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DEATHS

A letter was received this week by the Editor from J. N. Allen stating that Judge J. E. Thomas died at San Antonio on December 29th, aged 75 years. Judge Thomas was a lawyer and lived in Callahan county for perhaps 25 years. In 1894 he was elected county judge and reelected in 1896. Sometime later he moved to Dallas and about five years ago he moved to San Antonio. Judge Thomas was married twice, his first wife died in Baird soon after he was elected county judge and a few years later he was married to his second by whom he had one son and daughter, all of whom survive him. He had several children by his first wife, but we do not know many of them are living. We are sorry to hear of Judge Thomas' death, and he has many friends among the old settlers in this county who will be saddened by his death. Peace to his memory.

Lum Johnson, brother of Arthur Johnson, of Baird, died at his home in Fort Worth, December 24th. Lum Johnson was for years an engineer on the T. & P. Ry. and was well known here and his many friends here regret to learn of his death.

Mr. H. H. Gray, an aged man died at the home of his son in Baird Tuesday and the remains were carried to Eastland for interment, Wednesday.

Mr. W. C. Burleson, living out the North Abilene road, died Tuesday.

NEWS NOTES FROM THE FORT WORTH-EL PASO HIGHWAY.

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An important meeting of the Vice Presidents and directors, also of the County Commissioners and Representatives of the Local Units of the Texas Good Roads Association along the Fort Worth-El Paso Highway, will be held at Big Springs on Jan. 10th. It is important that every county along the line have a good representation at this meeting. Capt. J. D. Fauntleroy, District Engineer, in charge of the Sixth National Highway District, will be present and will address the meeting. Capt. Fauntleroy is the National Government representative in Texas. He has only been in the state a short time, but has his work well under way, and his advice to those attending this meeting will be especially valuable.

A number of very important matters are to come before this meeting.

The Texas Good Roads Association will hold its annual meeting in Austin on January 17th and 18th. At the Big Springs meeting on the 10th arrangements will be made to have a representation from every Local Unit in each county along the Fort Worth-El Paso Highway. It will be arranged for them to meet in Austin at a certain place and time, so that they can collectively consider and later present at the meeting of the Association any matters in the interest of the Fort Worth-El Paso Highway.

The Texas & Pacific Railway has granted reduced rates to the meeting at Big Springs, and a large representative attendance is expected at this meeting. The above rates will be in

force at all points between Fort Worth and El Paso. Call on your local agent for information.

W. B. Starr, Sec'y.

FIREMAN'S BANQUET

Last Tuesday night the Baird Volunteer Fire Department gave their annual banquet. The members of the City Council and a few other guests were present. They called it a "bird supper" and it was a bird alright. Ninety-five quail, seven fat hens and turkey with all accessories to go with them, pickles, onions, pies, cakes, etc., was served. Glos-ter King, proprietor of the T. & P. Restaurant, prepared the feast and great credit is due him and his able assistants for the splendid manner in which the "feast" was prepared.

This was one of the most pleasant banquets it has been our pleasure to attend in Baird. There was nothing of the stiffness and formalities usual at functions of this kind. Just the members and a few friends, all men, or rather boys, were present and all had a royal good time.

After supper came the cigars and speeches, and no guilty man or boy was permitted to escape. Mayor Schwartz who is also Chief of the Fire Department, opened the ball and was followed by most every one present. Space forbids a full list of the speakers and those present and as we do not want to play any favorites we omit all but the Chief.

RECITAL.

Miss Vida Gilliland's music pupils will give a recital Monday night, Jan. 8th, at 7:30 at the Methodist Church. Everybody invited.

T. & P. LEASE LOCOMOTIVES.

The Christmas rush of business on the Texas & Pacific has been so heavy that the company has been forced to lease locomotives from four

other lines. For instance, locomotives from the Iron Mountain T. & B. V., V. S. & P., and Texas Midland are being used in and out of Fort Worth.—Big Spring Herald.

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AT SOME NEUTRAL POINT AND TALK ABOUT PEACE

IS THE PLAN OF THE KAISER

Berlin Answers the Communication of President Wilson With the Suggestion That Warring Lords Take This Action.

Germany proposes a meeting of delegates of belligerents in her answer to President Wilson's peace note.

The formal reply to the peace suggestion of America was made in a note handed to United States Ambassador Gerard at Berlin, and at the same time to the American diplomatic representatives at the capitals of the other central powers—Vienna, Sofia and Constantinople.

The note also hints that "the great work of the prevention of future wars can be begun only after the end of the present struggle of nations," and declares "when this moment shall have come" German will be "ready with pleasure to collaborate entirely with the United States at this exalted task."

The German note holds "the most appropriate road to reach the desired result is an immediate meeting of delegates of belligerent states at a neutral place."

No peace terms are contained in the German note.

WILSON OVER HUGHES.

PRESIDENT RECEIVES 568,882 MORE VOTES THAN LATTER.

Complete official returns from every state for president give Wilson 9,116,296 votes and Hughes 8,547,474, a plurality for Wilson of 568,882. With eight missing states Benson, Socialist, received 750,000 votes and Hanly, Prohibition, 225,101. Total popular vote for the four presidential candidates was 18,638,871, against 15,545,322 in 1912. Four years ago Wilson received 6,297,099.

