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MASON, TEXAS, THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 25 1919.

EST. 1877

CHAS. BIERSCHWALE
REAL ESTATE
ABSTRACTOR AND NOTARY
 IN BUSINESS SINCE 1885

MASON : : : TEXAS

25 YEARS AGO

15 YEARS AGO

From Mason News, Sept. 28, 1894:

Mrs. Jacob Lee died at the residence of her son here Wednesday afternoon, after a brief illness. T. A. Saunders brought in a curiosity a few days ago in the way of a large cane stalk with Johnson grass seed on it.

Wm. Jordan, of the Katemey gin, ginned 87 bales up to the 24th.

The Mason gin has turned out 44 bales.

Theo. Schmidt has been attending the Fredericksburg fair.

Mrs. A. W. Kooch is visiting Miss Willie Burnam, of Menard county.

Mrs. J. F. Schaeg has been spending the week at J. W. White's ranch.

John Crosby and family of Hartshorn, I. T., are here visiting his mother.

Miss Clara Morrow returned a few days since from a visit with Miss Willie Burnam of Menard county.

Dr. Graudstaff and family left Wednesday for San Antonio where he goes to assist in some surgical work.

F. A. Gerdes has contracted to make a map of Mason and Koochville for the School Board for \$30 and he is to make the tax rolls for the first time.

The Koochville gin has turned out 100 bales.

Mr. Lonsdale and family have moved here from Llano.

Mason High School enrollment is now 240.

Alfred Schuessler's confectionery store at Llano was burned Sunday. Loss \$800, covered by insurance.

John Hunter and sister, Ollie, returned to their home in Edwards county last week, after a visit to relatives here.

SAVE YOUR GRAIN

Don't fail to take care of the grain you raise this year. We are prepared to make you any sized galvanized grain bins.

F. Lange

Ellis Massey, the Grit merchant, was here Saturday marketing some remnant cotton. Ellis informed us that he had sold out the Grit store to his brother, Ollie and that he will go to London and pick cotton.

N. J. O'Connell, of Temple is at work putting in the furniture and fixtures for the First State Bank. Mr. O'Connell is with the Temple Front and Awning Co., and put in the marble for the Mason National Bank, he will also put in the new marble front for the Commercial Bank.

Gates Half-Sole Tires, guaranteed puncture proof and cost 1/2 as much. Walker & Walker.

W. E. Jordan, cashier of the First State Bank of this city, informs the News that the bank will be ready for business by the first of October.

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MID-TEXAS TEACHER'S CONSOLIDATED INSTITUTE

The public school teachers of San Saba, Mason, Menard, Concho and McCulloch counties will convene the Mid-Texas Teacher's Consolidated Institute at Brady, Texas, during the week beginning Monday, October 6, and ending Friday October 10, 1919. Those who have entered into verbal or written contracts to teach in any one of these counties are required by law to attend this consolidated Institute for five full days. Others interested in education are invited to attend these sessions.

All teachers are expected to register with the secretary of the section that they expect to attend on the opening day, as a record of attendance must be kept. Each teacher is requested to pay to the secretary, under whom they enroll the fee of \$1.25 at the time of registration. This money is to defray the expense of the Institute.

In this institute you are offered an opportunity of hearing some of the best talent in the State, and it is well worth the time and expense to every teacher who has the school work at heart.

You should be prepared with note book and pencil, as there will be need for them.

For Methods work the Institute will be divided into sections, each in charge of a competent leader. For The High School Section, Democracy's High School, by Lewis, will be used as a basis for the work. This book may be obtained from Southern School Book Depository, Dallas, Texas, at 75c.

HIGH SCHOOL SECTION—Dr. L. W. Sackett, of the Department of Education, University of Texas, Director.

Boyd Commander, Secretary.

RURAL AND INTERMEDIATE SECTION—E. E. Davis, University of Texas Extension Department, Director.

Miss Floyce King, Secretary.

PRIMARY SECTION—Miss Lillie Martin, Baylor University, Waco, Director.

Miss Minnie Lou Cravens, Secretary.

WM. ELLEBRACHT WAS IN CORPUS STORM

Corpus Christi, Texas
 Sept. 16, 1919

Mason County News, Mason, Tex.:

While I am on top of the Nueces Hotel viewing the sights of the wreckage left by the great storm that you probably heard or read of, I will pen you a few lines as an eye-witness. And as a confession of faith, I promise you after this if papers and forecasts predict a gulf storm or even a whirl wind I will stay clear of gulf coasts and advise every one likewise. The storm raged from 50 to 85 miles per hour. Water was 5 foot deep in the lobby of the Nueces Hotel, and 7 feet deep in the streets. I was in my Southeast room on the 6th floor of the Nueces Hotel when one window crashed in. Mama! I came out of that room and you know the rest.

Estimate loss of life 500 or more. Pavilion Hotel and Sea Side Hotel completely gone, North Beach and Pavilion bathing arrangements all gone, Electric Light and Ice Plants all gone. All the residences on Water Street are gone; also the Large Compress completely washed away but boilers and some heavy machinery. The large plant of the Petroleum Oil Co. all gone and this immense lot of black oil from the large tanks inter-mixed with all the wreckage and the some 5,000 bales of cotton from

the Compress all is a sightly mess. Some 400 houses completely destroyed and 500 more badly wrecked. Beach residence section is now a sea of innocent looking water with wreckage piled in the streets. The North Beach Sanitarium and the North Beach Hotel are badly wrecked and part of same washed away. The railroad track leading into the bay for boat loading washed out and about 20 freight cars all loaded with cotton tumbled into the bay. The waves in the bay at times were about 20 feet high.

There were some 1,200 people in the Nueces Hotel; no lights of any kind, water main broken so no water, five feet salt water in the kitchen so no grub. The house with exception of broken doors and windows stood the wind and water remarkably well. I saw quite a lot of houses just as they went down and emerged in the water. And a man right at that time has a peculiar feeling that can't be described.

Wind began about two o'clock a. m. Sunday and quit about 2 o'clock a. m. Monday. Wind blew at its best about 16 hours and one could surely say, "A long, long lane that never turns"; as indeed minutes would seem like hours.

Railroad tracks washed out, no way to get out; wires down, no way to communicate with loved ones at home. Wreckage and dead and unseemingly sights like this one will in all honesty again ask the question, "Is there no God of mercy?" Some families are part saved and part dead.

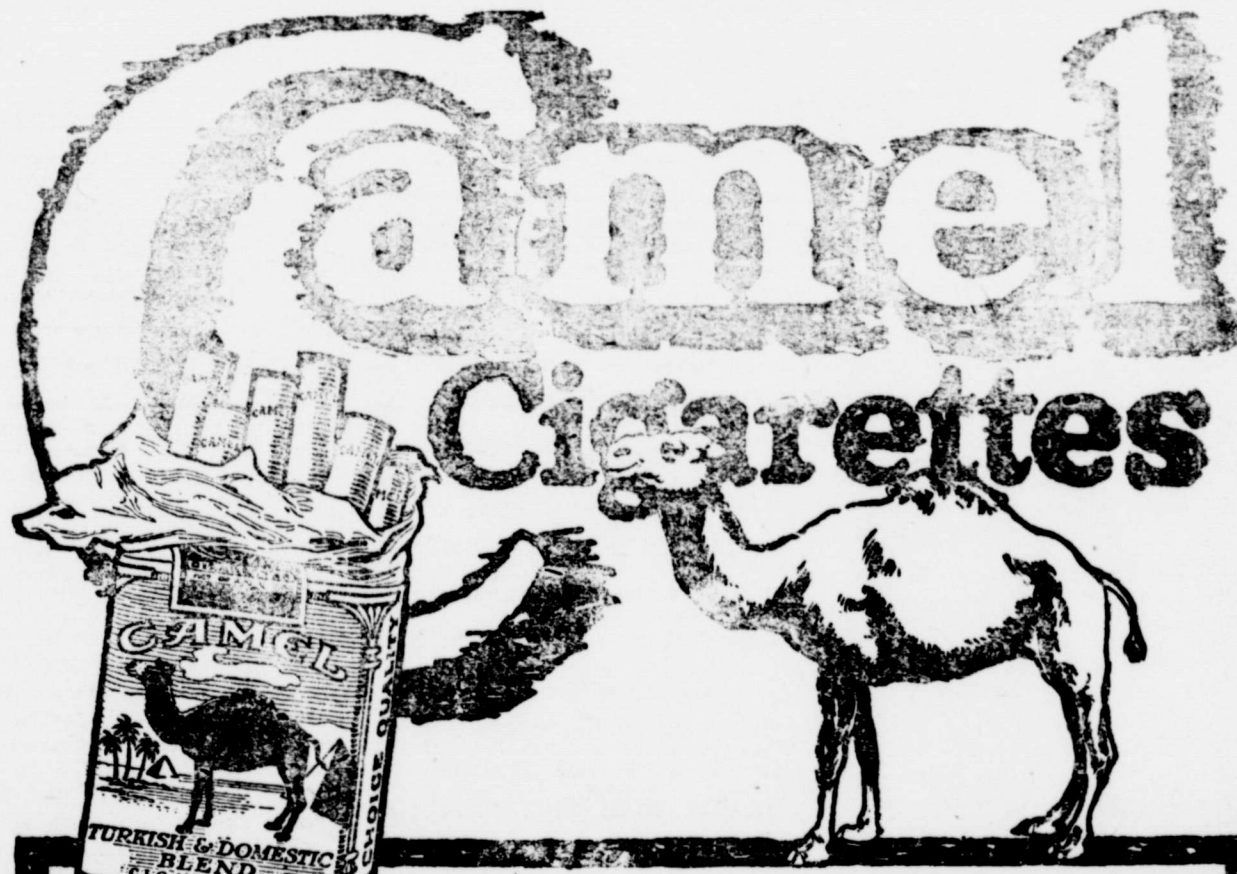
After the water began to rise it rose about six feet in less than 30 minutes so there was not much time. Yet, the people had all kinds of warning, and no one seemed to heed until the trouble was upon them, and then, as so common, the little word "if" was abused in all kinds of if statements. While I am writing this on Monday evening after Sunday's storm, thousands of men are cleaning wreckage off the streets. The great amount of dead fish and some dead people, both men and women, causes a very offensive odor.

