

Backbone Of Drouth Broken; Rains Thruout West

Heavy Rains Drench Dickens County; Crops Assured

The great western farming section in which Dickens County is situated, has received great rains this week which will stay crop failure and insure increased production. Rains have been falling locally throughout the Texas Panhandle since Monday, and Wednesday night and Thursday morning a general rain fell over the greater part of West Texas.

According to radio reports sent out by Government stations yesterday morning, the rainfall at seven o'clock had covered much territory. At this hour the rainfall reported was as follows:

Spur, 1.96; Lubbock 1.16; Amarillo .40; Clarendon 3.26 and Quanah 2.00. Since this report was given out the rainfall for Spur territory was .95 one hour later, and from all indications it has exceeded an inch.

Telegraphic reports from points in

Oklahoma indicate that much of the state has been visited by rainfall. The reports in inches is: Ada, .20; Altus 2.07; Ardmore .35; Carnegie, 1.05; Chandler, .42; Durant, .35; Hammon, 2.20; Holdenville, .34; Lawton, 1.08; McAlester, .25; Mangum, 1.42; Marlow, 1.69; and Shawnee .33.

Reports from McKinney, Texas, states that not enough rain has fallen to help crop conditions. Reports from Mississippi states there is too much rain and army worms very active.

Crop conditions are greatly helped in this section, and much feed will be raised that otherwise would have been a failure. Farmers are jubilant on account of the excellent rains, and from all indications they will be able to market approximately 30,000 bales of cotton from Dickens County farms this year.

BAND CONCERT AND BIG PICNIC AT SILVER FALLS

About a hundred people of our city expressed their appreciation of our live little Band by accompanying them to Silver Falls Sunday to enjoy the concert given. This is the first time our Band has been invited to give a concert at the Falls, but from all appearances and reports it will not be the last.

After the concert the Spur people enjoyed a good supper having the Band as their guests. A great time is reported by those who went, and many are the regrets from those who failed to go.

Spur has an excellent little Band, and the good people of our city believe in them. They are always ready to lend encouragement to the members of the Band. The Retail Merchants Association are doing a good part by the Band and are putting up the cash to make it a success. Hurrah for Spur, the Retail Merchants Association and the Band.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Samples returned Friday from a four days journey in New Mexico. They report plenty of rain in the mountains, but else where it was dry and hot.

FIRE FRIDAY NIGHT

About one o'clock Saturday morning the fire alarm gave out a shrieking howl, arousing the citizens of our city, and it looked as if the whole business section was on fire. The fire boys made a hurried run, and when they arrived on the scene, found the old calliboose was in flames. It had been constructed of rich pine 2 x 4's which made a very bright light when burning. The flames were soon extinguished.

It is reported that some boys had been placed in the "lock-up" sometime during the evening. However, the fire did not happen until some time after the captives were released. The building had been condemned, and it has been talked among the business men more than once, that a new city jail is needed. It likely will not be long until the city will take proper steps for a new city hall and jail.

At present the city has to rent office rooms where the City's business is transacted. Also, there is needed a place for the fire truck to be housed, and where the fire boys can have appropriate convenient quarters for their work.

LOAN ASSOCIATION BRANCH FOR SPUR

Abilene Loan Association has established an agency in Spur and will make loans for building purposes in the city. The local people have subscribed \$100,000 worth of stock and there will be more subscribed.

E. M. Clayton, of Abilene, is here working in the interest of the company and taking subscriptions for stock. It was largely through his explanations that people became attracted to the business and so readily subscribed to it. This great business was brought here through the influence of Burl Hight and other progressive business men.

S. L. Davis is in charge of the agency, and is now ready to talk business with people in regard to loans. See him for particulars.

This is a great thing for Spur and will be the means of many new homes and business houses being built within the next few years. Any one having some money to start building a home and needing a little more to finish it can easily secure it from Spur's loan agency.

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SPUR FIRM TO OPEN BUSINESS IN LUBBOCK

Sometime last week a transaction was made whereby Hogan & Patton of our city became the owners of the Jones Bros. Gents Furnishing Store in Lubbock. Mr. Hogan is in Lubbock this week making inventory and getting the business started off for the new firm. Mr. Patton who has had charge of the store at Cisco, will go to Lubbock and manage the business there.

Hogan & Patton are a live, energetic and progressive firm, and have done an excellent business in Spur. We predict that they will gain friends equally as rapidly in their new location and be one of the liveliest firms in Lubbock.

R. F. Huie will install a tailor shop in connection with the business and will manage it personally. Mr. Watson will continue with Mr. Huie's shop here and assume the management of it.

The Times joins their many friends in wishing them success in their new locations.

LOCAL TELEPHONE CO. MAKING EXTENSIONS

The local telephone of the Southwestern Bell system is making some extensions. The office is being remodeled and more room being placed in the main office to better take care of the business. There will be a new unit added to the switch board to take charge of this new division.

The Southwestern Bell Company are grateful for the patronage given them by Spur people and expect to meet the demand as fast as it is needed. Our local operators are given extra good service, and there is rarely any complaint from the people about the service. We should feel proud of our telephone system and the service it is rendering the public.

TO THE CITIZENS OF THE CITY OF SPUR

You are hereby notified that sewer connections must be made before October 17th, this year; after said date all persons failing to comply with the requirements of the sewer ordinance will be subject to a fine not exceeding \$200.00.

All citizens are urged to make the connections without delay for the improvement of the health conditions of the city.

J. L. KING, Mayor.
J. E. MORRIS, Health Officer.

WHEELER COUNTY LADY IS BURIED AT GIRARD

Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at Girard in memory of Mrs. Hill, whose home was in Wheeler County. Mrs. Hill died from injuries received in an automobile accident some time Saturday. She had started in an automobile to pay her mother a visit and the accident occurred while on the way.

Mrs. Hill was the mother of Mr. Fred McGuyhi and Mrs. Susie Barton, both of the Lost Lake community. Mr. McGuyhi received a message Sunday morning that his mother was injured and started to where she was at once. When he arrived she was dead.

COTTON REPORT TELEGRAPHIC

New Orleans Exchange
H. & B. Beer,
July 30, 1. p. m.

The trend of values was still downward today. Market declining on rather general rains, heavy in localities in Oklahoma, and northwest Texas, and because of weather bureau forecast of showers for east Oklahoma and northern part of Texas. While the drouth appears to have been effectually broken in Oklahoma and northwest Texas, there has been no rains of consequence in North Texas except in spots, and there has been little or no rain in drouth stricken areas of Central and South Texas.

Many counties are expecting to make only about 25 per cent as much cotton this year as last.

Moisture is needed in districts to the east of the Mississippi River, especially the west portions of the Carolinas and northern Georgia.

The July 23rd. Government report on returns of 16th inst., make the cotton crop 70.4 per cent, indicating 13,588,000 bales against the 13,619,000 bales at the same time last year.

Press advices from Atlanta are to the effect dry and exceedingly hot weather has damaged practically all crops throughout North and South Carolinas, and that farmers report poor progress unless rains come within a few days. Conditions throughout Georgia are reported very good except in the extreme northwestern part.

Afternoon market declined further owing to Liverpool reading.

Strike looks certain.

Compared with last season, exports from the U. S. since Friday total 43,000 bales compared with 53,000.

COTTON MARKET
New York Close 24.40-42 24.45-48
New Orleans Close 23.74-77 23.90- F
Oct. Dec.

BUT LITTLE TYPHOID IN CITY OF SPUR

Many people have formed the opinion that Spur is greatly infested with typhoid fever, but from good authority there seems to be but very little in the town. According to the City Health Officer there are five cases, and one of these has practically recovered. Since this report was given to us there was one other case that had been developed but had not been reported to the Health Officer. This makes but six cases in all within the city limits, and one of them will soon be able to be out on the streets.

There have been a number of cases in the community near the town, and there are still a few cases in the country around. There have been two or three deaths as a result of typhoid fever, but most of these were residents of the country who came here for medical treatment.

Our Health Officer has been very active in regard to preventing the fever spreading, and the citizens have co-operated heroically.

This has prevented the spread, and as these who are now afflicted recover the typhoid will be a think of the past in Spur. There have never been but eight or ten cases in the town all year.

People coming to Spur may feel assured of the sanitary conditions, and there is not half the danger here that is in many unsuspected places.

A letter from S. E. Boothe, of Post City, which we received stated that he had failed to get the last two copies of the Times, and that he had missed them very much. We thank him for calling our attention to this and we shall take pleasure in sending him extras. He said he likes to hear from Dickens County folks.

The Great American "Commoner" Passes Away

Hon. William Jennings Bryan departed this life at the home of a friend in Dayton, Tenn., about four thirty o'clock Sunday afternoon. The cause of death was heart failure.

Mr. Bryan had appeared to be in the best of health during the day. He had eaten heartily of the noon meal, had attended services at the M. E. Church in the city and seemed to be in the best of health. About 1:30 he went to his room to get some rest and take his afternoon nap, leaving Mrs. Bryan and others on the gallery to talk. About 4:40 he was found dead, not seeming to have made a struggle or suffered pain. It seems that he had just fallen asleep and passed away, never regaining consciousness.

Mr. Bryan was probably the greatest character in American history since the days of Clay and Webster. He had controlled greater influence than any man of modern times, and had fought for the cause of right and justice continually for the past thirty-five years. At the time of his death he was engaged in making lectures on the Bible, defending it before the people. On Saturday he had spoken three times to large congregations, and had his plans made for many more engagements to speak this week.

He had just closed one of the greatest events of his life in defending the Bible in the trial of John T. Scopes, who was convicted and fined \$100.00 for teaching evolution in the public schools of Tennessee.

Mr. Bryan came into the eyes of the public when a very young man, and served as a representative of his

state in the National Congress before he was thirty years of age. He was nominated for te Presidency by the Democratic party in July 1896 at the age of thirty-six years, being the youngest candidate that ever made the race for the office of Chief Executive of this country. He was nominated by his party again in 1900 and in 1908, being the second man that was ever nominated three times by his party for the presidency. He stood true to his party platform at each nomination and made great campaigns.

It was largely through Mr. Bryan's influence that Woodrow Wilson received the nomination at the Baltimore convention in 1912. When Mr. Wilson was inaugurated, Mr. Bryan was offered the position of Secretary of State which placed him next to the President in the handling of governmental affairs.

Mr. Bryan was a native of Illinois, and was born March 19, 1860. His father was an eminent jurist, and early in life he took up the study of law. He moved to Lincoln, Neb., and took up the practice of law while a very young man. He was successful and it was not long before he attracted the attention of leaders all over the state.

