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## MEDICAL ASSOCIATION ENDS A SPLENDID MEETING AT BRADY

The annual convention of the Fourth District Medical Association concluded its two-day session at Brady Friday night, marking one of the most interesting and successful assemblies ever had of that body. Between fifty and sixty members of the medical profession were in attendance and the sessions proved of greatest interest and benefit.

The convention was opened in the district court room by Dr. Ned Snyder, president of the association. Following invocation the Rev. S. H. Jones, Sam McCollum delivered the keys to the city in a welcoming address that left no one in doubt as to its sincerity, and the cordiality of the citizenship. Dr. J. B. McKnight, of Sanatorium, former Brady physician, responded in appropriate manner.

Although the program, as prepared by Dr. J. G. McCall, secretary of the association listed some thirty-three papers, but three were read at the morning session Thursday, the number including those of Dr. David Spangler of Dallas, Dr. G. L. Carlyle of Dallas, and Dr. K. H. Beall of Fort Worth. Each of the papers was the subject of discussion.

The afternoon session was convened at the Lyric theatre, where Dr. Spencer Davis of Dallas gave a lecture on surgical cases including bone graft operations the lecture being illustrated by slides and motion pictures, and proving of exceptional interest.

Features of the program were the reception tendered visiting ladies Thursday afternoon from 3:00 until 5:00 at the residence of Mrs. J. G. McCall, and the banquet Thursday night at Hotel Brady, tendered visiting physicians, members and ladies of the Brady Chamber of Commerce, and at which the Brady Luncheon club was host.

Those in attendance from Mason included Dr. and Mrs. P. A. Baze, Dr. and Mrs. W. W. Beach, and Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Knolle. The doctors state it was one of the best meetings ever held, and proved beneficial in many respects.

## RAIN, RAIN, RAIN, MORE RAIN

A breezy norther hit here Monday morning, carrying on its wings a fine mist of rain, and it was first thought the rain would turn into sleet and the weather be cold, but it turned some what warmer toward the middle of the day and the rain began falling harder, and at intervals throughout Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, frequent downpours came. Up to Wednesday at noon the precipitation amounted to 1.1 inches, with good prospects for more.

The rains have made the roads almost impassible, and the mails from every direction on Wednesday were delayed several hours.

Mrs. T. O. Reardon entertained at dinner Monday, December 3rd, the occasion being her birthday anniversary. Those present were Mrs. Glenn Smith, Mrs. R. W. Hofmann, Mrs. Jim Brown and daughters, Mrs. E. J. Schuessler and daughter, Mrs. Gus Rau, Miss Ada Grace Broad of Fort Worth; Misses Mary Schuessler, Nannie Schuessler, Carrie Schuessler, and T. O. Reardon.

### MY CITY AND I

My city is where my home is founded, where my business is situated, where my vote is cast, where my children are educated, where my neighbors dwell and where my life is chiefly lived. It is the home spot for me. My city has a right to my civic loyalty. It supports me, and I must support it. My city wants my citizenship—not partisanship; friendliness—not officiousness; co-operation—not criticism; my intelligent support—not indifference. My city supplies me with law and order, trade, friends, education, recreation and the rights of a free-born American. I should believe in my city, and work for it. AND I WILL!

Yours,  
THE CITIZEN.

By Dr. R. Estcourt,  
In the Annalist.

## GOT HIS EYE ON HIM



## HONOR ROLL FOR LOCAL SCHOOLS FOR NOVEMBER

Below is the honor roll of the various grades and the high school department as compiled and handed to the News:

First Grade—"A" students, Lucille Eastman, Ruby Banks; "B" students, Dorothy Willmann, Vernell Willmann, Jake Beach, Arnold Bennett, Leon Bode, Richard Eckert, William Hartman, Henry Saunders.

Second Grade—"A" students, Velma Vedder, Margaret Martin; "B" students, Lee Rankin Grote, Helen Lehmburg, Henry Leifeste, Jack Lindsay, Oleta Smith, Annie Marie Rode, Harlita Hofmann.

Third Grade—"A" students, Maybelle Grote; "B" students, Leona Banta, Lillian Baxter, Genevieve Johnson, Thelma Land, Thelma McWilliams, Ruth Saunders, Juanita Lemburg.

Fourth Grade—"B" students, Ray Eastman, Lee Roy Eckert, Edmund Glerisch, Charles Gipson, Milton Vater, Roy Tilley, Reseda Dannheim, Nellie Kothmann, Mary Cecile Lawson, Annie Marie Bruce, Vera Beck.

Fifth Grade—"B" students, Reubin Dannheim, Elroy Schreiber, Jennie Behrens, Virginia, Eckert, Emma Hey, Elfrida Loeffler, Grace McMillan. Sixth Grade—"A" students, Lina Millaire, Lucille Probst, Violet Vedder; "B" students, Mand Smart, Raymond Smart, Louise Breazeale, Henry Plueneke, Virginia Metzger.

Seventh Grade—"A" student, Sadie Herring; "B" students, Milton Reichman, Esther Vater, Ida Mae Wartenbach, Beatrice Jordan, Carl Heinrich, Christiana Gipson, Mae Grote.

High School—"A" students, Ethyl Lehmburg, Mildred Montgomery, Emil Jordan, Louis Vater, Esther Wiedemann, Lucille Lange, Coralea Tinsley, Ella Mae Metzger; "B" students, Ruby Grote, Stella Zeasch, Eva-Jean Kidd, Esther Christilles, Arthur Geistweid, Stanley Sanders, Alva Beach, Dessie Hoerster, Leah Passmore, Louis Durst, Stella Leslie, Genevieve King, Jewell Green, Edna Bratton.

### ACCEPTS POSITION IN DALLAS

Mr. Pete Jordan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Jordan, left last Sunday for Dallas, where he goes to accept a position with the Texas Oil Company in that city. Mr. Jordan informed a News representative that he was not informed exactly what department he will be assigned to, but that the message merely informed him that there was an opening awaiting his arrival. Pete's many friends send with him their best wishes for great success.

The third number of the Lyceum course was held at the High School Auditorium last Saturday night.

## ALBERT METZGER SUSTAINED PAINFUL INJURIES TO HANDS

Albert Metzger, of the Mason Ice and Power Company, is nursing two badly bruised hands, as a result of getting them caught in some belting at the power plant Monday. His left hand was more seriously injured than the right member, although the right hand was the first to get caught. He was wearing a glove on his right hand and the glove got caught in the belt and as he attempted to rescue his right hand with the left, it was pulled into the belt and was more painfully injured than his right.

No bones were broken, but the muscles were mashed and bruised until the injuries are causing Mr. Metzger a great deal of pain.

## HORSE TIED ON SQUARE RECEIVES DISCHARGE OF GUN

One morning last week when Rex Lavelle, of the Streeter section, and W. H. Larimore of the firm of Larimore & Grote, were out in front of Larimore & Grote's store tinkering with a pump shot gun, the gun was accidentally discharged, and a horse belonging to Winlin Wartenbach, which was tied near the scene, received the big portion of the shot, being hit in the neck. The animal, according to last reports, had not died, although it was believed at first the horse would bleed to death.

### Left For New Orleans

Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Knolle left Sunday for New Orleans, in which city they resided before coming to Mason a few years ago. These good people have made many warm friends during their stay in Mason who will wish for them a most enjoyable visit among their friends during the Christmas holidays. They will probably return to Mason early in January.

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Hallamuda of San Antonio, are the proud parents of a fine boy who made his arrival Sunday night, December 2nd. Mother and babe reported doing fine. Mrs. Hallamuda is a daughter of Mr. V. M. Loring.

Miss Ruby Roark, one of the grade teachers in the local schools, has been confined to her home on account of illness. Mrs. Roy E. Doell is teaching in her place.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Braly spent last week visiting Mrs. Braly's parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Quick of Dripping Springs. They were accompanied home by Mrs. Braly's sister, Miss Hattie Quick. She will remain until Christmas.

## REPORT OF SCHOOL SUPERVISOR ON MASON SCHOOLS

Superintendent, P. A. Bennett hands the News a report from the State Supervisor of High Schools, concerning the Mason schools. Below we reproduce the list of the recommendations made by the supervisor who recently visited our school:

1. That the community be commended on the beautiful and commodious building recently erected for high school purposes.
2. That more cabinet space be provided for the laboratory equipment.
3. That an appreciable amount of play equipment be placed on the grounds.
4. That the library of the grades be improved—a minimum of \$25 worth of suitable books for each grade.
5. That, since English history has not been taught for two successive years, credit in that subject be withdrawn.
6. That more anthologies for English and American literature be placed in the library—one copy for every three pupils in the classes.
7. That certificates of teachers in the elementary grades be above that of second grade.
8. That the school be commended on organization and excellent discipline.

## FORMER MASON BOY KILLED BY AUTO IN NEW MEXICO

The News is informed by Mr. Lee Smart of the recent death of Luther Farmer, 16-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Farmer, of Clover, N. M. Mr. Smart states he has received no particulars regarding the death of the youth, only that he was run down by an automobile.

Mr. and Mrs. Farmer a few years ago were residents of Mason county, having lived in the Gooch section.

It is with deep regret that the News learns of the sad accident and we extend deepest sympathy to the grief stricken relatives and friends.

### Will Spend Winter in S. A.

Mrs. Walter M. Martin, who has been in ill health for several weeks, left Monday afternoon for San Antonio, where she will probably remain for the winter in hopes of regaining her health. Mrs. Martin was accompanied by her brother, Albert Bierschwale, who returned on Tuesday. The News wishes for Mrs. Martin a speedy recovery.

## NEW NUMBERS FOR CARS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED BY SHERIFF

Sheriff Leslie informs the News that he has received the new numbers for registration of motor vehicles for 1924. The numbers arrived yesterday, and car owners will have until January 1st to register their cars. Mr. Leslie says he expects a rush during the remainder of the month in carrying out the registrations.