This was one time the rich and the poor had equal chances. The many autos on the streets were under water, and turned and twisted in all kinds of shapes. After this

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MONEY TO LEND
 On Farms and Ranches
 2 TO 35 YEARS 6 TO 8 PER CENT
 INTEREST PAYABLE AT ANY TIME OF YEAR
 No Delays
Runge & Runge

CLEANING AND PRESSING
 CLOTHES CALLED FOR AND DELIVERED, SPECIAL
 PAINS TAKEN TO PLEASE
LAUNDRY
 LEAVES EVERY TUESDAY. HATS CLEANED AND BLOCKED.
 YOUR SUIT ORDERS SOLICITED. FITS GUARANTEED.
ROY E. DOELL
 WITH J. S. KING, THE JEWELER



What you pay out your good money for is cigarette satisfaction—and, my, how you do get it in every puff of Camels!

18 cents a package

EXPERTLY blended choice Turkish and choice Domestic tobaccos in Camel cigarettes eliminate bite and free them from any unpleasant cigarette aftertaste or unpleasant cigarette odor.

low-mildness of the tobaccos yet retaining the desirable "body." Camels are simply a revelation! You may smoke them without tiring your tastel

For your own satisfaction you must compare Camels with any cigarette in the world at any price. Then, you'll best realize their superior quality and the rare enjoyment they provide.

R. J. REYNOLDS TOBACCO COMPANY, Winston-Salem, N. C.

IN MISERY FOR YEARS

Mrs. Courtney Tells How She Was Cured by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

Oskaloosa, Iowa.—"For years I was simply in misery from a weakness and awful pains—and nothing seemed to do me any good. A friend advised me to take Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. I did so and got relief right away. I can certainly recommend this valuable medicine to other women who suffer, for it has done such good work for me and I know it will help others if they will give it a fair trial."

—Mrs. LIZZIE COURTNEY, 103 8th Ave., West, Oskaloosa, Iowa.

Geo White was up a short time last week from the Cherokee section. It is hoped that Mr. White's frequent visits back to Mason indicate that he may soon have he and his family as permanent residents.

NOW—The soap for cleaning and washing cars. Not only cleans but polishes.

City Grocery Co.

Money to Lend—Runge & Runge

Wes Smith and wife and baby returned home last week from San Antonio, where they took their sons to attend school. Mr. Smith purchased a new Buick-six at Fredericksburg on his way down.

Miss Lee Smith, who is teaching in the Brady High School, was over from Brady to spend Sunday with home folks.

A News want ad brings about some wonderful results sometimes. Try one and see for yourself.

Pecans have been on the local market for about a week and have been bringing a bit a pound. Chances are that they will gradually go higher. It is said that Mason County has the largest pecan crop for many years.

PROGRESS OF TICK ERADICATION IN MASON COUNTY

Dr. A. K. Kuttler who is connected with the Bureau of Animal Industry and Live Stock Sanitary Commission of Texas at Ft. Worth was here during the latter part of the week, going over the records of tick eradication with Mr. Hanna, and states that the county is in very good condition, and that nearly all premises now held under Special Quarantine, will be released in December, providing the work is continued with the same zeal that it has been carried on with until the present time. However Dr. Kuttler warns that the very most important period of the work is from now until the end of the season which is about Nov. 15th. If we do not get the last tick rapidly with which they multiply would make it possible, if just a few were missed at this time of the year, to undo all the work that has been done, and for this reason one or two dippings at this time of the year is equal to an entire season, if ticks should happen to be present and not dipped. The plan of tick eradication and its success depends upon the knowledge of the life of the tick with that information it is possible to state just when a pasture will be safe to release, and you can be sure that the Live Stock Sanitary Commission does not desire that cattle be dipped any longer than necessary as the problem of getting those dipped that really must be dipped any longer than necessary, as the problem of getting those dipped that really must be dipped to insure success, is great enough without spending any effort on those that need not be dipped. It is not always the number of clean dippings that counts most, the time of the year must be considered, and if the people will realize the important part of the work very few will have to dip another year. But if dipping is stopped now as some have expressed a desire to do, in a great many instances the years work will have been wasted and it will be necessary to dip all next season.

According to Lamar Thaxton, the Federal Farm Land Bank of Houston has placed loans in Mason County amounting to \$94,940.

GARREY'S STOCK TONIC. Prevents cattle from getting worms, ticks, etc. Sold under a guarantee. Garrey's Tonic will build up your cattle and make them bring better calves. Give it a trial. Sold by F. Lange. 8-21ft

If you want feed phone 45

LIKES BROWNWOOD

Brownwood, Texas Sept. 15, 1919. Mr. Martin Loring, Mason, Texas

Dear Sir: I came to Brownwood April 21, 1918 and went to work for Wells Fargo & Co. On July 1, 1918, the company was changed from Wells Fargo & Co. to The American Railway Express Co. When I started working for the company I thought we had lots of express to handle, but we didn't have anything like as much to handle as we have had this year. The most we had to handle when I came here was beer and booze, and believe me, we did handle some of that booze up until it was voted out.

One night just before the whiskey was voted out we unloaded from the train that comes from San Angelo one hundred gallons of whiskey and one hundred casks of beer, but it didn't do me much good as I didn't get any of it.

Since June 26, 1918 we have not been bothered with any whiskey or beer.

From the time I came up here until May 1, 1919, we would work from 12 to 18 hours per day and get from \$60 to \$75 per month, but since May 1st we have been working on the 8 hour system and have got a considerable raise. We now get pay for all over 8 hours we put in, and that is much better than it was.

The oil business makes a considerable lot of work for us, as they ship all kinds of oil well machinery by express, everything from a small fishing tool to a three thousand pound drill bit, and once or twice we have handled a roll of cable that would weigh close to five thousand pounds.

We have some fairly good oil wells and a few good gas wells around here. They are now laying the gas pipe from one of the best wells into the business section of the city. Some of the business houses are already using the natural gas for fuel. It will only be a month or two until practically the whole town will be using the gas for fuel, and it will be much cheaper than wood, for wood is from \$6.50 to \$8.00 per load here now and I don't have any idea you can get this winter for less than \$10 per load.

Well, Martin, as I don't know how long I will stay here I will only ask you to send me the News for four months. I get mighty lonesome sometimes and I want the Dear Old News so I can know what is going on down at Mason. Wish you and all my Mason friends lots of joy and prosperity. A. M. Manning

A MISTAKE

You often hear the remark made that a nickle won't buy anything now days. The News' want ad rates are a nickle a line. Invest a few rickles in a want ad in the News and you will find out just how much a nickle will do.

THE STORK BROUGHT

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Moore, of Pontotoc, a girl, September 8. Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Hartmann, Mason, a girl, September 24.