Former Sheriff and a Deputy Slain
A man stepped from an automobile in the business district of Knox City, Tex., and shot J. J. (Red) Mitchell, former sheriff of King county, with a rifle and emptied a revolver into the prostrate body. He then shot Deputy Sheriff Joe Reed as the latter tried to arrest him, knocked the pistol from another officer's hand, jumped back into the machine, a small one, and sped away. Both men died almost instantly. Mitchell, who formerly lived in Wichita Falls, was indicted last March in King county charged with a killing.

Farmer Loses Life.

Jim Brandenburg, a prominent citizen of the Cedar Hill community of Dallas county, was almost instantly killed when a shotgun was accidentally discharged and the load took effect in his left side near the heart. The accident occurred when Mr. Brandenburg went to get out of his automobile from which he had shot a rabbit as he drove along. He breathed once or twice, but could not speak. Deceased was about thirty-five years old and is survived by a widow and several children.

Shoots Negro's Arm Off.

"If you move your right arm I will shoot it off," Munroe Miles, a grocer at Chiesa, Dallas county, told Sam Wylie, a negro, who was in the store of Miles. A second later a shot rang out from a shotgun and Wylie's right arm was torn from his body. He was taken to a farmhouse for medical attention. Miles, who stated the negro raised a disturbance in his store, was not arrested, but notified to appear before the grand jury.

Over Five Thousand Prisoners.

In Roumania 5,500 more prisoners have been taken by the Teutonic allies, the German war office has stated. The town of Filipecht, on the railroad between Bubeu and Brailla, was captured at the point of the bayonet. Strongly entrenched Russian positions on both sides of the village, it is reported, were stormed.

COTTON, GRAIN AND LIVESTOCK

Dallas.

Dallas, Dec. 26.—Cotton: Middling fair, 17.25; strict good middling, 17.00; good middling, 16.62; strict middling, 16.64; middling, 16.25; strict low middling, 15.97; low middling, 15.50; strict good ordinary, 15.00; good ordinary,

14.75.

Grain—Corn: White, \$1.03 to \$1.05; mixed, \$1.01 to \$1.03. Wheat: No 2 basis, soft, \$1.85. Oats: Texas red, 64 to 65c sacked, 61 to 63 in bulk.

Fort Worth.

Livestock—Cattle: Beeves, \$6.50 to \$9.50; cows, \$4.00 to \$6.25; heifers, \$5.50 to \$7.50; bulls, \$4.00 to \$4.75; calves, \$4.50 to \$5.25; stockers, \$6.00 to \$6.65. Hogs—\$9.00 to \$10.00. Sheep—\$4.00 to \$8.75; lambs, \$9.00 to \$9.75; goats, \$3.50 to \$5.50.

Funeral Commended.

Ministerial union of San Antonio did not condemn General Funston's recent reply to Dr. J. B. Gambrell of Dallas, secretary of the Baptist general convention, relative to holding revivals among troops on the border. General Funston has received many letters and telegrams from ministers commending his course.

Solved With Oil Stove.

"You will have to cut out smoking on the car," a conductor said to a passenger at Kansas City. Whereupon the passenger uncovered beneath his feet a small oil stove. The flame had been turned up too high and the stove smoked. "This car is too cold for a long ride," the passenger explained, and was allowed to keep the stove.

Impounding Reservoir.

The San Angelo Water, Light and Power company has filed an application with the state board of water engineers for a permit to construct an impounding reservoir to impound 380,000 acres of water annually from the flood waters and natural flow of the Concho river to supplement the water supply of San Angelo.

Author of Popular Song Dead.

Joseph T. Miles, a veteran actor and author of the song, "There'll Be a Hot Time in the Old Town Tonight," died at Santa Rosa, Cal. This song had a long run and was sung in several lands.

Free Textbooks Favored.

In his annual report to the Oklahoma governor State Superintendent of Public Instruction Wilson favors free school textbooks. He suggests a textbook commission of six, with state superintendent as chairman, to select the books.

Expires Lecturing Class.

Hugo Munsterberg, the professor of psychology at Harvard university in Cambridge, Mass., died suddenly as he was lecturing a class at Radcliffe college.

Is Accepted.

The College of Marshall main edifice has been accepted by the Marshall and Baptist board building committees. It cost \$80,000. Plans are under way for the erection of dormitories.

Rice Estimate.

Final estimate of the 1916-17 rice crop was given out at Beaumont by J. R. Leguence, secretary of the Rice Millers' association. It estimates the Texas production at 2,465,832 bags.

A CHINESE TYPEWRITER.

Invented by Native, Graduate of American Scientific Institution.

The Chinese who invented a typewriter for his native language has obtained a patent from the ministry of agriculture and commerce to run for five years, according to consular advices from Peking.

The inventor is a graduate of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, was one of the original Chinese indemnity students to be educated in the United States, was formerly aeronautical engineer for an American company and is now mechanical engineer for the Commercial Press, Limited, of Shanghai.

This typewriter uses 4,000 Chinese characters. The ordinary Chinese printing office uses about 6,000 characters, while a complete Chinese dictionary may contain as many as 50,000. For all practical purposes, however, the 6,000 characters commonly used in a printing office in China are found to be quite sufficient.

Solves H. C. of L. Problem.

Fred Coley, a freshman at the University of Oregon in Eugene, Ore., has set a record by living on \$6 a month. He eats macaroni and rice mostly and buys nothing that costs more than 5 cents a pound except butter. Coley lives in a small cottage that he rents.

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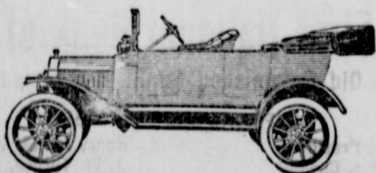
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HAPPENINGS OF MAJOR AND MINOR IMPORTANCE NOTED.