The new motor fee law, passed by the last Legislature, becomes effective, as regards all types of passenger cars, January 1st, 1924. Cars are registered according to their weight and horsepower. In the case of standard make passenger cars, this data will be available at the Tax Collector's office. Registrants, however, must furnish the 1923 license number, motor number, year model, and name of person or firm from whom purchased, and there has been any material change made from the original construction of the car, they must furnish the weight of car. Bring 1923 license receipt whenever possible, as it contains all this data, except the weight.

All trucks of whatever type or for whatever use are now classed as commercial motor vehicles. This includes those used for agricultural purposes, and all forms of light delivery trucks. Every person applying for registration of any truck (commercial motor vehicle) must furnish weight in pounds of said truck in form of a weigher's receipt. The registration cannot be made until this requirement is fulfilled.

It should be kept in mind that your 1923 car license expires on December 31, 1923, and that the law requires that cars in service on and after January 1, 1924, must have 1924 license tag displayed.

## WHITE RATS ARE USED IN EXPERIMENTAL WORK AT T. U.

Austin, Tex., Dec. 13.—About seventy white rats, in addition to 25 young ones, are now being used in experimental work by the home economics department of the University of Texas. The purpose of the work is to determine the relative value of certain food products common to man, and white rats are being used because they have practically the same digestive system as man. They are given food in powder form, consisting of ground whole wheat, dried milk and salt. The amount of food consumed is weighed, and the rats are also weighed at regular intervals to determine the exact effect of the feedings. The rats are used only in the growing period when they are about one month old, and are kept on the diet for two or three months. They are kept in wire cages and are given water and food daily.

Miss Lizzie Breazeale, printer-operator of Llano, is assisting in the News office for a few weeks, during the holiday rush.

Willard K. Larimore will arrive in Mason Sunday from Dallas, to spend the Christmas holidays with homefolks, among friends.

### MY CITIZEN AND I

My citizen has added his home to my homes, and his business to my industries; he votes for my welfare, and is educating his children that they may serve me; he has made my neighborhood completer. He is partial to my environs. He has a right to my loyalty. He supports me, and I should show him honor. My citizen wants protection—not patronage; friendly interest interest—not official interference co-operation—not investigation; sympathy—not criticism; helpfulness—not indifference. My citizen obeys my laws, builds my trade, increases my industries, and embellishes my social life with the qualities of a gentleman. I should believe in my citizen and support him. AND I WILL!

Yours,  
THE CITY.

By Dr. R. Estcourt,  
In The Annalist.

# NEW FALL AND WINTER Dry Goods

We invite the people of Mason and surrounding community to visit our store and inspect our splendid and complete stock of FALL and WINTER merchandise.

In purchasing our goods we have kept the needs of the buying public ever in mind and we feel that no store can better supply your needs.



We call your special attention to our line of ALL LEATHER SHOES and CLOTHING for school wear.

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# On Christmas Morn



Try to imagine a finer gift than an OVERLAND Automobile. It can't be done, Dad,—so if you've been thinking of a new car next spring, move the thought forward and make this a real Christmas in your home.

On Christmas morning at break of day—if you say the word, Old Santa will deliver a 1924 holly-bedecked OVERLAND automobile at your door. If you do—you'll touch the secret panel to expose a family happiness you never knew existed before.

COME, DAD—MAKE THE WHOLE FAMILY GLAD.

## Wood Auto Co.

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### PLAYS MAY BE SECURED FROM T. U. FOR ENTERTAINMENTS

Austin, Tex., Dec. 12.—Teachers who are desiring plays to be acted by the students and special occasions may now receive a collection of plays suitable for the purpose from the Extension Loan Library of the University of Texas, according to an announcement which has just been made by Miss LeNoir Dimmit, head of the library. Any teacher who will write to the Library telling what type of play is preferred, the number of characters, the age of the children, and the time and occasion for production will receive several plays for a week's examination. Then full information will be furnished as to where to order the plays, the price, and whether or not there is a royalty. There are now in the library twenty plays suitable for Christmas entertainments, and lists appropriate for other holidays will be prepared from time to time.

### SEVENTEEN MILLION CARS IN 1924

By January 1, the world will have in operation 17,000,000 automobiles, passenger cars and trucks, according to an estimate by H. M. Hoepfl, chief of the automotive division of the Department of Commerce. Of that total, 14,000,000 will run in the United States, about one to every eight persons, whereas, in the rest of the world the proportion will be about 1 to 112 persons. The number of cars in operation is expected to show on January 1, 1924, an increase of 17 per cent over January 1, 1923.

### HOW'S THIS?

HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE will do what we claim for it—rid your system of Catarrh or Deafness caused by Catarrh. HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE consists of an Ointment which quickly Relieves the catarrhal inflammation, and the Internal Medicine, a Tonic, which acts through the Blood on the Mucous Surfaces, thus assisting to restore normal conditions. Sold by druggists for over 40 Years. P. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O.

### BAZAAR

The Ladies Aid of the Christian Church will have their Bazaar December 15th at 2 o'clock at the Smith Hall.

You'll enjoy seeing the picture shows at the Star Opera House on Friday and Saturday nights. Show starts at 7:15 o'clock.

Fresh Chocolate Creams at Mason Drug Company. 28



THE best footing your car can get on rain-swept streets and slippery hills is the gripping All-Weather Tread of a Goodyear Tire. The high, thick, sharp-edged blocks of that famous tread take a slipless hold and hang on with a wedgelike action that prevents side-slip or skidding.

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### NEED GLASSES?

Dr. Jones, the Eye Man, in Dr. McCollum's office, Friday, Dec. 21st. Eyes Examined, Glasses Fitted, Headache and Eye Strain relieved. 39-3tc

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Fresh Chocolate Creams at Mason Drug Company. 28 typewriter ribbons. 80c. News Office.

### Ernest Jordan Meat Market

One door north Larimore & Grote's Store. Will appreciate a portion of your trade. CHOICE MEATS, PORK, SAUSAGE, PACKING HOUSE PRODUCTS, BREAD, ETC.

### The City Meat Market & Bakery

W. A. ZESCH & SON Props. Located in the Bridges Building, one door east of Louis Schmidt's Store

### SCHLAUDT & CO' MARKET

CHOICE MEATS ALWAYS ON HAND—BEEF, PORK, SAUSAGE HANDLE PACKING HOUSE PRODUCTS. ONE DOOR WEST MASON NATIONAL BANK

### BILL'S MARKET

W. F. BICKENBACH, Prop. Choice Meats, Packing House Products, Etc. One Door west of Johnson with Home Bakery

### DR. C. L. MCCOLLUM

PHYSICIAN & SURGEON OFFICE OVER OWL DRUG STORE

### Lamar Thaxton

LAWYER Upstairs in Ranck Bldg. MASON TEXAS

### DR. J. W. YANCEY

Dentist Fredericksburg, Texas

Purity and Globe Blackleg Vaccine at Mason Drug Company. 28

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### PUBLIC INTEREST PARAMOUNT

The whole nation has heard of the much-discussed Muscle Shoals project where as a war measure our government started hydro-electric power development for purpose of obtaining nitrogen from the atmosphere and giving the United States a supply of nitric acid for the manufacture of explosives independent of foreign supplies.

Numerous propositions have been made to the government to lease or buy the property, including the one from Henry Ford which has received the most public attention on account of the Detroit automobile manufacturer's prominence and his statements that he wished to make cheap fertilizer for the farmers.

The important question for the American people is not who gets this property, but what the individual or corporation which secures the use of it will do for the public in return for these vast properties which they seek to secure at nominal cost from the government.

James Couzens, United States Senator from Michigan and former partner of Henry Ford, in a recent statement in Detroit said: "It is commendatory to the United States Congress that it has not been brow-beaten into disposing of the Muscle Shoals project.

"The government must get every dollar possible for this great unfinished property and it is reasonable to suppose that honest public officials guarding the interests of the taxpayers will do this."

It has been generally understood that the reason for considering Mr. Ford's extremely low offer for these properties was that they would be used to manufacture cheap fertilizer if he gets the plant but according to his own statements, he will not make fertilizer except at a profit. This is only good business.

The question of the "public interest" in this proposition is, however, of greater importance than the "individual interest" of any prospective lessee of the Muscle Shoals project.

It is from this angle that the subject should be considered. In return for a hundred-year lease such as proposed in the Ford proposition, the public rights must be fully guarded.

Supposing the lessee of the property under such a lease disposes of it? Supposing that the lessee sold out? Supposing the lessee did not consider six per cent enough profit and would not manufacture fertilizer unless he could get eight per cent. Supposing the price the lessee set for fertilizer was not "cheap" for the farmer. Supposing the lessee considered it necessary to make eight per cent on the investment represented by expenditures made by the government instead of eight per cent on the very nominal sum such as has been offered to the government for these vast properties. Or supposing the lessee claimed eight per cent on the manufacturing turnover as a reasonable profit. Then in either of the two latter events, the lessee would get an enormously large return on his actual investment.

In the interest of the farmers whose welfare is the chief argument advanced for concluding a lease on these properties for the manufacture of fertilizer, the persons responsible for leasing or disposing of the Muscle Shoals project should see that very definite obligations are assumed by the beneficiary of the government's expenditures and the people's property.

### CHICKENS

If you have chickens to sell, don't fail to get my prices.

J. J. JOHNSON.

### JUNCTION-MENARD HIGHWAY HAS BEEN DESIGNATED

County Judge Baker returned from Austin the first of the week with the information that the road between Junction and Menard has been designated as a State Highway, a continuation of Highway No. 23 which was formerly Highway No. 30, running from Wichita Falls, by Haskell, Auson, Abilene, Ballinger, Eden and ending at Menard. Under the new designation, Junction will be the present terminus of the new highway.

County Judge Mathews of Menard was in Austin last week also. It is understood that Menard County has funds available, with State and Federal aid for building a first-class highway from Menard to Kimble County line, and that they expect to begin this construction at an early date.