According to arrangements and the request of Mrs. Bryan the body will lie in state at the national capitol. Funeral services will be conducted this afternoon, and at an hour which the family will determine, interment will be made in the Arlington National Cemetery on the his torical Potomac river.



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We are mighty thankful for the rains that have fallen. They have refreshed our spirits and strengthened our faith and while the harvest cannot be bountiful, yet, we feel that, if each one of us will use our wits, practice economy and teach the children the lesson of economy and self denial, all will be well with us, when the calendar calls in 1926. For forty years this company has met the drouths and other adversities to which West Texas is subject and we still have faith. We have watched these sturdy farmers who kept on plowing and planting through drouth and rain and most of them have been rewarded for their untiring efforts. The writer has spent his life in West Texas and part of that time on the farm and has watched with interest the farms of this country all these years. I have been asked by some the past week if it was advisable to plant feed at this late date. Yes! I would plant sorghum, millet, feterita, and maize. You may lose, you may win, but you will have done your best. I've seen good feed made planted this late. It might happen again. If I had some spare land, I would sow some wheat for winter pasture. We may have a wet Fall; if so ten acres of wheat would be worth hundreds of dollars. Anyway, the man who keeps on working is happiest and in my opinion will be rewarded for his efforts in some way.

Our Mr. Ensey left Monday for the Eastern markets. We are going on expecting business. We are receiving new merchandise this week. Big shipment of Biliken Shoes, Hamilton Brown Shoes, Hawk Brand Overalls, Classy Jean Dresses and lots of other items. Saturday is always a big day at our store so don't fail to see here. We like to see you; like for you to make your self at home here. Visit with us and your friends. When you want to meet some one in Spur, just tell them to meet you at Bryant-Link Company.

A great man has gone. When W. J. Bryan fell asleep, this world was made poorer, but, in our opinion, Heaven was made richer. We admired this man in many ways, but above all, his unswerving faith in God. Men of his character fashion a civilization that will stand. Men like Darrow fashion a civilization that would tear down your churches and following their fall, the Christian ideals would be gone, and our civilization be lost in a maelstrom of selfishness.

Come on with the crowds. We still think it's a good old world and want to join hands with every good citizen in an effort to make it better. Bring the children.

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It Can And Will Be Done

Politics, Philosophy, Revolution, War

There is POLITICS, often too low even for that name, sometimes rising to the level of statesmanship. It deals with the affairs of today, is based on human selfishness, with class greed at the top and at the bottom. Absolutely contented with and concentrated on itself, politics learns little from the past and does not look into the future.

PHILOSOPHY. It is an old word, an old effort, an old struggle of the human brain seeking, in its INFANCY, to understand that which to our undeveloped minds is incomprehensible.

Meaningless to many in this generation, the main delight of an enlightened race in the future will be that word PHILOSOPHY, made up of the two Greek words, Love and Wisdom.

Voltaire said of the philosophers "They only teach me that I cannot believe anything they say." But they do more. They train their minds and teach other men how to train. By pure effort of the brain men have been able to leap ahead thousands of years in knowledge.

Thales, born more than 2,500 years ago, exceeded in knowledge, acquired by pure force of intellect, all of the men that were living two thousand years after his death.

He was able to predict accurately an eclipse of the sun, and Pythagoras born about 600 years before the birth of Christ, believed in the transmigration of souls, preached vegetarianism and kindness to animals, developed mathematics to a high point, making important discoveries in geometry.

He is said to have been the first to use the word "Philosopher" justly applying it to himself.

He knew the importance of silent thought and made his students, as part of their training, keep for five years, during which time they never saw him. That story may have been exaggerated, but started a Philosophical Brotherhood that practically ruled the State.

Pythagoras, the first to announce that the three angles of any triangle are equal to two right angles, gave the definition of philosophy to Leon the King of Achara: "To the great public games some come to struggle and gain glory, others to buy and sell for the sake of profit, a third come as spectators to observe and study the others. The philosophers are the spectators."

Every reader of this paper should know about Bacon, the Englishman, about Socrates, who taught Plato, and Plato, who taught Aristotle—those three being the great trinity of Greek philosophy. They should know about Bacon, the Englishman, whose motto was: "I have taken all knowledge for my profits," originator of the modern system of philosophy. They should know about Spinoza, most intellectual and learned of the Jewish race, who has inspired all philosophers since his day.

To thinking men and to the future of this world the really important thing in these four pictures is PHILOSOPHY, for in that word is the force that in time will end forever the two hideous pictures that follow REVOLUTION AND WAR.

REVOLUTION is a hideous, violent, fearsome word.

The word with shudders is heard and the terrible work of revolution is seen in many countries. Yet no country need be cursed with revolution if those that have power and prosperity would think of the crowd below them.

REVOLUTION is the desperate alternative when politics and philosophy, human and wisdom break down, and the masses are driven to despair.

As the Revolution came in France, with bloody hatred, so it came in Russia, and so it has come in many other countries in the world's history.

It is not, as many imagine, a mere uprising from the GUTTER, or the savage rebellion of ignorant POVERTY against educated WEALTH.

Revolution, important enough to

attract attention, starts with intelligent brains.

The Revolution in France was built up, not by miserable, hungry creatures, forbidden to kill the wild animals that ate their crops, because the nobles wanted the pleasure of shooting these animals. It was not built up by the famished people that had to be restrained by severe laws from eating dead bodies of those that died of the plague.

The French Revolution was built up slowly through the Eighteenth Century by the writings of the most brilliant men of that age, Voltaire, Rousseau, and the other Encyclopaedists.

It was said of Voltaire, who died just before the Revolution broke out upon the terrified royalty and nobility, that he had written ninety-two volumes, and the Revolution was his ninety-third volume.

Revolution is to a nation what a surgical operation is to the human body—always to be dreaded, always dangerous, but SOMETIMES INEVITABLE. It is for those that have power and everything to lose to think ahead, find out what is going on at their feet and in the slums far from their palaces.

If the dull, stupid Czar, ruled by a woman, and that woman ruled by a savage fanatic, Rasputin, had been better advised, there need have been no Revolution in Russia.

If the good natured, heavy Louis XVI, of France, instead of amusing himself by making locks and allowing his flighty wife of loose morals to increase public discontent had studied the people as he studied his locks, there need have been no revolution in France.

But Louis was hunting on the day Bastille was torn down and, having shot nothing, he wrote in his diary that day "rein," the French word for nothing.

He hadn't brains to see that tearing down the Bastille meant tearing down the whole royal line, or to guess that his head would fall as the Bastille had fallen.

Yet "from evil comes good," and from the French Revolution has come the magnificent French Republic of today. Sometimes a surgical operation succeeds, blood is not spilled or suffering endured in vain.

WAR, that—as the whole world earned only a few years ago—is the great eternal danger.

WAR, WAR, WAR has been the cry through the ages.

Europe had its HUNDRED Years War, its THIRTY Years War, its SEVEN Years War. Among old kings and emperors war was looked upon as the natural state. Peace was a temporary vacation to be spent getting ready for more war. An Englishman of wealth and education could actually write within recent years, and with perfect seriousness, "I don't like this peace, its dangerous. I shall be glad when we are safely back at war."

War has ceased to be the amusement of kings, a means of distracting the people from their own rebellious ideas, by setting them to fighting each other, or of transferring wealth from some soft, rich decaying nation to some young, vigorous fighting people.

Alexander the Great, making war against gigantic, swollen, rich Persia, could spend to please his teacher, Aristotle, a sum greater than the fortune he inherited from his father, Philip.

Charlemagne, conquering as he marched, could build up his great empire, as Caesar and others built up for Rome, an empire of conquered territory that poured gold, slaves, food, amusing wild animals—every form of property and prosperity into the Eternal City.

But WAR has changed, as WEAPONS have changed. Two men with loaded pistols, fighting each other in a small room, kill each other. Neither can win. The world with its flying machines, fast boats and trains, high explosives, telephones, has become "a small room". And when two or more nations go to war in this

day NONE CAN WIN.

The "victor", as France, England, and Italy can testify to their sorrow, may lose more than the vanquished.

When France went into the war, Russia owed her 30,000 MILLIONS of francs. Now that debt is wiped out by the Russian Revolution—all lost, and France finds herself in debt 100,000 MILLIONS to this country, and in debt as much more to England.

THERE IS NO PROFIT IN WAR. Yet war endures. There is fighting in China, in Africa, Asia, and danger of fighting on every one of the earth's continents except, perhaps, Australia. And Australia, with its handful of white men, lives within Asia's deadly shadow and can never be wholly safe while war exists.

What will improve the picture at this time? What will take the ax and the spirit of false friendship from politics and take REVOLUTION and WAR entirely out of the world?

The work will be done and education will do it. "GIVE LIGHT," said Dante more than 600 years ago, "AND THE PEOPLE WILL SEE THEIR OWN WAY."

The people have been stumbling along through the centuries in the darkness of ignorance. IGNORANCE is the real darkness. KNOWLEDGE is the shining light that will enable the people to see their way to peace, good government, justice, prosperity and the beginning of that civilization which as yet does not exist on the earth.

There is no civilization where war is always a danger.

There is no civilization where the rich constantly strive to get richer, and where, as in France and in Russia, the poor guided by distorted intelligence, rise to revenge in revolution.

There is no civilization where politics is a game played by ambitious men of low class and low character, false to their country, to the voters, to each other and to themselves.

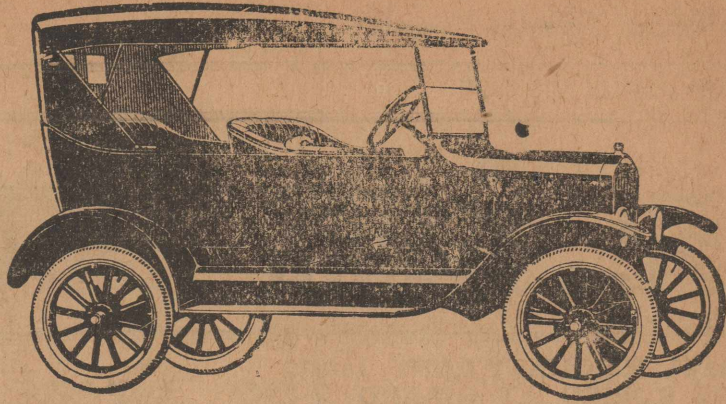
But the darkness is not as black as it once was. Millions can read and write.

Of free discussion actually FORCE independent thinking upon the public mind. Fanaticism stings itself to death in its own circle of hatreds, as the scorpion was said to do when surrounded by fire.

Philosophy, love of wisdom, the struggle of the human brain to solve its problems, eventually WILL solve every problem.

First, the problems representing as politics, revolution and war will

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We are only higher Bushmen. But that won't last.

DO YOU WANT THE LAW EXECUTED?

