

Mason County News.

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MASON, TEXAS, THURSDAY FEBRUARY 3 1921.

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COUNTY VOTING STRENGTH IS ONE THOUSAND, ONE HUNDRED

Up to February 1, when tax collector Leslie closed his books, there had been 1089 nineteen hundred and twenty poll tax receipts issued by him and 11 exemption certificates. The poll tax receipts as issued by Sheriff Leslie are given below by precincts:

No. 1 Mason	420
No. 2 Wagram	38
No. 3 Katemey	101
No. 4 Grit	54
No. 5 Streeter	92
No. 6 Grossville	23
No. 7 Hilda	56
No. 8 Loyal Valley	32
No. 9 Art	38
No. 10 Capps	39
No. 11 Fredonia	48
No. 12 Pontotoc	73
No. 13 Eaton	30
No. 14 Ranch Branch	20
No. 15 Bauer	25

Total1089

Dr. D. B. Beach and R. H. Kidd left last week for Austin, where Dr. Beach took Mr. Kidd to have an X-Ray picture made of his leg. Shortly before Christmas, Mr. Kidd hurt his leg with a gun while crawling along, trying to slip up on some game, and the injured member has been giving him quite a bit of pain and trouble of late.

Dan Jordan, Sr., was here Monday from his ranch home near Art. He states that his son, Dan Jordan, Jr., and his wife are the proud parents of a baby boy which was born on January 29th.

MRS. GEO. WATKINS DIED AT LLANO

The sad news was received in Mason Monday telling of the sudden death of Mrs. Geo. Watkins, of Llano, who died at an early hour Monday morning. Report stated that she was found dead in her bed, but we failed to get any further particulars.

LEON MAYO WILL MOVE GARAGE BUSINESS

Word has been given out that Leon Mayo, who for some time, has been operating a garage in a portion of the Zork Building, has purchased from W. H. Neill a part of the Star Garage machinery and equipment and within the next couple weeks, will assume the management of the Star Garage. Mr. Neill, who it is stated, will go to San Antonio to reside, did not sell all of his equipment, as it is his intention to open a garage at San Antonio in the near future.

Mrs. M. W. Hodges, a sister to J. W. White and who resides in Roswell, New Mexico, arrived in Mason last Sunday and is a guest of Mr. and Mrs. White.

CLEAN TOWN CLUB

The News is requested to announce that the Clean Town Club of Mason, will hold its regular monthly meeting at the court house on Monday afternoon, February 7th at 3 o'clock. It is urged for all old members to be present and any new members are cordially invited to attend. Officers for the ensuing year are to be elected at this meeting.

Dr. J. M. Thompson and family left the first of the week for El Paso, where they expect to make their home and where Dr. Thompson will engage in the practice of medicine. The removal of this estimable family from Mason is learned with much regret and they carry with them the best wishes of innumerable friends.

Dr. and Mrs. R. D. Byler spent last Saturday night and Sunday in Llano with friends.

E. J. Lemburg left Tuesday for market to buy spring and summer dry goods for the firm of E. Lemburg & Bro. Mr. Lemburg goes to St. Louis and will be away a couple weeks.

Miss Eddie Garner returned last week from Post City, where she has been for several months, visiting with her aunt, Mrs. L. N. Brooks.

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GOAT ROPING, CIGAR RACES AND BRONCHO RIDING NEXT SATURDAY

The News has been asked to announce that a goat roping contest will be held in Mason next Saturday afternoon, February 5. The contest will be held on the baseball grounds on the north side of Comanche Creek. Contestants desiring to enter, will be charged a small entrance fee and cash prizes will be awarded to the parties making the best time from the amount collected. There will be three prizes. Aside from the goat roping contest, it is stated cigar races will be held on the same afternoon, and cash prizes will be awarded; the prizes to be governed by the number of entries and the entrance fee charged each. We are further informed that several bronchos will be ridden. The entire program will be free to the public.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. White and Mr. and Mrs. Tom White spent a short time in San Antonio last week. Mr. White did not return with the party, but went by way of Austin on business and arrived home Tuesday, accompanied by Miss Jennie, who had been enjoying a visit of a week in the Capitol City.

Wm. Hofmann and Mrs. Loula Loring left Wednesday for St. Louis, where they will purchase spring and summer millinery and dry goods for their firm.

INCOME TAX REPRESENTATIVE WILL BE IN MASON FEB. 24

Below, is printed the substance of a letter received by the News from the United States Internal Revenue office:

Austin, Texas,
Jan. 25, 1921.

Mason County News.

Gentlemen:

On the date listed below a Deputy Collector of Internal Revenue will visit your city for the purpose of assisting tax-payers in filing their 1920 individual income tax returns. This service will be furnished gratis by the Department.

At Mason, Texas, on February 24, 1921.

Mrs. Isolda Macha, of Shiner, Texas, is spending several days with Mrs. W. H. Larrimore.

MRS. B. F. STEWART DIES

The News is informed through Mrs. Will Bickenbach of Mrs. B. F. Stewart's death at Tempe, Arizona; her death occurring last week. Mrs. Stewart was 82 years of age. She was the mother of Mr. J. M. Stewart, formerly of this city and she had a number of acquaintances in Mason who will regret to learn of her death. Mrs. Stewart at one time made her home in Mason and all of the older citizens of the town remember her.

W. H. Todd and family, of Llano, were in Mason last Sunday for a short visit with relatives and friends.

"JIGGS IN SOCIETY"—COMEDY AT THE STAR SAT. NIGHT

Everyone knows and has read the "Bringing Up Father" cartoons in the newspapers. Now for seeing Jiggs in te movies is a long waited pleasure for local movie fans.

Mr. Schmidt, manager of the Star Theatre, has announced that he has a "Bringing Up Father" comedy booked for next Saturday night. The title of the comedy is "Jiggs in Society" and, should nothing prevent, an extra large attendance is expected.

Mr. Schmidt has been slow to make the announcement relative to the Jiggs picture, due to the uncertainty of always getting the pictures he has booked. For instance, he failed to get the picture he had booked for last Saturday night. However, he is very eager for the film corporation not to make any substitute in the coming Saturday night's pictures and in case they send the pictures as booked the "Jiggs in Society" comedy will be screened as is here advertised.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. McCollum left last Monday for Marlin, where Mr. McCollum will remain for awhile in hopes of benefitting his health.

MASON COUNTY EX-SERVICE MEN ORGANIZE POST LEGION

A meeting of the ex-service men was held at the Court house of Mason County on Monday night for the purpose of organizing an American Legion for Mason County.

The house was called to order by Mr. Dor W. Brown, who favored the boys with an interesting talk on "Why We Should Organize A Camp of the American Legion for Mason County." O. A. Hensch followed Mr. Brown with the discussion on the by-laws and constitution of the American Legion.

It was then decided by those present to proceed with the organizing.

The first question before the house was to decide on a proper name for the Legion. After much discussion a motion made by Mr. Max Pluenneke that it should be named Fort Mason, was voted on by a large majority.

Next in order was the election of officers which were elected as follows: Thos. H. Strong, Post Commander; Willie O. Bode, Vice Post Commander; Robt. E. Lee, Adjutant; K. M. Eckert, Finance Officer; Lee Loeffler, Chaplin.

After the members had signed up and paid their dues, it was agreed to have the first meeting the night of the third Saturday in February. A committee to provide for entertainment was also elected.

Those present were Willie O. Bode, Thomas H. Strong, Robert E. Lee, Jessie O. Schmidt, G. F. McDougall, K. M. Eckert, R. E. Doell, E. O. Lowgren, L. E. King, Bud F. Derby, S. J. Wood, Sterling J. Schmidt, Oscar A. Hensch, Roscoe Runge, Frank J. Willmann, S. K. Shearer, Albert G. Lee, Arch Metzger, Jess Mobley, Isaac McWilliams, Perry Simon, Chas. H. Doell, Ernest M. Jordan, Will Loeffler, Aug. A. Willman, Dan J. Hoerster, Silas E. Brandenberger, Lee Loeffler, Max Pluenneke, Ben F. Polk, Ralph Prater, A. E. Grosse, L. W. Dumas, Arch A. Reichenau, Alfred Englehardt, Harry Kenning, Geo. A. Kasper, Alf Polk, J. Hugh Shearer, Henderson Doell, P. A. Baze, J. A. Gray, Wesley J. Brandenberger, W. A. Brandenberger, O. D. Tinsley, R. E. Gallegly, Oscar P. Shearer, Herbert Puckey and F. R. Waller.

FIRST CLASS AT KELLY FIELD COMMISSIONED LIEUTENANTS

Completing their course in advanced training, 19 men, former cadets at Kelly Field, have been commissioned as second lieutenants in the Regular Army Reserve Corps and discharged from active duty. The first class was composed of men from Carlstrom Field, Florida, and March Field, California, sent here for advanced training in pursuit and bombing tactics. Most of them received their appointments and left for their homes yesterday. A few men re-enlisted and are stationed at Kelly Field.