Judge Baker states that the Highway Commission was very favorable in their attitude towards this county's highway, and agreed to appropriate 75 per cent of an estimated \$1200 that will be spent on the road between Junction and the Kerr County line, between now and the first of the year, when the Commission will take over this section of Highway No. 27. As a result of this appropriation, Commissioner R. R. King has a crew at work on the road southeast of town and work will be continued until the road bed is in first-class condition.—Junction Eagle.

### SUCCESSFUL SETS FOR WOLVES AND COYOTES, LOCATION FOR TRAPS

By Charles N. Tunnell

Various methods and devices have been used to trap the cunning wolf and coyote, but only the best sets will prove available. In the first place, all trace of human scent must be destroyed by wearing gloves at all times while making the sets and handling the traps. These gloves and the trappers shoes must be rubbed well with tallow or beeswax and occasionally fresh blood from birds, rabbits or some butchered animal.

One of the best sets and easiest to make is the trail set. In order to make this set, take a fresh killed rabbit or any fresh meat, and slit a few times with a knife, then when you are within a mile of the place you wish to make the set drop the bait to the ground and drag it along with a strong cord or wire. Make a large circle around the place you are to make the set and lead the trail between bushes and clumps of grass so if the wolf trails the bait he will be forced to pass between such places. This is an ideal place to make a set, but never set the trap directly in the trail, as the wolves will not walk on the trail, but always to one side of it. Hollow out a small place the size of the trap, and after setting it, then cover it lightly with grass or leaves, but it is better if the ground is nearly bare to place a piece of paper just larger than the trap jaws over them, and cover with dirt. Take care not to leave the set looking fresh, and if fresh dirt is around carry it away. Sprinkle a little blood around the set, then leave it as natural as possible.

### Another Good Method

Another good way of making a trail set is to drag the bait up a hole or a den, and drop a small piece into the den, scrape a little dirt over the part of the bait which is in the den and set the trap in the mouth of the hole. The wolf will try to scratch out the bait and get caught. After making the circle, and setting about two traps on the trail, then select the place to make the main set. A bush is a good place, set the bait back into the bush, and set the trap several feet in front of the bait. Lay a small cup or something on either side of the trap to make a path for the wolf or coyote to step into. Directly in front of the set trap place a very small twig about the size of a match, so the wolf will step over it into the trap, as they will not step on anything if placed in their way. Do not leave a freshly broken twig or they will become suspicious and shy off from the trap set for them.

### Fooing the Willy Wolf

Wolves are close observers, and like to look over the surrounding country, therefore a good place to make sets for them is on some high knoll where they hunt to watch around them. Any kind of a fresh meat bait is good for such a set, but do not place it out of its natural order. If a bird or rabbit is hung high up on a pole or tree, then the traps should be a considerable distance from the bait, as the wolves will not approach the bait, but will circle around it, and get caught while doing this. Such a place as this is especially desirable to make a set just before a snowstorm, for wolves will go to the high snowdrifts to look about them. If the trap is covered in snow so much the better, for then all trace of human scent is gone, and if the bait is covered up they will scratch it up, or if fresh bait is desired it can be dragged up to the place without disturbing the set trap.

### MAN SOUGHT FOR TWO YEARS HELD IN N. C.

News of the arrest of C. H. Woods, wanted here on Federal charges in connection with the theft of a Hudson automobile in 1921, was received from Greensboro, N. C., by the Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice, the information being to the effect that the man is under arrest on a murder charge there.

Federal authorities have been searching for Woods since 1921, when he and his wife and child were detained by the sheriff of Mason where they were found driving a Hudson touring car. Woods and the car were held pending investigation but Woods escaped so the car was eventually released and Mrs. Woods and the child made their way in it to San Antonio, according to the record of the case kept by the Department of Justice.

Shortly after the escape of Woods from Mason, a young man and woman reported to the San Antonio police that they had been held up at the point of a gun on the road near Junction City where they were enjoying a motor ride and forced to bring a strange man to San Antonio. He made them drive him about the city for sometime and then had them put him out and told them they could go back to Junction, they told the police. They also reported that he had forced with him before arriving there.

This occurred in August, 1921, and a short time later a bandit accosted a party of motorists on South Loop at night, shot the driver of the car, T. J. O'Malley, in the arm and so caused the car to be turned over. This man corresponds with the description given the police by the young man from Junction. In every case the man in question had only one hand, according to the descriptions given by the various persons who had dealings with him.

Federal authorities traced the ownership of the Hudson car back to persons living in Virginia and a search was instituted on the grounds that the man had violated the Motor Vehicle Act. State authorities also became interested in the capture because of the attempted robbery and assault in the South Loop.

The man arrested in North Carolina on a murder charge was identified by Department of Justice agents there as the man wanted here. It was reported to the local Federal agents Thursday. Special Agent Gus T. Jones said that there would be no charges filed against the man until after the outcome of the North Carolina case.

The above article appeared in the San Antonio Express. As will be recalled, some two years ago while Clarence Jetton and Miss Annie Taylor were driving on the Menard road, a few miles north of town, a man stopped them and at the point of a pistol, entered the car and compelled them to drive him to San Antonio. It was generally supposed that the man escaped into Old Mexico a few days later. He was believed to be connected with a number of other law violations in different parts of the State.

Campers often attract wolf packs, and after the camp is deserted wolves come pilfering around picking up scraps and scratching in the old camp fire. Trappers who cook their dinner while on the trap line can make a very successful set by setting a trap under the ashes of the camp fire after the heat has left, but never make the set before for heat will draw the temper from the trap. Meat scraps placed under the trap will cause the wolves to dig into the ashes and hence into the trap.

Wolves usually have a certain range and they stay with it pretty well, and also set habits. By a detailed study of their habits they are easy to outwit, but skill and care must also be used in skinning and stretching their furs after the catch. Wolves must always be skinned whole, and it is best to stretch fur side out. Steel stretchers are preferred, but if not available, good ones are easy to make from soft board shaped the size of the wolf's body. After the furs have been dried for three weeks in a suitable place, they are ready for the market.

New hats and caps just received at the Frank Clark Tailor Shop. Call to see our line.

# ICE

## DELIVERED DAILY

Our truck makes regular runs every morning. Have the driver leave ice at your home.

On Sundays the factory is open until 10 a. m., but the truck does not run.

## Mason Ice & Power Co.

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	TIRES	TUBES
30x3 B B C Fabric.....	\$8.50	\$1.75
30x3½ Suburban Fabric .....	\$8.75	\$2.00
30x3½ Oversize Cord .....	\$14.25	\$3.10
32x4½ Truck Cord .....	\$35.35	\$4.25

THESE LOW PRICES ON BRUNSWICK STANDARD AND HIGH QUALITY TIRES AND TUBES ONLY HOLD GOOD UP TO JANUARY 1ST, 1924

Take Advantage of these Prices Now

## L. F. ECKERT

## From Our Early Files

### TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

From Mason News Dec. 16, 1898

Born—A boy to Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Lowry, on Thanksgiving.

Mr. Ernest Westbrook was married last Sunday to Miss Ella Douglas, near Streeter.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Ben-skin, a boy on the 14th

John Rogers returned Tuesday from the Indian Territory. He has been confined to his bed since his return.

Mrs. Louis Ayers died Thursday morning, aged 20 years.

J. W. White delivered 520 cattle to R. H. Moseley at Llano last week.

Aug. Metzger returned home a few days ago from Oklahoma, where he has been working for M. Fulton.

In a difficulty between E. A. Dodd and B. M. Westbrook at the latter's home last Monday evening, both men were seriously cut. Mr. Westbrook received a great slash across his abdomen and Mr. Dodd is also in a critical condition.

Mason's snowfall of last Thursday night was about two inches.

The residence of J. W. White is about completed and will soon be ready for occupancy.

Theo. Splittgarber was down from Menard county this week, visiting relatives.

F. E. Husband was in from his ranch Monday.

Mrs. Harry Bierschwald is still quite sick.

Mrs. Sade Jones left this week for a visit to relatives at her old home in Georgia.

### FIFTEEN YEARS AGO

From Mason News, Dec. 11, 1908

J. D. Bridges died at his home in Chickasha, Oklahoma, last Monday morning, aged 67 years.

Mrs. Anna Martin and Walter returned Tuesday from a visit to friends at Brenham.

Aug. E. Altgelt, prominent attorney of San Antonio, and a brother of Mrs. Runge of this place, died a few days ago.

Hon. A. N. Moursund went to Austin Tuesday on business.

W. T. Alexander has finished his cotton crop, making 75 bales.

R. O. Green has purchased the 72 acre farm of E. Crawford. Mr. Crawford has contracted for the 160 acre farm of Cap Bellows.

T. A. Saunders brought the News a white egg turnip weighing 18 pounds and measuring 21 1-4 inches around.

Jacob Schuessler, Miss Carrie and Mrs. Glenn Smith returned Friday from a visit of a few days in Llano.

Mrs. J. H. Jones and Felix were here Monday from the ranch, and Judge Jones went home with them. After serving 67 years as county judge, J. H. Jones Monday turned over the office to his successor, S. A. McCollum, and retired to private life.

L. Rainey of Junction drove a bunch of 350 turkeys through here to Llano Sunday.

Miss Rosa Kidd returned to San Marcos last Monday to renew her studies in music, her brothers, Ben and Rubin going with her. They returned home Tuesday.

Miss Helena Ross returned a few days ago from Belton, where she has been attending school.

### NOTICE

I will move from Castell December 15th. Parties owing me, will please come in and settle.

39-2tc OSCAR HUFF.

Delta Pearl's, Vanity Cases, Silver Thimbles, J. S. King, Jeweler. 39

# Editorial

JUSTICE PERMITS NO FENCE TO LIMIT ITS VISION

## Elect President By Popular Vote

In the belief that any political system which makes possible the election of a President in defiance of the expressed will of the majority of the people is archaic and undemocratic, the Sacramento Bee in a leading editorial calls for the abolition of the electoral college and the direct election of the national government executives.