It is no uncommon thing these days to hear people say, "I wish we had some officers that would execute the law." It is indeed a sad day in any community when the laws of the state are treated with disrespect, and people go about in a self-willed manner to their own satisfaction irrespective of the rights of others. It has been repeated in this community, "I wish the officers would execute the laws," but generally when the officers do execute the laws, the execution comes so close home to us that we start up a different song with altogether different music.

Many officers of the free land of America today are sleeping in the city of the dead, because they tried to be sincere with the official obligation, and their widows and children are carrying a load of sorrow because "daddy" tried to be an honest officer and execute the law. It is not very human for officers to place themselves up as targets to moonshiners, boot-leggers and booze fighters, when at the same time they realize that a howling public are not in sympathy with their motives. Officers are not so willing to be martyrs of justice under such sentiment.

There is not a sheriff, a deputy or a constable in this state that will not go their elastic limit for the sake of the law, if they knew the general public would appreciate their efforts. May we ask, "How many citizens of this community are willing to sacrifice their home pleasures, endure the loss of sleep, face howling storms and go up in opposition to

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ALL DRUGGISTS

lawless characters for the sake of protecting your neighbors' property and homes, when after you had done so, those neighbors would criticize you and say you were altogether "too smart."

Public sentiment has more to do with the control of crime than all of the officers in this state. Supposing all the people who claim to stand for "law execution" would say to our officers, "Go to it, old boy, I am with you," and when it came time for us to stay with the officers, we would prove true to them, do you think law breakers would run pell-mell over the law? Supposing all of the people would say to a law breaker, "Mr. Lawbreaker, we do not approve of your conduct in our community, and you had better be a man or we will help the sheriff get you," do you suppose Mr. Lawbreaker would feel very comfortable in committing crime?

There are a great number of people today that commit crimes because they feel that they can do so and get by with it. This influence leads others to try the same thing, and if there is not a restriction placed upon it, what will be the result of this influence? Why find fault with them if we are not willing to help these people by teaching them respect for the law? Generally people who com-

mit crime are more or less unfortunate. When boys, they may not have had a daddy. Their daddy may have been just a make-shift, who would curse and drink and set bad examples before his children. Children reared under such conditions usually have the wrong conceptions of life. People who stand for higher ideals should, as a body politic, lend their influence to improve the life of the unfortunate boy. By saving his character we might save his life.

Parents should co-operate with the officers in training their own children. Too many times boys do things because they know "dad" will help get them out of the trouble. Many times parents become infuriated because their boy is taken in custody. That is painful to any parent, but they make conditions worse when they demean an officer instead of impressing upon the boy that he must respect the law. The parent still has the boy, and can possibly, with the officers assistance, influence the child to become a man of self respect.

We should treat our officers like they are our friends. Teach our children that the officers are their friends and protectors, and it will not be many years until there will be a difference in the conduct of our people.

Are There Any Leaks In Your Business?

A TINY HOLE BELOW THE WATER LINE WRECKS THE LARGEST SHIP

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DOINGS IN WEST TEXAS

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The June Royalty on oil remitted by the Big Lake Oil Co., to the University of Texas was \$105,053.19. This company is only one of many operating in the Reagan County field.

On August 10th the annual meeting of the Tri-State Field Trials Association will be held on the coursing grounds six miles north of Wheeler More than 500 dogs will participate.

The seven mile section of the Bankhead highway between Putnam and Clyde is now being hard surfaced.

The eighth gin for Merkel is now under construction by the Planters Gin Co. replacing the old gin destroyed by conflagration.

The City Council has awarded contracts for Comanche's new dam to Waco contractors. Contract price includes construction of dam and reservoir. The city is to install pump, filter plant and pipe lines under separate agreement.

PAINT ROCK—The annual meeting of the Rural Aid Department of Education of school district trustees for this region will be held in Paint Rock on August 8.

The largest poultry culling demonstration ever held on the West Plains occurred recently near Wildorado on the J. P. Walker farm. 1000 birds were culled.

Over 6000 persons attended the citizens barbecue held at Eden last week. Better cotton prices were urged by speakers.

CLEVELAND—On August 6th the first train is expected to reach this city on the newly constructed Lubbock—New Mexico branch of the Santa Fe Ry. System.

The Old Gray Mare Band of Brownwood was awarded first prize as the best military band at Camp Mabry Encampment of the Texas National Guard.

The Chamber of Commerce at Midland has been advised by the Attorney General's department at Austin that no decision has yet been reached by the Interstate Commerce Commission at Washington in the Midland & Northwestern Ry. matter.

The City Light & Water Co., at Amarillo, has offered to sell the city the water-works in Amarillo for \$950,000. The city officials say the

price is too high. R. Q. Lee, President of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, after visiting Texas Tech. at Lubbock, predicted the new college would open its first sessions in September with more than 1000 students.

A petition is being signed at San Saba calling for an irrigation district election to vote bonds for \$1,500,000 for construction of a 35,000 acre irrigation project.

On August 15 Haskell County will vote on a \$1,500,000 good roads bond issue. 109 miles of highway are to be paved or improved if the issue carries.

Boys and Girls Clubs of Runnels County have completed encampment at Ballinger. J. D. Motley, secretary of the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce, presided at one of the sessions when 250 boys and girls were served ice cream.

BIG SPRINGS—The Texas and Pacific Ry. announces that \$3,500,000 in new equipment has been purchased. This includes 750 steel gondola cars, new passenger and freight locomotives and switch engines.

PLAGUE OF MOSQUITOES HITS BEAUMONT, TEX.

Jefferson county is in the grip of what is considered the worst plague of mosquitoes since 1916, when the individual mosquito nets were necessary when residents ventured out of doors even in the day time. Road building and irrigation ditch construction which has been under way some time has been discontinued temporarily, chiefly because workmen refused to continue their labors with clouds of mosquitoes making life miserable for them.

SLEEPWALKING MAN NEARLY SHOTS WIFE

Divorce is being demanded by a woman of a Constantinople suburb on the ground that her husband is a sleepwalker.

She alleges that she fears being murdered by him.

This dread dates from a night when he walked in his sleep over to a table, opened a drawer, took out a revolver, and aimed it steadily at her. Without waking, he then appeared to hesitate, and, replacing the weapon, returned to bed.

FINDS MAN'S INHUMANITY TO MAN HAS NOT CHANGED

Henry W. Butz draftsman and itinerant evangelist, who walked from Newark to Cincinnati and returned to determine what a penniless Christian wayfarer might expect from his fellow man, announced his findings yesterday and asserted that man's inhumanity to man had not changed much from the days of the good Samaritan.

On his trip, which was concluded Thursday night, he said he was given a lift by one of every 30 automobiles accosted. He was held up once in every 180 miles, but one-third of the holdup men gave up their funds to him when they learned his mission. Clergymen, church officers, business and professional men and social agencies refused assistance 20 times to the one time that such help was accorded, and he was offered six drinks of whisky to one of coffee.

His itinerary included Philadelphia, Wilmington, Baltimore, Washington, Pittsburgh, Wheeling, and Dayton, Ohio, returning by way of Chillicothe, O., and Washington Court House, Ohio. Parkersburg, W. Va., Cumberland, Mr., Baltimore and Philadelphia.

Twelve different bootleggers offered him employment and he met 437 working men who said they were driven to tramping for lack of work.

WOMEN AUTO DRIVERS COMPETENT AS MEN

Women automobile drivers are just as competent, if not more so, than men.

This statement is made by the American Automobile Association after a series of tests conducted by the institute of government research.

The two most important tests, the speed with which the driver reacts to danger and takes steps to avert it and the consistency with which the driver responds in such a situation, were participated in by student groups selected from George Washington university, special care being taken that they averaged about the same previous experience in driving.

"There is no basis for the assertion that women are more liable to lose their heads," the report says. "It is largely a myth that society has fostered by playing upon the idea that women are expected to be emotional. There is no physical reason why they should be."

EPIDEMIC OF TONSILLITIS FOLLOWS HEAT WAVE

LONDON—An epidemic of sore throats and tonsillitis is sweeping London in the wake of what Londoners have been pleased to call a "heat wave," although the mercury never touched 85 degrees in the shade.

Doctors explain the epidemic as due to germs breathed in from the dust-laden air, and they advise morning and evening gargling and constant recourse to antiseptic lozenges.

CONEY ISLAND WILL SOON FIGURE IN FILM.

"Coney Island" will soon be shown to millions of people who have heretofore only known it by pending whereby Maurice Elvey will film a picture in this well-known popular playground. The title of the picture will be "Coney Island" and will be Mr. Elvey's first effort as an independent directing producer. Work on the script is being rushed and it is expected that production will start on studio sequences within a few weeks.

HUMAN WEAKNESS AND DIVINE POWER

vine Power." Text: John 15:5. "Apart from Me ye can do nothing." II. Cor. 3:5. "Our sufficiency is of God."

II. Cor. 9:8. "Having all sufficiency in everything."

There are many ways by which Jesus taught human weakness. (1) By the man's short duration upon this earth. "Man is a grass; and the glory of man as the flower of the grass; the grass withereth the flower fadeth and falleth away; but the word of the Lord endureth forever.

In Jas. 4:14. The question is raised "What is your life?"—and Jas, ans., "Ye are a vapor that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away." O, how short is human life! Children today; grown folks tomorrow; old people the next day; and then gone!

(2). By man's inability to bring about spiritual results. "As the branch can not bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; so neither can ye, except ye abide in me."

Christian men and women may preach and teach; they may pray and weep over the lost but unless God shall give the increase—the summer will end and the harvest will be wanting.

II. There are many ways by which Jesus has taught Divine sufficiency.

I). By declaring God's eternity of nature.

In Isa. 57:15 We read, "Thus saith the High and lofty One that inhabiteth eternity, whose name is holy; I will dwell in the high and holy place, with Him also that is of a contrite and humble spirit, to revive the spirit of the humble, and to revive the heart of the contrite."

The point that I want to stress is that He is Eternal in His nature. "The flowers may fade, the heart withers, man grows old and dies, the world lies down in the sepulchre of ages; but time writes no wrinkles on the brow of eternity."

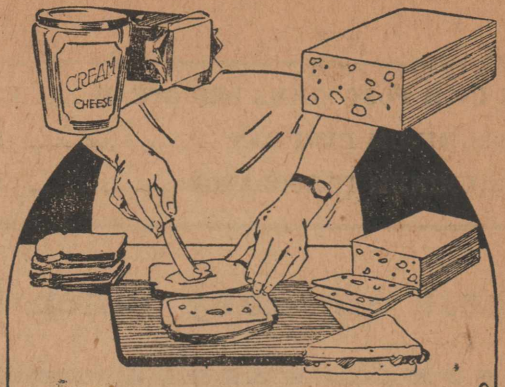
When there is no man to inhabit this earth; and no earth for man to inhabit; then eternity will be sweeping on and on and on.never no never to cease.