Among the men receiving commissions in the reserve corps was Clem Harkey, of Katemey, in this county. Lieutenant Harkey will arrive at home this week.

FARMERS TERRACING LAND NOW

Ellie Eastman, Carl Frenzel, Otto Bogusch and Henry Keller are among those terracing their fields this week. Terracing keeps the soil from washing away, keeps your crop from washing up, keeps your land from leaching, and makes it retain the moisture longer. Land is too high and farming costs too much not to terrace where it is needed.

DOR W. BROWN,
County Demonstration Agent.

The News is informed that Mrs. Wood, wife of the Fredonia postmaster, has been seriously ill and was taken to Brady on last Sunday for medical treatment. We hope to learn of an early improvement.

WEDNESDAY—GROUND HOG DAY

Yesterday, was Ground Hog Day, and if the little creature ventured out he evidently failed to see his shadow, and remained, for the sun did not shine, the day being cloudy throughout. So if an early spring does not occur this year, the cold weather of Wednesday, must have driven the Ground Hog back.

SCREEN "DR. JEKYLL AND MR. HYDE" RECALLS STAGE PLAY

John Barrymore's Portrayal of Jekyll Compared with That of Richard Mansfield

The appearance of John Barrymore in the screen version of "Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde," which will be shown Friday night, Feb. 4, at the Star Opera House, has proven an event in the dramatic world as momentous as was the performance of Richard Mansfield in the stage play adopted from Stevenson's famous story.

Mr. Mansfield created a sensation in the theatrical world with the dual character in 1887. At the invitation of Sir Henry Irving, he took the production to London and there duplicated the success he had scored in America. Mr. Mansfield continued to appear in frequent revivals of "Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde" until the time of his death.

The esteemed actor's portrayal was a masterpiece, but the very character of the story made the transition from "Jekyll" to "Hyde," which must be done before the eyes of the audiences, a rather difficult and theatrical piece of business. It is done more smoothly by Mr. Barrymore, since motion pictures can make use of the simple and effective device of "double exposure."

Mr. Barrymore's characterization of the young physician is a most remarkable and subtle piece of work. It is as good as anything this talented star, hailed by many as the greatest actor on the American stage, has ever done, and it is easily the equal of, if not superior to Mr. Mansfield's performance. At Star Theatre Friday night, Feb. 4th. Admission 20 and 35 cents.

FAREWELL PARTY FOR LITTLE KATHERINE THOMPSON

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Grote last Saturday afternoon, little Misses Ruby Grote and Lucille Rode entertained a number of children with a party. The event was in the form of a farewell party given in honor of little Miss Katherine Thompson, who with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. J. M. Thompson, left Monday following, for El Paso to make their home.

Mmes. Grote and Rode assisted the children in amusing themselves in the house for a short while, and after serving them with refreshments of cake, lemonade and candy, invited them into the yard where they romped and played with much enjoyment until six o'clock, at which time all departed for their homes.

Little Katherine received a number of valuable gifts as remembrances from her friends.

The children present included Mary Capps, Ethel Lehmborg, Katherine Thompson, Zeanada Beach, Benelyn Land, Virgil Banks, Horace Horton, Gaston Beach, G. W. Bird, Daniel Pluenneke, Wilburn Lemburg, Martin Rogers, Ruby Grote and Lucille Rode.

MRS. SARAH E. WEAVER

Mrs. Sarah E. Weaver, an aged and highly respected resident of the Fredonia section, died last Monday morning. Mrs. Weaver had attained the advanced age of eighty odd years and her death was attributed to influenza coupled with disabilities of old age.

Deceased is survived by two children; Mrs. Watkins of Lufkin, Texas, and W. W. Weaver, of Fredonia, and a number of grandchildren and great grandchildren.

A number of Mason people visited Llano Wednesday and remained over Wednesday night to enjoy the Moore-Shields Concert. Among those attending from here included Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Bierschwale, Miss Sweet Oatman, Mrs. John Lemburg, Mrs. J. S. King, Mrs. Ben Pluenneke and possibly others whose names we failed to learn.

Miss Louise Latham spent last week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Riley Latham.

CARNIVAL PREPARATIONS MAKING GOOD HEADWAY ON PLANS

The street carnival which is dated for Thursday night, February 10, and which is being given under the auspices of the Parent-Teachers' Association of the Mason Schools, is drawing close, and plans have almost been completely finished for the entertainment.

The various committees are hard at work arranging for certain features on the program.

If the weather permits on Thursday night, a large representation from over the entire county is expected to come to Mason to enjoy this unusual form of entertainment. The occasion has been widely advertised and a large attendance is almost assured.

A feature of the entertainment which promises to be a big drawing card for the occasion, is the vaudeville which will be staged at the Star Opera House by local talent under the direction of Miss Maybelle Loring.

From the Opera House, the crowd will go just across the street, where carnival booths of every description will be awaiting a liberal patronage which, it is anticipated, this school-benefit entertainment justly merits. Every cent realized from the carnival will be used by the Parent-Teachers' Association in improving conditions on the play grounds of the Mason Public Schools, thus making the play-time periods at our school more pleasant and more beneficial for the children who attend the school. Play is essential to children the same as book knowledge, and it is just as essential that the children have proper facilities for amusement as for them to have proper books.

The Parent-Teachers' Association realizes the importance of providing these amusement facilities at the school and their efforts should, and we believe will, receive the support of the entire community.

REMEMBER, THIS IS FOR THE BENEFIT OF OUR SCHOOL AND YOUR CHILDREN. THE SAME AS FOR YOUR NEIGHBOR'S CHILDREN.

COMMERCIAL CLUB MEETS NEXT MONDAY NIGHT, FEB. 7

Next Monday night, February 7, is regular monthly meeting night for the Mason Commercial Club. Members are urged to be present. Now is a good time to form a habit of attending the meetings of the club. Many things will be accomplished by the club during the new year if all members will attend regularly and co-operate with each other.

MISS BELLOWES ENTERTAINED AT HOME FRIDAY EVENING

On last Friday evening, from 7:30 to 11 o'clock, Miss Edith Bellows was a delightful hostess to the members of the Mason High School faculty and a few invited guests.

For a short time after the guests had been received by Miss Bellows, social conversation was enjoyed, after which partners were drawn by matching strips of paper cut in two upon which were written parts of the name of a state. After the partners had been matched, an intelligence test was held in regard to the various fabrics that clothes of women of given trades should be composed of. Roscoe Runge and Miss Louise Latham having won first prize.

After the intelligence test, partners were drawn for playing progressive "forty-two". After five games had been played, delicious refreshments of hot chocolate and cake were served to the guests by the hostess, assisted by Misses Averal Bellows and Mary Jane Puckey.

Several selections on the piano by Miss Alfreda Tipps was also a feature of the evening's pleasure.

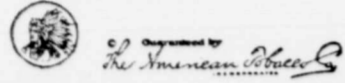
Those present to enjoy the occasion were Misses Hulda Mae Pluenneke, Alfreda Tipps, Bette Tribble, Louise Latham, Zella Wood, Alamo Puckett, Grace Phillips, Mary Hintz, Bessie Grote; Messrs. Albert Lee, Willie Bode, Ben Grote, Roscoe Runge, Arch Carter, Pete Jordan, J. E. Larrimore; Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Lee.

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LUCKY STRIKE CIGARETTE



WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY PROGRAM FOR FEBRUARY 8

Following is the program which will be rendered at the meeting of the Women's Missionary Society, on Tuesday, February 8:

- Leader—Mrs. Lula Schroeder—Establishing a city in Righteousness.
- Opening Song—"Wonderful Words of Life."
- Bible Lesson—Isa 2:2-4; 5:9; 3:1-7; N 1-7.
- Prayer.
- A special song.
- TOPIC—New Orleans, Its History—Mrs. Lamar Thaxton.
- Margaret of New Orleans—Mrs. Will Land.
- Its Need of Redemption—Mrs. Dan Lehmberg.
- Establishing Righteousness within Its Gates—Mrs. Ery Hamilton.
- When I Have Time, a poem—Mrs. Holmes King.
- Reading—Prayer, Mrs. S. A. McCollum.
- Business.
- Closing song.

"I RAKED HAY"

I am a boy of 11. I raked hay all through last season. When it was over I had \$5.00. I heard about other people putting their money in the bank, so I thought I would put mine in the bank. I am keeping my money in the bank, because I know where it is.

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Type writer ribbons at News Office.

MASON COUNTY COTTON

According to the Bureau of Cotton Census at Washington, D. C., there had been 3928 bales of cotton ginned in Mason county prior to January 16, 1921. Up to the same date in 1920 there had been 4,489 bales ginned in the county.