What with the unit rule and the two-thirds rule governing in conventions, and the delegation of authority to electors voting by states who twice at least have chosen Presidents—Harrison over Cleveland and Hays over Tilden—in defiance of the votes of the electorate, the people are so far removed from their right to choose the head of their nation that their right of franchise has become a meaningless waste of time.

Under our present political system it is impossible for a man to split his ticket—he can't vote for the candidate for president on one ticket and at the same time vote for the candidate for vice-president on some other ticket. He must vote for electors on one ticket or another in block formation.

Also under the present system it is impossible for any independent candidate for the presidency to have his name placed on the ballot. In Texas it is useless for a Republican to go to the polls on a presidential proposition. The Republican voice is so small and still that it is entirely obliterated. In Vermont it is equally futile for a Democrat to make a like attempt. Were the people to vote their choice then men and women of all parties would have equal representation as they have equal taxation, and the will of the majority of the citizens of the country would be expressed in action.

The electoral college of course was brought into being in a day when it was thought unsafe to trust the people with what was then regarded as a dangerous power. From this groundwork shrewd party tricksters have built up the gradual elimination of public participation in national affairs until today the citizen has the choice only of voting for one or two men hand picked by a half dozen political despots who, meeting in a parlor, decide who shall and who shall not have the right to go before the people for election.

Fortunately there are signs of the awakening of our citizens to the importance of insisting on their right of utterance. With their ears always to the ground the political combine is even now discussing the possible abolition of the two-thirds rule in the Democratic convention. If we can get that reform and next the killing of the unit rule we will have made at least a start toward a real democratic rule.

This is the year 1923. The United States has outgrown knickerbockers. Its citizens can get along very well without political bosses to govern them or electoral colleges having the power or not always the temerity to defy the public will.

There are grapes on sale in Washington Market, New York, at \$1.70 per crate of 30 pounds. Landed in a Fifth Avenue window they sell for \$1.00 per pound. The gentleman who grows the grapes gets what? Echo and answers what?



### GIVING CHRISTMAS

The First Presbyterian Church Sunday School of Seattle makes Christmas for others. So do each of her twenty-five branch schools. In other words, the pupils and their classes are required to search out all who may not have a good Christmas and provide one for them.

Weeks in advance the pupils and the workers are put to work visiting and ascertaining the conditions of homes where Santa Claus may not go unless we make him.

The baskets are then prepared with everything necessary for a perfect Christmas and a luscious Christmas dinner. These baskets are prepared at the church, and the name of the family put on each basket. Then machines are provided, and with each machine some members of the class, the school and Session go to that home on Christmas Eve with a blessing and the basket.

The givers of course receive the greatest blessing.

Those homes discovered and thus visited are visited again after Christmas and throughout the year and assisted to their feet in order that they too may next Christmas be givers and not receivers. In this way we make the giving Christmas an opportunity and blessing throughout the year. So can you and your school.

of the uncut pages had been cut. There seemed to be no marks about it to show that it had been read. So before going to dinner he arranged on his reading table two new books—one a rather thrilling volume of recently discovered court memoirs, and the other a book of Irish poetry.

There at least was wide choice. At dinner that night Herbert Arlett took a rather keen interest in bringing the conversation to the subject of Russia, then to Russian literature in general, and then to Russian plays. No one seemed to pay much attention, so he was forced to do more of a monologue than he enjoyed.

As he talked, old Mrs. Beekman seemed to be developing interest. She finally adjusted the little black box fastened to the front of her bodice so that it faced Herbert. He knew that she at least considered what he was saying as possibly worth listening to. "I don't know as I'd waste my time on those plays," she sniffed at last. "My niece was here today—seems she'd been reading some, and she was telling me a couple of pages of one. She said she couldn't get up much interest, not so she really wanted to spend any time on them."

"Your niece?" queried Herbert Arlett, suddenly, not at all interested in Russian or Russian plays. "Do you mean that charming young lady who comes occasionally to Sunday dinner with you?"

"She comes to Sunday dinner," said Mrs. Beekman, grudgingly. "but I can't say she's so charming."

"She seems to be a great reader," ventured Herbert.

"Oh, she keeps up with the new things, same as the rest of us try to do," said Mrs. Beekman. "She drops in to see me almost every day. I don't know what I'd do without her. She tends to my canary birds, you know. I like canaries, but I loathe tending them—don't you? And do you know?" Mrs. Beekman rattled on, turning to the octogenarian Mrs. Borman beside her, "why it is that canaries—"

But Herbert Arlett did not trouble to hear the rest of the conversation. He was thinking of Mrs. Beekman's niece and thinking that perhaps she was the little mouse for whom he had been baiting his trap. She certainly was charming, whatever Mrs. Beekman said, and as good as she was charming if she came every day to see that ill-natured deaf old lady and bothered over her loud-lunged canaries.

Herbert Arlett decided to dine at the boarding house next Sunday, contrary to his usual custom. Perhaps he could find excuse to talk to her.

In the meantime Herbert continued his detective work, and to bait his trap. He found that the mouse preferred poetry to prose—the Irish lyrics showed careful attention, and all the uncut leaves were cut the next night.

Then other odd things were noticeable. One day he found little grains—strangely like canary bird seed—that had sifted out of the bottom of his waste basket. And one day not long after, when he went into his room, there was a strong perfume, not unpleasant, and not quite strong enough to make it possible for him to tell what flower it belonged to.

In the meantime he had dined at the boarding house on Sunday and had made excuse to talk to Mrs. Beekman's charming niece. And she was decidedly charming. They discussed Russian plays and Irish lyrics and Boswell's "Life of Johnson" and recent court memoirs.

"Isn't it remarkable how alike we are in taste in reading?" said Gladys Beekman, walking rather deliberately into the open trap.

"Perhaps not so remarkable," said Herbert Arlett.

"Why—do you think we are similar in temperament?" asked Gladys Beekman, blushing a little.

"Possibly," said Herbert, not in the least vexed. "Just to get a line on the matter, which of the new books that you haven't read would appeal to you as most interesting?"

Gladys thought for a moment. "There is a new book on Catherine de'Medici," she said, "that I'd like to see. That sort of biography is always entertaining."

The next day Herbert Arlett bought the new biography on Catherine de'Medici and with it baited his trap that night. He would give her the book, he reflected, and then without quite knowing what he was doing he opened the book and took out his fountain pen.

"For Gladys—from Herbert," he wrote, just to see how it would look. Of course, she wouldn't see it. It was absurd to think that she really did enter his room. Probably it was a coincidence.

But the next evening when he returned, the book was gone.

That night at dinner Herbert Arlett asked Mrs. Beekman for her niece's address.

"I thought maybe she'd like to go for a spin in the park," he said. "I've just got my car out of repair—perhaps you'd like to go with us?"

"Stuff and nonsense," snapped Mrs. Beekman. "I've seen how things were going from the first. If you're going to do any lovelaking you don't want an old woman along, even if she is deaf. Sometimes the deaf ones hear more than you want them to."

Herbert Arlett found to his surprise that Gladys was also a boarding house dweller, only her house was less pretentious and less luxurious than that of Mrs. Jordan. She was a kindergarten teacher, she explained, and came to see her aunt, Mrs. Beekman, every day after school was over.

"I come to take care of the canaries," she said. "Poor aunty, no one else seems to have any interest in her. It's funny about canaries—those canaries—"

"What's funny?" asked Herbert.

"Why, they won't take a bath except in the sunlight, and the sun is all gone from aunty's room by the time I get there. I didn't know what to do about it until I found that there was a door connecting her clothes closet with the closet of the corresponding room in the adjoining house. One of Mrs. Jordan's boarders has it, of course—you know she has connected those two houses—and there is afternoon sunlight there. So I take the birds in through the closets and sit there while they take a bath. You don't suppose whoever lives in that room objects?"

"Of course not," said Herbert Arlett, gradually bringing his car to a standstill along a wooded road in the park. "But you don't use perfume—"

"Oh, did you notice it? It was aunty's lilies. You see, they need all the sun they can get, and so I took them in with me when I went to give the birds their baths today. Thank you so much for the book. It was such a nice way to give it to me."

Then Herbert Arlett said something confusedly about the inscription, and Gladys said that it was brief, and Herbert stammered that he would have said more if he had had the courage.

"What more?" asked Gladys.

"With love, perhaps," replied Herbert. And that was all there was to it—at least all that was even partly coherent. After that they went back through the growing darkness to Aunt Beekman's at Mrs. Jordan's. They insisted that she join them on their second spin.

"We want to take you to Blank's for ice cream to celebrate our engagement," said Gladys.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Braly are visiting their daughter, Mrs. Henry Graves, of Rockdale. They intend spending the holidays there.

### The Fussiness of Herbert Arlett

By JANE OSBORN

Herbert Arlett was not especially fussy—that is, not for a boarding house boarder. Still, he was not absolutely without traces of this characteristic. Moreover, he was uncommonly observing. He had an uncanny faculty of remembering just where he had left this volume or that on his reading table, and, of course, if the bookmark in the volume he was reading at the time was very far removed during the course of his day's absence from his room it is not much to be wondered at that he noticed it.

So one day he said to Mrs. Jordan, proprietor of the boarding house: "The maid who cleans up my room—I have no complaint to make, but she must be fond of reading. I rather con-

gratulate her on her taste. She seems to be enjoying my Boswell's 'Life of Johnson' at present—and last week she dipped into Wells' 'Outline of History.' Still, there are excellent circulating libraries—"

The rather obtuse Mrs. Jordan was not at all sure what Mr. Arlett was trying to get at.