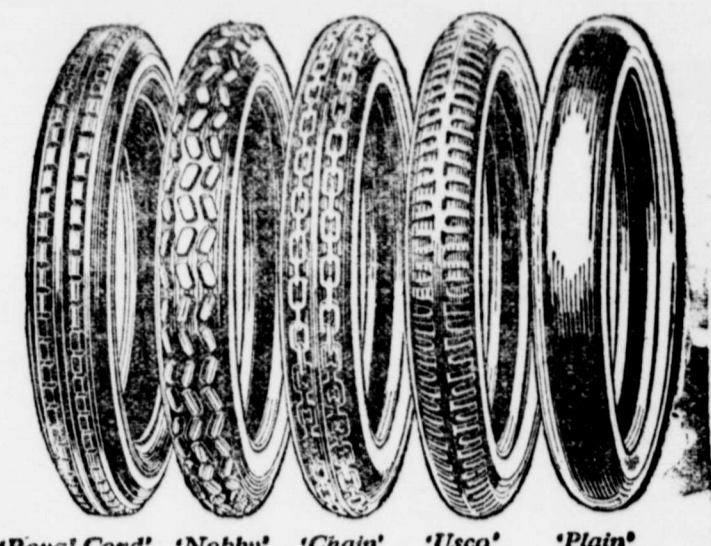
Ed Reynolds returned to Tulsa, Oklahoma last week after a visit of a couple of weeks in Mason with home folks and friends.

Texas has been awarded three national pennants in the national health crusade conducted during the last school term, according to an announcement received at the headquarters of the Texas Public Health Association. The winners from Texas in the national tournament were the Comfort Junior Red Cross, with Miss Tonia Palmis, crusade master, of Comfort, grade 5-B; Columbus Street School, with Mrs. H. R. Potter, crusade master, of Waco; grade 1-B, Brook Avenue School, with Miss Rue Lemmah Murphy, crusade master, Waco.

Reports of pipe line companies for the month of July made to the Texas railroad commission showing the amount of oil owned and held by the pipe line companies, amount held for others, and the unfilled storage capacity on July 31, show the following: Oil owned and held by the pipe line companies, 7,919,215 barrels; oil held for others, 2,987,305; unfilled storage capacity, 6,343,890. Total storage capacity reporting pipe line companies, 17,850,381.

CITY WHEAT MARKET

Cheapest and best meats possible to obtain. No delivery. Fine light bread also for sale. Pay highest cash price for dry or green hides. W. A. Esch, Prop.



'Royal Cord' 'Nobby' 'Chain' 'Usco' 'Plain'

See the big Nobs

The 'Nobby' is a big rough husky fellow. The tire they are all talking about.

A great road gripper—a sure enough non-skidder and non-slipper.

Makes easier riding and easier driving. More safety, more comfort—more mileage.

'Nobby' is a United States Tire, —which means none better. Just right for our roads.

United States Tires are Good Tires



We know United States Tires are Good Tires.

That's Why We Sell Them.

McCullum Auto Co. Mason Auto Co.

The Fact That You Own a Ford or other small car shows that you believe in Economical Motoring and are a Discriminating Buyer. Then Listen to This—The Ford is a good car so Henry Ford endorses it by putting his name on it. But Mr. Ford neither makes nor endorses the tires, so even though they were of inferior quality, that fact would not affect the reputation of the car. A low priced car may be good—but a low priced tire—NEVER. The cost of a car is nearly all labor. Large production means low price. But the cost of a tire is nearly all in materials, so if the low priced tire is wanted, cheap materials must be used in making it. Cheap materials mean poor service. You want the best service, so USE MICHELIN TIRES. Michelin does not make special tires for car manufacturers at special prices. Michelins, in all sizes, are made in ONE QUALITY ONLY—THE BEST. Just give Michelins a trial—we are prepared to be judged by your experience. McCullum Auto Company

Beck Gibson, one of the good farmers on the Gooch farm, informed us last Saturday that his, like all other farmers, greatest desire is for the weather to clear up and give us some cotton picking days.

Money to Lend—Runge & Runge

J. C. Kelso was here Saturday from the Wagram section. He says that the cotton in his section is not opening very fast.

The Mason National Bank is having a cement sidewalk put down in front and along the side of their new home. The work was begun the latter part of last week and is being done by H. Ischar.

ECZEMA! Hunt's Salve, formerly called Hunt's Cure is guaranteed to stop and permanently cure that terrible itching. It is compounded for this purpose and your money will be promptly refunded without question if Hunt's Salve fails to cure Itch, Eczema, Fetter, Ringworm or any other skin disease. Use the Box. For sale locally by VEDDER DRUG CO.

THE MASON COUNTY NEWS

(ESTABLISHED 1877)

V. M. Loring, Owner
M. D. Loring, Editor and Publisher

PUBLISHED EVERY THURSDAY

Entered at Mason Post Office as second-class mail matter. Absorbed Mason County Star and Fredonia Kicker Nov. 21 1910. Absorbed Mason Herald Sept. 27, 1912.

Notice of church entertainments where a charge of admission is made, obituaries, cards of thanks, resolutions of respect, and all matters not news, will be charged at the regular advertising rates.

ADVERTISING RATES

Local readers and classified ads 5 cents per line per issue. Display rates made known on application.

Subscription (always in advance) one year.....\$1.50

MR MERCHANT—It is not what YOU know about a certain brand of goods that brings you business, but it depends on what the BUYING PUBLIC knows about those certain brands of merchandise. Use printer's ink in telling the public the good merits of the goods you are handling.

SUBSCRIPTIONS PAID

The following have made subscription payments to this great weekly since our last report. Watch the label on your paper and if the date is not changed within two weeks after the list is published we will appreciate your calling our attention to the fact.

- A. M. Manning 50
- Edo Schlaudt 1.50
- F. P. Alexander 1.50
- Miss Coralea Tinsley 75
- Mrs. Wm. Leifeste 1.50
- Miss Zella Wood 1.00
- W. C. Doyal 1.50
- A. C. Dye 1.50
- Mrs. J. E. Alexander 1.50

We thank you. Who's next?

This week has been an exceptionally disagreeable one. The sun has not shown but very little up to the present. It rained every day since last Saturday. According to the rain gauge kept by Mr. Harry Bierschwale the precipitation is as follows: Sunday 1.02; Monday .58; Tuesday and Tuesday night 1.41; making a total up to Wednesday morning of 3.01 inches. The rains have been slow and steady here but from indications much more rain has fallen west of here. The Llano river has been up since Monday afternoon and it has been too high for the mails to reach Mason from Llano or Fredericksburg. It is said that the river was on a 20 foot rise Tuesday afternoon and it has fallen very slowly. Reports

WHO'S NEXT

We, whose names appear below, believe that Mason County should erect a monument and dedicate it to the memory of the Mason county boys who served in the recent world's war, and will donate the amount set opposite our respective names towards its erection:

- McCulloch Lodge No. 273 \$100.00
- August Kothmann \$25.00
- Mason Clean Town Club \$10.00
- Mason County News \$10.00
- Calvin Thaxton \$10.00
- Woman's Missionary Society \$10.00
- W. G. Keyser \$5.00
- German Ladies Aid Society \$5.00
- Henry W. Keller \$10.00
- Frank Brandenberger 25.00
- Baptist Ladies Aid \$5.00
- Alfred R. Grosse (Bartlett) \$5.00

If you are willing to subscribe phone the News the amount you will give and your name will appear in this list. The following are that Brady received a great deal more rain than we have had. The roads from Mason to Brady are almost impassable and we received no mail from there Monday.

We call our reader's attention to the advertisement of the Hofmann Dry Goods Co., which appears on the next page. This firm has an exceptionally large and complete stock of wearing apparel for men, women and children and are better able to care for the wants of the buying public than any year heretofore.

Will Bauer was in from his farm west of town last Wednesday selling roasting ears. Mr. Bauer stated that he planted this corn on the 26th of June and it has matured into extra fine corn. Lots of it is too large and too hard for roasting ears.

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MASON - LLANO MAIL LINE
WALKER & WALKER PROPS.

We solicit your passenger traffic and express hauling to and from Llano.

We have GOOD CARS and make GOOD TIME.

Report of condition of the MASON NATIONAL BANK AT MASON, IN THE STATE OF TEXAS, AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON SEPT. 12, 1919.