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EIGHT-YEAR-OLD BOY WAS RUN DOWN BY AUTO AND CRUSHED TO DEATH IN BRADY

A large crowd of Saturday afternoon shoppers in the city were horrified about 5:00 o'clock Saturday afternoon, when a big Wyllis-Knight automobile driven by S. V. Brandon, of Ballinger, ran over and crushed to death, little Lewis Montgomery, 8 year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Montgomery, of the south part of town. The awful tragedy happened in full view of a large crowd of people, but so suddenly and unexpectedly did it happen that nothing could be done. According to the story of witnesses of the accident, the car was turning slowly around the concrete turning post in the middle of the street, and turned into Commerce street going east in front of the Brady National Bank. The little boy, it seems, was crossing the street diagonally and looking back over his shoulder and did not notice the car until it was almost upon him. He then seemed to turn to run back, and then again stepped in front of the car which struck him, knocking him down, the fore wheel passing over his body. The car was stopped while the lad was still under it and Dr. Craddock, who was standing in front of the Brady National Bank, was first to rush to the lad, and picked up the apparently lifeless form and laid it tenderly on the seat in front of the bank. Dr. Granville seeing the accident, rushed across from the Trigg Drug Store and making a quick examination, hastened to the lad to the sanitarium where an X-ray picture was made of the head of the lad, which showed a badly fractured skull. Soon after reaching the sanitarium the boy rallied and came back to life, but never regained consciousness, passing away about six o'clock Sunday morning.

The accident, the first fatal auto accident to happen in this city, cast a pall of sadness over all, as several hundred people soon gathered round the pitiful scene.

The Brandon family were also the objects of much sympathy from the crowd, the grief of Mrs. Brandon and her daughter, who were in the car, being almost uncontrollable. Although no blame was attached at all to the family for the accident, it being in every way unavoidable, according to witnesses, it completely unnerved Mrs. Brandon, who was obliged to be placed under the care of a physician during the night.

The Montgomery family had only recently moved to Brady from a few miles north of town, Mr. Montgomery being employed at the Purdy gin, while his family makes their home in the south part of town.

Funeral services were held at the Lohm cemetery Sunday afternoon by the Rev. S. C. Dunn, of this city, and interment made in the presence of a large crowd of sorrowing friends and relatives.

The Brandon family, who were on their way from Ballinger to Walesco, a little town in the Rio Grande valley, continued on their way Sunday afternoon, after everything possible for the condolence of the family had been done and an offer made to pay all expenses to the bereaved family.—Brady Sentinel.

The average price of middling cotton at 10 leading cotton markets in the South Saturday was 14.03 cents.

The statistical year for cotton runs from August 1st, to July 31st.

DODGE BROTHERS BUSINESS CAR

That the lightness of the Business Car is united to great strength is proven by the splendid service it is rendering everywhere under widely varying conditions.

The lightness of the car keeps the gas and oil costs down, and its sound construction renders repairs infrequent.

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BRADY - - - TEXAS

Japan's Sulphur Baths.

At the foot of the volcano Asamaya in Japan there is a combination of hot sulphur and cold mineral springs. The bathing house consists of three or four substantial wooden bathing tanks, into which the hot water flows, and a wooden platform running around the room with cupboards and shelves where the people dress. Beams laid across the bathing tanks divide them into little squares, a square for each person. The duration of the time bath is regulated with great precision by the head attendant, and during the bath from 150 to 200 half litre scoops of hot sulphur water are poured over the head of the bather.

Emergency Call.

"We've got lizards in our basement, and I just killed a snake in the front yard. Can't you send some one out right away to kill them?" wailed a voice over the telephone to William F. Cleary, clerk of the board of public works. It was a woman's voice, or Mr. Cleary would have sent a request to the board of public safety that one of the morals squads be sent out with a suggestion that they might find whatever it was that made people "see snakes." However, he asked the board to send out an ordinary policeman to kill the reptiles.—Indianapolis News.

There is now enough unspun cotton in the world to last about two years.

State of Ohio, City of Toledo, Lucas County, ss. Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE. FRANK J. CHENEY. Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1926. A. W. GLEASON, Notary Public. Hall's Catarrh Medicine is taken internally and acts through the Blood on the Mucous Surfaces of the System. Send for testimonials, free. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by all druggists, 75c. Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Playing at Soldiering.

Some Australian Wellington will probably trace a modern Waterloo to the playing fields of Melbourne or Sydney. Australia has recognized as the result of her war lessons that intelligence, not monotony, is an invaluable test of the soldier. The old wearisome drill-ground system of training cadets is fast giving way to the new plan which makes a play of work. While the boys are taught discipline and drill they are mainly shown how to play basket ball and to compete in jumping, tug of war and swimming. Those intrusted with the making of a new Australian army are confident that the best soldier will be the happy, well-trained sportsman, who has learned to play for his side, to keep his temper and to think intelligently. There can be little doubt that the change is keenly appreciated by young Australia.—Christian Science Monitor.

PLEASE SETTLE

All parties in debt to me will please settle their account as soon as possible, as I need the money. F. H. Schuessler. 47-2tc.

The "Visible Supply" of cotton, and the total supply of any given date are two entirely different things.

TEACHERS' EXAMINATIONS

Notice is hereby given that an examination for teachers desiring to apply for certificates to teach, will be held at the court house in Mason on Monday and Tuesday, February 7 and 8th.

JOHN T. BANKS, Ex-Officio School Supt., Mason County, Texas. 47-1tc

Money to Lend—Runge & Runge

The prospect is that there will be an unspun supply of American cotton on August 1, of 9,607,000 bales. Before the war the average amount of cotton on hand at that date was about 1,200,000 bales.

Fresh cement at R. Grosse's.

A. E. Grosse and family have moved to the old Chas. Bierschwale home, south of the Grosse Lumber Yard. Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Walker, who formerly resided there, have gone back to Cherokee to reside.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ambersen, of San Antonio, arrived in Mason Sunday and were guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wes Smith until Tuesday.

J. D. Eckert, Pres. W. E. Jordan, Cashier
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DARLEIGH

When a man dies they who survive him ask what property there is left behind; the angel who bends over the dying man asks what good deeds he has sent before him.

*M*C*N*

Be content with your lot, but not satisfied with a non-progressive situation.

*M*C*N*

Knocking is just as unfortunate a habit as the drug habit; and the man addicted to such a habit is greatly to be pitied. He hurts himself much more than he hurts his town or community.

*M*C*N*

Tell all the good things and let the bad things die for want of air.

*M*C*N*

Don't laugh at a man whose intentions sound far too grand to be achieved by him. Our achievements usually are less than our intentions, so it's a wise man who aims high.

*M*C*N*

There are too many people in the world who laugh all the way home and stop as soon as they reach the door.

The person who never makes a mistake never makes anything. Success was never achieved without some risks and once in a while a risk is bound to fail.

*M*C*N*

If you want to be a successful married couple, do not herald the sacrifices you make to each other's tastes, habits and preferences.

*M*C*N*

There is no condition in life so low but one may have hopes, nor none so high but may have fears.

*M*C*N*

Never deceive, for a heart once misled can never trust wholly again.

*M*C*N*

Here is the way an exchange duns its subscribers: "If you have frequent fainting spells, accompanied by chills, cramps, corns, bunions, chilblains, epilepsy and jaundice, it is a sign you are not well, but liable to die any minute. Pay your subscription in advance and thus make yourself solid for a good obituary notice."

*M*C*N*

By the time a man is married his character is formed, and he changes very little. His mother has made him and no matter how hard she tries his wife can do little toward altering him. As a rule also, his mother objects very strenuously at any attempts at alterations. She considers him a perfect sample of her own handiwork.

*M*C*N*

Make all your appointments with Old Man Worry several days in advance. Usually when the day for the appointment arrives he will fail to keep it.

*M*C*N*

There are events occurring in every community which, if reported in a local paper, would create a commotion little dreamed of. What to report and what not to report often perplexes the editor. He is often justly accused of cowardice and favoritism, when all the time he is looking toward the good reputation of the town where he is cast. The local editor from necessity almost constantly finds himself between two fires, and whichever way he turns he is sure to be unjustly treated. This is one of the pleasures of the newspaper business.

*M*C*N*

Right thinking means right living and right living means good health.

Ducks Teach A Lesson

Do you know that ducks make a seven thousand mile flight South, stay South three weeks and then return whence they started? Do you know each duck returns to the exact spot whence it started?

Migratory birds are all alike. If one houses in your bird attraction and leaves for the South, it will return, not only to your section of the country, but to that exact bird attraction and remain there until it departs again. If it does not return there is only one answer—it has gone west. Something like an idea, isn't it? Once sold an idea will return in proper season, and it will keep on returning until the man who harbors it goes west. Advertising is just as wonderful as the migratory bird.—American Press.

Pour salt on an ink stain on the carpet immediately and as soon as soaked up, apply more until the salt is not discolored, then wash with warm water without soap.

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MILLIONS FOR CLERKS; THOUSANDS FOR HEROES.