(2). By His matchless miracles. Two shall suffice to emphasize this fact; (a) Behold a multitude of thousands upon thousands of hungry, famishing, men and women and children! The day is fast wearing away; through the long day they have been hanging upon the words of the Master; it is now almost night; many of them have come for long miles to hear the message of the wonderful teacher; the disciples are themselves distressed about these hungry people. What is to be done?

A lad is the only one who has brought anything to eat, and his lunch consists only of five small loaves and two small fishes; but the Great Teacher takes them and blesses them and breaks them and has this food distributed among the thousands. Do they have plenty? Are they satisfied? Yes, abundantly so; and besides twelve baskets full of fragments are also taken up. This shows the divine sufficiency. It teaches that God is abundantly able and willing to supply all the needs of all His children.

(b). Behold a dead man! Four days he has lain in the grave—his case is far beyond human power—His sisters are broken hearted; the Jews are seeking to comfort but cannot, Jesus comes on the scene; the grave is opened; He cries, Lazarus! come forth! The dead man rises up and goes about his way to glorify Jesus. This teaches that God is abundantly able and willing to raise the soul first from the grave of sin into a

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TOSSING HOT RIVETS SURPRISES GERMANS.

Nothing so impressed the German delegates to the recent international convention of architects in New York as the sight of construction workers throwing red-hot rivets and bolts to each other as they worked many stories high in the air says Professor Hugo Wach, who represented the Berlin College of Technology.

Professor Wach also was impressed by the methods employed by American architects for insuring both dampness and fire. American architecture, in his opinion, has been largely influenced by the Ecole des Beaux Arts of Paris.

WIFE PLEADS FOR HUSBAND AFTER HE BLINDED HER

Although the sight of one eye was destroyed by her husband's cruelty, Mrs. Katherine Gorish, 32, of Hoboken, begged mercy for him when he was brought up for sentence in Hudson County Court, Jersey City, N. J.

The husband, Peter Gorish, admitted that he had poked his wife's eye out. When the wife made her tear-

ful appeal, judge Egan said: "No—this man deserves no kindness or consideration whatsoever. He is guilty. The judge promised Mrs. Gorish she would not be in want during her husband's imprisonment.

PENNY KITTENS \$10 AFTER CAL PETS 'EM

Two black kittens that were petted by the President when he visited his father at Plymouth, Vt., have been bought by eager purchasers who paid \$10 each for them.

LONDON ZOO HAS MICE SMALLER THAN BEES

The tiniest inmates of the London Zoo are pygmy mice from Gambia, in West Africa.

They are smaller than bees and two of them can live comfortably in a safety match box.

FIND DIAMOND RING IN CHICKEN'S CROPP

EASTLAND, TEX. The golden-egg laying goose legend was seen in reverse order here when a large diamond which had been lost from the setting of a ring owned by Mrs. Frank Jones was found in the crop of a chicken she sold to a neighbor.

The stone fell to the ground while Mrs. Jones was feeding her barnyard flock, it is thought.

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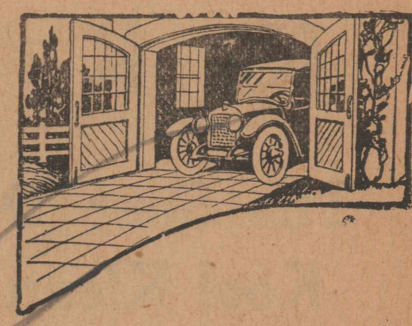


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LOCALS

James McCormack made a business trip to Fort Worth the first of the week.

L. J. Haile and family, of Dumas, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Haile here Friday.

Mrs. J. A. Jordan, of Olney, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Roddy, of our city this week.

Mrs. B. C. Kernes, of Clairmont, was doing some shopping with our merchants Tuesday.

J. C. Dobson, west of town, was in Wednesday and reported he had received a good rain.

Harold Jones, who has been confined to his room on account of diphtheria is improving.

Miss Pearl Huie and Mrs. Britton, of Anson, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Huie this week.

Mrs. Pearl L. Ward, Postmaster at Roaring Springs, was looking after business affairs here Tuesday.

Miss Minnie Scott, of Lubbock, arrived here Friday and is the guest of Miss Annis Albin this week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Graham and daughter, Miss Erma, of Mator, were guests in our city Tuesday.

Carlisle Russell, who has been visiting his uncle, R. F. Huie, for some time, left Sunday for his home in Anson.

Miss Winnie McArthur and Floyd Barnett went to Colorado, after Mrs. McArthur who has been visiting there for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. Cal Martin and children returned home Sunday afternoon after several days picnic at the Lueders Encampment.

T. C. Ensey, of Bryant-Link Company, left Monday for St. Louis where he will purchase goods for the Company's big store here.

D. A. Davis, of Roaring Springs, was greeting friends and looking after business interests here Monday. He reported that the meeting in progress at the Baptist Church, there is going fine.

Miss V. V. Finley, field worker for the West Texas Children's Aid and Welfare Association, of Abilene, was in our community the first of the week. She and her assistant took away ten children to be placed in homes that will care for them.

R. B. Johnston, County Agricultural Agent, and Mrs. Lura Hollingsworth, Home Demonstration Agent, left Sunday for College Station where they will attend the Summer Short Course of the A. and M. College. They will return about Monday.

S. Derr, of McAdoo, was transacting business here Friday.

B. F. Middleton, of Afton, was transacting business in our city Tuesday.

Bud Smiley of Duncan Flat, was transacting business in our city Monday.

Lewis Poteet, of near McAdoo, was greeting friends and trading here Monday.

R. J. Bateman, of Afton, was doing some trading with Spur merchants Tuesday.

Lewis Wesley, north of town, who has been a victim of typhoid fever, is improving.

Miss Lorene Graves and sister, of Girard, were doing some shopping in our city Saturday.

Mrs. Gertrude Pursley, of near Girard, was in town Friday having her son treated for diphtheria.

Dr. C. M. Thacker and Atty. A. J. Folley, of Floydada, were guests of Dr. Zachary Sunday.

Our phone No. is 30, and if your friends visit you we shall be glad to know about them.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Braddock, of Afton, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Haile Sunday.

W. F. Clements, of Duncan Flat, was looking after business affairs here the last of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. James V. Whaley, of Sweetwater, were week end visitors with their sister, Miss Dura Whaley, here.

Mr. Bond, of the Motor Inn, and Tracy Gerham motored to Lubbock Monday to look after business affairs.

Mrs. J. L. Karr and son, Herbert, and Grandma Karr left Tuesday for Breckenridge where they will visit friends.

Mr. and Mrs. H.A. Boothe returned Tuesday from Fort Worth where Mrs. Boothe had been visiting relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. McCulloch and children, Albert and Ola Kate, returned Tuesday from a business trip to Oklahoma City.

Newt Kidd, another one of Dickens County's substantial farmers living west of Spur, was meeting friends here Wednesday. He reports a crop reviving rain, the most copious down pour for many moons, falling in his section early Wednesday morning. Newt was very much enthused over crop conditions at this time, notwithstanding the prolonged drouth that has been with us for several weeks. Good farmers in a good country make things hum, and Mr. Kidd is one of the best.

Mrs. P. C. Nichols is taking in the Encampment at Post City this week.

J. E. Davis, of South Texas, is here visiting his parents just north of town, and his brothers, Dan and Clyde Davis at Roaring Springs.

Mrs. Thomas Morrison and Mrs. Rex De Spain, who have been visiting with Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Love for some days, returned to their homes in Dallas Saturday.

R. N. James, a pushing and progressive farmer of the Dry Lake community, was mingling with friends here Wednesday afternoon. Of course, he was highly elated over the splendid rain that fell in that section Wednesday. R. N. formerly lived in Stone wall County, moving to Dickens some several years ago, being a hustler he soon connected with a slice of Dickens county soil and with the splendid help of his good wife they now boast of one among the best farm homes in this section of the west.

C. O. Parker was a business visitor in the business center of Dickens County Wednesday. Mr. Parker is farming east of Afton and reports crop prospects in his section most flattering. The Afton country at no time has suffered for the lack of moisture, the rain God being most generous in looking after the needs of the good people of this section of the country.

Mrs. A. W. Van Leer, was one among the many here from the Dickens country, shopping Wednesday. The Dickens country, she stated, was thoroughly soaked Wednesday, receiving an inch or perhaps an inch and a half moisture, thus assuring a good yield of crops in that section.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Brawley, of west of Spur, were business visitors in Spur Wednesday, reporting a splendid rain in their portion of the country. Mr. and Mrs. Brawley are among Dickens County's most substantial citizens. Their endeavors in tilling the soil of Dickens county has met with gratifying success. Drouths hold no terror for a citizenship of this class.

Truly such people as these are the backbone of any country.

L. C. Ponder, as well as some of his neighbors, was in town after the big rain Wednesday looking after business matters and greeting friends. He is well pleased with prospects and predicts a goodly yield, notwithstanding the unfavorable condition that has prevailed for some time. He is another farmer who knows his stuff.

of Miss Ruby Mc Nerlins, was well attended Saturday night.

Sunday School at South Plains, was very well attended although quite a few were absent.

Mr. L. L. Arnold and son, Lonnie, and Mr. Ragsdale of Dickens and Mr. J. B. McNeil of Stanton, all went fishing on the Midland Lake Wednesday. They reported a fine time and enough fish for the entire community.

Mr. and Mrs. Stuart are now vis-

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B. F. Simmons was circulating our streets after the big rain Wednesday morning elucidating the fact that he as well as his neighbors was washed clean of the blues and at crop gathering time his portion of the county would give a good account of itself in the way of crop yields. Mr. Simmons is a wide-awake citizen of the Highway Community, and knowing the country as we do he has a large margin to spare.

Walter L. Powell, was here the first part of the week, looking after the interest of the inner man. Mr. Powell owns a nice slice of Dickens county soil west of Spur and was all smiles over the root-soaking of this week. He predicts a bountiful of different crops at gathering time.

O. C. Fry, 2-1-2 miles south of Spur was trading with our merchants Wednesday. Mr. Fry says he is well pleased with the results of his farm operations at this time, being not the least discouraged over the recent dry spell.

L. B. McMeans, southwest of Spur, was a visitor and shopper in Spur Wednesday of this week, spent several hours here trading with our merchants and greeting his many friends. Mr. McMeans reports everything in fine shape in his territory since the big rains, and everybody now most optimistic of good harvest this fall.