PARAGRAPHS HERE PRESENTED

That Relate to Matters of Present and Likewise the Future Placed in Type and Embracing Various Portions of the Commonwealth.

Hill county health survey is on. Brownsville's first strawberries sold for 50 cents a quart.

Three dwellings burned at Longview and entailed \$12,000 loss.

District court convened at Marlin Tuesday with 120 divorce cases filed.

From a San Angelo warehouse 124 polecat hides were stolen; \$50 reward.

Mrs. W. L. West, seventy four years old, an old Johnson county settler, died at Joshua.

It is expected that the Houston farm loan bank will be ready for business about March 1.

Friends and business men at Lampasas presented the Dominican Sisters with an automobile.

Captain Urban Wetzel of the Eighth Ohio infantry died at the Fort Bliss base hospital of diabetes.

H. F. Harding of Dallas, seriously injured by jumping during the Hotel Cleburne fire, Cleburne, has recovered.

Attorney general's department has approved a \$13,000 bond issue of Colorado county drainage district No. 2.

Prairie fires have done much damage in Lamb county. One burned over 20,000 acres of grass and another four sections.

Oeo Morris, a Terrell boy, had a hobble torn in an arm by the discharge of an improvised cannon, constructed of iron piping.

Calvin Young, twenty-one years of age, was drowned in the Guadalupe river near Kerrville. He is supposed to have fallen in.

As he lay asleep, Frank Thomas, a negro, fifty years old, was slain with an ax on the Matt Andrews farm, near Bristol, Ellis county.

Owing to the high cost of print paper the Longview Times-Clarion has suspended its daily edition. The weekly edition will continue.

Yellow Pine Paper Mill company of Orange has filed an amendment to its charter increasing its capital stock from \$500,000 to \$1,000,000.

The wife and new-born babe of Sheriff W. K. Reynolds of Dallas county passed away a few hours apart at the family residence in Dallas.

Ernest Kimble, eighteen years old, was taken to a Paris hospital to be treated for a gunshot wound in a lung sustained at Tuskahoma, Okla.

As a result of coal shortage some local freight trains on the Wichita Falls and Northwestern railway had to be temporarily discontinued.

Sylvester Polk, a young negro man, was found fatally wounded at Whitney, Hill county, with three gashes in his head and a bloody ax near by.

Mrs. Carrie McLaren, divorced wife of the late Frank R. McLaren, held in connection with his death, was admitted to bail at Georgetown in \$1,000.

By the accidental discharge of a shotgun in the hands of another boy Daniel Gray was killed at Colorado. Boy was buried at Plainview, his home.

Mrs. Louisiana Bell, who was born in Iberville parish, La., eighty-one years ago and a resident of Texas for thirty-eight years, has passed away at Dallas.

John G. McKay has resigned as secretary of state and become manager of the state's Madison county farm. He is succeeded by Churchill Bartlett of Marlin.

Spirit of frontier life was resurrected in Cooke county, 200 shots first being fired by Christmas revelers at Dexter, and then Maysville being "invaded."

Five white prisoners in the Cooke county jail at Gainesville overpowered Jailer Kelly, locked him in a cell with his feet and hands tied and escaped.

Thomas H. Blanton, chief of Fort Worth's city detective force and one of the best known peace officers in the state, succumbed to a long illness at that city.

About twenty pioneer newspaper men comprising the Texas Editorial

association met in their annual convention at Galveston. Charles L. Martin of Dallas presided.

John Bost, a farmer and stockman of the Howe community of Grayson county, sold at Sherman two beeves which brought \$274.55 and weighed over 1,600 pounds each.

An eight-story fireproof hotel, the plans for which are now being drawn, is to be erected near the union terminal railway station, Dallas. It will cost about \$140,000 and be conducted on the European plan.

John Raymond Baldrige, son of J. Baldrige, president of the Citizens' National bank of Ennis, died at his home in Graball, in Washington county. Interment was at Ennis.

Establishment of the Waxahatchie Hardware company at the Ellis county capital was burglarized and a number of knives taken. The cash drawer was broken open, but it was empty.

Postmaster General and Mrs. A. S. Burleson are visiting Austin and also other Texas points. Mr. Burleson is looking after private interests in the state which are directed from Austin.

Harvey McQuiston, former tennis champion of Texas and New Mexico, has moved his family from Bay City to Texarkana. He will engage in both poultry and stockraising near latter city.

Real estate, especially farm property, is changing hands rapidly in Hill county, and prices range from \$110 to \$150 per acre. Several large land deals are reported, some amounting to \$20,000.

Disappointed in not securing a farm loan bank, the Amarillo committee has communicated with the farm loan bank board and Senators Culberson and Sheppard making application for a branch bank.

The Eastern Greek Orthodox church congregation of Fort Worth is having plans prepared for a \$7,000 house of worship. There are 225 communicants. The edifice will be erected in North Fort Worth.

As the fourteen-year-old son of H. Johnson of near Yowell, Lamar county, was in a field shooting crows, the gun was accidentally discharged, tearing his brother's left arm nearly off and necessitating amputation.

Floyd Tomlin, aged twenty-five, was killed and Rush Ardis sustained a broken leg when the latter's automobile turned over two miles east of Greenville. Both were residents of Newlands, Hunt county. Ardis lay all night waiting for help.