(Dallas Times Herald)

A YEAR AND A HALF ago, a Dallas soldier received his discharge papers at San Antonio. Army doctors told him at that time that he was losing his eyesight as the result of wounds sustained in fighting hand to hand with German machine gunners. He had been gassed and he had been almost brained by a German rifle butt. Thru efficiency in the service he had risen from a private to the commander of a company.

For bravery, which inspired the whole division in which he served, this soldier won a Croix de Guerre with two palms, the American Distinguished Service Cross and the rare honor of being created a Chevalier of the Legion of Honor.

Owing to wounds received in service he was advised to file his claim for the compensation so widely advertised by the war department. He did so on the day of his discharge.

After a lapse of eighteen months during which time his sight has been steadily failing, he received a letter from the war risk bureau. A grateful government enclosed a check for \$8—the amount agreed upon by some committee of Washington chair warmers as a just monthly compensation. The check was probably written out by some pert little stenographer with political pull whose salary is possibly \$150 a month. A score of well paid experts had probably passed the claim from one mahogany desk to the other for wise consideration. It took them over a year to deliberate on spending so vast a sum.

While thousands of disabled soldiers wait patiently for the aid which their government owes them, red tape, as deadly as the twisted barb wire in Flanders, seems to still enmesh Washington bureaus and departments and cause continued suffering.

Compensations for wounded men who deserve them and urgently need them are slow to arrive and when they do come they are in many cases inadequate.

Millions to employ political clerks and only thousands for disabled soldiers seems to be the system on which government offices in Washington are run.

Quantity not quality seems to be the method used in employing thousands of inefficient underlings.

Heroes suffer and the income tax soars.

And the blind Dallas soldier: He mailed back his eight dollars to the government, a friend noting on the letter that if loss of eyesight was only worth eight dollars to the United States the soldier still wished to keep his self-respect.

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NOTICE OF SELECTION OF COUNTY DEPOSITORY

In compliance with the provisions of Art. 2440, Revised Civil Statutes, notice is hereby given that at its next regular term, to be held on the second Monday in February, A. D., 1921, the same being the 14th day of said month the Commissioners' Court of Mason County, Texas, will receive proposals from any banking corporation, association or individual banker in Mason County that may desire to be selected as the depository of the funds of the county.

Any banking corporation, association, or individual banker in Mason County desiring to bid, shall deliver to me on or before the day and date mentioned above, a sealed proposal stating the rate of interest that said banking corporation, association, or individual banker, and depository offers to pay on the funds of the County for the term between the date of such bid and the next regular time for the selection of a depository. Said bid shall be accompanied by a certified check for not less than one-half of one per cent of the county revenue of the preceding year as a guaranty of the good faith on the part of the bidder, and that if his bid should be accepted, he will enter into the bond required by law; the amount of said certified check to go to the county as liquidated damages in case he shall fail to give said bond.

JOHN T. BANKS,

County Judge, Mason County, Texas, January 19, A. D., 1921.

FROM NEWS FILES OF 25 YEARS AGO

From Mason News, Feb. 7, 1896:

Miss Quint Garner and Mr. Ward McMurray were quietly married last Tuesday night, Judge M. B. McKnight officiating.

Marion Morrow left Thursday for Brownwood to be away some time.

The fifth wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. White was very appropriately observed on the 4th inst. at their pleasant home at Mill Creek ranch, 15 miles west of town. Those present to wish Mr. and Mrs. White many happy returns of this pleasant day, were Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Bridges, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Loring, Mr. and Mrs. Erv Hamilton, Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Hamilton, Mrs. Loula Loring, Mrs. J. F. Schaege, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Reynolds, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Kooek, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Todd, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Bierschwale, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. M. Fulton, Mr. and Mrs. Leo. Gugenheim, Mr. and Mrs. V. M. Loring.

Gus Schuessler has opened a shop for the repair of saddles and harness, at the Felmore stand.

Mrs. H. Puckey and children have been spending the week visiting at Llano.

Ben Mayo has been running H. Puckey's barber shop the past week.

The following enjoyed a pleasant hop at the home of Mrs. M. Kooek's last Friday evening: Misses Lillie and Daisy Wheeler, Quint and Ada Garner, Bell and Lola Bird, Delia and Em Lindsay, Ann Crosby, Vic McGinnis, Kate and Carrie Hey, Bernice Doole, Eugenia McReynolds, Winnie Murray, Cora Christopher, Minnie Coots, Cora Leslie, Mary Schmidt; Messrs. Gratton and Walter Crosby, Chas. Worlie, Seth Gooch, Marion Morrow, Bud Garner, Silas and Ben Mayo, Frank Leslie, Jim Kelley, Paul Doole, Nic Brockman, Edgar Mebus, Will Broad, Jim Hibbard, M. L. Iden, Eugene Murray, and F. R. Sikes; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Walker, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Boyd, Mr. and Mrs. Gus Schuessler.

Grand Jury—Ben F. Gooch, S. A. Ohlhausen, Bird Patterson, Joe Shirley, Max Martin, J. O. Hill, Adolph Loeffler, Fritz Hoerster, A. J. Evans, Robert Bode, Jr., J. D. Mangum, Charles Kothmann, J. W. Leslie, Charles Simon, W. J. Griffith.

Little Miss Ella Jordan gave a party last Friday evening which was much enjoyed by her little friends.

David Nix, a young man about 19 years of age, died Tuesday night at Katemey, where he was living with his brother-in-law, Chas. Carr.

15 Years Ago in Mason

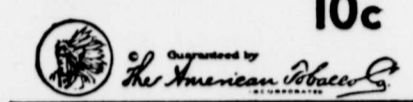
From Mason News, Feb. 2, 1906:

Dr. Joseph Greer was here from



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Menard last week to secure a residence, as he will move his family back here in a short time.

A pleasant social was given at the home of Mrs. John Lindsay last Friday night.

Little Miss Vivian Williamson entertained a host of little friends last Saturday evening; the occasion of her birthday.

A masquerade ball will be given at the Geistweidt hall on Wednesday night, February 14th.

Nath Taylor was here Saturday from Katemey, where he had just finished setting out 1500 fruit trees for J. H. Dobbs. This makes an orchard of 2500 trees Mr. Dobbs now has.

Mrs. Perthia Todd left Wednesday for Chickasha to visit her daughter, Mrs. M. A. Hamilton.

The band boys are to be congratulated upon their splendid work; having had but two months' practice, they were out Saturday and rendered five pieces.

Hubert Hightower of Grayson county, arrived here Saturday to visit his brother, J. J. Hightower.

A rent house in Gooch addition, belonging to Chas. Bierschwale and occupied by Jim Searcy and family, was destroyed by fire last Tuesday about noon. Searcy lost practically all of his household effects.

Jim Lemburg broke a blood vessel in his nose Saturday while sneezing, and had to call in a physician to check the flow of blood.

Mrs. M. D. Morris and her niece, Miss Lindig, of Stonewall, were here Tuesday from Peters Prairie.

Mrs. Annie Boyd is here from Rock Springs and will be employed as saleslady by E. Lemburg & Bro.

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Nettie Evans	.40
Mrs. Ola Ingram	1.50
Dr. J. M. Thompson	1.50
B. P. Kidd	1.50
Mrs. M. J. Kidd	1.50
Ell E. Jordan	1.50
Mrs. A. D. Lewis	1.50
Mrs. M. L. Traueck	1.50
E. W. Otte	3.00
Wes Lelfeste	1.50
E. O. Kothmann	1.50
Jim Hey	1.50

We thank you Who's next?

THE USE OF TOBACCO

Recently, we had a friend and subscriber to the News to offer us an article on "the use of tobacco" written by Mrs. Cynthia Stubbs and taken from the Texas Farm & Ranch with the request that the News reprint the article, provided we had no objection. Well, we have no particular objection to printing the article, but it does not corroborate with our view on the tobacco question and we are frank to say so. A newspaper editor, however, does not necessarily endorse or believe everything that appears in his publication. A paper is supposed to serve the people and there are many, many kinds of people and people of various opinions on various subjects. There will be, no doubt, many of our readers read the article below and sanction every word of it, while on the other hand there will be some who read it with disgust.

The tobacco question is the cause of much comment since the passing of liquor, although some are of the opinion the liquor question has not been disposed of permanently, and we believe the time will come when we will be voting for and against tobacco just as used to be the case with prohibition of liquor.

Read the article and let each reader be his own judge and form his own opinion. Every person should have an opinion on every subject, and in case some of our readers want to write an article on the topic, we will be glad to have them send it to us for publication. It makes no difference to us

which stand you take, for you have the same right for your opinion as the other fellow or that we have. It is a question of National interest and it would be well to have it well aired for the time is coming, mind you, when it will be a question of the ballot.

Following is the article:

I am a very old and very poor old lady, and do not take your good paper myself, but get it of a friend and enjoy reading it so much.