LENORAH, TEXAS NEWS

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ELTON LOCALS

Wednesday evening, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Peters entertained the young people with a musical at their home. A large crowd were present and all enjoyed the hospitality of the hostess.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Williams have returned from a few days visit at the home of Mrs. Williams mother.

Misses Gladys and Corine Stephens of Abilene are visiting Miss Lillie Smith.

Misses Maydell Peters and Naora Blakely left Saturday for College Station to be gone a week to attend the Short Course.

Mr. G. W. Bennett, Jr., of Abilene,

is visiting his son and family, G. W. Bennett.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Smith have had the Carbide Lights installed in their home. Tis no doubt will be a great convenience as well as afford a well lighted home.

Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Burns, and children and Mr. and Mrs. Hallet Holley and son Odell, motored to the Springs near Roaring Springs Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Brown visited their daughter Mrs. Bethel at Spur Sunday.

Everyone here is now looking forward to the time when the Singing School begins and the meetings at the two churches. Hope we will have a good attendance, and lots of good will be accomplished.

A much needed rain fell over the Elton country Wednesday morning.

Jim Hahn, of several miles west of Spur, was in the big rains of Wednesday night, looking as happy as a "June Bug on a sweet tater vine" Jim says the big rains had put new life in things out his way, including his neighbors whose waning hope had about wiggled out. Jim thinks Dickens is one among the best farming sections of the west. With the assistance of his wife, they are owners of one among the splendid farm homes in Dickens County.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Bryant, who have been away enjoying a vacation the past two weeks, returned home Wednesday.

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WEST TEXAS BOYS LEAVE HOME TO SEE WORLD

Two 15-year-old boys who said they ran away from their homes in West Texas to see the world were traveling in as much comfort as possible when found by policemen in Dallas. While officers were talking to the lads a negro youth about the same age trudged up loaded with canned goods and edibles. It was explained that the negro was a devoted but unpaid servant accompanying the runaway lads. All are detained for further examination.

ABILENE BRICK PLANT HAS DOUBLE OUTPUT

Capacity of the plant of the Abilene Press Brick company has just been doubled, it was learned Saturday from Manager Powers. The plant now is producing 860,000 brick each month, which is equivalent to 75 car loads. A complete new unit of brick making machinery has just been put in use. The enlargement was necessitated by a continual increase in the demand for the product from all points West Texas. Forty people are now employed regularly in the plant and both common and face brick are being manufactured, it was learned.

SUMMER TRADING HOURS

The Summer trading hours on cotton seed oil becomes effective Saturday, August 1st., and continue over until September 26th., inclusive. Daily report Saturday. Opening hour 8:45, a. m. Closing 9:45, a. m. Calls daily except Saturday. First call 8:45, second call 10:00, third call 12:00 noon. Saturday, first call at 8:45, a. m. Received through courtesy of H. & B. Beer, New Orleans.

AMONG OUR SOCIAL CLUBS

SOCIAL CLUB

Mrs. W. F. Foreman entertained the Social Club at her beautiful home northwest of Spur last Thursday, July 23rd. A most enjoyable day was spent by all, and such a dinner as we see only at Christmas times.

Those enjoying the occasion were: Messrs. and Mesdames G. R. Woods, H. P. Bell, J. J. Grayson, Mesdames J. J. Lilly, O. C. McMahan, J. A. Murphy, M. L. Meadows, Kate Buchanan, M. B. Haile, D. R. Cypert; Misses Ouita Bell, Eranell Cypert, Alline Murphy, Mozelle Lilly, Naomi Gregson; and little Misses Wynona and Laverne Cypert, Ruth Grayson, Pauline and Nadine Foreman, Vada Bell Murphy; Mr. Ford, Woods, Jack Cypert, Alton and L. D. Foreman, Dan and Coy McMahan, Master Murl and Clarence Foreman, Willie and George Murphy, P. W. Bell, Ralph T. Bell, Ernest Gregson and Rogers Cypert.

We are sure that all present will in with us in saying we have never had a more enjoyable day. Four new members were enrolled, and Miss Ouita Bell gave a reading we all enjoyed very much.

We will meet at Dickens Court House lawn August 6th., to have our picnic in honor of our husbands and families. A most enjoyable time is expected on that day.

—Reporter.

MRS. C. A. LOVE ENTERTAINS—

On Thursday afternoon Mrs. C. A. Love entertained with Bridge honoring her daughter, Mrs. Thomas Morrison and guest Mrs. Rex De Spain of Dallas.

Tables were arranged in the spacious living room of Mrs. Love's beautiful new home.

A lovely bottle of Cody's perfume was awarded Mrs. Roy Russell for high score and Mrs. Faust Collier received a set of hot dish mats for consolation. The honorees were given beautiful silk hose.

Mrs. Love, assisted by Mrs. J. E. Hall served a delicious ice course to Mesdames Elmer Brown, Roberts of El Paso, Dan H. Zachary, Roy Russell, Tracy Gorham, Faust Collier, M. H. Brannen, T. C. Morrison, Rex De Spain of Dallas, Roy Harkey, Jack Rector and Miss Clara Zachary of Jefferson, Texas.

BRIDGE LUNCHEON—

Mrs. E. L. Brown entertained the Jai de Voi Club with a Bridge Luncheon Wednesday morning in compliment to her sister, Mrs. Roberts of El Paso. Her home was made especially attractive for the occasion, yellow being predominant in the color scheme which was carried out in candy, baskets, pads and score cards. Mrs. Roy Russell won high score prize. Mrs. M. H. Brannen was given the cut, while Mrs. Roberts was presented the guest of honor favor, a beautiful piece of lingerie. At twelve o'clock a luncheon consisting of a salad and a desert course was served. Mrs. Brown was a most entertaining hostess and the morning was declared very pleasantly spent by the following:

Mesdames M. A. Lea, Jr., Tracy Gorham, Mack Brown, Roy Russell, Jack Rector, M. H. Brannen, J. E. Hall, Dan H. Zachary, Roy Harkey, Faust Collier, Roberts and Miss Clara Zachary.

MISS LERA HARRIS ENTERTAINS KOLONIAL KARD KLUB

Miss Lera Harris entertained the members of the Kolonial Kard Klub and their guests with a lawn party at her home last Thursday evening at 8:30 o'clock.

Miss Annis Albin won club prize and was presented with a beautiful vase of pottery, while Miss Bonnie Gilbert won guest prize, which was a beautiful bottle of perfume. Skill was used in the selection of Tallies and plate favors.

During the bridge hour, punch was served by Miss Lera Harris and at the end of the bridge hour nut cream and cake were served by Misses Lera and Mable Harris, and Mesdames Harris and Tracy Gorham. Those present were: Misses Ruby and Dorothy Love, Annis Albin, Mildred Williams, Dick Stafford, Pauline Brown, Thelma Caraway, Winnie McArthur, Ermal Lisenby, Bonnie Gilbert, Bessie Wayne Jackson, Mable Harris, Mrs. Tracy Gorham and the hostess.

LAWN PARTY—

It was a delightful time on last Thursday evening when Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Lewis entertained a number of their friends on their beautiful lighted lawn.

There were ten tables arranged for 'Forty-Two' which was enjoyed by all present.

An elaborate plate of Angel Food Cake, White Cake and Lemon Sherbet was served to the following:

Mesdames and Messrs G. R. Elkins, C. Hogan, Riley F. Huie, C. B. Jones, F. W. Jennings, Geo. S. Link, Leland Campbell, Homer Dobbins, Oran McClure, Adams, Burl Hight, B. F. Hale, Roy Harkey, W. T. Andrews, M. A. Lea; Mrs. C. L. Love, Mrs. E. J. Cowan, Mr. Chesley Speck, Geo. S. Link, Jr., Ben Murry Hale, Miss Lucille Lucas, Miss Lena Belle Scudder, Miss Arline Scudder.

MR. AND MRS. T. S. LAMBERT CELEBRATE ANNIVERSARY

A number of friend enjoyed a great time at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Lambert in the Wichita community, last Tuesday evening. By a special arrangement a number of people were present with these good people, the occasion being their thirtieth wedding anniversary. It was a good old time, in the good old fashioned way, and everybody was made to feel welcome.

A big dinner consisting of chicken and roast and all that goes to make such a feast complete, was served at six o'clock. Then after the guests had enjoyed a great time talking, playing games, etc., they were served with ice cream, cake and punch. This was one occasion wherein the holy commandment—"Be temperate in all things"—was considerably violated.

The following persons and families enjoyed the celebrities:

J. J. South and family, Joe Lambert and family of Spur; Orwin Lambert and family of Pitch Fork Ranch; J. E. Sparks and family, "Uncle" Bob Williams and family, Mrs. Belle Martin all of Highway community; Frank Autrey and family, W. D. Thacker and family, J. D. Steeley and family all of Wichita Community; and Sam Rash and family of Los Angeles, Cal.

At a late hour the guests departed, wishing Mr. and Mrs. Lambert many more years to enjoy life together.

ARMY WORM APPEARING IN SOME STATES

According to government reports yesterday the leaf caterpillar, or army worm is appearing in many sections of the Mississippi valley.

At Little Rock the Morning Gazette reports the appearance of army worms in five counties of South Arkansas. Three planters near Gallopway, Ark., report the appearance of the army worm.

Reports comes from Memphis, Tenn., to the effect that Eudora and Red Lands, Ark., are infested with the army worm.

Many Louisiana and Mississippi Delta communities are rapidly becoming infested with the army worms, and prompt poisoning is necessary for control.

This is the report given out in regard to crops yesterday, closing at one o'clock, p. m.

LUMBERMEN'S REPORT SHOWS BIG PRODUCTION

One hundred and fifteen mills reporting to West Coast Lumbermen's Association for the week ended June 27 manufactured 102,950,030 feet of lumber; sold 98,527,268 feet, and shipped 110,886,599 feet. New business was 4 per cent below production. Shipments were 12-1-2 per cent above new business.

Forty percent of all new business taken during the week was for future water delivery. This amounted to 38,869,343 feet, of which 23,369,403 feet was for domestic cargo delivery; and 15,499,940 feet export. New business by rail amounted to 17,970 feet.

Clyde Starrett, of McAadoo, was transacting business in our city this week.

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Special Teachers Exams. At Abilene August 17-18

Special teachers examinations will be held throughout Texas on Monday and Tuesday, August 17 and 18, according to a message just received by County Superintendent M. A. Williams from the state department of Education.

Examinations will be held throughout the state on those days for the purpose of allowing builders on certificates under the old law to complete their examinations for permanent certificates. Under the new certificate law, which goes into effect September 1, only elementary and high school certificates of the second class which may be legally used for teaching in the elementary grades or in unclassified and third class high schools, can be obtained by taking county examinations.