RESOURCES	
Loans and discounts (except those shown on b and c)	236,815.66
Customers' liability account of acceptances of this bank purchased or discounted by it	88.52
Total loans	236,904.18
Overdrafts unsecured	1,518.09
U. S. Government securities owned:	
Deposited to secure circulation (U. S. Bonds par value)	25,000.00
Pledged as collateral for State or other deposits or bills payable	10,000.00
Owned and unpledged	1,360.00
Total U. S. Government securities	36,360.00
Stock of Federal Reserve Bank (50 per cent of subscription)	4,500.00
Value of banking house, owned and unencumbered	18,558.13
Furniture and fixtures	1,674.93
Lawful reserve with Federal Reserve Bank	10,261.99
Cash in vault and net amount due from national banks	65,904.19
Net amounts due from banks and bankers, and trust companies (other than included in Items 12, 13, or 14)	4,676.31
Checks on other banks in the same city or town as reporting bank (other than in Item 16)	97.05
Total of Items 13, 14, 15, 16 and 17	70,677.55
Checks on banks located outside of city or town of reporting bank and other cash items	2,046.72
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer and due from U. S. Treasurer	1,250.00
Interest earned but not collected— approximate—on Notes and Bills Receivable not past due	659.59
Total	381,611.17

LIABILITIES	
Capital stock paid in	50,000.00
Surplus fund	50,000.00
Undivided profits	1,697.26
Less current expenses, interest and taxes paid	528.23
Interest and discount collected or credited, in advance of maturity and not earned (approximate)	3,199.15
Circulating notes outstanding	25,000.00
Net amounts due to National Banks	7,130.88
Total of Items 30, 31, 32 and 33	7,130.88
Individual deposits subject to check	215,112.11
Total of demand deposits (other than bank deposits) subject to Reserve, Items 34, 35, 36, 37, 38 and 39	215,112.11
Bills payable, other than with Federal Reserve Bank, including all obligations representing money borrowed, other than rediscounts	20,000.00
Bills payable with Federal Reserve Bank	10,000.00
Total	381,611.17

Of the total loans and discounts shown above, the amount on which interest and discount was charged at rates in excess of those permitted by law (Sec. 5197, Rev. Stat.) (exclusive of notes upon which total charge not to exceed 50 cents was made) was \$558.50. The number of such loans was six.

State of Texas, County of Mason, ss.
I, D. F. Lehmburg, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
D. F. Lehmburg, Cashier
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 19th day of September, 1919
Carl Runge, Notary Public.
Mason Co., Texas

Correct—Attest:
J. W. White
E. A. Loeffler
John Lemburg, Sr.
Directors.

Miss Carrie Willmann came up last Tuesday from Austin with Dr. Gilbert and spent a short time with home folks.

Money to Lend—Runge & Runge

District Court convenes in Mason next Monday morning at 9 o'clock. According to the docket there will be little doing at court this term. The criminal docket shows 10 cases on record. Four of them were continued from last court and 6 are new ones; but all are minor cases. There are 8 cases on the civil docket, 3 of which were continued last court; two are suits on notes and three are divorces.

Mrs. I. E. Wood is quite sick at the local sanitarium, where she was operated upon Tuesday night. Dr. Gilbert of Austin, assisted by Drs. Baze, McCollum and Thompson did the operating. We are informed that Mrs. Wood is getting along as well as could be expected.

Walton Reynolds expects to leave this week for New Orleans, where he is employed by the United Fruit Company, after a visit with his mother and other relatives and friends. Walton was at home on a vacation with hopes of benefiting his health.

Money to Lend—Runge & Runge

The Cisco Round-Up of September 12th tells of the attempted suicidal of Mr. Ira Newfield, who was found in his room at Cisco on the morning of the 11th suffering from an ugly gash in his neck, which he had made with a pocket knife.

According to the Round-Up Mr. Newfield was not considered to be in a dangerous condition and will likely recover. The cause for his attempting suicide is said to have been from insanity caused from head health coupled with financial difficulties. He was taken to Austin by relatives, who went to Cisco after being notified of his condition.

Mr. Newfield is well and favorably known here and for some time has visited this section at regular intervals and on business matters. He is an expert piano tuner and musician. His many friends here will regret to learn of his condition.

WCCD WANTED—At News Office.

Mrs. Henry Doell informed us Wednesday that she had so far been unable to hear anything from her son Rudolph, who for some time has been at Aransas Pass and was there at the time of the recent storm which destroyed so much property and so many lives all along the coast. All efforts so far to get in communication with him have failed.

Texas News

Anthrax has appeared in the northern and eastern portions of Brown county.

Ethel Parsons has been named director of the bureau of child hygiene of the state board of health.

Actual work has begun on the levee that will protect and reclaim several thousand acres of valuable farm land on Trinity river near Eikhart.

Farmers at Hempstead are losing their hay, continued rains rotting the hay which has been cut. Several carloads have been lost the past week.

The attorney general's department has approved a \$100,000 bond issue of Wood County Road District No. 7. The bonds are payable serially at 5 1/2 per cent interest.

The pecan crop in Lampasas county is the finest for many years past, the trees are loaded, and the nuts are of good size, and a good crop is assured unless a storm should blow the nuts off.

Exclusive of any city or district taxes, Dallas county property owners will pay \$1.50 on the \$100 for 1920. The county rate was fixed at 75c by a vote of the commissioners court. The state rate already has been fixed at 75c.

The state banking board has granted authority to do business to the State Exchange Bank of New Boston, Bowie county, capital stock \$30,000, and the Portland State Bank of Portland, San Patricio county, capital stock \$11,500.

For the quarter ending August 31 warrants aggregating approximately \$375,000 were issued to the 17,000 Confederate pensioners in Texas. Each pensioner received \$23, the largest amount ever paid Confederate veterans by the state.

Dr. H. Grafke, inspector in charge of tick eradication in Texas, says that the success of the work during August was equal to that of other months, although the total number of cattle dipped and inspected during the month was about 200,000 head short of the total number for July.

For the purpose of discussing the question of stabilization of the price of cotton seed, cotton seed producers, ginners, cotton seed dealers, cotton seed crushers and all others interested in the cotton seed industry are invited in a call issued by Warehouse and Market Commissioner F. C. Wehnert to meet in conference in Houston September 28.

Following official announcement from Austin that the \$2,000,000 bond issue voted recently in Nueces county for the construction of a modern system of highways had been approved by the state highway commission, word was received this week by County Judge Hugh H. Sutherland that \$500,000 state aid had been granted Nueces county, bringing the total available for road construction up to \$2,500,000.

Work on the good roads, for which Washington county voted a bond issue June 2 for \$1,500,000, has been delayed, owing to the outstanding levy bonds in the Chappell Hill district along the Brazos river, for \$49,000, the attorney general declining to approve the new bond issue until the old bonds had been retired. These old bonds are on 7,800 acres of land and two of the biggest owners declined to pay off and retire their pro rata of the bonds.

An indexical health survey has been conducted under the auspices of the state health department and Dr. C. W. Goddard, state health officer, says that the first results will soon be made public. They will show the amount, location and kind of all diseases prevalent in the state. The figures will be classified as to ages, sex, color and race, likewise it will show the time lost from work and the value thereof, and the time lost from school by children who have been sick.

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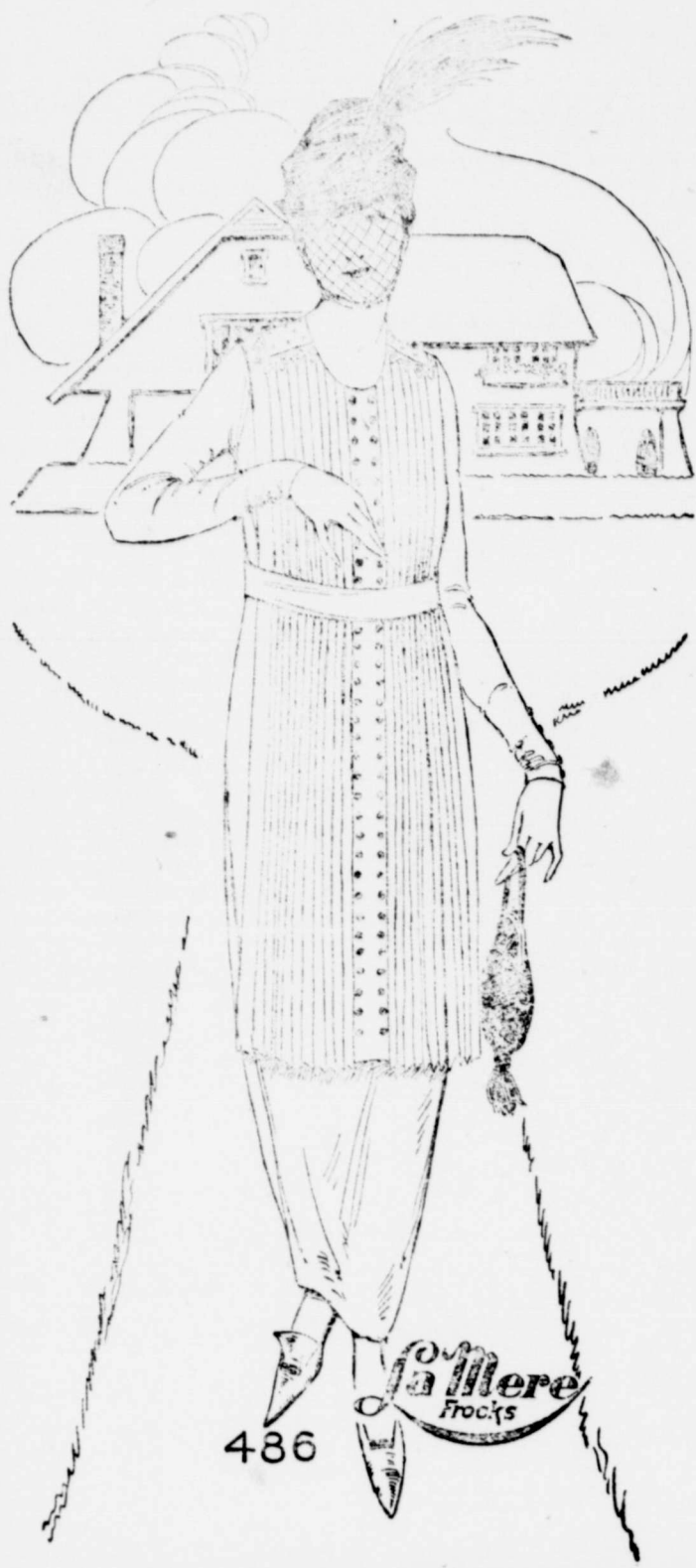
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6-4 Mayhew Produce Co.

