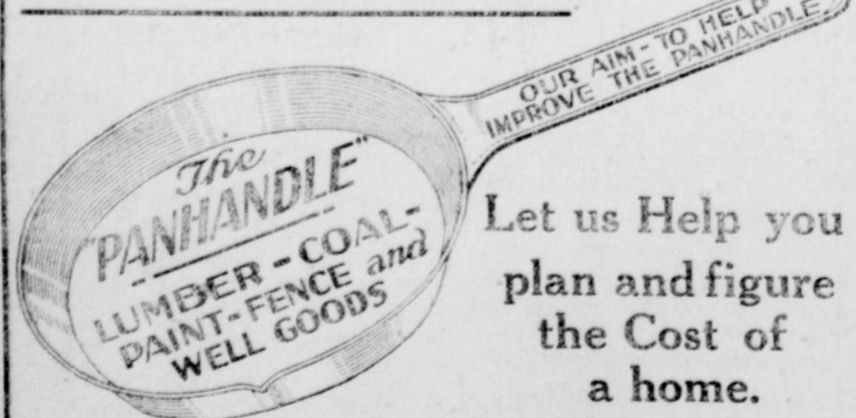
At my residence 1-2 miles North of Miami, known as the Peck place. I will offer for sale:

- 8 Milch Cows,
- 5 Calves,
- 5 Steer Yearlings,
- 1 2 year old heifer,
- 1 Yearling Heifer,
- 2 Work Mares with mule colts by side. Perfectly gentle, wt. 2800 lbs.
- 1 Brown Horse, gentle,
- 33 HEAD OF HOGS:
- 16 shoats, wt. 80 lbs.
- 14 pigs, 2 months old,
- 2 sows,
- 1 Registered male, Big Bone Poland China,
- 1 buggy and harness.

**TERMS:** Under \$10 cash, over, 5 per cent discount for cash or 12 months time with 10 per cent interest, bankable notes.

**J. M. Hodges, Owner**  
**JAMISON & SALLSBURY, Auct.**  
**H. A. TALLEY, Clerk.**

There's no Place Like Home



And why let the old home place run down. Perhaps all it needs is a coat of good paint, we carry a complete stock of B. P. S. paints and varnishes. There are none better, and very few as good, every can guaranteed. Or you may need an implement shed, you can not afford to let your combines and engines stand out in the weather all winter. You will find our prices right, and find us on the job to serve you at all times.

Spray your hen houses with Crenoid, and you will not be worried with lice and mites, guaranteed to kill every one.  
Panhandle Lumber Co.

HEMSTITCHING and PICOTING promptly and neatly done. See or phone me for prices. I can give you good work.  
Emma Sohns.

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Robert County—Greetings:

You are hereby commanded to summon M. E. Voss by making publication of this citation once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your County, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 31st Judicial District; but if there be no newspaper published in said Judicial District, then in a newspaper published in the nearest District to said 31st Judicial District, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Robert County, to be holden at the Court House thereof, in Miami, on the first Monday in September A. D. 1921, the same being the 5th day of September A. D. 1921, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 29th day of July A. D. 1921, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said Court as No. 602, wherein Lorene Voss is Plaintiff, and M. E. Voss is Defendant, and said petition alleging that on or about the 22nd day of October 1919 in the town of Miami, Robert County, Texas, plaintiff and defendant were lawfully married and continued to live together as husband and wife until on or about the 10th day of August, 1920; that during the time plaintiff lived with defendant he was guilty of many acts of cruel and improper treatment towards her; that on or about the 9th day of August, 1920, defendant while in a fit of anger rushed upon plaintiff and grabbed her by the arms and began to wrench them in such a way as to cause her pain and suffering and at the same time with a violent push caused plaintiff to fall back against the corner of the stove thereby cutting and making a wound on her head above the eye which bled profusely and was sore for many days afterwards; that he was guilty of many more cruel and improper acts which are recited in plaintiff's original petition, and by reason of which acts plaintiff says that it will be impossible for her to live with defendant any more.

Plaintiff says that as a result of her marriage with defendant there was born to her one child, a girl, name, Audrey Ann Voss, age five months, and plaintiff asks that she have the care and custody of said child in her own right.

Plaintiff further says that defendant does not now reside in Robert County, Texas, nor does she know where he resides at this time, and that his relatives have no trace of his whereabouts.

Wherefore plaintiff prays the court that defendant be cited to appear and answer this petition; that said marriage between plaintiff and defendant be dissolved and declared null and void; that plaintiff have custody and education of the said child of said marriage, and for costs of suit and for such other and further relief, special and general, in law and in equity, that she may be justly entitled to.

Coffee & Holmes.  
Attys. for Plaintiff.

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

Given Under My Hand and the Seal of said Court, at office in Miami, Texas, this 1st day of August A. D. 1921  
M. M. Craig, Jr., Clerk,  
District Court, Robert County.

**CAUSE OF APPENDICITIS.**  
When the bowels are constipated, the lower bowels or large intestines become packed with refuse matter, that is made up largely of germs. These germs enter the vermiform appendix and set up inflammation, which is commonly known as appendicitis. Take Chamberlain's Tablets when needed and keep your bowels regular and you have little to fear from appendicitis.