Regular monthly county examinations are scheduled for August 14 and 15 here and Mr. Williams said Saturday that the examinations would be held on those days and also on the following Monday and Tuesday, as ordered by the State Superintendent. —Abilene Reporter.

WEST TEXAS IN THE PAPERS

The following editorial is from the Floydada Hesperian: "Are you satisfied with your county? A brief notice of the larger newspapers of our state will help you to make up your mind to what section of the country you should boost and claim as your home. A notice of the news items of one of our larger newspapers of a recent date

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brought to our attention that there were 85 of our Texas towns mentioned in the one issue. After looking more closely, we noticed that out of the 85 towns mentioned there were 65 of them West Texas towns. We get in the news by something we do or by something we are worth. This goes to show that West Texas is really a worth while country in which to live and is a live and prosperous country."

And this comment upon the Hesperian's editorial is appended by the Lubbock Plains Journal:

"Are we really doing something? The answer is above. Great state papers will not turn their news columns over to publicity—it must be news first. And news means progress. It looks like West Texas is not only 'getting there' but that West Texas has 'arrived'."

Both are right. There is "local news" everywhere but the local news that gets out of its home sections is real news. In this respect West Texas is doing something that the world wants to know about, otherwise papers of general state and southwestern circulation would not print it.—Star Telegram.

W. P. Simpson returned the first of the week from a business trip to Fort Worth.

P. E. Hagins, of Duck Creek, was transacting business in our city last Wednesday.

OKLAHOMA TO VOTE ON ANTI-EVOLUTION

Oklahoma will vote on the proposition of evolution against anti-evolution.

Sufficient signatures on petitions to authorize the calling of an election on the free text repeal referendum were reported recently.

The free textbook law contains a clause forbidding the teaching of evolution in public schools. The last Legislature repealed the textbook law carrying the anti-evolution clause with it.

FIRE LOSS LARGE FOR U. S.

Fire destroys 618 American homes a day or one every three minutes, it is shown by statistics gathered by the national board of fire underwriters during the past five years and published recently. It was estimated that 50 per cent of the 15000 deaths from fire, the annual toll in America, occurs in dwellings. The total financial loss in houses burned for the period covered in the report was \$22,310,604.

After writing plays for 30 years an English doctor has recently succeeded in having one accepted and successfully produced.

Uruguay recently broke its record for monthly receipts of automobiles and trucks, 710 being from the United States and only 10 from all Europe.

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GOVERNOR OF IDAHO SAYS

It is Time to Milk

"It is time to milk is the homely expression used by Governor C. C. Moore in calling attention to the dairy demonstration train and the necessity of the farmers of Idaho to do intensive farming as one solution of the embarrassing financial problems of the day.

"I remember as a boy I was enjoying a July Fourth celebration in a small town," said the Governor, "and I was much interested in the fireworks scheduled for the evening. But I was soon told by my father 'It is time to milk' and we drove home in the twilight with the fireworks to the rear and the cows looming up ahead. The display was forgotten in the less inspirational task of milking cows. I did not appreciate the situation that day, but it was the best lesson I ever learned.

"Today following the fireworks of the late war and the peak of prices, let us take stock and, turning our backs to the spread eagle, let us remember it is time to milk."

"This is no time for the burning of money or throwing it away on wildcat investments. Let us get down to earth. The farmer today cannot afford to gamble on a one-crop basis, but must resort to diversified produc-

tion and rotation of crops.

"Much of the difficulty concerning freight rates may be obviated by utilizing our bulky produce at home and shipping out the concentrated or manufactured product. We have a good example of this process in the manufacture of beet sugar. If we feed our bulky hay to the cows and let them manufacture milk and cream we have a solution of many of our problems. Cheese factories, creameries, and condenseries in the state mean the keeping of our money at home and more prosperity than the state has ever known.

"In the state there are more than 162,000 dairy cows, chiefly of five types, Holstein, Guernsey, Jersey, Brown Swiss, and Ayrshire. Each is a potential laboratory taking grass from the field and converting it into the most perfect food for man. If you take care of them they will care for you, even in your old age. What Idaho needs now is more men with milk on their shoes. Let us follow the milky way, not up in the air, but down on the farm.

"Cows will bring success to Idaho. It is the greatest dairy state under the sun, according to an eminent authority. Let us teach more children to milk and fewer to fox-trot.

"Again, I say, 'It is time to milk'."

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WHAT A GOOD BAND MEANS TO A TOWN.

In speaking about bands and town bands in particular, we sometimes hear people say, carelessly: "What good is a band in a town, anyway?" Well, first take an inventory of the fellow who made the remark. You may have reason to allow the silly question to go unanswered. But regarding the remark more seriously, let us say that a good band is one of the most useful things a town or community can possess. It is one of the best advertisements a town can have. Emerson says some think like this in regard to the world making a beaten path. Well a good band will make all the roads leading to the town beaten paths, even though the town's other attractions be not numerous; every merchant is benefited by a god band. Many people come to town to attend the delightful entertainments, and they combine shopping with pleasure. The promoters of business and musical enterprises always have the satisfaction of knowing that their demonstrations from time to time will be successful because they have a first-class band to lead the parade and attract the crowd. A band composed of able players is a tower of strength to any section of country. It cultivates the public ear to a high class of music, and does it right at your door too. Every enterprising citizen will boost the band wherever he goes. —Santa Anna News.

GIRL GIVES UP CAREER AS SINGER TO CARE FOR SICK OLD MAN AND IS GIVEN \$256,233 AS A REWARD

A girl with a golden voice who gave up an opera career to care for a sick old man has been rewarded with \$256,233 for her ministrations to Park Benjamin, attorney and father-in-law of Enrico Caruso.

Mrs. Ann Bolchi Fuller received this amount under Benjamin's will, it is shown by an accounting filed in court Friday. Benjamin cut out his natural five children, including Dorothy Benjamin Caruso Ingram, the tenor's widow, with \$1 each.

Benjamin adopted Anna Bolchi in the Pennsylvania courts. She gave up her dream of a career and postponed her marriage to Benjamin Fuller in order to be a companion to Dorothy Benjamin and to care for Mr. Benjamin.

CANADIAN INDIAN BOY MURDERED BY TRIBE TO LAY EVIL SPIRIT

Killing and torturing members of the tribe having failed to drive away evil spirits that were causing hunger and disease, an Indian in the Liard district of Canada, 500 miles east of Wrangell, Alaska, hanged a dog daily until he had put to death his whole sled team.

This was one of the tales that trickled through to Wrangell by means of gold prospectors after a party of Canadian Royal Mounted Police passed through Wrangell recently bound for Vancouver, B. C., with five Indians accused of torturing to death Moccasin, a lad 17 years old. The boy was said to have been buried while he still breathed.

Legends that the Indians of the wilds of Northern British Columbia and Southern Yukon commonly tortured and slew fellow-tribesmen for being friends and companions of injurious spirits have long been common among prospectors.

Five months ago Frank Bass, factor for the Hudson Bay Company at Fort Liard, Yukon Territory, reported to Canadian authorities that Big Aleck, a Cree Indian living on the Mackenzie River, had told him that nomad Indians from the Nelson River, in British Columbia, had murder-

ed a boy accused of witchcraft. The crime was placed at forty miles south of Fort Liard.

Superintendent Knight of the royal police, stationed at Vancouver, sent a patrol to investigate. The Liard district was reached after traveling hundreds of miles on foot with pack dogs and navigating the swift lower Liard River by canoe. Big Aleck, when found, repudiated the story. The party of three policemen, commanded by Inspector T. V. Sanjys-Wunsch, camped near the suspected Indians.

Patiently studying the territory, the investigators came on a hole in which they found the body of a boy with his hands tied behind him.

After that confessions from the Indians came easily. These were to the effect that Edy, a squaw, had suspended Moccasin head downward from a sapling to drive away evil spirits. After Big Aleck had dreamed that the lad was a sorcerer. A girl, Lucy, found Moccasin hanging there and begged that he be cut down. Lucy said that the lad was alive when put into the hole, but other Indians asserted that he was killed first by hitting him on the head with a rock.

The police arrested Edy, her three brothers, Dan, Jimmy and Clem, and Big Aleck, and took them into Fort Liard. At a hearing there the inspector, a Magistrate, decided that the prisoners should go to Vancouver for trial.

The three policemen brought the prisoners out to Wrangell, traveling 1,000 miles on foot and by canoe.

No police had been in the Liard district since 1892.

THE 'EPHEBIC OATH'

THE "ephebic oath" is an oath of loyalty to one's country, state, city, etc., taken by a youth on reaching maturity. It is derived from the Greek "ephebi," the plural of ephebus." An ephebus was a youth between the ages of 18 and 20 in ancient Athens. When that age was attained it was considered that the young man was entering manhood. Webster says: "At Athens a youth was an ephebus from the age of 18, during which period he received military and gymnastic training. In later and Roman times the phobic training lasted only a year, and literary and philosophic studies were substituted for the military training."

At the College of the City of New York, the institution for higher learning for young men maintained by the city, it is customary to administer to the young men on their graduation, an "ephebic oath" of loyalty to the city. This is, of course, a revival of the ancient custom.

BALLOON FISH KILLS TWO MEN WHO EAT IT

HONOLULU, T. H., July 18.—Eating a poisonous variety of balloon fish, known among the Hawaiians as oopuhue, caused the death of two Chinese in this city recently. The men succumbed within twenty minutes from the time they had partaken of the fish.

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"HOOP SNAKES," "STINGING SNAKES," "GLASS SNAKES," IS ALL BUNCOMBE, SAYS AN AGRICULTURAL REPORT

Biologists of the department of Agriculture declare that the time honored yarns about "hoop snakes," and "stinging snakes," and "glass snakes" are buncombe.

The story of snakes that give chase by grabbing their horned tails in their mouths and rolling like hoops is a fable, they say. The so-called stinging snake hasn't any sting the biologists crediting origin of the story to existence of a snake having a fine pointed tail.

The "glass" or jointed snake, said to have power to disjoint and wiggle off in all directions when attacked and later reassemble itself, is nothing, they declare, but a harmless legless lizard that has the faculty of dropping its tail when in danger of being seized by that manner. The tail is replaced by a short imperfect appendage.

"BIGGEST EPSOM SALTS MINE FOUND ON COAST"

The world's greatest deposit of epsom salts is being mined from an ancient lake bed in the mountains of the extreme north central part of the state of Washington.

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HARDWARE MEN TO HOLD CONVENTION IN OCTOBER

The National Hardware Association of the United States will meet in Atlantic City, New Jersey, October 19 to 24, with headquarters at the Ambassador.