H. Bierschwale informs the News that he has recently finished the big concrete barn on the ranch of Elgin O. Kothmann and that he will soon begin the work of erecting a big concrete tank for him. Mr. Bierschwale will also put a new concrete sidewalk in for the Commercial Bank, but he says that the scarcity of hands is delaying this work, and he is now looking for help.

Get your cement from Harry Bierschwale. 6-26

Mr. Elgin O. Kothmann, one of the most prominent Hereford raisers in this section of the State took in the Gillespie County Fair last week and had on exhibit some of his fine stock.

Harry McCollum and Emil Reichenau were among those from Mason who attended the fair at Fredricksburg last week.

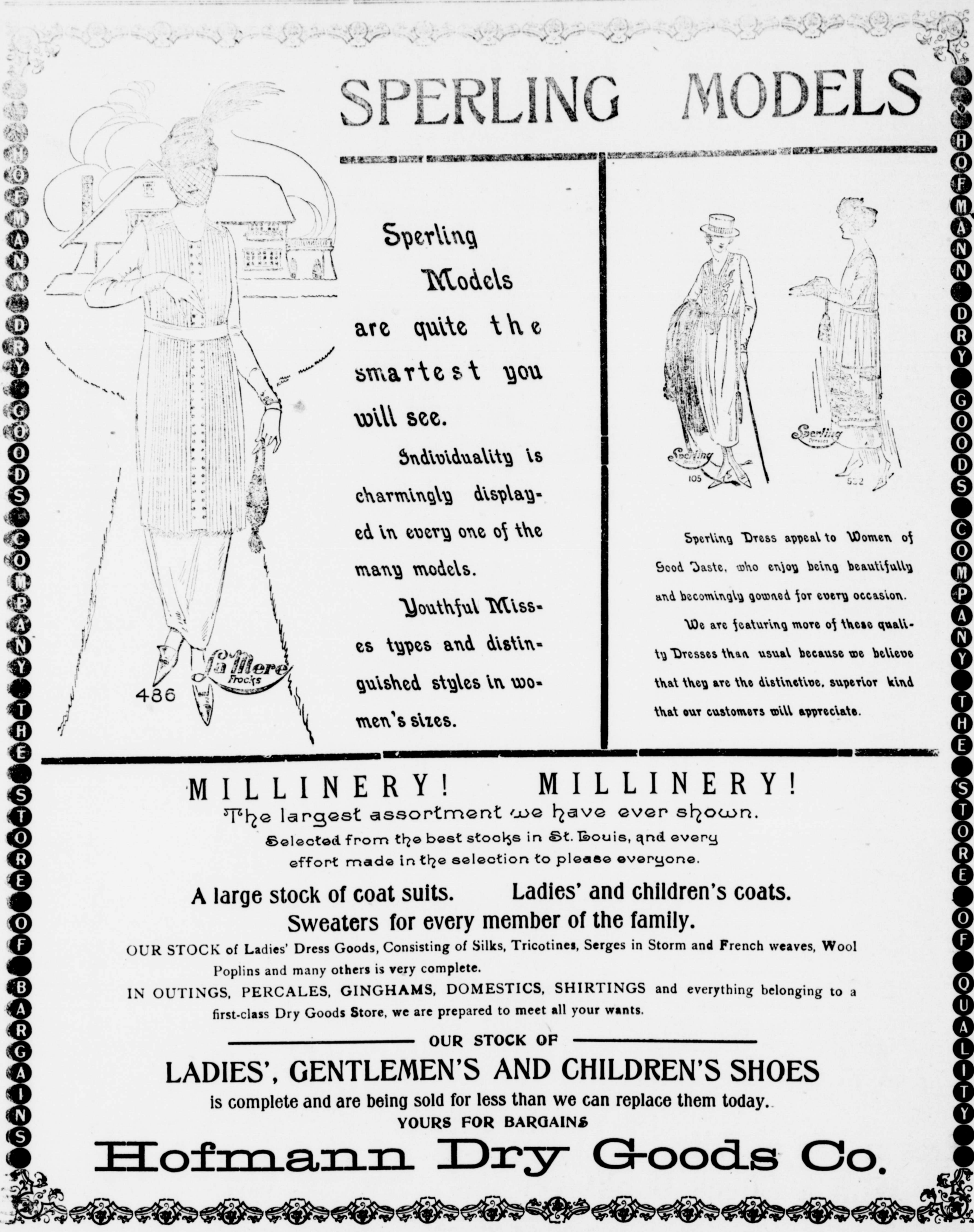
The McCollum Auto Co. report the recent sale of a new Buick-six touring car to John Brandenberger, one of the big stockmen of the Hilda section. Arthur Landers delivered the car last Friday and took in the picnic which was given in honor of the returned soldier boys of that section.

R. H. Bauman, one of the big stockmen of the Field Creek section, was a business visitor in Mason last Saturday.

NOTICE

Our pharmacist, J. D. Stengel, is back from the army, and is now with Vedder Drug Co., ready to fill prescriptions. "Jim" is a registered pharmacist and besides has had nearly one year's experience filling prescriptions in France. We want your prescription work and your drug business.

GIVE US A TRIAL VEDDER DRUG CO



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water was about 2 feet deep in the streets one lady came to me and remarked "I will give you fifty dollars if you will take my car on the hill." I said "No ma'am, I am not in the auto business right now." and in less than 30 minutes her car was out of sight.

The Government distributed free meat, bread and coffee; and the good people vacated the Presbyterian church and served coffee and sandwiches, also free candles for lights. These good ladies deserve high credit for their noble work. I could in no way write it too strong as to the sights I have seen regarding this storm, and I hope none of you good readers will ever witness what I did. However, it was a good lesson—Learn how to swim and then stay on high ground.

Sinton, Texas, Thursday night—On account of a two-mile wash-out on the Gulf Shore Railroad a bunch of us walked a distance of 16 miles from Robstown to Odem. Here at Sinton it is officially reported that some 300 bodies, dead and alive, 80 per cent women, were rescued 16 miles from Corpus Christi, which were driven up the Nueces river which was 3 miles wide. One man floated from Port Aransas on a raft. Fourteen were buried at Sinton on Monday and twenty-nine today, and over fifty dead in the court house tonight.

The Sap R. R. track for two miles is washed out and twisted like an auger, round and round. No one will have any idea as to this wreckage. As we walked along the track there were about 500 men at work cleaning rubbish to replace the rails and ties which were completely off the dump for 2 miles. In crossing this Nueces River, mind we were walking and had a good chance to see, we saw wreckage of every description piled up against the railroad dump: Fine furniture, houses, dead animals of all descriptions, mostly horses and cows; also dead men and women. At first the offensive odor made me sick but I soon got used to it. It is officially reported that Port Aransas is completely washed away; no more Port Aransas. It will be some time before traffic will be restored. So I decided to make the 16 mile hike and come to the hills where the water drains.

On Thursday A. M. a relief train with two hundred workmen, grub and bedding came in from Brownsville. All Corpus Christi is under martial law yet there is lots of pilfering going on.

As to loss of life and loss of property no one will ever have an idea. When Aransas Pass and Port Aransas went down that placed the gulf water into the bay, and the terrific wind behind the water drove the water into the little city with above results.

I wrote you a letter about the Rio Grande Valley last week. It may have been lost in the water. The water in the S. A. M. S. C. O store was six feet deep. Everything in the way of paper a total loss. My personal loss was a letter from my good wife. Will ask her to write another one like it to Will Ellebracht.

STATIONERY

The best along the stationery line at Mason Drug Co.

Mrs. L. F. Eckert and children and W. P. Eckert and daughters spent a short time at Fredericksburg the latter part of last week taking in the fair.