"Maggie's a good girl," she defended. "I'd trust her with my pocket-book any time. But as for being much of a reader—"

"Oh, Maggie," was Herbert Arlett's comment. "I thought you might have a new girl for my room. Maggie'd hardly read Boswell or Wells, but most emphatically some one does. No one has the keys but you and Maggie—" Mr. Arlett stopped, suddenly feeling that he had gone too far, yet visibly annoyed. "Of course, if you want to read my books and eat my caramels, Mrs. Jordan, you are quite welcome. I am sorry I mentioned it—only I'd a little rather have you speak to me about it."

Mrs. Jordan, so far from showing offense threw her head back and laughed, with her hands on her hips. "Bless your heart!" she said. "I

wouldn't open one of your fool books; and as for your caramels—do I look as if I ate caramels?" That was her way of getting back at Herbert Arlett for having suggested that she had intruded.

As the books on his table continued to be misplaced and as by actual count, caramels disappeared, Herbert Arlett continued to be annoyed. Obviously some one was prying. If no one had the key save Maggie and Mrs. Jordan, and neither of them read the books, then it must be that she let some one else have the keys who apparently entered his room with the special object of enjoying his books and magazines.

So Herbert Arlett decided to do a little detective work for himself.

The next day he bought a volume containing English translations of some much-talked-about Russian plays and laid it on his table as one lays a baited trap for some nibbling mouse. "Evidently the intruder likes high-brow stuff," he reflected. "If that is too deep, I'll get something a little lighter tomorrow."

The next night he examined the book thoroughly, but found that none

# CLEARANCE SALE!

The big Clearance Sale is still going on and many bargains are being offered. We wish to remind the public this will be our last sale this year.

## MYERS BROS.



**The Boy is Right**  
 Sunday School Teacher (very seriously): "Now Harry, what must we do before our sins can be forgiven?"  
 Harry, (still more seriously—"Please Ma'am, we must sin."

**Cause and Effect.**  
 He rose with great alacrity—  
 To offer her his seat  
 'Twas a question whether she or he  
 Should stand upon his feet.

**Every Face A Menu**  
 He—"Yes, the doctors say our food affects our looks."  
 She—"Well, more people eat nuts than I thought."

**Two Explanations.**  
 Si—"Yep, I had a beard like yours once, but when I realized how it made me look, I cut it off by gosh."  
 Hi—"Wal—I had a face like yours once, and when I realized that I couldn't cut it off, I grew this beard, by heck."

**Delivering the Goods**  
 There was once a woman called Mrs. Who said, "I don't know what a Krs. But a fellow in haste,  
 Put his arm around her waist  
 And quietly answered, "Why thrs."

**Sounded Reasonable**  
 The teacher asked the class in natural history—"Where is the home of the swallow?"  
 A long silence, then a hand moved.  
 "All right, you may answer, Robert," smiled the teacher.  
 "The home of the swallow is in the stummick," declared Robert.

**At This Time of the Year**  
 Ebner—"This letter from your son at college is rather short."  
 Si—"Yep,—an he is too. That's why he wrote it."

**His Asked For It.**  
 Miss Gab—"He doesn't speak to her any more."  
 Miss Fab—"No, He asked her what he should use on his hair and she told him furniture polish."

**A Good Job**  
 He—"Yes, once I loved a girl and she made a fool out of me."  
 She (trifle bored)—"My—what a lasting impresson some girls make."

## Society

### A HEARTS' PARTY

On Friday night of last week the High School Seniors assembled at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Metzger. At 7:30 o'clock the crowd having arrived, they began playing "hearts" (not with real hearts, but with wooden hearts). After they had played many games of "hearts" they awarded the prizes. Dessie Hoerster, who won thirteen games, received first prize. Fritz Stengel won only one game and he received the booby prize.

After this, "Wink 'em" was played for awhile. Then the refreshments of sandwiches and cocoa were served. Small twigs of mistletoe, tied with little red and green ribbons were used as plate favors.

The following were present: Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Bennett, Misses Theresa Klapproth, Louise Vater, Dessie Hoerster, Louise Durst, Alma Passmore, Leah Passmore, Ruby Jordan, Sarah Kirkpatrick, Willie Mae Bickenbach, Lucille Lange, Coralea Tinsley, Ella Mae Metzger, Orval Garrett, Maggie Metzger; Messrs. Fritz Schmidt, L. W. Dumas, Fritz Stengel, Reuben Wiseman, Stanley Sanders, Calvin Sanders, Harold Schmidt, Guy McLerran, L. D. Fostel, Perry Donop, Milton Zesch.

Reporter.

### Missionary Society

The ladies of the Woman's Missionary Society were delightfully entertained Friday afternoon of this week at the home of Mrs. John Starks, with Mrs. Lamar Thaxton assisting.

The program was as follows:  
 Song—"Joy to the World."

Mrs. Otto Schmidt, as leader, read and discussed the Bible Lesson, "Jesus the Reconciler," (2 Cor. V 11-21).

Mrs. Jim Brown, superintendent of Social Service of the Woman's Missionary Society, gave a splendid talk on "Our Social Service Committee, What We Have Done, and What We Need to Do."

Prayer by Mrs. Jennie Williams.  
 Poem, "Let the Nations Be Free," Mrs. John Banks.

Solo, "The Best Things in Life Are Free", sweetly sung by Mrs. William Splittgerber.

A Christmas Story, "Is There A Manger Here," was touchingly told by Mrs. Ben Jordan.

Piano Solo, Mrs. John Starks.  
 Closing Song, "Holy Night."

A short business session was held, and a Christmas box was arranged for little Loren Walsh, of Waco, the adopted child of the Missionary Society, and some improvements are to be made at the Methodist parsonage.

During the social hour a delicious salad course was served to the following ladies: Mmes. James Brown, N. A. King, Dan Lehmborg, Ben King, Wm. Splittgerber, S. C. Brockman, Allan Murray, J. T. Banks, Jennie Williams, Smith.

## RICHARD LLOYD JONES

SAYS

### Be A Leader

What a man does to help or harm himself is of little concern to the world, but what he does to help or harm the many is of much concern.

Edward Everett Hale told us that many a "fathead" has gained a reputation for being "safe" simply because he didn't have brains enough to play anything else but "safe." To illustrate, he tells of a man he knew who acquired a local reputation for virtue among the thoughtless because he was always telling how careful he was to protect his own body from alcoholic and other harms. Among the same people he established a reputation for wisdom because in the legislative chambers where he held a seat he confined his public utterances to two speeches, one, "There has been so much said and so well said that I can add nothing"; the other, "I quite agree with the gentleman on the other side of the house."

Very broad, liberal and convincing, this chap! Put negative goodness on the scale that weighs virtue and you will find the index finger on the dial has not left zero. The virtue that weighs has force, passion, fire, resolution, determination, GO.

Virtue is measured by one's eagerness to save not alone himself but others, not to keep himself alone in the channel of the stream but to bring the driftwood of the edges into the current as well.

The makers of progress are they who try to help other progress. A mediocre mind can say, "Me too." A weak mind can say, "I don't." It takes a great man to hold a great idea and to lift it up that all may see it.

Progress is not affected by the derelict but by the driver in whose heart is found the passion not for one man's preservation but for all men's, not for advantage, but for justice; who is not concerned about what the world may think of him but about what he thinks of the world, who is eager to do for others rather than have others do for him.

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**Poem by Uncle John**

Thanksgiving Day is here at hand, with joys that all may understand; I take it, that our folks will share the friendly feeling everywhere; that each and every heart an' mind holds Peace—Good-will for all mankind. . . . I can't help thinkin' that's the way to celebrate Thanksgiving Day.

I'll say—so far as I'm concerned, from what I feel, and what I've learned—the soul that's grateful in its way, should render thanks most every day. Our blessings come so thick and fast—each new one richer than the last—it seems we ain't got time to pray, for, Life's one long Thanksgiving Day!

The Spirit born at Plymouth Rock, shrinks not from fear or tempest-shock; We consecrate our good right hand to God, and Home, and Native Land! From heart within, to God o'erhead, we're thankful for our daily bread! Behold the stuffed an' basted turk. . . . Roll up yer sleeves—an' go to work!

Will Land, Howard Smith, E. W. Schroeder, Otto Schmidt, Ed Smith, S. A. McCollum, Ery Hamilton, Eli Jordan, G. T. Gibbons, Robt. Hofmann, Ben Jordan, A. Tinsley and the hostesses, Mmes. Lamar Thaxton and John Starks.

The next meeting of the society will be the business meeting at the church December 18, at which time officers for the new year will be elected.

Miss Edrie Smith, of San Antonio, was a weekend guest in the home of the family of her uncle, Glenn W. Smith.

### \* CHURCH NOTICES \*

**CATHOLIC**  
 Services every first Sunday.  
 Mass at 10 a. m.  
 Sunday School from 2 to 3 p. m.  
 Rosary, Sermon, Benediction from 3 to 4 p. m.  
 Any question concerning Catholic Church or its teachings will be courteously answered at the afternoon services.  
 Everybody welcome.  
 JOS. F. DWAN, Pastor.

### COMPULSORY NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the compulsory school term of the Mason Schools will begin January 2, 1924. All pupils between the ages of 8 and 14 are required to attend during the 100 school days following this date.

E. J. LEMBURG, Pres.  
 40-21-c W. M. MARTIN, Sec'y.

High grade silk hose for ladies, at Frank Clark's Tailor Shop. 37

The gun was recently purchased from Larimore & Grote and Mr. Larimore was explaining to Mr. Lavelle how the gun was manipulated, and upon throwing a shell out of the magazine into the barrel, it was accidentally discharged.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Nichols and children of the Loyal Valley community, were in town Saturday doing some shopping. Mr. Nichols states that he recently sold his place to Mr. J. M. K. d.

Mr. and Mrs. Ery Hamilton left Saturday for Oklahoma, where they will spend the Christmas holidays with their daughters, Mesdames Askew and Wallace.

Mrs. Walter Lefeste and sister, Miss Lillie Eckert, of Dallas, arrived in Mason Sunday to be at the bedside of their mother, Mrs. J. D. Eckert, who is said to be in a critical condition.