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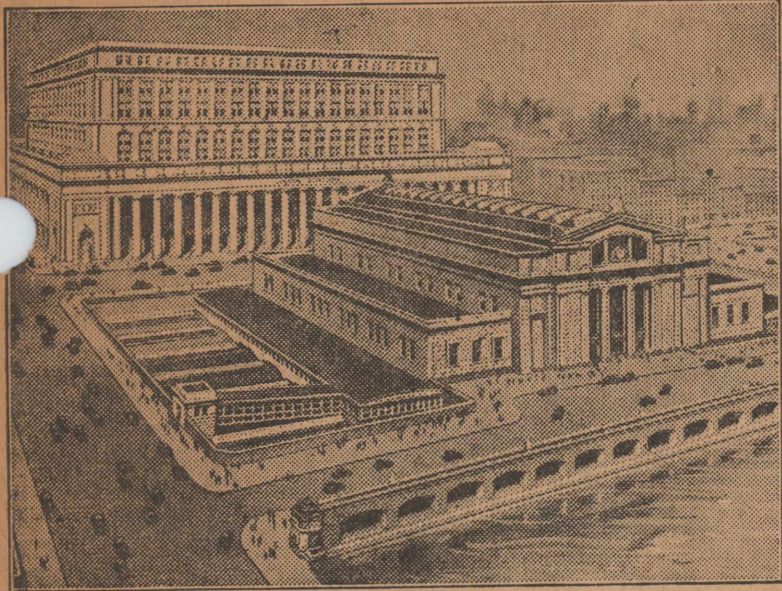
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THE completion of the new Chicago Union Station marks a noteworthy accomplishment in the history of important engineering undertakings, from which travelers from all parts of the United States will derive pleasure and benefit.

The station is without doubt one of the finest and most efficiently designed railroad terminals in the world. It forms a vital link in the realization of the "Chicago City Beautiful Plan." Simplicity, accessibility and convenience for the traveling public are the essential virtues of the new terminal. Rest and recreation rooms, ticket offices, barber shop, dining rooms, stores of various kinds, and almost every convenience known to travelers, are to be found on the one level, no steps to climb.

The main station is a low monumental type of building with a row of massive columns of classic design along the entire east front. Once inside, the traveler finds himself in a gigantic waiting room more than 100 feet high and brilliantly lighted through skylights in the great arch ceiling. Colonnades inclose the room, the walls of which are patterned after the architecture of ancient Rome. Bordering this room are the ultra-complete passenger terminal facilities. An innovation in railway terminal design is a conference room accommodating 125 people, which is available, without

charge, to patrons of the Union Station lines for conferences and other meetings.

To give some idea of the immensity of the new station, it may be stated that the main building covers an area of about three acres with a concourse covering 60,000 square feet. The entire terminal facilities cover more than 35 acres and will expedite the prompt and satisfactory handling of 50,000 passengers, 400 tons of baggage and 300 trains daily with room for future expansion. Fifteen acres of glass were used in the various coverings over the train sheds, which extend more than 1,200 feet beyond the main structure. A total of 17,000 tons of structural steel, 175,000 cubic feet of Indiana limestone and 10,000 cubic feet of granite were used in the station building and concourse. The foundation consists of 449 cylindrical concrete piers from four to ten feet in diameter, reaching to a depth of more than 60 feet below the level of the Chicago river.

Those who have had the privilege of inspecting the new station pronounce it a marvel in terminal construction and are urging their friends to see it on their next visit to Chicago.

The station is used jointly by the Pennsylvania Railroad; Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Ry.; Chicago, Burlington & Quincy R. R., and the Chicago & Alton R. R.

NATURE'S GIFT

Tell me, fairies, is there something in this world of our today that will take away our sickness and leave us strong in every way?

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Have you ever heard the story Of the time, no one knows when, How each gave something to the world For admission to come in?

And how the cow was last to choose, Laughed at by everyone When she said she'd do the best deed That ever could be done.

"I'll give them milk," The cow replied. The hippo laughed. The willow sighed.

"But such a foolish thing to do. We all gave better Gifts than you."

"Oh, no you didn't. Don't you know That health's what makes The whole world go?"

"Mine is the purest substance, That of creamy white. If health is what you're after, Drink it morning, noon, and night."

Milk builds muscle, bones, and teeth; 'Tis good for young and old; And as a true health giver It's worth its weight in gold.

NEM-OW-NEM SAYS—

Relativity of thought is necessary. Evolution is not on trial, just whether the state laws are and should be obeyed—the trial is just smoke to befuddle the public.

The Knights of Columbus are Catholics, and the Klu Klux Klan are protestants and there is good and bad in both organizations and the fight against either is the difference in FEW POINTS. Our news papers evade the truth knowing we are similar to Ireland in this matter, but they cast a smoke cloud in the interest of their financial backing.

Watch out for our moulders of PUBLIC OPINION and they always show a broad or very narrow view and leave out the facts to give the wrong expression.

Bryan and Darrow or Darrow and Bryan—what have they done along the road of bettering humanity, except in the line of money-getting or PRESS AGENT stuff about themselves—WHO PAYS? THE PUBLIC.

priate and good but sometime try making them pink for a change.

Take apples that do not cook mushy, peel and halve them, and simmer until tender in a syrup in which you have dissolved a few "little red devils" or cinnamon drops. They look very pretty on a big platter around the sides of a pork roast and always please children tremendously.

THE FORD

The Ford is my auto; I shall not want (another).

It maketh me to lie down beneath it—

It leadeth me in the paths of ridicule for its name's sake—

Yea, though I ride through the streets of the city—

I will fear much evil for My radius rod and my engine discomfort me—

I prepareth for blow-outs in the presence of mine enemies. I annootheth my tires with patches —my radiator runneth over—

Surely, for the sake of the Maker, If this thing followeth me all the days of my life—

I will dwell in the bug-house forever. Amen! —Alvord News

THE ROYAL DISH

The victory of Corned Beef and Cabbage over scores of contenders for the title, New York's Favorite Dish, will be hailed with approval throughout the town. Corned Beef and Cabbage is probably the favorite entree of the nation, and perhaps of the world. Epicures of almost every country represented in the Republic hold a warm place in their hearts and stomachs for the succulent combination, Maggie, Mark Hanna's cook in the capital, was famed for it. It is inexpensive, easily prepared, pleasant to the palate, and nourishing.

Let Thackeray sing of the Bouillabasse of Marseilles, let the band play "The Roast Beef of Old England," it's Corned Beef and Cabbage that New York craves. Even the Roast Beef, Medium, immortalized by Edna Ferber, ran sixth in the race, and the Sacred Cod of Massachusetts and the Bean of Boston were so far behind as to be invisible. Corned Beef and Cabbage is the dish of democracy, a culinary combination impossible to beat. Long may it reign!

The Dickens County Times now carries in stock a good carbon paper for cloth stamping and copy work.

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INHERITANCE TAX LAW REPEAL ASKED BY THE BANKERS OF GEORGIA

A movement looking to complete repeal of the federal inheritance tax law, leaving this source of revenue to the states, was started at Savannah June 19th, when the Georgia Country Bankers association, with Governor Walker, presiding, passed resolutions condemning the increasing tendency of the federal government in encroaching on the rights of states in the matter of tax levies.

This action was taken at the opening session of the convention which was devoted exclusively to a discussion of the tax problem and expressions from governors, United States senators and members of congress were read to the convention in support of the action taken today.

Pointing out that the separation of tax sources as between federal and state jurisdictions, had been the wise provision of the founders of the nation and that is has had the indorsement of statesmen and approval of custom from the beginning of government, the resolutions reminded congress of the "danger of trespassing upon this unwritten covenant in time of peace without the consent of the states."

The following resolution was passed by the Bankers Association, and has received much comment by newspapers in different sections of the country.

Those advocating this action were: Governor Terrall, of Arkansas; Governor McLean, of North Carolina; Governor Peay, of Tennessee; Gover-

nor Smith, of New York; Governor Silzer, of New Jersey; Governor Ritchie, of Maryland; Governor Scrugham, of Nevada; Governor Billings, of Vermont; Senator Fletcher, of Florida; Senator Caraway, of Arkansas; Senator Overman, of North Carolina; Senator George, of Georgia; Congressman Edwards, of Georgia; Congressman Lindsay, of North Carolina.

BE IT RESOLVED: That the inheritance tax provision of the present federal tax measure be repealed, leaving this source of revenue to the states for individual action as they may see fit.

Since the Savannah meeting, the following Governors have joined with the nine other Governors named above endorsing the resolution.

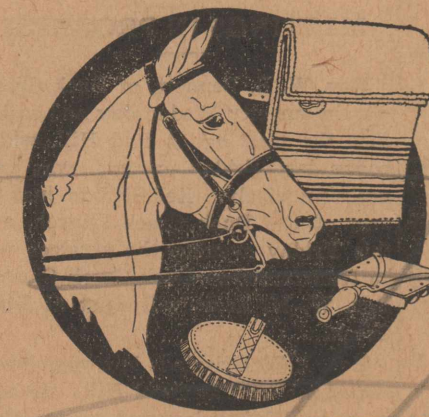
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DR. C. HOWARD RETURNS FROM HOT SPRINGS

Dr. C. Howard, the West Texas pioneer optometrist, passed through our city Tuesday enroute to Roaring Springs where he has made arrangements to practice his profession from August 1st to the 10th.

Dr. Howard is now located at Crosbyton, but his extensive work in fitting glasses through the west, has gained for him a wide acquaintance and a great host of friends. He is widely known at Paducah, where for a number of years he was stationed.

One thing the doctor boasts about, and that is that he has never had the care of a home, and until Texas elected a lady governor, has never experienced what it means to be ruled by a woman. He is typical westerner, believes in western principles, and although born in Kentucky, he never acquired the "Kentucky thirsh."

He had just spent several weeks in Hot Springs, Ark., and the following poem describes his first experience at the Springs.

MY FIRST BATH

I arrived in Hot Springs on a morning train,
My rheumatism had me limping in pain,
So I went to a Doctor, one of the best,
Who certainly put me through a thorough test.

He filled out some forms, I think there were two,
Instructing the bath attendant just what to do.
I was given a list of the things I would use
Robe, mit, cup, towels, and also some shoes.

When I got to the Bath House it was almost three;
Put my money in a box, and was given a key.

I bought a ticket and signed my name,
If a nothing happened, I assumed the blame.

I went to the tub when it came my turn,
The water looked hot, was afraid it would burn.
Three cups of water he gave me

to drink,
Then down in the tub I let myself sink.

He rubbed me with a thing called a mit,
Skin started to burn just like it was split.

Surely was glad when he had got through,
Wondering what next I'd have to do.

In the vapor he had me go,
It was hot, I'll have you know.
He put a cold towel on my head,
This daily torture I'm going to dread.