Get my prices on cement before buying elsewhere. 9-25 Harry Bierschwaie.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Martin and Misses Esther and Ruth took in the Gillespie county fair last week.

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TEACHERS' EXAMINATIONS

Notice is hereby given that a special teacher's examination will be held at the court house on Friday and Saturday, October 3rd and 4th. The examinations will be for those desiring permanent certificates as well as for applicants for 1st and 2nd grade certificates.

C. H. Garrett, Co. Judge and Ex-officio School Supt. of Mason Co

Mr. and Mrs. John Kidd and children were here last Saturday from their home beyond Katemey bringing their young son to see Dr. Baze. The little boy happened to an accident last Thursday while trying to hem a horse in the lot, which miraculously escaped being serious. He had succeeded in getting the horse in a corner but the horse turned suddenly and knocked the little fellow down and before he could arise the horse stepped on his head. Luckily the horse's hoof glanced the boy's head and came down on his ear and almost cut it from his head. Dr. Baze took several stitches in getting the ear back in place and he informs us that the little fellow is getting along nicely.

Money to Lend—Runge & Runge.

Former Commissioner A. T. Gray was here Saturday from his farm in the Peters Prairie section. Mr. Gray is an enthusiast over good roads and stated that he is anxious for good roads all over the county. He says that he is well enough acquainted with the financial conditions of the county to know that road bonds will have to be voted before good roads can be built and permanently maintained in Mason County.

Felix Jordan, the Katemey post master and merchant, was a business visitor in Mason last Saturday and took home with him a new Ford truck which he purchased of L. F. Eckert.

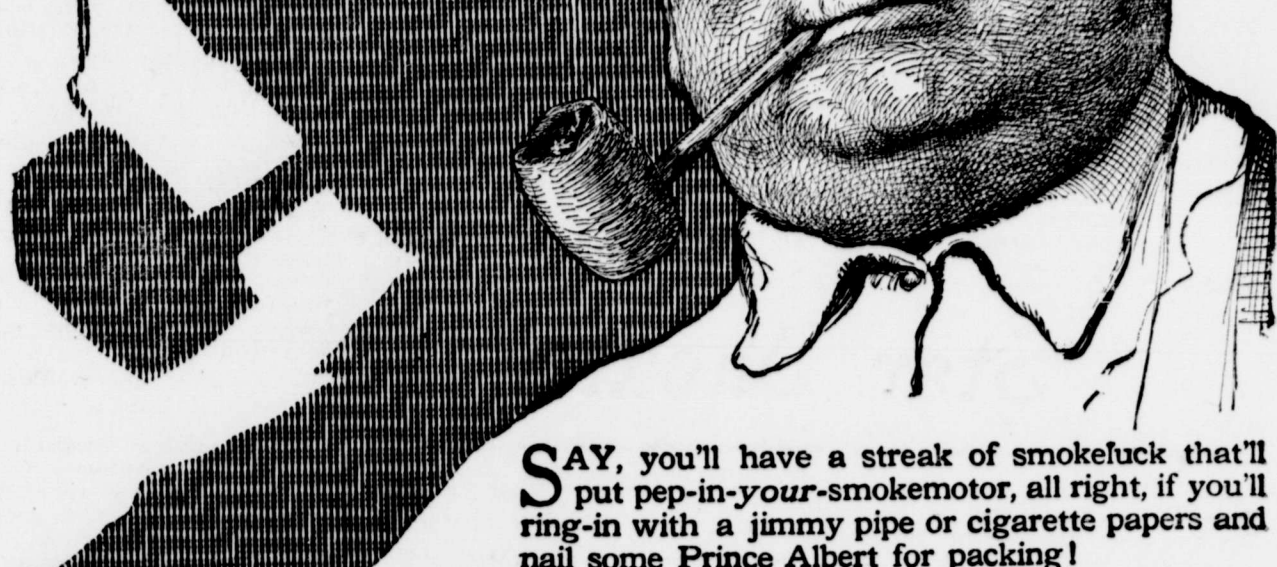
C. L. Martin and son, Paul, returned home last Saturday from a few days at their Los Moras ranch.

B. D. Willmann was a business visitor in Mason last Saturday from his farm in the Piehewille section.

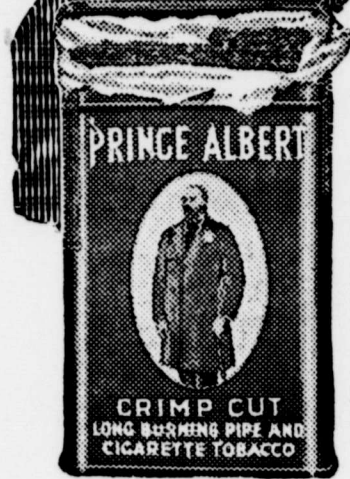
W. C. Doyal writes from Christoval ordering the News for a year.

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Well, sir, you'll be so all-fired happy you'll want to get a photograph of yourself breezing up the pike with your smokethrottle wide open! Talk about smoke-sport!

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Right now while the going's good you get out your old jimmy pipe or the papers and land on some P. A. for what ails your particular smokeappetite!

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The reels for the picture show did not arrive last Saturday so we were unable to have the show.

The 9th episode of "The Man Of Might" which was to have been shown last Saturday night will be shown next Saturday night and this serial will continue right along. Don't miss any of it.

Show starts promptly at 8:30 o'clock until further notice.

Star Theater

Chas Leslie was here this week from the Katemcy section, where he has been running his thrasher. Chas. says that he will have work

thrashing for at least another month. His machine is now set up at the farm of Jess Bratton.

The Queens Esther Society met at the home of Mrs. Wm. Splittgerber Thursday afternoon, Sept. 18, 1919. The subject for the afternoon was "Gary Indiana." The program was begun by an instrumental prelude played by Miss Bertha Schreiber. The opening song was "Faith of Our Father's" after which the Bible Lesson, Luke 10, 25-37, was read responsively. The Lord's Prayer was repeated by the Society. Miss Louise Grosse told of this mining town of Gary, of the many foreigners there, and of the great need of workers to carry the Gospel of Jesus Christ to our own people. Susie Donop then told how we could help meet this great need.

Miss Bertha Schreiber and Mrs. Wm. Splittgerber sang a beautiful duet, "O, It Is Wonderful!"

After various business was attended delicious cake and punch were served to the following:

Mrs. P. A. Baze, Alex Grosse, L. F. Eckert, Hugh Shearer, Misses Susie Donop, Louise, Elsie and Willie Mae Grosse, Lillie and Hulda Pluennke, Sophia Lemburg, Meta Loeffler, Lillie Mae Kidd, Bessie Grote, Mary Plunkett of Port Arthur, Rachael Lemburg and hostesses, Bertha Schreiber and Mrs. Wm. Splittgerber.

Reporter.

Superintendent Griswold informs us that the enrollment of the Mason School is now about 290. He states that school is progressing nicely and nearly all of the children have received their books.



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Star Garage.

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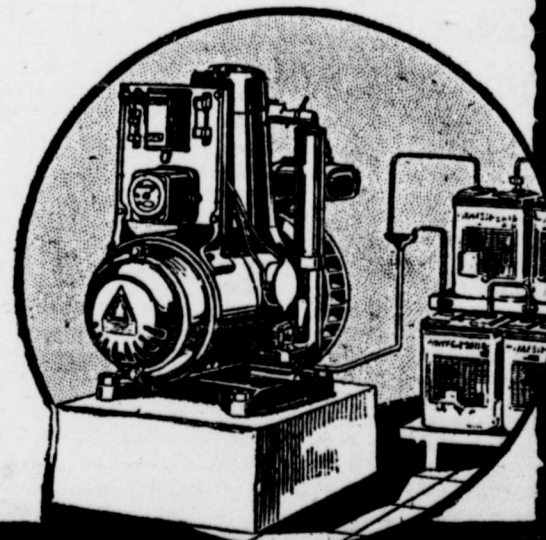
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THE STATE OF TEXAS

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Mason County—Greeting:

Lee Dodd, administrator of the estate of George and Lydia Brown, minors, having filed in the County Court of Mason County, Texas, his Account for Final Settlement of the estate of said George and Lydia Brown, Minors, together with an application to be discharged from said administration.

You Are Hereby Comanded, that by publication of this writ for at least twenty days previous to the first day of the term of the Court to which this Citation is returnable in a newspaper printed in the County of Mason you give due notice to all persons interested in said estate to appear and contest said Account for Final Settlement and Application, if they see proper, at the November Term A. D. 1919 of said County Court, commencing and to be holden at the Court House of said County, in Mason, Texas, on the fourth Monday in November, A. D. 1919 at which time said Account and Application will be acted upon by said Court.