**BLACKSMITHING NOTICE**  
We have just opened the Cal Hockett Blacksmith shop, and are prepared to give you good and prompt service at reasonable rates. All work guaranteed and we do everything in blacksmithing, woodwork, plumbing and tin work.  
John Cunningham,  
J. E. Dawson.

**TRESPASSING NOTICE**  
Hunting or trespassing on my property is strictly forbidden and no petting, and trespasser must remember, mission given. This is the second no 40-4tp.  
Joe Cunningham.

**I WANT TO TRADE,** a nice bunch of steers for good Plains land, or will sell the steers on reasonable time. They are in good condition. See or phone, W. C. Christopher.

Let the Chief office fix up that bunch of sale bills for you.

## Now Ready For Your Needs

Big car load of furniture arrived this week, has and 20 very beautiful new Rugs, 8 X 11 to 9 X 12 been opened and now ready for your inspection, at very attractive prices. Let us furnish your home Dressers, Tables, Dinofolds, Dining Chairs, Kitchens, Range, Stoves and Ranges, Cabinets, Bed Steads, Rockers, Bed Springs, Mat-We are striving to keep what you want at a price tresses, Quilts, etc. Extra good line of Linoleum you can afford to pay.

### Piece Goods

Very latest in piece goods line. All new wool Tricotine, Serges Cashmere, ParaTwill and complete line of Satins Messalines and Charmeuse in the latest color.

### ANYTHING IN SHOES FOR SCHOOL

### PARISTYLE

Suits, Coats, Tricotine, Canton, Crepe and Charmeuse Dresses.

### LA ROSE

Line of blouses direct from New York.

### SUITS

Everything in boy's suits and pants for school.

We have a new and complete line of Men's Loth Hoffman Dress pants.

### Everything for Infants.

Everything complete in infant sets, coats, blankets, quilts, baskets, toilet articles, etc.

Everything ready and prepared for the new arrivals.

We are prepared to take care of your Fall Needs.

## LOCKE BROTHERS

"The House of Quality"

**NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING**  
Of the Stockholders and Directors of The First State Bank of Miami, Texas

Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the stockholders of this bank will be held at the office of the bank in Miami, Texas on Friday, Sept. 23, 1921 at the hour of 2 P. M. for the purpose of selecting a board of Directors for the ensuing year and for such other business as may come before said meeting.

The regular monthly meeting of the Directors of said bank will be held on same date immediately after the adjournment of the Stockholders Meeting.

H. E. Baird, Cashier.

The "Soo-Soo Club" met with Mrs. Barnette Friday afternoon. The club being strictly practical no business was presented.

A few forgot their sewing so our president was kind enough to share with them.

Mrs. Barnette proved to be a very delightful hostess. Dainty refreshments consisting of cream and cake was served to the following members, Mesdames Robbins, Pursley, Fulton, Danley, Brannon, Martin, Newman, Townes, Covey, Burnett, Montgomery, and Miss Ruth Martin, guest.

The club will meet at Mrs. Fulton's Friday at 3 P. M. and motor to the country home of Mrs. Charlie Burnett.

P. R.

### ACCOUNT NOTICE

There having been an interest in the company sold, it is imperative that we get all past due accounts settled at once. Please give this your attention before the first of next month.

Miami Telephone Co.

LOST between A. M. Jones Drug Store and the Miami house, a gold watch chain with a one dollar gold piece charm. Return to City Market and receive reward. 1tp.

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J. E. Kinney W. H. Barnes  
KINNEY & BARNES  
Attorneys-at-Law  
GENERAL PRACTICE  
Office in Miami  
Cunningham Bldg. Texas.  
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Large size sheets Carbon paper for sale at the Chief Office.

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E. O. HINSON  
Dray and Hauling done  
Prompt and Efficient Service  
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Milch Cows for Sale,  
See W. A. Dyer

### CLEANUP NOTICE

Our weeds are all cut, and our little City looks much better, and now, beginning, Sept. 1st to 5th, the City Board asks you as good citizens to clean up your premises, and burn or haul away all your trash.

C. S. Seiber, Mayor.

Do not let your hens be worried by lice and mites. The Panhandle Lumber Co. sells Crenoid, guaranteed to kill them.

### WINDMILL REPAIRING

I will do your windmill repairing building towers and repairing work. Work guaranteed at reasonable prices. See or call me across street from S. E. corner court house.

J. A. Everman.

**ESTRAY NOTICE.** Came to place about August 6th, one big male hog, bob tailed, no ear mark. Owner may have same by paying bill and for this notice.

S. J. Meador.

## GOOD THINGS TO EAT



Are very essential to good health. Watching your eating and save the doctors bill. We can not only save you money in this way, but our prices are also always very reasonable. We are watching the daily market and can save you money. We always know you want quality groceries, so that is the only kind we handle. High patent soft and hard wheat flour, that will always please you. Everything in stock that is carried in a modern grocery.

## G. M. MOON

When Hungry Remember That Our Stock Is Fresh; Our Prices Right; Our Service the Best; And Our Customers Satisfied.

**SANDERS GRO. CO.**

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