Mrs. Loula C. Loring and Mrs. Jennie Williams left Sunday for San Antonio for a visit of several days, and to attend to business.

## HELPFUL HINTS

*By A. Leda*  
 Mrs. Housewife: This newspaper will publish "Helpful Hints" in this form at regular intervals. We suggest you clip this column and paste it in your recipe book.

**Washing Blankets**—When washing blankets remember it is important to keep all the rising waters the same temperature. Another thing—the rinsing waters should be soapy if you wish to keep the blankets light and fluffy.

**Scorching**—Here is a new one—that is, a new one on me, but as regards its working ability that I am sure of. If an article has been scorched while ironing, wet with cold water and lay where the sun will shine quickly on it. The mark will soon vanish.

**Paint**—Paint, no matter how old, may be removed from cloth if this secret is followed. Apply olive oil first (enough to soften the paint) and then drop on some chloroform.

**Dates**—Paper which has dried on dates may easily be removed if the package of dates are put in an oven which is of medium hot temperature.

**Phonograph Records**—A friend had some phonograph records which had become very soiled. She was about to give them up as hopeless when I suggested trying some alcohol with a soft cloth. She rubbed each one gently and they are now as good as new.

**Brass Beds**—The brass on beds may be cleaned if it is rubbed with a mixture of salt and vinegar or soda and lemon juice. When it has become bright wash with soap and water, then dry. If vaseline is then rubbed on, it will prevent their tarnishing for quite some time.

**Oil Cloth**—If the oil cloth on the kitchen table is soiled on instead of being tacked it will not crack, wrinkle, and wear longer. Flour is good to use for the paste.

**Cleaning Silver**—Try the following next time you clean your silver, and I believe you will always continue to use it. Boil the silver in an aluminum pan into which has been shaved almost a quarter of a bar of ivory soap and add a tablespoon of table salt. Boil for ten minutes, rinse with hot water, and then dry. This is said to be harmless, save labor, and make the silver look like new.

### 100 PIONS PAID

Since our last report the following have made subscription payments to the News, for which we extend them our thanks:

Ery Hamilton	1.50
Gas Eckert	3.00
C. N. Murrain	1.50
Miss Annie Megford	1.50
Robert Green	1.50
Beck Gibson	1.00
Sid Stapp	1.50
T. P. Wood	3.00
W. R. Bode	1.50
S. A. McCollum	1.50
A. N. Sweeney	3.00
Max Herman Zesch	1.50
R. O. Green	1.50
J. P. Moneyhoa	3.00
J. W. Purdy	.75
H. J. Jordan	1.50
Mrs. Will Harper	1.50
M. W. Nichols	1.50

It now requires 15 million marks to carry a letter from Texas to Germany.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Lindsay and son, A. J., left Sunday for Schleicher county to visit at the ranch of Gratton Crossby for several days.

**Ed Purdy Says**—  
 "Then New York business men must be feeling fine now. They're so prosperous I see they are signing their marriage licenses now with a rubber stamp."

**FOR SALE**  
 We have one Ford Ton Truck, good condition also several good used Ford Cars. Come in and look them over.  
**L. F. ECKERT**

Pay Day has rolled around for many News subscribers. Take a glance at the date on the label of your paper, it tells

When you think of bond papers, think of the News.

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APPLES,  
ORANGES,  
BANANAS

I WANT YOUR EGGS

in fact all kinds of Fruit and Nuts for Christmas. I have bought Fruit in large quantities and must sell them cheap to dispose of them. If you want Fruit, don't fail to see me. Also plenty of nice candies.

Make My Store Your Store; all Are Welcome.

J. J. JOHNSON

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The proper cleaning of your fall and winter clothing gives you that feeling of dignity and self-respect which induces efficiency in business.

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Overcoats ..... \$1.50 up Ladies' Suits ..... \$1.50 up



**ROY E. DOELL**  
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MEMBERSHIP NO. 1874

**EDITORIAL**

Will the United States stop building motor cars, close up its factories and return to horse-drawn vehicles?

Absurd question! Yet there is only one alternative; if we are not to lose the economic and social benefits of motor transportation, we must supply roads upon which the newer vehicles may run.

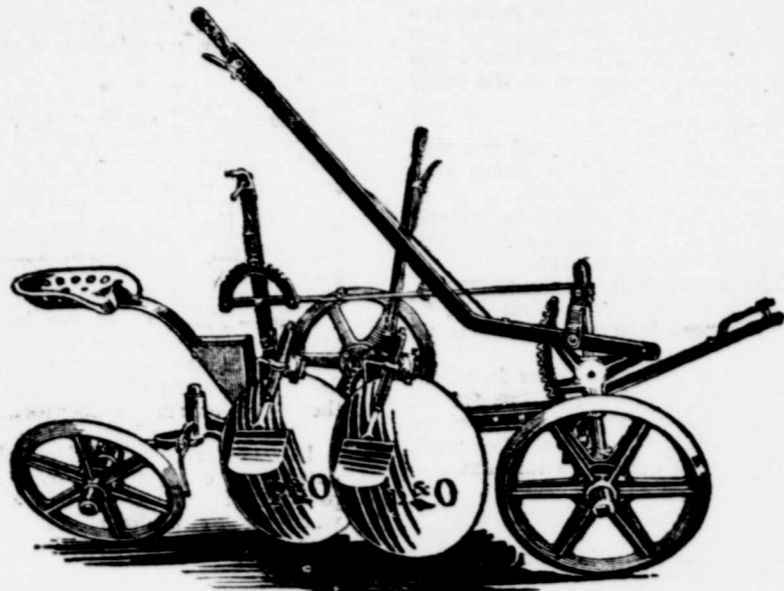
It is impossible to separate the water from the wave, the gold from the bracelet, or the track from the locomotive. It is equally impossible to separate the road from the truck, or the passenger car from the highway. They are halves of a whole; transportation is never vehicle alone, or highway alone; it is both together.

Our roads were planned and built for a means of transportation which is gone. The earliest highways were for horse riders, the stagecoach came next, after which we had the buggy and the wagon. The narrow road, the steep grade, the soft surface were all admissible for these; none of them are economic for the swift and powerful motor.

We have "improved" our highways—some of them—and widened a few, but we still build a road with the idea that it will "last" but a few years, and need "constant repairs." We still build in widths predicated upon slow moving vehicles, and we still wind our highways up hill and down dale and around devious curves because it is "easiest" and "cheapest" so to do.

That era is gone! The new one is fairly here. We must either build our roads for our modern vehicles, or scrap motor transportation. As the latter is unthinkable absurd, it seems logical to believe that the era of the wide, expensive, permanent, hard surfaced road is here.

Elgin Watches, Howard Watches, Diamond Rings, Diamond Brooches, Soldered Link Mesh Bags, Pearl Beads. J. S. King, Jeweler. 39



**THE P. & O. PONY DISK GANG PLOW**

is built to meet the demand for a light draft plow, yet it is heavy enough to plow most any land in this country. It is simple and strong and has extremely heavy beams that will withstand any amount of pulling. It is equipped with 20 inch disk with chilled bearings and hard oil lubrication. The disk can be set to cut 8, 9 or 10 inches. It has automatic rear wheel and three horse all steel evener.

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**Santa Claus HEADQUARTERS**



**COME AND SEE THE LATEST**

It is a privilege to show you our Beautiful Holiday Goods and you will oblige us by considering this a Personal Invitation to call and inspect our new extensive line of Christmas Novelties.

YOU GET NEW IDEAS as you look through our Holiday Stock. It is a practical demonstration of POSSIBILITIES in gathering under one roof nearly everything to make people HAPPY at CHRISTMAS TIME.

**THE FINEST SIGHT IN TOWN**

Is our beautiful stock of Gifts containing all that is BRIGHT, FRESH, NEW and NOVEL in Holiday Goods of genuine WORTH and unquestioned VALUE for really desirable presents.

WE CAN MEET YOUR WANTS. Whatever your needs, come and let us show you a variety of beautiful presents that will at once appeal to you as "JUST THE THING." We have GENUINE NEW ATTRACTIONS for Christmas. COME and SEE The SPLENDID STOCK OF THE SEASON.

**SUNSHINE DRUG COMPANY**

**STUDENTS WASH WINDOWS TO WORK WAY THRU UNIBERSITY**

Austin, Texas, Dec. 13.—With a reputation for dexterity and speed in washing windows, the University Window Cleaners Association of the University of Texas has attracted much favorable comment. The members are students who are earning their expenses while attending school by washing windows. They have an orange and white ladder and special window-cleaning apparatus which is said to shorten the process perceptibly. The association is a branch of the national organization of University Window Cleaners, which was founded in 1915 at the University of Colorado in Boulder, by two brothers. It is now established in twelve colleges.

**A WILD CHASE**

Last Monday afternoon excitement ran high in Fredericksburg, when suddenly loud screams and noises echoed from the jail. After a quick investigation the local officers found Mr. Ed. Saenger locked up in a cell, and three of the prisoners had made their "get-away." That afternoon as Mr. Saenger brought food to the prisoners, one of them suddenly drew a huge knife and commanded him to get in the cell without making a noise. After they had him locked up they requested a Mexican who also is a prisoner to join the trio in the "get-away," however, he refused to leave.

A wild chase over fence and brush in spite of pouring rain, took its course through the western part of town. After a short time the officers succeeded in capturing two of the men. Late that night the third one came to Mr. Rich Stethling's home where he begged for dry clothes and a bed. Mr. Stethling complied with the request of the adventurous lad, but after he was sound asleep Mr. Stethling phoned to the sheriff who responded and apprehended the third one of the escaped trio.—Fredericksburg Standard.

**HOUSTON WOMAN**

Mentioned for Texas Democratic Committeewoman.



Party leaders are urging Miss Sterling as choice for national democratic committeewoman from Texas. She is secretary of the Humble Oil and Refining Company, Houston.