Robert Elliott, a well known insurance man, expired in St. Anthony's sanitarium, Amarillo, shortly after being removed from Hotel Amarillo, where he was found with a bullet wound in his head. His body was forwarded to Hereford, where his family resides.

Judge A. J. Harper, who retired after serving six years as an associate justice of the court of criminal appeals, has removed to El Paso, where he has formed a law partnership with Hudspeth & Dale. Judge Harper said he left a clean docket in his room for his successor.

At the residence of the bride's sister in Galveston, Rev. C. S. Aves, rector of Trinity Episcopal church officiating, Congressman Jeff McLamore of Houston and Miss May Clark were united in marriage. After a honeymoon trip to Mobile and Pensacola Congressman and Mrs. McLamore will be at home at Washington.

Standing before a speeding locomotive north of Dallas an unknown negro was killed. Shortly before a negro stood in front of a train west of that city and hit. While being taken to the city hospital he leaped from the ambulance and escaped. He is supposed to have been the same party.

Dr. W. C. Witte of the government health service has made a health survey of Abbott, Hill county. Every house in the place was visited. Reports are being tabulated and will be presented to the city council, together with suggestions as to the improvement of health conditions.

A San Angelo real estate dealer in one day closed deals aggregating \$165,000. Largest was the sale of thirty sections for a cash consideration of \$25,000. The S ranch was purchased by Beasley & Burnside, San Angelo laundry proprietors, from A. J. Sanders.

Major Powell Clayton, formerly attached to the general staff, war department, and recently assigned to the Sixteenth cavalry on the Mexican border, died at Fort Sam Houston from injuries received while schooling his horse to jump hurdles ten days before. He was a son of former Governor Clayton of Arkansas.

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Henry Ford made such a flash of his peace plans a year ago that he is disposed to let President Wilson run his peace plans without any advice from him.

There has not been a fort along the Canadian border for a century and there has been no serious prospect of war between the United States and England. This shows that that two of the greatest nations on earth can live on friendly terms if each is disposed to do right.

As the years go by fewer and fewer people think the proper way to souse themselves all over head and heels in bust head whiskey. May the time come when Christmas will be celebrated by all as it should be, joyously, sincerely and unselfishly and for the good of others with good, not ill effects to themselves.

Christmas with all its joys, sorrows, suicides, murders, fights, is over and only a bad taste in the mouth and aching heads remain to remind some of the "ge-lorious" time they had. It is a good thing Christmas does not come but once a year, to some, but don't we all wish the Christmas spirit peace and good will to man would last all the year through.

Germany smashed Roumania good and hard, and for the last five weeks all the success reported by Germany is in Roumania. The French made considerable gains on the Somme front while Germany was so busy in Roumania but Germany hardly noticed it. Perhaps that smashing Roumanian campaign was for a purpose not thought of by the public at the time hence the peace propositions.

Europe for a century has been an armed camp and the present war is the result. We now hear much about a big army and a big navy for this country. Shall this country under the guise of protection adopt the outworn fatal militarism of the old world? We need a larger navy and perhaps an army of two hundred and fifty thousand men and some system of military training but we do not want to see our nation adopt the methods of the old world about extensive armies. We believe in preparedness, but to talk about conscription and compulsory military training is nonsense. Every nation at war is now bankrupted and conditions are growing worse daily. Great armies and great navies make for war not peace, as a rule. Some German officials boasted before this war started that Germany could fight the whole of Europe. That is just why Germany is fighting the whole of Europe today. If the United States prepares to fight the world sooner or later we will be fighting the world. Nations are like individuals. A bully that is always ready to scrap is always scrapping. A nation that is ready to fight at the drop of a hat usually gets all the fighting it wants and sometimes more. Ask Germany. We want peace and are willing to fight for it if necessary, but we do not want to see our country adopt a course that will make the world afraid of us.

Such a course will eventually bring us into conflict with a combination of nations that would satisfy every jingo in the land.

The entente allies seem to be so angry they will not listen to peace proposals from Germany. Is this all diplomatic play, and the entente allies still believe they can smash Germany as Napoleon did a century ago? We doubt if they really believe they can, if they do they have a different opinion from the outside world. We have never believed Germany could win the war with the combination against her, but we have never believed the entente allies could crush Germany as they boasted they would. Germany in the long ago was completely crushed by France but she did not stay crushed. Germany got even with France in 1870 and whipped her in six months, made her pay the largest war indemnity ever known and took away from her Alsace and Lorraine. The latter a fatal error as predicted at the time by Chancellor Bismarck France was completely crushed but in forty years she came back stronger than ever as Germany learned to her cost. This thing of crushing a nation like Germany or France is easier said than done. The German Kaiser expected to crush France in six weeks so the reports went at the time the war started. France is not yet crushed Germany realizes that nothing is to be gained by a continuation of the war and is willing to play quits. It is unfortunate that the entente powers do not see it the same way as they will be forced to see it some day. The allies against Germany maybe able in a long war to starve Germany out and crush her, but it looks now that Germany's enemies will be in about as bad fix as Germany. After the battle of Gettysburg President Lincoln is said to have asked Gen. Meade why he did not smash Gen. Lee's army, Gen. Meade replied "that he was too near smashed himself." The entente powers may smash Germany, but won't they be in a fix themselves. President Wilson has given the warring nations a chance to quit. They may accept yet in spite of the angry comments made about his note.