After reading the article on the cigarette habit by A Farmer's Wife, I wish to say that in my opinion she is a very sensible woman and if this awful habit is not checked and actually stamped out, what will the next generation be like? No one should be allowed to raise tobacco, as it is of no benefit to anybody and it takes the very best land to produce what they call good tobacco, and that good land planted to grain would produce thousands of bushels to make bread and meat for starving people. The only difference I can see between tobacco and whiskey is that while a man is crazy with whiskey, he is just as crazy when he is out of tobacco. A person that uses tobacco in any form hasn't a bit of sense when they are out of tobacco. A man will take the last cent from his family to buy tobacco, just the same as he would for whisky, and there is a great deal more money spent for tobacco than there ever was for any other nuisance. There are so many who use it. I have seen men just as quarrelsome when the tobacco was out as a man who was drunk on whisky. (Now I'm not in favor of whisky either, or any other degrading habit.) Even this man's own family would stand off at a safe distance; when "papa was out of tobacco, he wasn't the same papa."

Yes, we will sit and listen to a preacher try to preach the Gospel, who uses the stuff. We had one in our community who would go to the window to spit during his sermon. We can't even have a President or any other officer who doesn't use the vile, filthy stuff. If a nice girl marries a man who uses tobacco, after you have informed her of his habit and what a nuisance it is, she will say, "Oh! well, he is so nice about it, doesn't use it in her presence and she can put up with that if it is all the bad habit he has." But it isn't long until he will be going around in her presence and everywhere else with ambler running out of each corner of his mouth, until it kisses his wife or to caress their baby. If she

complains, he answers "You know I used tobacco before you were married." Then there are hard feelings, maybe a quarrel and no remedy. This goes on and more tobacco users are raised up. I hope and pray that our women and the few clean men we have will rise up and put an end to this bad habit. If I ever do cast my vote for anything, it will be to save our precious boys and girls from this nasty, degrading habit. I see some of our fast girls striving to look mannish and smart, sucking at a cigarette. Let's make a drive at this plague of our land and see if we cannot spend our money for something more sensible and more useful, that will help this old world to be sweet and clean.

MIND IS KEENEST AT NIGHT

Fact That Is Recognized by Most Writers and Other Workers With Their Brains.

Many writers sleep with pencil and notebook under their pillows and a lamp at hand, so that they may dash off the thoughts that come to them in the watches of the night. It is said that Mary E. Wilkins Freeman has a typewriter handy on an extension spring, which she draws out from the wall on its shelf and places in position before her if she cannot sleep.

There is about these thoughts a clarity that does not come with daytime thinking—a sureness of vision that approaches the clairvoyant.

A problem with which we are wrestled in the daylight, weighing it with all our intelligence, is settled in a certain way, calmly and judiciously, and after mature reflection. Our decision seems the right one. And then, suddenly, in the dead of the night, that selfsame issue bobs up before our mental vision, wakes us from a sound sleep and settles itself in quite another way. In one great flash! A strong white light has been turned upon the brain and has revealed there a conclusion of which we had no inkling before. The processes of arriving at it are a closed chapter. The clairvoyant brain has registered a result only. And again and again it will be found to be the right, the expedient solution.

Memory, too, is peculiarly keen in the silences between midnight and 4 o'clock in the morning. All cobwebs have been swept from the brain by the first hours of sleep; the body and nerve centers are singularly rested; there are no noises to disturb and some subconscious power is at work within us.

HAD ANSWER IN READINESS

Ellen Terry's Display of Tact Won Enthusiastic Admiration of Miss Ethel Barrymore.

Ethel Barrymore, apropos of a witty remark made by a young actress at a garden party, said:

"This young lady reminds me of Ellen Terry, who was the wittiest and most tactful woman I ever knew."

"I once heard a story which is characteristic of Miss Terry's ready wit."

"She was sued by her dressmaker for an unpaid bill and the case went against her. Asking to be allowed to appeal, she gave as one of her reasons that the judge who rendered the decision was too old to understand the case."

"The judge of appeals reminded her that once before, in another suit, she had complained that her case had been tried by 'a bit of a boy.'"

"What age, may I ask, madam, do you want a judge to be?" the judge of appeals inquired.

"Your age," Miss Terry smilingly replied."

Poppy a Memorial Flower.

The poppy seems fated to go down into history as the "memorial flower of the American Legion." It is the common scarlet variety of that flower growing so freely in waste places that won the regard of the men overseas, for it bloomed on about them, and often the flower was the only beautiful thing the soldiers saw for days upon days.

The poppy is one of the oldest flowers in the world's literature, and has been sung in verse and mentioned in holy books by all races. The oriental poppies are of orange-crimson with black centers and large seed bags, which burst and scatter the seeds in all directions. Other varieties include the slender Iceland poppy, the yellow California variety and the big double flowers. None of them has any perfume, but they depend upon beauty of form and color to attract and hold the senses.

Mystery Machine.

There was much mystery about a perpetual motion machine, set up as a sign and advertisement over a street in Los Angeles not long ago. It had the form of a huge wheel that revolved slowly all day and all night,

YOUR TEETH MAY BE THE CAUSE OF THAT AILMENT YOU HAVE

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being driven by a number of metal balls which ran along spokes from the center to the circumference and back.

Gravity was supposed to furnish the power, and thus the machine could go on forever without depending upon any other sources of energy. Unfortunately, however, there came a day when the city's electric plant was shut down for repairs, and the wheel stopped turning.—Philadelphia Ledger.

Encouraging Prickly Pear Growth.

The Department of Agriculture is promoting the distribution of the best varieties of prickly pears, and is aiding farmers in starting a plantation of them throughout regions of the Southwest, adapted to the growth of the plant. The crop is seeded by plowing under slabs of the cactus, cultivating the crop, which is harvested and usually hauled to the feeding lots. As eight times as much tonnage can be obtained under cultivation as where grown on pastures uncultivated, the intensive method is preferred.

Ships That Carry 16-Inch Gun.

We have ten battleships under construction which will carry the 16-inch gun. Of these, four, the Colorado, the Maryland, the Washington and the West Virginia, will mount eight 16-inch guns, and the Indiana, the Iowa, the Massachusetts, the Montana, the North Carolina and the South Dakota will each mount twelve 16-inch guns.—Scientific American.

HOSTESS HOUSES IN ORIENT.

Under the Y. W. C. A. of Japan a hostess house recently has been opened in Yokohama to accommodate the many English, American and other girls from countries outside of Japan who are employed in the city. The residence is primarily for girls residing in Yokohama more or less permanently, but the club-rooms, information bureau and other services are for any women traveling through the city. An American or English hostess will be in charge. A similar center is to be opened in China, either at Canton or Shanghai.

NOT WHAT HE THOUGHT.

"I proposed to Miss Bangs last night."

"Lucky girl!"

"Oh, you flatter me!"

"Not at all. I mean she won a bet when you proposed."—Boston Transcript.

THE RIGHT COMBINATION.

"What makes you think Dauber will succeed as a painter?"

"He has the soul of an artist and the perseverance of a book agent."—Boston Transcript.

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"You say he owes his success to an invention?"

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Declaring that lynching is the national sin of America and warning the people of the vengeance of God, the Guadalupe District Association of the General Baptist Convention, a negro organization embracing eight counties and about thirty churches, sent a special appeal to Governor Dan M. Neff at their adjournment yesterday, after a session lasting several days, asking the Governor to "exert all the influence at his disposal to recommend a remedy for this ancient malady within our midst." The appeal was signed by a committee that had been appointed to draft a resolution to the Governor, and was passed by the association.

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"In every human being there is a wish to ameliorate his own condition."—Macaulay.

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Births

The following births have been recorded by County Clerk, R. E. Lee, since our last report:

- Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Cavanaugh, a boy, December 25.
- Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Jordan, a boy, January 29.
- Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Gage, a boy, January 8.
- Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Flemming, a boy, January 10.

Marriage License

Mr. Sterling J. Schmidt and Miss Faun Shearer, January 25.

SLAVES "SOLD" BY BEECHER

Would Be Interesting to Know What Became of Women Great Preacher Auctioned.

The partial destruction of old Plymouth church, Brooklyn, recalls the "slave sale," conducted in the place of worship by Henry Ward Beecher to arouse his congregation, which included auditors from all parts of the country, to the facts of the traffic then sanctioned and protected by the nation.

Two young slave women, fugitives from their owner, were sheltered under Mr. Beecher's protection, he agreeing to pay their master for them if they were not restored. He auctioned them off in his church, his auditors under the stimulation of his eloquence contributing gladly to buy their freedom, which they duly obtained.

There, as far as these slaves are concerned, the tale ends. It would be interesting to know what became of the women Beecher sold; how long they continued to excite popular sympathy and what their after lives were. Did they marry and bear children? Are descendants alive now? Perhaps the grandson of one of Beecher's slaves fought in France alongside the grandson of his progenitor's owner.—New York Sun.