**TO THE STOCKHOLDERS OF THE FIRST STATE BANK OF MASON, TEXAS**

You are hereby advised that the annual meeting of the stock holders and directors of the First State Bank will be held at the banking house in Mason on the second Wednesday in January, same being the 8th day of January, 1924 at 2 o'clock p. m.

At this meeting directors will be elected for the ensuing year, and such other business will be transacted as will properly come before the meeting.

You are urgently requested to be present, but should you find you are unable to attend, kindly authorize some person to act in your stead.

Yours very truly,  
W. E. JORDAN, Cashier.

40-3tc

Gates' Super-Tread Tires and Treated Tubes. Sold by Otto Schmidt.

13tf Subscribe for the News today.

# SOME BUSINESS ENTERPRISES OF MASON

<b>W. C. HENRICH</b> DRY GOODS AND NOTIONS Cotton has advanced, but my prices are the same. Give me a call. EAST SIDE SQUARE	<b>MASON GROCERY CO</b> STAPLE AND FANCY GROCERIES Your Patronage Appreciated PHONE 143 North Side of Square	<b>E. HENRICH &amp; BRO.</b> SADDLERY AND HARNESS Repair Work A Specialty EAST SIDE SQUARE	<b>THE DENVER HOTEL</b> Northeast Corner of Square. TOURIST TRAVEL SOLICITED MRS. M. E. CHURCHWELL Prop.	<b>F. H. SCHUESSLER</b> BLACKSMITH & WOODWORK Repair Work of All Kinds Northwest of Square
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<b>R. GROSSE</b> BUILDING MATERIAL PHONE 41 East Side Square	<b>LOUIS C. PROBST</b> Shelf Hardware, Ammunition and Stoves PHONE 186 N. SIDE SQUARE	<b>FRED E. KEY</b> BLACKSMITH & WOODWORKER Nice Line of Bolts PHONE 12 Northwest of Square	<b>BEN HEY</b> NOTARY PUBLIC Farms and Ranches for Sale MASON, TEXAS.	For WATKINS QUALITY PRODUCTS See L. F. Jordan PHONE 193 MASON, TEXAS

## A TEXAS WONDER

For kidney and bladder troubles, gravel, weak and lame backs, rheumatism and irregularities of the kidneys and bladder. If not sold by your druggist, by mail \$1.25. Small bottle often cures. Send for sworn testimonials. Dr. E. W. Hall 2926 Olive Street, St. Louis, Mo.—(Adv.)

## LOCAL GARAGE MAKES CHANGE IN MANAGEMENT

A deal was recently negotiated whereby W. H. Caviness, senior member of the garage firm of W. H. Caviness & Son, sold his interest to his son, Arch, who has been living on Big Point, and who has been engaged in the ranch business.

The present owners are Geo. and Arch Caviness, and the style of the firm will be changed from the above to Caviness Brothers.

W. H. Caviness will continue to live in Junction, but has not made any definite plans as to what he will do in the future.—Junction Eagle.

## Bruce Let Watches for Christmas, J. S. King, Jeweler.

## A Woman Wrote The Canby News, Minn., December 10, as Follows:

"If any subscribers ask what you think of Rat-Snap, tell them it's the best rat exterminator I know. Rats were taking our eggs, oats, corn, had full swing in our cellar. I used Rat-Snap for two days and rats have cleared out completely." Three sizes: 35c, 65c, \$1.25. Sold and guaranteed by SUNSHINE DRUG COMPANY

**IF YOU HAVE**  
 Malaria, Piles, Sick Headache, Costive Bowels, Dumb Ague, Sour Stomach, and Belching; your food does not assimilate, you have no appetite.  
**Tutt's Pills**  
 will remedy these troubles

## Nervous Break-Down

MRS. ANNIE LANGE, of R. F. D. 1, Burlington, Tex., writes as follows regarding her experience with Cardui: "Some time ago I had a nervous break-down of some kind. . . I was very weak and so nervous. I had fainting spells and suffered a great deal, but more from the weak, trembly, no-account feeling than anything else. I knew I needed a tonic, and needed it badly. I began the use of Cardui to see if I couldn't get some strength, as I knew of other cases that had been helped by its

use. I soon saw a great improvement, so I kept it up. I used seven bottles of Cardui, and can say the money was well spent, for I grew well and strong. Am now able to do all my housework and a great deal of work besides."

If you are weak, run-down, nervous and suffer from the ailments peculiar to women, it is very likely that Cardui will help you, in the way it helped Mrs. Lange and has helped thousands of others, during the past 40 years. Ask for, and insist on, Cardui.

# CARDUI

## The Woman's Tonic

I can save you money on your heavy groceries. Get my prices. Wm. Splittergerber. 29-tfc Johnson.

I am always in the market for fat hogs and chickens. Get my prices. J. J. Johnson. 31-tf.

Typewriter ribbons. 50c. News Office. News Want Ads bring results.

### POSTED

This will notify the public that all lands owned and controlled by me are posted against hunting, trapping, or trespassing of any kind.  
 37-2mc BEN TATSCH, Castell.

### POSTED

Notice is hereby given that all lands owned and controlled by me are posted against hunting, trapping, pean gathering or otherwise trespassing in any form. Violators of this notice will be prosecuted.  
 33-2mc S. B. CAPPS.

### NOTICE

Hunting with dogs, guns, traps and camping on my land in Mason County is strictly forbidden. Trespassers will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.  
 33-2mc LOUIS G. ECKERT.

### POSTED

All land owned and controlled by me is posted against hunting, trapping or trespassing of any kind. Violators of this notice will be prosecuted.  
 33-2mp ALVIN LEIFESTE.

### POSTED

L. C. Fleming has under lease the Mountain Pastures of J. D. Eckert, Albert Kothmann and Emil Hoerster, near Fly Gap, and warns the public against hunting or trespassing of all kinds under penalty of prosecution.  
 34-2mp.

Spalding Foot Ball goods at Mason Drug Company. 28

### STOP THAT ITCHING

Use Blue Star Remedy for Eczema, Itch, Tetter or Cracked Hands, Ring Worms, Chapped Face, Poison Oak, Sunburns, Old Sores or Sores on Children. It relieves all forms of Sore Feet. For sale by MASON DRUG CO.

### POSTED

All of our pastures are posted against hunting or trapping, or trespassing of any kind.  
 32-2mp PAT AND JOHN ROGERS.

### POSTED

All of our pastures are posted against hunting or trapping, or trespassing of any kind.  
 A. R. EVERS.  
 34-2mp EMIL KORDZIK.

### NOTICE

No hunting with guns or dogs, or trapping, or otherwise trespassing, will be allowed on the lands owned or controlled by the Loyal Valley Game Protective Association, without a privilege card properly signed.  
 Signed: Loyal Valley Game Protective Association. 34-2mc

### POSTED

All lands owned and controlled by me are posted under the laws of this State and all character of hunting, trapping or other depredation is positively forbidden.  
 36-6tc D. P. HASSE.

### POSTED

The public is warned against hunting, trapping or trespassing in any of its forms on lands owned or controlled by me, as same are posted and violators of this notice will be prosecuted.  
 34-2mc MAX MARTIN.

### POSTED

Notice is hereby given that my pastures are posted and I will not permit hunting, trapping or trespassing of any kind.  
 34-tfc L. F. CLARK.

### POSTED

My pasture, known as "Salt Creek pasture" is posted, and hunting of all kinds or trespassing any form is forbidden under penalty of prosecution.  
 34-2mp MRS. ANNA M. DECHERT.

### POSTED

All land owned by me is posted against hunting, trapping, or trespassing of any kind.  
 36-tfc FRANK A. BAUER.

### CHRISTMAS GIFTS

for LADIES AND GENTLEMEN  
 French vory, Cut Glass, Comb and Brush Sets, Manicure Sets, Sautoir and Earring Sets, Three Flowers Sets, East man Kodaks, Spotlights, Eversharp Pencils, Waterman Fountain Pens, Edison and Victrola Phonographs, Whitman's and Norris Box Candy, Console Sets, Thermos Bottles.

**MASON DRUG COMPANY**  
 Glass windows at R. Grosse's Lumber Yard. 32  
 Fresh Chocolate Creams at Mason Drug Company. 28

### THE HOME GUARDS

Livergard and Lungardia.  
 LIVERGARD is the New Laxative we can not improve; excels all others. When a Laxative is needed, makes laughing babies of puny ones, keeps old folks young.  
 LUNGARDIA has no equal for Coughs, Colds, Sore Throat; unsurpassed in removing deep Coughs of long standing. One trial convinces. Lungardia Co. Dallas, Texas. For sale by Mason Drug Company.—Adv.

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# STAR OPERA HOUSE

FRIDAY NIGHT  
**"TRUXTON KING"**  
Featuring John Gilbert

SATURDAY NIGHT  
**"PAWN TICKET 210"**  
Featuring Shirley Mason

SHOW STARTS AT 7:15 O'CLOCK

Admission: 15 & 25 Cents

## READY FOR BUSINESS

We wish to announce we have opened a tinning and plumbing business on the west side of the public square and are now ready for business in our line.

We do all kinds of sheet metal work and windmill repair and plumbing work. Will appreciate an opportunity to serve you when in need of anything in our line.