COST OF GOVERNMENT. NEW CONSTITUTION

The cost of government city, county state, and nation is increasing at such a rapid rate that it is becoming alarming. The legislature, to convene in a few days, should slap on the brakes and lop off a lot of useless expense in the state government. The legislators might inquire how it happens that the state tax rate is higher in 1916 with taxable values at two billion seven hundred thousand dollars than the rate was in 1895 with taxable values at eight hundred and sixty-five million dollars. Of course expenses naturally increase with the increase of population, we all realize this, but why should the tax increase all the time. We do not see any excuse for the present tax rate as compared with 1895, with taxable values are three times greater. We know some of the causes. One was Tom Campbell's 4 cent rate, which created, according to his successor, Colquitt, a deficiency of one and a half million dollars. What the legislature should do is to prevent, if possible, one administration creating a deficiency for his successor to meet. Under Gov. Campbell's administration the legislature changed the law governing our penitentiaries completely and so muddled them that it has become a great burden on the tax-payers.

One prominent legislator predicted that the so-called Campbell penitentiary system would run the state in debt at the rate of a million dol-

lars a year. Some changes were made under Gov. Colquitt, but whether for better or worse we do not know, but the penitentiary system is a night mare to every administration. Texas has too many courts. Every lawyer in Texas who does not expect to go to congress expects to be a judge or district attorney.

Texas needs a new constitution and a less expensive judiciary. We have either or nine or ten civil courts of appeals. Whatever the number is it is just that number too many. These intermediate courts are humbugs and every one of them should be abolished. In place of abolishing any courts we will wager our old Stetson hat that the next legislature will create one or more of these humbug courts of appeals and about a half dozen more new district courts.

The only way to get rid of all this rubbish is to adopt a new constitution and return to the simple laws of early days. Then make it very difficult, if not impossible, to amend the constitution.

To accomplish this have a proviso in the new constitution that no member of the legislature be permitted to offer a resolution to amend the constitution without first submitting it to a vote of the people at the next general election and if a majority want the change, it will require a two-thirds vote in the legislature to submit a joint resolution amending the constitution to be voted on at the next general election. That would require four years to amend the constitution.

There have been only sixteen amendments to the federal constitution in one hundred and thirty years. The present constitution was adopted in 1875 and probably fifty, maybe more amendments have been adopted in the last forty years. Our present constitution is a crazy quilt patch work and should be wiped out, howbeit the homestead law should remain, eliminating the business house part of it, and some minor changes to strengthen the present law.

The German Kaiser finds that it was much easier to start a war in 1914 than it is to stop it in the closing days of 1916.

We had gone to press the week before Christmas before President Wilson's peace note was issued to the warring nations. The American people and all other neutral nations endorse it; but the reception of the note by some of the belligerent nations was far from cordial. Some of the newspapers in England severely criticised the president and some in Germany roundly abused him, but upon the whole the president's note was received courteously. None of the nations at war except Germany has replied. With all the bluster of a section of the press in Germany and England the cold blooded fact remains that the people of all nations at war or neutrals want peace and while no immediate results may be shown President Wilson's note has made the world sit up and take notice that neutral nations have some rights as well as those who are at war. We believe the peace note will hasten peace but it may be a long time coming. All honor to President Wilson for his humane efforts to stop the war regardless of whether it accomplishes the desired end or not.

VOTE OF THANKS.

Whereas, The good ladies of the Wednesday Club presented the Baird school six sanitary drinking fountains at a cost of \$32, therefore,

Be it Resolved, That the Board extend to them a vote of thanks, and copy be presented to the Wednesday Club, a copy be furnished The Baird Star, and a copy be spread on the minutes of the Board. Committee.

Extreme Reductions in our Women's Ready-to-Wear

This will be the last great Saving Opportunity of this season on Winter Coats, Suits, Coats, Dresses and Skirts. To keep the stock fresh and new each season all remaining stock must be sold; Winter wearables cannot be carried through the Spring Season or stored away.

They Must Go Now

We quote a few prices:

\$25.00 Values	-	\$18.15
22.50 Values	-	14.50
20.00 Values	-	13.05
18.50 Values	-	12.65
15.00 Values	-	9.85
12.50 Values	-	8.50
6.00 Values	-	4.25

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The Place Where Most People Trade

METHODIST SERVICES.

Start the New Year right by going to church next Sunday at 11 a. m. The pastor will use the subject: "What Wait I For?" At 7 p. m. the subject will be: "New Years Resolutions." Sunday School at 9:45 a. m., J. W. Turner, Supt. It is earnestly urged that every member of the church be present in all the services of the day.
W. Y. Switzer, Pastor.

FOUND A SURE THING.

I. B. Wixon, Farmers Mills N. Y. has used Chamberlain's Tablets for years for disorder of the stomach and liver and says, "Chamberlain's Tablets are the best I have ever used." For sale by All Dealers.

NEW YEAR'S PARTY

Mrs. Harry Jones entertained Monday night in honor of Misses Maggie Scott and Bertha Bowles. After playing various games until a late hour refreshments were served to the following: Misses Naomi Cutbirth, Beulah Ray, Ruth Hatch, Bessie Austin, Coryse and Marguerite Boydston, Katy and Dana Foy, Messers George Nitschke, Carl Hensley, J. C. Estes, Ashby White Dudley Foy, Bill Hatchett, Otho and Kay Lidia, Hal Ramsey, and Bryan McFarlane, the honor guests and hostess.

SALESMAN WANTED to solicit orders for lubricating oils, grease and paints. Salary or Commission. Address, The Harvey Oil Co., Cleveland, O.



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Big Reduction on Men's and Boy's Clothing

We are making big reduction on Men's and Boy's Clothing. (Serges excepted.) Start the New Year with a saving by buying one or more of the special offers.