THE MONOTONOUS LIFE



"The young tailor who is courting my Cousin Jane has very little variety in his life."

"How so?"

"He spends his days in pressing his suit in his father's shop, and his nights in pressing his suit in her father's parlor."

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1. Place Edison (Mark X in answer)
Morning Afternoon Evening

2. Weather (Mark X in answer)
Dull Cold Bright Warm

3. What kind of music did you feel like hearing? (Mark all words which describe your mood with X in answer)
Tender Vivacious Joyous Solemn Majestic Weird Martial Soothing Gay Simple Dreamy Sad

4. What was your mood immediately preceding test? (Mark X in answer)
Serious or Worried or Gay Carefree Depressed or Nervous or Exhilarated Composed Fatigued or Sad or Unfatigued Joyful Discouraged or Optimistic

5. As a result of the test, what were your most noticeable mood changes? (Serious to gay, gay to serious, worried to carefree, nervous to composed, etc.)
MOOD CHANGE
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6. Please comment on a manner in which mood changes occurred:
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Announcement

After serving six years as District Judge I am now located at Johnson City, Texas, where I have resumed the general practice of law.

N. T. STUBBS.

The above announcement has just been received at this office and will be of interest to Judge Stubbs' many friends in Mason as well as other counties of this district.

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KNOW MONEY BY PICTURES

How Those Who Handle Many Bills Find It Comparatively Easy to Tell Bad Ones.

It is a comparatively easy matter to become an expert in the quick handling of money and also to detect bills that have been raised, according to those who have tried. A large proportion of the bills now in circulation are federal reserve notes. Those in common use have identification characteristics, in addition to the numerals, easy to memorize.

Cashiers who handle large and small bills rapidly usually memorize the portrait on the bills, which are large enough to be unmistakable as the major mark of identification, with the numerals as the minor aid. The two combined are well-nigh infallible, save in the case of clever counterfeiters.

As the raising of bills is accomplished with the numerals, familiarity with the portraits, and comparison, will verify the proper denomination of the bills. The portraits on the federal reserve bills in everyday use are as follows:

- One-dollar notes, portrait of George Washington.
- Two-dollar notes, portrait of Thomas Jefferson.
- Five-dollar notes, portrait of Abraham Lincoln.
- Ten-dollar notes, portrait of Andrew Jackson.
- Twenty-dollar notes, portrait of Grover Cleveland.
- Fifty-dollar notes, portrait of U. S. Grant.
- Hundred-dollar notes, portrait of Benjamin Franklin.

HAD HAZY IDEA OF FINANCE

Queer Notion Held by Old Wash White Common to Many Investors, According to Lawyer.

At a dinner in New York the other day a prominent lawyer noted for his activities in rounding up investment swindlers told the following good story:

"It's pitiful to see how foolish a great many people are when it comes to a question of finance.

"Old Wash White is a good example of financial foolishness. When Wash's boss got back to the Delta from the North one day, he found the old man driving a fine young mule hitched to a handsome wagon.

"Now, Wash was a notoriously shiftless customer, and so his boss

said to him:
 "Where did you get that splendid turnout, Washington?"
 "Ah done boughten it at Magnolia, sah," said Wash.
 "How much did it cost you?"
 "Ah done give mah note fo' \$200 for it, sah."
 "Good gracious," said the boss, "where do you expect to get \$200 to meet your note when it falls due?"
 "Wash looked astonished and offended.
 "Fo' de Lawd's sake, boss man," he said, "you sho'ly don' expect me ter give mah note an' pay, too?"

Wasn't Addressing Tramp.
 On her way downtown the other morning the woman stopped to see a sick friend, who lives on the first floor of a remodeled private house with a bedroom overlooking a nice old-fashioned back yard. The window was open and suddenly a loud voice broke the calm of the sick-room.

"You dirty bum, that's what you are," said the voice. "Of course you'll be comin' home now for your breakfast—and look at you, covered with dirt. It's a bum you are and not a drop of blue blood in you. Quit your whinin', you hungry stayout. Me lookin' and waitin' for you last night and worryin' about you! And now I suppose you want to sleep all day and rest up for another night. You're just like the rest of your kind. It's a bum you are and nothin' else."

The woman leaned out of the open window that she might see the wreck of humanity the tramp had visualized. And there was the comfortably built, immaculately clean janitress letting in her prize-winning Angora cat. Doughboy had come home for breakfast.—New York Sun.

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HEREFORDS TOP CHICAGO MARKET, THREE WEEKS OUT FOUR

(From The Hereford Journal, July 1, 1919.)

It's 13 to 20 that those who call for a choice loin steak or "prime ribs of beef au jus" at the fancy cafes in Chicago, New York and other large cities this coming month will be served with meat out of a Whiteface steer. That statement is based on the fact that Herefords topped the Chicago market in June on 13 out of the 20 regular market days. The last week of the month they sold highest of all breeds on four of the five days of the week. The choice cuts of beef used in the highclass hotels and restaurants of the big cities come out of Whiteface steers so largely that one might wonder why the choice cuts are not prefixed on the

Two hundred and ninety-five million of India's three hundred and fifteen million inhabitants are totally illiterate; they speak one hundred and fifty dialects common only to the district in which they live and mostly

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menus with the name of the breed.

Another score made by the Whitefaces at Chicago was selling at the highest price for the whole month, which was \$16.40. This figure was made in the second week when Frank Smith of Bagley, Western Iowa, offered a load of well-finished Herefords averaging 1,543 pounds. On other days loads of Herefords sold at \$16.25, \$16.15, \$16 and \$15.25, the last the lowest of any of the top loads of the breed. Only one top above \$16 was made by any other breed.

Three weeks out of the four were topped by Herefords. The sales of Whiteface yearlings also were notable. One of the incidents of the month was the offering of a bunch of Whiteface veal calves that sold away over anything on the market and the best prices ordinarily paid for such stock.



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FRESONIA ITEMS

(By Green Leaf)

Mr. Haynes, from McCulloch County, has moved to the Looney farm.
Henry Kanatcher moved from Fredonia to the Jess Buntyn farm Saturday.
Jim Priest has moved from Fredonia to the Baker farm.
R. M. Harmon visited in Brownwood last week.
Rev. Roy G. Rader, the M. E. Church at Mason, preached at Fredonia Sunday and Sunday night.
Mr. and Mrs. D. C. McMillan, of Mason, were in Fredonia Sunday.
Cleveland Perry, of Voca, was in town Friday.
Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Burns visited Voca, Sunday.
Pastor, Fred Banks, attended Sunday school here Sunday.
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FIFTY-FIFTY

By DOROTHY O. GRAVES.

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The wealthiest man scouted. He felt very much alone. Old Scout, his thoroughbred airedale, had died that morning, and the world in consequence seemed very thin and much apart from an old and wealthy man.
He was aroused by the respectful knocking of his office boy.
"Good morning, Tom," the wealthiest man greeted the boy.
"Top o' the mornin' to ye, yer honor."

The wealthiest man smiled. "Why do you call me that, Tom?"

The boy blushed and twisted his fingers in his coat but his eyes never wavered. "Because, sir," he stressed the sir, "I forgot, sir."

"Forgot what, Tom?"

"Yer honor."

The old man pondered and shook his head. "I don't understand yet, my boy. Tell me again."

The boy grew redder under his freckles, but he stood stanch. "It's a game, sir."

"Oh, yes, I see." The man twisted the crystal vase between his thumb and forefinger. He watched the heavy blossom tilt back and forth while he questioned further. "And if I told you I liked games, Tom, would you let me play, too?"

The wealthiest man grasped the vase in his entire palm.

The slender crystal stem cracked and broke. A stream of water trickled over the papers on the desk and mingled with a drop of red blood from the wealthiest man's hand. The white orchid seemingly shuddered and writhed. Its delicate petals turned gray and crumpled. It faded into an ash and was gone.

The boy's face was white and awed. He looked apprehensively at the man. "Oh, sir . . ." he said, his voice weak.

"It's gone, Tom." The man spoke lightly.

"Yep, like death, sir."

"Yes, like death, Tom, or dreams."

"Oh, no, yer honor, oh no, sir, I mean; dreams they ain't like that. If ye believe in 'em and put faith in 'em they're bound, sir, bound to come true."

"And why do you think so, Tom?"

"Me mother, she says so, yer—sir, I mean."

"Could you get into college, Tom?" asked the wealthiest man. "It's awfully hard. There's exams and schooling—"

Tom's whole body was tense with eagerness. "Oh, sir, we're doin' that. Mary and me, I'm goin' to night school and Mary helps me, too. Mary's my sister."

"And ma?" asked the man.

"Oh, ma, well, there's her eyes, you know, sir."

"Ah, yes, her eyes," the old man repeated.

"What do you want most, Tom?"

"Don't you know, Tom?"

"No, yer hon—sir, I mean. It ain't time fer 'nother raise yet, 'n' Mary can't go to college cause she's got another year at high school."