### DOELL BROS.

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### WANT COLUMN

**FOR SALE**—Plymouth Rock pullets and cockerels. Apply to D. G. Hardt, Art. Texas. 40-2tp

Found—White scarf near Mason on

Brady road. Owner may recover same by applying at News office and paying for this ad. 1tc

**FOR SALE**—Rhode Island Red cockerels; also Jersey bull calf, subject to registration. Apply to C. N. Murrab.

**FOR SALE**—Kitchen cabinet; also a baby "Rockaby". Mrs. Louis Johnson.

**FOR SALE**—Pure bred White Wyandotte cockerels, \$1.50 each. Apply to Nathan Kidd, Loyal Valley, Tex. 38-3tp

**HIDES TANNED**—Crone leather, Harness and sole leather made. E. G. Bauer, Carroll, Texas. 37-tfc

Don't fail to see "Our Leading Citizen" at the Star Theater, Saturday night, Dec. 22, featuring Thomas Meighan. 39-3tc

Community save, use any Candle Sticks, Smoking Stands, Ivory Toilet Articles. J. S. King, Jeweler. 39

New hats and caps just received at the Frank Clark Tailor Shop. Call to see our line. 31-tfc

**WANTED**—Large, clean cotton rags at News Office. Will pay 5 cents per pound.

Spotlights, Flashlights and Batteries at Mason Drug Company. 28

Eat where the eats are eatable. Corner Cafe. 7-tfc

Whitman's Celebrated Box Candles at Mason Drug Company. 45

Let your next tire be a Gate's Super-Tread. Sold by Otto Schmidt. 13tf

#### CHICKENS

If you have chickens to sell, don't fail to get my prices.  
 21-tf    J. J. JOHNSON.

Try our "merchant's lunch" at 40 cents. Corner Cafe. 7-tfc

Mason needs a public dumping ground.

Furity and Globe Blackleg Vaccine at Mason Drug Company. 28

#### CARDBOARD—BLITTERS

The News has a good stock of cardboard in assorted colors; also have the large white blitters.

Whitman's Sampler Box Candy at Mason Drug Company. 45

Mason needs a public dumping ground.

#### MASON'S GREATEST NEED—A MODERN HOTEL

Subscribe for the News today.

#### DR. HICKS MARTIN AGAIN LOCUTES AT KATEMEY AFTER ABSENCE OF 3 YEARS

Dr. Hicks Martin and wife, after an absence of three years are again citizens of Katemey, our neighbor to the south, where the doctor will again take up his work as practicing physician and druggist. Dr. and Mrs. Martin left this section three years ago to make their home among Mrs. Martin's relatives in Tennessee, and in the hopes that the change would prove beneficial to Mrs. Martin. It is with great regret that their many friends learn that Mrs. Martin returns here a confirmed invalid, and all hope that this climate may restore her to health and activity. Dr. and Mrs. Martin are most estimable folks, and during the long residence at Katemey have won for themselves the highest admiration and respect of the citizenship near and far. Dr. Martin has been most cordially received and welcomed upon his return, and all their many friends rejoice at the cheery smiles and presence of the doctor and his good wife.—Brady Standard.

Dr. and Mrs. Martin are well and favorably known in Mason County, and their many friends will learn with regret that Mrs. Martin's ill health exists.

#### COURT HOUSE NEWS

##### Births

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Burnet, a girl, December 1st.

##### Marriage License

Mr. Rafael Lobolonto and Miss Manuela Zamangio, Dec. 8th.

##### POSTED

My pastures are posted. Hunters and trappers, keep out.  
 39-2tp    S. A. McCOLLUM.

Cordiliars, Lavalliers, Neck Chains, Beads, Vandy Cases. J. S. King, Jeweler.

Eagle Brand Typewriter Ribbons. 80c

#### EDUCATION

This education that we hear so much about—what is it?

Can it be reduced to a rigid formula, or is it an evolving sort of commodity that follows the drift of human progress?

Can it be restricted to certain channels without destroying the basic idea?

Who set the monuments of education, any way? Was it the teacher, transmitting something in a second-hand way, or was it the pioneer, the discoverer, the inventor?

Where would we be, if new thoughts had not been constantly piling up?

Where shall we be, if we prevent them from being piled up?

In the middle ages, education proclaimed the earth flat, and a child would have been graded down had he answered otherwise.

Who proved the earth was not flat?

By the same token, who gave us all the new machinery, moral standards and political liberties?

What is it that has enabled man to educate himself, except the power to think in an imaginative way?

We know that one age has advanced over another, simply and solely because it has expanded, or repudiated old ideas.

We know that the thing that has held education back is intellectual dogma.

Still, there now was a system of education yet, but came to the point where it wanted to be inflexible, where it was content to rest on its oars and forbid experimenting with new notions.

Education is, of course, rooted in the past. Its basis is the discoveries and achievements of the past.

But education fails whenever and wherever it ceases to stimulate the imagination and power of thought which made those discoveries and 39 achievements possible.

#### TO THE STOCKHOLDERS OF THE COMMERCIAL BANK (Unincorporated)

Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Commercial Bank, unincorporated, will be held at the banking house in Mason on the second Tuesday in January, same being January 8th, 1924, at 3 o'clock p. m.

All stockholders are urged to be present, but if you find you are unable to attend, you will please authorize some one else to act in your stead.

*Walter Martin*  
 403tc    Cashier.

#### "THANKSGIVING PLUS" IS WELL PRESENTED

Girl Scouts Display Clever Acting in Play Staged Saturday in Gymnasium

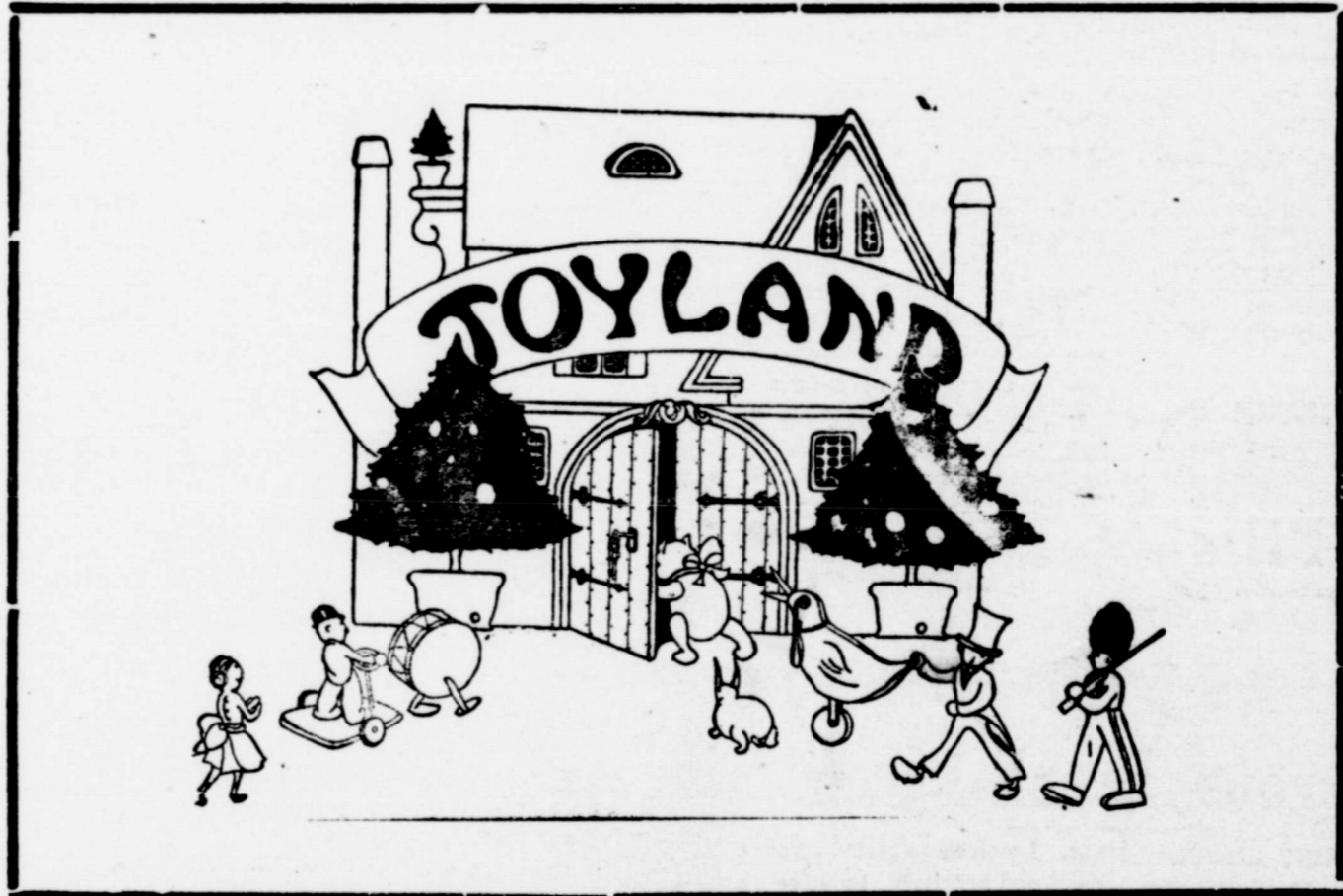
"Thanksgiving Plus," a play written by Miss Sadie Lindsay, was given Saturday evening in the gymnasium by the Girl Scouts of the College. There was a good attendance.

Clever acting featured the play which was filled with interest from beginning to end. The Thanksgiving spirit was predominant throughout.

Between acts negro dialect readings and songs were given by Misses Frances Flados and Addie Pearl Nichols.—The Lasso.

A nice assortment of 8-day mantle clocks, Sweet Grass Baskets, Silvers, Ware, Cut Glass, China. J. S. King, Jeweler.

Each generation owes 99 per cent of its ability to those who have gone before, but it owes 99 per cent of its vision to those who will come afterward.—Houston Chronicle.



## Everybody Come

SANT AC LAUS SEASON IS HERE AGAIN AND TOYLAND PORTALS ARE OPEN FOR EVERY LITTLE BOY AND GIRL IN MASON. THE MOST WONDERFUL TOYS THAT EVER YOU DID SEE ARE HERE. SO BE VERY GOOD AND BRING MOTHER AND DAD, AND SISTER AND BROTHER, OH, JUST EVERYONE YOU CAN THINK OF.

TOYLAND IS A WONDER SPOT—IT HAS TRAINS—AND AUTOS—AND ANIMALS—AND DOLLS—AND CHAIRS—CRADLES AND BUGGYS—AND TRUNKS—AND GAMES—AND ROBINSON CRUSOE AND MOTHER GOOSE. GEE!

### Mason Drug Company