\$20.00 Suits for \$17.50
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 12.50 Suits for 9.35
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We are making extraordinary low prices on the following lots:

Lot No. 1.	Extra Coats	\$1.00
Lot No. 2.	Suits	3.00
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You can't afford to miss this opportunity if you are in need of a suit.

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BAD HABITS.

Those who breakfast at 8 o'clock or later lunch at 12 and dinner at 6 are almost certain to be troubled with indigestion. They do not allow time for one meal to digest before taking another. Not less than five hours should elapse between meals. If you are troubled with indigestion correct your habits and take Chamberlain's Tablets and you may reasonably hope for a quick recovery. These tablets strengthen the stomach and enable it to perform its functions naturally. For sale by ALL DEALERS.

Farm For Rent.—Wanted tenant for farm 11 miles south of Baird, close to good school. See or phone 52tp. Mrs. C. H. Mahan Baird.

THE HABIT OF TAKING COLD.

With many people taking cold is a habit, but fortunately one that is easily broken. Take a cold sponge bath every morning when you first get out of bed—not ice cold but a temperature of about 90 degrees. Also sleep with your window up. Do this and you will seldom take cold. When you do take cold take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and get rid of it as quickly as possible. For sale by ALL DEALERS.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish thank all our friends and neighbors for their kindness to Mrs. Davidson in her illness and for the many beautiful gifts sent her. 'Tis sweet to be thus remembered.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Davidson

LOCALS

Mrs. W. S. Dodd, of Austin, spent the holidays with her sister, Mrs. J. L. Lea.

Will Franklin came over from Winters to spend New Year's day with the home folks.

Miss Evalyn Johnson is visiting in Colorado and Big Springs this week.

Miss Evalyn and Bernice Johnson visited their grand-parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Frost, at Santo.

Misses Maude Alderson and Evalyn Johnson spent Christmas with relatives in Big Spring.

Master Frank Terry, of Ft. Worth visited relatives here during the holidays.

Tom Dodd, of Aztec, N. M. visited relatives here and on Deep Creek, during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Rowley have leased Hotel Mae and took charge of same Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hearn and son, Wylie, of San Angelo, visited relatives here during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Chambers and children visited relatives in Ft. Worth, during the holidays.

Ray Boen, of Fort Worth spent Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Boen, at Rowden.

Editor Halford, of the Abilene Times, in company with Congressman elect, Judge Thos. L. Blanton visited Baird, Monday.

Horse and buggy for sale cheap. S. E. Settle 5 tf.

Mrs. Pence and little son, Tolbert, of Mount Pleasant, visited her brother, H. C. Perkins, and family last week.

H. A. McWhorter and daughters, Misses Ada and Beulah, and Miss Jeffe Lambert spent Tuesday in Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Kelley Stone of Big Springs, spent Sunday Dec. 24, in Baird with Kelly's grandparents Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Hamm.

Mrs. Gordon Phillips of Big Springs spent the holidays here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Cutbirth.

Baxter Lambert and family of Roby Texas, visited the families of Henry Lambert and Mrs. Sarah Barclay during the holidays.

Mrs. Jack Stevens and children of Big Springs spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Hamm.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Welch of San Angelo spent a few days here last week with Mrs. Welch's parents Mr. and Mrs. R. D. White.

Miss Cossette Faust of Cincinnati Ohio came home to spend the holidays with her mother Mrs. E. M. Faust.

Miss Ethel Hatchett who is teaching school at Lamesa Texas spent the holidays in Baird with her parents Mr. and Mrs. P. G. Hatchett.

W. V. Ramsey who is attending Trinity University at Waxahachie, spent the holidays with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. H. H. Ramsey.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hudson who live near Novice spent a few days during Christmas week with Mrs. Hudson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. McFarlane.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Fewell who live near Baird spent a few days during Christmas week with Mr. Fewell's mother at Ballenger.

Miss Evalyn and Vira Mullican have returned from Big Springs, where they spent Christmas with their sister, Miss Willa, who is teaching school near that place.

Frank Vaughn, who has been visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Vaughn for sometime, has returned to his home in Portland, Oregon.

Miss Kate Darby, who is teaching in the Balmorhea Public School, spent the holidays with her parents here. She returned Sunday to resume her duties.

Rev. H. M. Peebles, who was called to Tennessee some weeks ago on account of the serious illness of his father and mother, has returned home.

Miss Josephine Blakley, who is attending school in Big Spring, spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Blakley, at Belle Plaine. She returned to Big Spring Tuesday, accompanied by her sister, Miss Evalyn, who will spend several days there.

Lee Champion, of Cottonwood, called at THE STAR office Thursday of last week and renewed his subscription for another year. Mr. Champion and family were enroute home from Merkel, where they had been visiting Mrs. Champion's sister, Mrs. W. P. Derrington and family. They made the trip in their new Chevrolet car.

Rev. Frank McNair, formerly of Abilene, but now Missionary in Callahan county, happened to a very painful accident while on his way to Abilene to join his wife, who is visiting her father, W. L. King. Mr. McNair was traveling in a buggy when his horse frightened ran away, and upset the vehicle and he received several painful bruises.—Taylor County Times.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Ebert and little daughter, Sallie, have returned from Sherman, where they spent the holidays with Harry's sister, Mrs. Murphy. Harry says he is an enthusiastic good roads booster since traveling over the good roads in Grayson county on which the county has spent \$1,300,000.00. Harry has just purchased a new Ford, which will make him even more enthusiastic on the good road subject.