"And your mother, Tom?"

"And ma's gonna git her eyes fixed as soon's I save enough money." Tom

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smiled confidently at the man. "Nope, I don't know. Unless . . ."

"Unless what, Tom?"

"A goose, sir."

"A goose."

"Yep, like at the old place that ma tells about."

"A Christmas goose, stuffed, sir."

The wealthiest man smiled kindly. "There shall be a stuffed goose, if—"

"Yes, yer honor." Tom in his anxiety forgot the "sir."

"If I can help eat it. I'm goose hungry, too."

"You hungry, sir?" Tom expressed unconditioned doubt.

"Oh, yes, and Tom, my family died this morning—all the family I had. Old Scout, I called him, and he was the finest dog a man ever had."

The boy nodded seriously.

"I haven't any Mary, nor any mother with big soft eyes, Tom."

"Ain't youse got nobody?"

"Nobody at all, Tom."

"Gee!" the boy looked at the man with feeling. "Gee!"

"Gee!" repeated the wealthiest man.

Tom laughed readily. "Say, I guess you do need somethin'." He moved closer to the man. "Say, if youse come home with me after work and see ma she'll help you, honest she will."

"How will she help me, Tom?"

"Well," he edged nearer and whispered confidentially: "Mary, you know, hadn't anybody, and so we jest took her in—we adopted her." The boy paused, thinking. "Maybe, yer—sir, I mean, if youse wanted to, and if you tell ma, we could jest adopt you, too."

The old man turned his face away from the boy. "Could you afford to keep another, Tom?" His voice was husky.

Tom answered readily. "Yep, I think so. You see, I could work nights again like I used to, and—"

"And give up night school?"

"Yep, jest fer now, you know, and youse could help with the goose money, we'd let that go fer now—fifty-fifty, you know."

"All right, sir." The wealthiest man held a trembling hand to his freckled office boy—"fifty-fifty."

"What'll you call me, Tom, after? I don't like 'sir' and 'your honor,' either one of them—they're too mighty sounding."

Tom's brows knit again in deep perplexity.

"Let's go home and tell ma, Old Scout," he said.

RECOGNIZED AN OLD FRIEND

Countryman Visiting in City Had No Fear of Being Harmed by "Thrashing Machine."

An elderly countryman stood on a Broadway curb with more fear in his heart than he had ever experienced in his home county and more than his son had experienced in Argonne forest. To him the crossing of that crowded street was truly the "great adventure."

In the middle of it were two lines of tracks, up and down which hurtled great "tanks" of street cars—juggernauts, seemingly intended for the sole purpose of crushing his aged limbs should he venture into their path.

On either side of them were endless lines of chugging trucks, with an occasional horse-drawn vehicle, and dodging in and about were touring cars and autos of all kinds.

Now and then the sharp whistle of a traffic policeman would spell safety to the acrobatic and initiated, who dashed across the street, skillfully dodging traffic, which turned the corner in a way no one but an old New Yorker can understand, and even he cannot explain.

Finally there rumbled down the street a steam roller used in asphalt pavement work, belching clouds of smoke but attracting no attention. The old countryman was electrified. Resolutely he deserted his shore of safety and plunged across the street in its

very path.

"Huh," he grunted as he reached the other side. "That's one thing I ain't afraid of. They used to scare horses when I was a kid; used to make a man out of the thrashing crew walk ahead of them. I know they won't hurt you, but I don't know what these other things will do. Never expected to see a thrashing engine here, but you never can tell. New York's a great city, all right!"—New York Evening Sun.

DEALT LENIENTLY WITH HIM

Consumer's Action, of Course, Was Reasonable, But Caliph Proved a Kindly Man.

"What is the charge against this man?" asked the caliph, with a sympathetic gleam in his benevolent eye.

"Your honor," said the attendant, "it appears that he attempted to start a private drive of his own for his family."

"A private drive! Why, this is treasonable. Who is he?"

"He is just a consumer, your honor; just a private citizen, a man who apparently belongs to the middle class, at the head of a large family. Upon being questioned, he told the inspector, with a loud and unseemly laugh, that for many moons he had been asked to contribute to everything—all kinds of reliefs, governments, etc., and with all this burden he was forced to pay 25 cents a pound for sugar, \$50 a month for a cook, \$100 for a suit, and other things in proportion. And so, your honor, with a mad laugh, he started a private drive of his own, announcing that if anybody in America needed relief, it was he."

The caliph shook his head sadly, for he was not an unkind man.

"Poor wretch," he said. "Do not confine him too rigorously. Feed him on nourishing things, keep his feet warm, and try to nurse his reason back. It is evident that the situation in which he has found his beloved country has unhinged his mind."—Reynolds Sunday Herald.

Aged Aviation Devotee.

France's younger generation has been encouraged to use air locomotion by an old lady of eighty-three, says a Paris correspondent of the London Times. She is Mme. Hemery, a charwoman, who lives in the country, where airplanes pass every day. It was in 1878 when she first left the ground, when she tasted the delights of ballooning, and, seeing, as she did, the new airbird daily above her, she could not resist trying the new sensation. Thus one day she had saved sufficient money from her meager earnings and took a trip in the air. She did this without the knowledge of her many grandchildren, who were completely shocked when the news reached them. She is in no way perturbed and is determined as soon as funds allow to try looping the loop.

And Dew Drops.

Struck by the notice "Iron sinks" in a hardware shop window, a wag went inside and said that he was perfectly aware of the fact that "iron sank."

Alive to the occasion, the smart shopkeeper retallanted:

"Yes, and time flies, but wine vaults, sulphur springs, jam rolls, grass slopes, music stands, Niagara falls, moonlight walks and holiday trips, scandal spreads, standard weights, India rubber tires, the organ stops, trade returns, and—"

But the visitor had bolted. After collecting his thoughts he returned, and showing his head at the doorway, shouted:

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Why Suffer?

Cardui "Did Wonders for Me," Declares This Lady.

"I suffered for a long time with womanly weakness," says Mrs. J. R. Simpson, of 57 Spruce St., Asheville, N. C. "I finally got to the place where it was an effort for me to go. I would have bearing-down pains in my side and back—especially severe across my back, and down in my side there was a great deal of soreness. I was nervous and easily upset.

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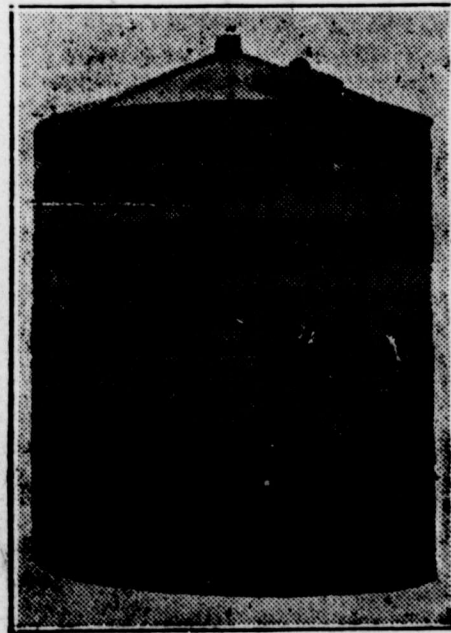
Theo. F. Lawson, who for several days was held in the county jail at this place to answer a charge of the theft of a donkey, was turned over to army officials from San Antonio the latter part of last week. The young man was arrested in Llano on Monday night of last week on a complaint made by E. E. Dodson, of this place, who alleged that Lawson had stolen a donkey from him. Lawson stated that he was a deserter from the army and asked that he be returned to San Antonio. After the local officers had verified Lawson's statement as to the army, they notified army officials to come for him.

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Third Sunday—English Sun. School

from 10 to 11 a. m. Preaching by Rev. G. W. Schreiber from 11 a. m. to 12 m., and from 7 p. m. to 8 p. m.

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Money to Lend—Range & Runge

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TEXAS FARM BUREAU MET IN DALLAS—1000 FARMERS THERE

The Texas Farm Bureau met in Dallas last week, with one thousand farmers in attendance. After hearing reports of what the Farm Bureau has done and is doing in Texas and the United States, especially in legislation, the delegates listened to several fine addresses from marketing specialists such as Aaron Sapiro from California, and Carl Williams from Oklahoma.

The marketing of cotton and wool were especially discussed, and laws concerning same.

We then adopted a constitution and by-laws and elected officers as follows: T. T. Orr, of Dallas, president; J. E. Boog-Scott, of Coleman, vice-president; and F. E. Goodman, of Waco, Treasurer.

Several laws important to the producer were then discussed and recommended. Especially those concerning marketing and warehouses.

One thing certain, that I could see, the Farm Bureau is going to be a success and is doing things.

Oklahoma, Arkansas and Texas are working together and will finally control the marketing of cotton and with the help of the other states, we will finally get cost—plus.

The wool situation can not be helped to any great extent until we get a tariff and as we are to have a tariff on manufactured articles, we simply must have tariff on raw material.