Herein Fail Not, but have you before said Court on the said first day of the next term thereof this Writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given Under My Hand and Official Seal at my office in Mason, Texas, this 17th day of September, A. D. 1919.

S. C. Brockman, Clerk County Court Mason County, Texas

NOW—The soap that cleans. No acid, no grit. Buy it, try it. Sold in convenient size cans. City Grocery Co.

Misses Marie Brockman and Hanie Carter left this week for Austin, where they will remain and attend the University

Take in the picture show at the Star Opera House each Saturday night. You'll enjoy it. The show starts promptly at 8:30 o'clock.

Parties who appreciate fine stationery and good Bond Papers should call around at the News Office and see our line.

H. Bierschwale has ordered the News sent to his daughter, Miss Mollie, who is teaching school at Lockhart this year.

Edo Schlaudt, Bannis Sorrells and Maurice Lehmann left last Sunday for Austin, where they will enter the State University.

Catarrhal Deafness Cannot Be Cured

by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure catarrhal deafness, and that is by a constitutional remedy. Catarrhal Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, Deafness is the result. Unless the inflammation can be reduced and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever. Many cases of deafness are caused by catarrh, which is an inflamed condition of the mucous surface. Hall's Catarrh Medicine acts thru the blood on the mucous surfaces of the system.

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BANNER CROPS FOR TEXAS THIS YEAR

A General Improvement Is Reported Throughout the State

The crop report on conditions in Texas to September 1 show that Texas is due to have the banner crop in her history, with conditions 102 per cent of normal and an average yield of 28.05 bushels to the acre. These figures applied to an acreage of 7,176,000 give a production figure of 201,286,000 bushels. The crop yield of corn for 1919 was 181,250,000 bushels, and in 1915 166,250,000 bushels. Both were considered excellent years.

The production of oats is placed at 72,954,000 bushels for the State. A condition of 100 per cent exists, which is equivalent to 42 bushels to the acre. Oat acreage in the State totals 1,737,000.

Rice Improvement. Rice has shown an improvement of 3 per cent during the month of August. The present condition is 93 per cent of normal. This indicates a yield of 37.2 bushels to the acre, or 45 pounds. With a total rice acreage of 227,850, the State has a prospective production of 8,476,000 bushels.

A hay crop graded at 87 per cent, or a yield of 1.40 tons per acre of tame hay with yield of 911,400 tons from 651,000 acres. Wild hay, at 1.25 tons to the acre, promises a yield of 265,000 tons.

Hog Production Declines. The high price of feeds has affected the hog situation in the State. The hog survey for this year records only 87 per cent of last year; a total of 1,911,000 hogs are on the farms at present.

Over 15,000,000 pounds of wool, or an increase of 27 per cent over last year, is promised.

A total of more than 10,176 tons of broom corn from 58,000 acres of broom corn shows a sharp decrease in the production of this crop, due to the early crop being totally destroyed.

TEXAS ROADS SHOW SLUMP IN EARNINGS

Decrease of \$5,000,000, or 50 Per Cent, Shown In Sworn Reports.

Austin, Tex.—Although the railroads generally report freight congestion in Texas because of the large tonnage offered, their income from operation of the first six months of the current calendar year decreased more than \$5,000,000, or in excess of 50 per cent, as compared to the same six months of the preceding year. That is the effect of their sworn reports made to the Texas railroad commission. Their operating expenses increased approximately 24 per cent and that may partially account for the decrease in income from operation.

A statement of the operations for the six months ending June 30 last, as compared to the same six months of the preceding year follows: Freight revenue, \$55,049,218; increase, \$7,280,129, or 15.24 per cent. Passenger revenue, \$24,296,736; increase, \$1,912,332, or 8.54 per cent. Other revenue, \$1,873,553; decrease, \$117,293, or 5.89 per cent. Total operation revenue, \$81,219,508; increase, \$9,075,218, or 12.58 per cent. Total operating expenses, \$75,987,914; increase, \$14,671,518, or 23.95 per cent. Income from operation, \$5,231,594; decrease, \$5,596,299, or 57.40 per cent.

Registration of Autos. Austin, Tex.—Registration of autos by the State highway department has reached a total of 300,359. Most of these are new machines. A majority of them are cheap cars, but it is estimated that there is a value of at least \$800 on the average for the new cars, and they are being registered at the rate of 10,000 a month. It is now estimated that there will be fully 40,000 cars registered before the end of the fiscal year in addition to those already listed.

Cotton Seed Prices Fixed. Montgomery, Ala.—The Farmer's Protective League state executive board here has fixed \$80 a ton as the price for cotton seed and at the same time endorse the price of 38c a pound for cotton, as agreed upon by the American Cotton Association.

Life

Where humanity weaves "Git you bum" Light and welcome A subtle transformation Where home fires burn, Looking into the future In glory's fires. The instrument.

By W. Alexander Imlay

Weaving eternal figure eights through the streets of a great city in the southwest a Saturday evening crowd shifted in a human phantasmagora under brilliant arc lights. It was early winter. In the fashionable district well clad men wore new overcoats and silken mufflers. In the lower end of the city men pulled thin summer coats tightly about their necks.

Women beating their way along the thoroughfares felt the chilling wind on sleazy silk clad ankles. Children of the slums hopped swiftly along, homeward bound from errands seeking the warmth of tenements, for their chilled bare feet.

A gutter rat stood in the doorway of a cheap restaurant. The odor of frying onions and steak tantalized his nostrils. It was for the warm air that came through the open door that he tarried.

"Git, you bum," he heard. A second later the toe of a tall man's boot had forced him into the street.

"No one wants a down and outer," the sniffling thing moaned as he slunk away.

Women of the street passed him with a leer. A "down and outer" was the last thing on earth they sought. What they wanted was money for food and warm quarters. The "rat" could supply neither.

A swinging light in the street ahead drew his attention. Upon coming close to it he spelled out "W-E-L-C-O-M-E."

"Ha! Ha!" he laughed cynically, but he entered.

Next morning the "rat" was no longer a rat. He had been fed and clothed. He had been bathed and given a bed. Hope burned high in his heart.

Through the offices of his new friends he was given work. It is useless to follow him for, of course, as in all articles of this kind, the "rat" made good.

Beaten and cuffed; scorned and unwanted he had at last come to his own.

Five years later we find the "rat" without a semblance of the thing of the gutter which had been clinging about him.

In a pleasant room, with a flower in the window, we find him reading the daily paper. A woman speaking in soft tones is lulling a child to rest.

Outside the wind howls. A cow bawls in the stable at the rear of the lot on which the cozy home is built.

The one time down and outer is moving up. He has a wife and child. He owns a home. He has a cow.

"We must make some steps to issue our child the surroundings of Christianity," the wife tells the one time thing of the gutter, after the child is sound asleep in its crib.

"Well, what shall we do about it?" he replies.

The woman places her cheek next to his and whispers. The honest citizen is at peace. He nods his head in acquiescence.

Sunday comes with bright sparkling morning light. The honest citizen and his wife dress in their best and start for church.

It is a church of brick and stone. Glazed windows break early morning light into thousands of prismatic crystals.

The minister takes his text—"Even as you do unto others."

His sonorous voice rings out in full periods. The one time child of the slums is entranced.

A great organ peels its message of life and love—

The honest citizen and his wife walk forward. They join the church. No one knows he has been a thing of the streets and the cinderpath. That has been forgotten. But—

Many are brought to American churches each year who took their first upward step with the Salvation Army backing their effort.

Tell the News the news.

We have just received a new lot Diamond casings. All sizes. Star Garage.

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THROUGH THE WANT ADS

WANT COLUMNS

TEACHER WANTED—To teach the Behrens school. Apply to R. O. Green, Emil Leifeste, Trustees.

To the Party Who Cut My Cow's Tail Off—If you had let me know I would have bought you a couple cans of Oxtail soup. Mrs. Henry Doell.

ROSS R. WOLFE, With Waxahachie Nursery, Home Orchards, Commercial Orchards, Ornamental Shrubbery. Mail me your order. Stephenville, Texas.

HOGS FOR SALE—About 40 head of stock hogs. Some will bring pigs in a short time. If interested see or phone me. 9tf13 Carl Frenzel, Mason, Tex.

FOR SALE—A practically new Royal typewriter. For further particulars see, phone or write E. W. Dechert, 9-11p2 Phehewville, Texas

FARM FOR SALE—100 acres near Wagram, 58 acres in cultivation; two good wells on place and small house. If interested see or write, 9-18tp2 A. H. Wells, Fredonia Tex

FOR SALE—A dining room safe with glass doors and changeable shelves. Mrs. Dan Lehmburg 9tf11

FOR SALE—The Mrs. Jap Embrey home in west end. Place contains nearly 2 acres of land and is all under good fence. A good rock house with five living rooms, bath, hall and porch. Fine well of water with windmill and tank. This is a bargain; one third cash and balance on easy terms to suit purchaser. For further information or particulars call at the News Office.