CHAMBERLAIN'S COUGH REMEDY MOST EFFECTUAL.

"I have taken a great many bottles of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and every time it has cured me. I have found it most effectual for a hacking cough and colds. After taking it a cold always disappears," writes J. R. Moore Lost Valley, Ga. For sale by ALL DEALERS.

AT SCHOOL AUDITORIUM.

Students of the Grammar Grades of the Baird School will give an entertainment Friday evening, January 5, beginning at seven thirty.

Admission is 10 and 15 cents, proceeds go to purchase maps and globes for the school.

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Parks and Miss Verna Miller, of Memphis, Texas, visited the home folks Christmas. Mr. Parks and Miss Verna returned to Memphis last Saturday as the former had to resume his duties in the bank and the latter her duties in the Public School. Mrs. Parks and the boy remained for a time with her mother, Mrs. A. M. Miller.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. H. Walker and daughters, Catherine and Billie Bess came in from Balmorhea to spend Christmas with Mrs. Walker's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Gilliland. This was Jim's first visit to Baird in more than two years. He and Haynie Gilliland, of THE STAR force left Wednesday of last week for a few days hunt in the Davis Mountains. Mrs. Walker and the children will remain a while longer.

Maj. G. E. Nelson, formerly of Baird, but for many years a resident of Trenton, Tenn., his home before he came to Texas, was here this week. The Major has cut off his mustache which so changes his looks that some of his most intimate friends did not know him. Maj. Nelson is a 30 year subscriber to THE STAR. He is visiting Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Webb at Abilene.

J. H. Elliott, formerly general superintendent of the Texas and Pacific railway has been promoted to the position of general manager by the receivers J. H. Lancaster and Pearl Wight. As Elliott has been right at the head of the system for some time the same policies that have been in force will continue as heretofore and no shake-up of the officials under him is anticipated.—Big Spring Herald.

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Milch Cows.—Two young fresh milch cows for sale.—S. E. Webb, Baird, Texas. 4-1tp.

SUIT CASE LOST.

A common grass suit case lost on Baird-Moran road. \$5 reward for return of case and contents. 4-1t T. J. Hooper, Clyde, Tex.



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WE THANK YOU

We are thankful for every penny's worth of business we have had the past year, and the new year we are thanking you in advance for your much appreciated business and influence. For each of you we wish a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

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BURNT BRANCH CULLING.

O. D. Morrow is the hardest man to locate extant, first in Mexico, Arizona, Colorado and lastly we learn he is to remain in old Callahan, having bought a tract of land south of Baird. A wise conclusion and we are ever so glad to retain you and yours.

Dug Morrow has returned from the breezy west and may locate with his father.

Trades day at the Terminal Monday past with a great big time as usual on such occasions.

Water with ye scribe is a thing of the past, and if it were not for friends I would have to fall back on booze.

"In the dark last night I met her
And from her took a kiss
And the sweetness of the nectar
overspread my soul with bliss

But today I have a feeling
A taste that's clear and keen
And it tells me that the nectar
Was cold cream and glycerine."

Now, "Uncle Jimmie" don't tell Mrs. "Juan."

Echols Ford and wife have moved to the Hall headquarters ranch for the coming year, succeeding L. Childers and wife.

Jack Aiken has leased his Daddys farm and pasture who will retire flat broke.

Some say the oats, a vast acreage, are killed, but nobody knows.

Price Odom has bought some choice calves from Parsons, consideration \$30.00. Fritz says blamed if I want any more, water scarce.

Thanks to Uncle Bill for that kind remembrance, 'tis sweet to think of grand old friends. Now for the balance of the force: That lawyer brother of mine from the vast plains of Texas kindly remembered us Xmas. If all of the "lumps of the Law" did likewise we would be in good shape. If you don't believe I am some lawyer myself ask Bowyer, Russell or Bell, or better ask Ely about that compliment we paid each other in the Justice Court at Cross Plains, he will give you facts from the shoulder with no variations.

An auto stopped at our gate and thinking it meant business I grabbed that shooting revolver I always carry in my buggy to ward off the aforesaid and the same, imagine my surprise, peace reigned and we got—yes, what we got was aplenty and not of the fighting kind either, but pure old—well, you know.

Now for those who sent me those nice Christmas cards, especially The Star force the nicest I ever received and from the depth of my heart I thank you one and all, and ask God's richest blessings on you all especially and my dear old friend Ben, also. And when by my bedside I kneel down to pray, I'll remember you all in my prayers.

We have had some still damp weather and wind in the right direction for rain, but it's all gone today, wind northward all of which is hard on grain.

The Hall contingent with others are strictly on the feed.

"Enclosed please find statement it's near the first, call and settle" like a fellow didn't know.

No county news this week, the boys and young ladies are all taking a well earned lay-off.

R. B. Garrett Jr., of the free state of Stonewall, accompanied by his family are visiting relatives at Cross Plains.

Cris Parsons is out among the boys rustling, selling and buying.

Eight women were hit a jolt of \$21.40 in Houston for selling cigarettes to minors. You can fine the

seller but how are you to keep the kid from rolling them to a finish. Like other laws a farce of the first water.

Mr. and Mrs. John B. Aiken are spending Christmas at Cottonwood and Cross Plains with the old folks at home.

There was a Christmas tree at Squire Drewery's for the children.

The Schools were both dismissed for the holidays.