When the last tariff bill passed congress, 15 of the largest manufacturers were there with money, talent and influence, and not a wool grower hardly, knew they were discussing tariff, but we are there now, and all we want is a square deal.

More details of the meeting and more Farm Bureau News will appear next week.

Just remember, the Farm Bureau is just an honest organization where the producer is asking for a square deal.

Yours truly,

DOR W. BROWN.

JUDGE HAWKINS TO SUCCEED DAVIDSON

WACO, Tex., Jan. 29.—Gov. Pat M. Neff, who is here today announced this afternoon that he had appointed Judge Frank L. Hawkins of Waxahachie to succeed Judge W. L. Davidson as a member of Criminal Appeals. Governor Neff said that he would appoint Will Hancock of Waxahachie to succeed Judge Hawkins as Judge of the Fortieth Judicial District.

Judge Hawkins is a native of Ellis County. He was County Prosecutor of Ellis County for years and County Judge of that county four years. He has been District Judge at Waxahachie for the last fifteen years. Judge Hawkins is a graduate of Southwestern University of Texas.

Will Hancock also is a native of Ellis County and was graduated from the University of Texas with Governor Neff in 1897.

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STOVE FOR THE POCKET.

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WAS THAT THE REASON?

Church—What in the world does that man Sly go to church for, anyway?

Gotham—I'm not quite sure, but I saw him coming home last Sunday with an umbrella.

Trust Controls Chinese Dye.

That the manufacture of the red dye used by the Chinese to color firecrackers for export to America is controlled by a native "trust" with headquarters in Hongkong is the intelligence brought to this country by a Filipino now studying at the New York State College of Forestry, says Popular Mechanics Magazine. The dye is used also in making the florid seals with which the Chinese certify their more important documents.

"I Got Real Mad when I Lost My Setting Hen," writes Mrs. Hannah N. J.

"When I went into our barn and found my best setter dead I got real mad. One package of Rat-Soap killed six big rats. Foultry raisers should use Rat-Soap. Comes in cakes, no mixing. No smell from dead rats. Three sizes. Prices, 35c, 60c, \$1.25. Sold and guaranteed by

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EARLY HATCHED CHICKS WILL LAY EARLIER

By F. W. Kazmeier, Poultry Husbandman A. and M. College, College Station, Texas.

Practical poultrymen have long ago learned that early hatching is the secret to success in the poultry business. We do not believe there is anything quite so important.

We are sure that you will want eggs again next fall and winter when they are scarce and high in price. If this is correct, it is a good plan to prepare now. First you must have young stock, because hens, even young hens, will not give a profitable fall or winter egg production. Early hatched pullets are your only chance for fall and winter egg producers. Are you going to have them?

As a rule setting hens are scarce, early enough to be relied on to hatch early pullets. You cannot depend on setting hens. It will be necessary for you to do one of two things, namely: First, purchase an incubator and hatch the eggs. The incubator is always ready. Second, to purchase baby chicks from some of our more responsible hatcheries. This is a very good way and generally the most successful.

Advantages of Early Chicks.

1. Early hatching necessitates incubating the eggs from the better layers, because the best layers lay in the winter and early in the year. To raise winter layers it is well to hatch from winter layers, because they may inherit the winter laying habit.

2. Early chicks are stronger when hatched and for this reason will develop better and with less mortality than late chickens.

3. Early chicks develop into the best layers.

4. Early chicks grow faster and longer and develop better and larger.

5. Early chicks mature in time to produce fall and winter eggs.

6. Early chicks develop in time for fall and winter shows. Late chicks can not do this.

7. Early cockeres, those not fit for breeders, can be disposed of as fancy broilers at high prices. Late broilers are a drag on the market and net little per pound.

8. Early chicks pass the most critical stage before hot weather begins.

9. Early chicks develop not only better frames and bodies; but also a better coat of plumage.

10. Early chicks as a rule, develop into better breeders.

There is no question but that "early hatching" and "early chicks" are by far the most profitable. We have always noticed that the most successful poultry raisers practice early hatching very extensively.

The Texas farmer and farmers' wives can well afford to read this article very carefully. It will mean dollars and cents to them.

The majority of people hatch their chicks too late. Remember the early chick is the money maker. One early chick is worth the price of three late chicks.

Time to Hatch.

The heavy breeds like the Brahmas, Langshans and Cochins should be hatched in January and February or earlier.

The medium weight breeds like the Plymouth Rocks, Wyandottes, Rhode Island Reds, Orpingtons, Sussex, Minorcas, Rhode Island Whites and Dark Cornish should be hatched in February and March or earlier.

The small breeds, like Leghorns, Anconas, Andalusians, Spanish Hamburgs, and Lakenvelders, should be hatched in March or April or earlier.

Small breeds hatched in February or earlier should not be forced for rapid development, so they will not start to laying too soon and then go into a partial moult.

It is a good plan to have a few exceptionally early chicks to produce eggs in July and August when the hens stop laying even though some of these pullets should later go into a partial moult.

BOTH WON.

"He bet her a kiss that his college would win the football match."

"And how did it come out?"

"A tie; I was at the wedding."—Boston Transcript.

IN THE MUSEUM.

"What is that odd-looking thing there, pa?"

"That is a corkscrew, my child."

"What do they do with it?"

"Nothing, alas!"

THROUGH THE



WANT COLUMNS

WOOD for Sale—Good stove wood delivered. Apply to Emil Leifeste. Phone 934-F-14. 47-2tp

MATRESSES

I am prepared to make new mattresses and also make over old ones. Price \$3 where cotton and ticking is furnished. Mrs. John Shafer, phone 916-F-11. 47-4tp

FOR SALE—Spring wagon and also a new 1½ h. p. Fairbanks gasoline engine. Apply to H. Bierschwale. 46tf

WHITE SEED CORN—Extra high grade corn at \$2.25 per bushel. See or phone John Ruegner, Katemey, Texas. 46tf.

TRAILOR For Sale—Brand new trailer, can be attached to any car. Apply to Chas. Donop, Mason, Phone 915-F-21. 46-3tp

RHODE Island Reds—Setting of fifteen eggs, \$1. Phone Mrs. W. H. Larimore.

BUGGY For Sale—A Hines double buggy in good condition. Can be seen at Ed Henrich's saddle shop. 45tf.

MY CHEVROLET CAR can be purchased for \$200, and on easy terms to responsible party. It's a bargain. M. D. Loring.

HOTEL FOR RENT—The Southern Hotel in Mason is for rent. It is furnished and we prefer to sell furniture to parties leasing the building. Inquire of Ovy Garner. 45tf.

WANTED—The News would like to have a reporter or correspondent in every community of the county. Write us for our proposition.

PEANUTS—Especially good for planting. \$1 per bushel, delivered at Mason. R. O. Green. 30tf.

1915 Model Buick four—for sale; or will trade for stock. See Kurt Martin. 27tf.

Am equipped to do your repairing and overhauling. Genuine Ford Parts used. All work positively guaranteed. Call in and see us. West of square. Respt., Leon F. Mayo. 12

Monastery Sells Famous Painting.

An investigation conducted by the civil governor of Toledo, Spain, regarding the reported sale of the painting of St. Veronica, the work of Theocopull, by the clerical authorities of Santo Domingo monastery, confirms that the picture was disposed of with the consent of the government and the religious authorities in August.

The monastery offered to sell the work to the Spanish government, but it did not possess sufficient funds to purchase it, and thereupon the painting passed into the hands of a Madrid dealer.

There is considerable agitation in art circles over the sale of the painting, and reports are in circulation that there have been sales of other art treasures by the monastery of Santo Domingo.

Ordered Hen's Eggs by a Pigeon.

An order for twenty cases of Petaluma eggs was delivered to San Francisco from Redding by a carrier pigeon owned by a merchant in the bay city, and soon after the note was delivered the San Francisco firm telephoned the order to its local manager. The pigeon flew from Redding to San Francisco in four hours, and at noon the eggs were on their way from Petaluma to Redding.—San Francisco Chronicle.

Freezing Fruits Proven Successful.

The United States Department of Agriculture has recently conducted experiments for preserving fruits by freezing instead of canning. The experiments are said to have proved that not only is it cheaper to freeze fruit in larger quantities than it is to can it, but it is more palatable and far superior to canned fruit for sherbets, preserves and jellies.

Helps Wireless Operator.

By means of a new apparatus which rings alarm bells by radio, a wireless operator is now free to eat or sleep in peace, for the new device eliminates the possibility of losing distress signals or important messages while the receiver is removed from his ear.

STORAGE BATTERY SERVICE STATION

We wish to announce to car owners that we have added a Battery Service Station to our shop.

Our Battery repair material, also Repairing and Recharging equipment is now in transit and will be installed within the next few days.

We will use nothing but new and strictly high grade repair material. All repairing strictly guaranteed.

We solicit your battery business in the future.

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