WANT TO SELL OUT—I am planning on leaving Mason and would like to sell my interest in the Mason Ice & Power Co., also my home. If interested see or write me. Albert Metzger 9-14

FOR SALE—I have for sale 1,000 good breeding ewes. Will sell any amount from 50 up as long as they last. Also one car load of Delane Merino and Ramboulet bucks; as good as money can buy, real money makers. Any party interested will write me at Castell, Texas. 828tp2 Seth D. Kothmann

SECOND HAND CARS

Ford

THE UNIVERSAL CAR

We have several used cars for sale now. L. F. Eckert.

FOR SALE—1000 bu. of oats at my place 2 1/2 miles west of Mason. 7-24tf A. W. Kooock.

FOR SALE—My place situated 2 1/2 miles west of Mason. For terms and further particulars Apply to 7-24tf A. W. Kooock.

Tell the News the news.

Organizations Suppressed. DubMa.—The government has proclaimed the suppression of the Slan Fein organization, the Gaelic League, the Irish Volunteers and the Cumann Na Moan Society in the city and county of Cork.

Nomination is Confirmed. Washington.—Nomination of William H. Gonzales of Columbia, S. C., to be American ambassador to Peru was confirmed Wednesday by the senate.

WILL YOU FAVOR US?

The News always considers it a favor when we receive news items over the phone. We want all the news we can get, and appreciate it for YOU to phone 57 when you know a personal item or any other item of local interest. Phone 57

R. O. Green was here Saturday from his farm north of town. Mr. Green stated that he had been unable to hear from his son, Guy, since the big coast storm. Guy is teaching school about 15 miles from Corpus Christi. Mr. Green was here Tuesday and stated he had since heard from Guy and he is all right but the school building where he teaches was damaged to a great extent by the storm.

Tell the News the news

Lamar Thaxton

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MEAT CANNING

By Harry Austin Clapp, Canning Specialist, Texas A. & M., College Port, Texas.

Chorizo—Four pounds pork chopped fine, add 1 clove garlic, 4 tea-cups vinegar, salt to taste and add 4 to 6 tablespoons chili. Mix and let stand over night. Make into small balls, fry until brown, pack hot into hot cans, fill to one-half inch of top with boiling gray made from the grease in which the cakes were fried to which water has been added. Cap, tip, process No. 2 cans 50 minutes; No. 3 cans 60 minutes; 15 pounds steam.

Fish Chowder—lounce salt pork 4, 1 lb. fish, 3 onions, 3 cups milk, 6 good sized potatoes sliced, 1 green pepper, 1 clove garlic or more, a little water. Fry pork or bacon brown, cut in small pieces, add garlic and onions cut fine fry light brown. Then add potatoes sliced and little water. Cook fish until you can separate skin and bones. Add this and the water. It was cooked in to the potatoes with the green pepper cut up. Put all in baking dish and add three cups milk to thicken. Don't stir, bake 20 minutes, fill in cans hot. Cap, tip and process same as above.

Hungarian Goulash—2 lbs. beef, pork, veal or heart; 2 ozs. butter or peanut oil, 2 onions medium size chopped fine, 1 carrot sliced, 1 stalk celery chopped fine, one and one-half pint tomatoes, one-half bay leaf, 6 cloves, 6 or more small red peppers 1 piece mace, dash thyme peppers, 1 piece mace, dash thyme, 1 teaspoon chopped parsley, black pepper, curry powder, paprika; chili tabasco sauce to taste. Small quantity flour. Cut meat into small squares and sprinkle with flour. Melt fat and add onions, carrots, celery; brown and then add meat and stir

with a spoon. When all is brown empty into stew pan, add other spices tied up in cloth or loose as desired; also tomatoes. Cover with water or if to be obtained use soup stock, if not, 1 or 2 teaspoons beef extract. Simmer 45 minutes, season to taste. Add Worcester sauce if desired. Fill into cans hot. Cap, tip and process as above.

Oxtail Soup—1 oxtail, one-half cup ground oats, two and one-half teaspoon salt, 2 tablespoons fat, 2 cups tomatoes, 4 cups water, bay leaf, 1 onion, 1 green pepper one-half cup carrot, one-fourth cup onion, one-fourth cup turnip, 1 teaspoon table sauce, 1 teaspoon celery salt, 1 teaspoon beef extract, pinch chili, dash tabasco little barley and rice. Fry tail after being cut into pieces in fat until browned. Add tomatoes and water cook 15 minutes add balance and cook 10 minutes. Pack hot into cans, cap, tip and process as above.

Pork Sausage—This recipe has been used in the writers family for more than 100 years. 4 lbs. lean pork, 2 lbs. fat pork, 3 teaspoon salt, 2 teaspoon black pepper, 2 teaspoon chili, 1 teaspoon cayenne, 2 large onions, 1 or more cloves garlic, 1 sprig thyme, pinch mace, one-half teaspoon allspice. Grind all together fine, mix thoroughly and let stand over night. Make into small balls fry in dripper or frying pan, when brown pack hot into cans and fill to within one-half inch of top with the hot gravy. Cap, tip and process as above.

Vegetable Soup—10 gal. soup stock, 5 gal. water, one and one-half lbs. diced carrots, 2 lbs. diced sweet potatoes, 2 lbs. diced Irish potatoes, 2 lbs. canned corn, 1 lb. canned peas, 1 lb. canned navy beans, 1 lb. canned Lima beans, 2 cans tomatoes, 8 good sized onions, 1 lb. rice, 1 lb. barley, one-half lb. salt, one and one-half oz. ground pepper, handful red peppers, chili tabasco sauce to taste, also garlic. Put water in hot, add carrot and turnips, bring to boil and cook 20 minutes, add balance of ingredients and bring to violent boil. Fill cans hot. Cap, tip and process as above.

LIVER DIDN'T ACT DIGESTION WAS BAD

Says 65 year Old Kentucky Lady, Who Tells How She Was Relieved After a Few Doses of Black-Draught.

Meadersville, Ky.—Mrs. Cynthia Higginbotham, of this town, says: "At my age, which is 65, the liver does not act so well as when young. A few years ago, my stomach was all out of fix. I was constipated, my liver didn't act. My digestion was bad, and it took so little to upset me. My appetite was gone. I was very weak..."

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Messrs. Frank and Bud Mogford were business visitors in Mason last Saturday from the Erna section. They report flourishing conditions in their section.

Tanglefoot and poison fly paper at Vedder Drug Co.

Treasurer Tinsley has ordered the News sent to his daughter, Miss Cora Cora at Junction for six months.

Gates Double-Mileage Tires. Walker & Walker.

DIP
We have a complete line of dip Hog dip, cattle dip, etc. at fair prices. Mason Drug Co.

Finis Alexander was a caller at the News office last Monday and set his subscription figures a year ahead. Finis has about 42 acres in cotton and says that he is expecting about 20 bales. He says that the recent wind did not do but little damage to cotton but stated that the past week of rain and cloudy weather have caused the cotton farmer a loss of 30 per cent according to his estimations.

Don't forget the show at the Star Opera House each Saturday night. The show starts promptly at 8:30 o'clock.

Clarence Williamson, who for the past 18 months has been in the U. S. Navy, came in last Thursday after receiving his discharge. He was discharged at Dallas and came here for a visit with relatives and friends before going to San Antonio, where his mother and sister are now residing.

PRESCRIPTIONS
Accurately compounded day and night at Mason Drug Co.

Ajax Road King, white rubber tires. Walker & Walker.

Wear Diamond tires on your auto. They last longer and are moderately priced. Star Garage.

GARREY'S STOCK TONIC will prevent stomach worms in sheep. 8-211f Sold by F. Lange.

Norris Exquisite Box Chocolates, 112 at Vedder Drug Co.

The Hilda Community held a big barbecue and picnic last Friday in honor of the returned soldier boys of that section. Lieut. Silas Brandenberger was the last of the boys of that section to reach home, he arriving a few days previous.

KILL the BLUE BUGS by feeding Martin's Wonderful Blue Bug Killer to your chickens. Your money back if not absolutely satisfied. Ask the Mason Drug Company.

London Purple and High Life for killing ants, at Vedder Drug Co.

The McCulloch Lodge No. 273 A. F. & A. M. held a call meeting last Friday night and its members contributed \$100 and was sent to the Corpus Christi storm sufferers.

STOCKMEN—ATTENTION
Now is the time to immune your calves against Blackleg. We have serums that give immunity for life. Mason Drug Co.

Carl Runge spent a few days in Fredericksburg last week attending court, returning home Thursday morning.

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