Next he lay me down on my back,
So he could put me in a pack.
Hot towels were put on the sore spot,
Holy smoke, but they were hot.

Then I was wrapped up in a sheet,
Trying to keep in all the heat.
Hot water I had to drink some more,
The perspiration started to pour.

On my head he put a cold cloth,
Out of my mouth I started to froth.
There I lay and sweat and sweat,
Until the sheets were soaking wet.

The needle shower next fell to my lot,
He turned on the water good and hot.
There I stood just as I was told
Until the water got very cold.

Again he wrapped me in a sheet,
And put a towel around my feet.
In the cooling room I had to rest,
That is the place that I liked best.

Some consolation I was trying to find
When a pleasant thought came to my mind.

And I said to myself as there I lay
This is the end of a perfect day.
Amen.

MEETINGS IN PROGRESS

Rev. W. B. Bennett, of Duck Creek, was in our city Wednesday and stated that the meeting at Red Hill, which began last Friday evening, was progressing nicely. Red Hill is just an arm of the Duck Creek Church, and this Friday evening the services will be transferred to Duck Creek Church. Rev. W. M. Scott will assist at Duck Creek.

Rev. J. W. Grizzle is in a very interesting meeting at Steel Hill. He was in town Wednesday and stated that

interest was very good, and that people were giving good attention in the services.

Rev. H. C. Burnam is in a meeting at Lost Lake, which has been in progress a week. People are manifesting much interest there.

Rev. R. L. Jones is having a great meeting at Red Mud. It has been in progress since July 19th, and there has been a great deal of good accomplished.

Rev. J. W. Jennings returned the first of the week from Stonewall county. He stated that there were a number of conversions, some fourteen additions to the Church, nine by baptism. He said a great many people there are going to church that had been out of duty for some time.

SYRIA PLANTS MORE LAND TO COTTON

Syria has made an active effort to increase cotton cultivation. Large quantities of seed were imported from foreign countries, including the United States, Turkey and Egypt, and furnished to the growers at cost. Land used for cotton cultivation is exempt from 1925 taxes, and only one-fourth of the usual tax is to be collected on such land for 1926. The Department of Agriculture of the Vilayet of Aleppo estimates the area under cotton in 1925 at 104,000 acres and in 1924 at 58,000. Production in 1925 is estimated at 30,000 bales of 230 pounds each, against 16,000 in 1924. The fiber is of good quality, but short staple and poorly cleaned, Vice Consul Maurice W. Altaffer, Aleppo, reports.

HUNTER TAKES MULE ALONG IN HIS AUTO

KIRKLAND, Wash.—N. M. Grant is one hunter who dislikes hiking, so he packs along a mule in his auto.

This is how the outfit looked as he left town this week on his annual bear hunt: One Ford truck with high fence around, but no top; one small mule inside the enclosure on the truck; one pack saddle; one dog; one gun and one fishing outfit. When Grant starts out on a trip he loads up and drives as far as possible with the light car.

WE APPRECIATE THE COMPLIMENT; RIGHT SHOULD RULE

In an article entitled, "The Road To Heaven," which we published last week, we tried to bring to the minds of our readers what might be termed common sense in religion. We have always tried to take the teachings of that dear old book as the rule and guide to our faith and practice, but in so doing, it has been our motto to use some of the common sense that the great Architect of the Universe has endowed us.

There have always been fanatics on the question of religion, and from all indications there will be until time shall be no more. There are some who teach that God did not consider the great laws which he established, when he worked out the great miracles of creation, but by some fiat power spoke things into existence. There are others who teach that God had nothing to do with man's or other form of life existence, but gradually through a great period of time that this animal life gradually evolved into what it is now. Either of these lines of teaching are liable to become extreme.

The God that has power of creation of material things, has power to speak laws into existence to control and to govern his great wonderful work. The more we study science the greater are our confirmations of the teachings of the Book of books. And in that article it was our aim to point to the people the great brotherhood of man and the Fatherhood of God in kindly acts of human beneficence. It has never been so much of a question as to what has been our prehistoric existence, but what are we to the human race today.

We desire to thank our neighbor who so ably assists us in the great intentions of the article published, and we are producing his letter that the public may be benefited. Read it, and think over it, and let's get down to practical religion in both a spiritual and material manner.

July 28th, 1925

Editor Dickens County Times, Spur, Texas.

Dear Sir:-

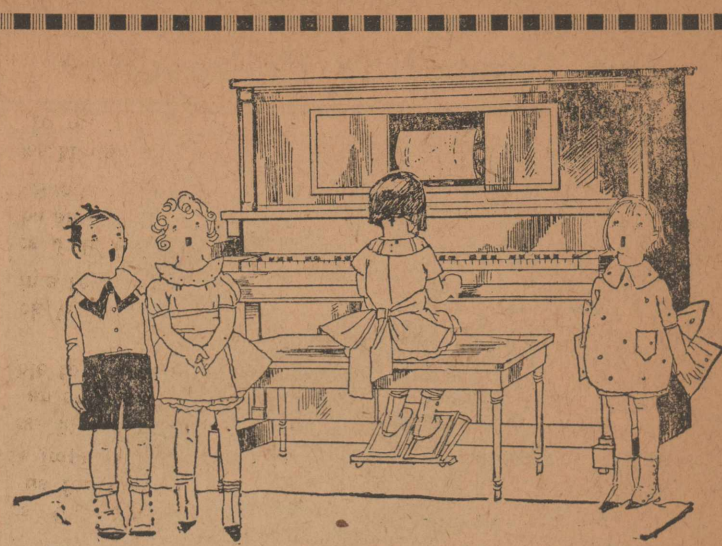
In order that another stone be not laid in that place which "is paved with good intentions", I take this opportunity to commend your paper for the publication, and compliment the author for the creation, of that splendid and timely article appearing in the issue of July 24th, entitled "The Road to Heaven."

There is a great and well founded tendency on the part of the present generation and especially the younger element to look to the spirit and substance rather than the form of the bible and to interpret the messages therein in the light of reason and understanding, and this without, in the least, discrediting the power and omnipotence of the Almighty nor the inspiration of the biblical writers, but finding, as revealed to their intelligence, a closer relationship between God and man and a practical use for the Spirit of Jesus Christ.

It is not for me to criticize nor to prophesy, but I venture to say that those ministers who persist in preaching of a God of vengeance, despotic and cruel, filled with occult and mysterious powers that are not for feeble men to question, will continue to deplore from the same pulpit the lack of youth in the congregations. The eternal question of youth is "why." The eternal demand of youth is reason. Youth will not accept without question an abstract fact. It is only when the mind is old and tired with the labors of life that it will accept any statement without putting forth the mental effort to question. Some minds remain young and vigorous though old in years; others become tired while yet in youthful bodies. Real youth is fearless. Fearing neither man nor devil. Battles were never won by old men. They have ever and ever will be won by youth. Yet in youth there is the instinctive knowledge of right and wrong keener by far than in older men, and a sense of attitude and appreciation which causes them to acknowledge the power of God without the fear of punishment or the hope of reward.

Men are prone to worship their opinions of God rather than God Himself. It was not the defense of God that caused the furor in Tennessee. It was merely the clash between two opinionated dogmas, each seeking the plaudits of the populace and neither concerning itself with the approbation of the Almighty.

The hostilities in Tennessee will abate until the case reaches the Supreme Court and in the calm that intervenes there will come to the most of us the thought of Kipling when he said:
"The Souting and the tumult dies;
The captains and the kings depart.
Still stands God's ancient sacrifice,
An humble and a contrite heart."
The subtle spirit of Jesus Christ is still at work and will ultimately



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has its consumation in the brotherhood of man on earth and those who have had the courage to stand for the TRUTH regardless of man's opinion will have their reward.—W. E. Lessing

LITTLE BOY PASSES AWAY

Berlin, nine year old son of Mr. R. T. Bills, died at the local sanitarium at 6:40 last Saturday morning. The little fellow was a victim of appendicitis, and conditions were too far advanced before surgical aid was given.

The body was placed in charge of Campbell and Campbell Undertaking Parlor. O. R. Maples did the work of embalming.

The remains were shipped to Como, Texas, where it was entered in the old family burying ground. We understand that other members of the family had been buried there.

NICHOLS SANITARIUM NEWS

Mrs. J. E. Watson and daughter, Martha Jane, were able to return home Tuesday.

Mrs. D. W. Taylor underwent an operation last Saturday and is getting along all right.

Mary Goodwin, of Aspermont, who has been here for some time, was able to return Monday.

Mrs. D. H. Johnson, of Swenson, underwent an operation Monday for appendicitis.

Miss Leura Moris, of near Spur, was operated on Monday for appendicitis.

Mrs. C. P. Richey, who has been with us for some time and was very ill, is improving at this time.

Mrs. M. D. Douglas, who underwent an operation some time ago, will be able to return home within a few days.

Jack Waddell will be able to be up within a few days.

Mrs. J. B. Rape, of Roaring Springs will be able to return home soon, probably Sunday.

Miss Madge Duncan, of Jayton, was able to return home Wednesday.

Mrs. J. P. Lewis, of Girard, underwent an operation Tuesday, and is doing very well.

Mrs. G. H. Stack underwent an operation Tuesday and is doing fine.

Mrs. G. W. Bunting, of Peacock, is

with us now for medical treatment. Frances Coy, of near Spur, is here for medical treatment.

WHITENER—JOHNSON NUPTIALS

Miss Margaret Johnson and Burton Whitener were married at the home of the bride in south Spur, yesterday (Thursday) evening at six o'clock. Rev. I. A. Smith performed the marriage ceremony.

These two young people have lived in Spur for some time, and have a great number of friends whom the Times joins in wishing them a happy and prosperous life together.

STOP AND THINK

What happens doesn't matter. It's what you think about what happens that counts.

To-day's troubles are to-morrow's jokes, so let's laugh now.

Nothing can happen to me that hasn't happened to thousands of others, and if they could stand it, I can.

Worry doesn't get you anywhere; for the things you worry about never happen.

You can get anything you want out of life, if you want it hard enough.

The two things necessary for happiness are comfort and friends. Work brings comforts. Being friendly brings friends.

QUEER FISH, THIS; IS THERE A STILL NEAR?

GREENVILLE, O.—A freak carp is causing many residents of this city to make an extra trip to the fountain at the fire engine house here.

This peculiar member of the fish tribe was caught by Jobe Winters recently in Stillwater River.

The carp, which weighs three pounds, swims with its head down ward and has a big curve in its spine back of the main fin. It apparently is unable to swim straight in the water.

In 1800 no college in the world admitted women and there were no high schools for girls.

First co-educational college modern times was Oberlin college in Ohio, opened in 1833.