The Dallas News is issued on Tuesdays and Fridays and we sometimes don't get it on the route until Thursday and Monday and other mail matters are on a par with this

Better by far when in the long ago when we got 3 mails per week, Ted Archer carrier from Putnam, and Norton at Cottonwood, Oglesby at Caddo Peak and Sister Coffman at Cross Plains, God bless her, were the distributors. These are facts and our boasted railroad facilities have made no improvement in mail deliveries.

Hugh McDermott, the old scout and R. B. Garrett, Jr. went wolf hunting yesterday aboard an auto and gave the wolf the run of his life for tall timber, they both made it, but owing to the underbrush Hugh had to call a halt and call off the dogs.

O. D. Morrow moves today to his squared land south of Baird.

"Juan."

TO SPEND \$5,000,000 ON T. & P.

Plans for an almost complete rehabilitation of the Texas & Pacific railway have been approved by the complainants in receivership against the road by receiver Benjamin F. Bush who is receiver for the Missouri Pacific and Iron Mountain railroads.

The program of improvements for the reorganization of the Texas & Pacific calls for expenditures totaling about \$5,000,000.00. This sum will include the cost of many miles of heavier rails, new locomotives, rolling stock and steel cars.

The lifting of the receivership will probably require about a year.—Big Springs Herald.

AUDITORS PUT BACK ON T. & P.

Although train auditors were taken off of Texas & Pacific trains a year ago as an economic measure, the move has been found to be impracticable, and they have been replaced. The auditors began work Tuesday, one on each train.

More than forty auditors were employed by the company to run on its trains between New Orleans and El Paso. The headquarters of most of them will be in Fort Worth, this being the biggest division point on the line.—Big Springs Herald

T. & P. TO BUY 25 NEW ENGINES.

The Texas & Pacific is planning relief for a shortage of locomotive power on its line a condition which has forced it to lease locomotives from other lines during the past few weeks. The company is planning to buy twelve "Santa Fe type" seven "Pacific type" and six switching locomotives, it is announced.

The Frisco system has just ordered thirty "Santa Fe type," locomotives from the Baldwin locomotive works. This order follows a recent heavy order of steel with which the Frisco will strengthen much of its track in the Southwest.

The Gulf Coast Lines with general offices at Houston, have ordered 500 box cars from the American Car and Foundry Company.—Big Spring Herald.

LONE STAR NEWS IN FEW WORDS

HAPPENINGS OF MAJOR AND MINOR IMPORTANCE NOTED.

PARAGRAPHS HERE PRESENTED

That Relate to Matters of Present and Likewise the Future Placed in Type and Embracing Various Portions of the Commonwealth.

City Christmas trees were many.

Insurance rate has been lowered to 33 cents from 55 at San Angelo.

In the recent general election the proposed school tax amendment lost by 7,099 votes.

With capital stock of \$10,000 the Post Brick and Tile company of Post has been chartered.

Sherman has four flour mills and is doing an annual flour business of four million dollars.

An oil well is to be drilled at Parker, Johnson county. The workmen are from Louisiana.

Officers have found the goods stolen from the Jolesch store at Ennis hidden under a culvert in East Ennis.

H. E. Pearce and W. J. Scott have let the contract for a \$20,000 building, to be used as an automobile garage at Denison.

Fire at Quitman, the county seat of Wood county, in the business section, did \$30,000 damage; insurance about half.

Marriot Tayloe, sixty years old, who lived alone, was found dead in her residence at Dallas. Death was due to natural causes.

Parker M. Lineville, a farmer of the Evergreen community of McLennan county, was hit by an automobile at Waco and killed.

Following a disagreement between the Wichita Falls Laundry Workers' union and proprietors the former will conduct an establishment.

Rev. J. C. Robinson, pastor of Calvary Baptist church, Dallas, has resigned and accepted a call to the Baptist church at Corinth, Miss.

Guaranty State bank of Willis has been granted authority to do business. Its capital stock is \$10,000 and guaranty protection plan adopted.

At a public meeting in Henrietta a committee was appointed to confer with the chamber of commerce relative to securing a better gas supply.

Marlin has been assigned a place on the Meridian highway, from Canada to the Gulf of Mexico. Falls county will have a vice president and eleven directors.

The sawmill plant of the Keith Lumber company, near Beaumont, was the prey of the flames. Loss is estimated at \$100,000. The planers and yard stocks were saved.

Farmers of Harris and counties adjoining will be guests of the Young Men's Business league of Houston at an oyster roast, the date to be after the Christmas holidays.

A three-story, fireproof apartment house, to cost \$38,000 and to represent the most modern idea in that class of architecture is to be constructed for Mrs. A. Tenison at Dallas.

The residence section of Cleburne is to be paved with asphalt concrete and the business section with sheet asphalt. The contract for both jobs has been let to the same company.

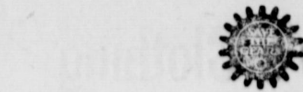
Ernest Anderson Burns, aged seven years, died at his home near Krum, Denton county, from a wound in the head from a rifle bullet in his own hands, was the coroner's verdict.

J. P. Alvey, president of the South Texas State bank of Galveston, died suddenly from congestion of the lungs. He was seventy-five years old and survived by a widow and four children.

W. C. Hoffman, quarantine inspector for Wichita county for the past year, has been appointed chief inspector of the Texas livestock sanitary commission, who has resigned, effective Jan. 15.

An Austin nursery has been awarded the contract to beautify the Ennis postoffice grounds with shrubbery and flowers at a cost of \$300. The work is to be done under the supervision of a landscape architect.

The widow of a negro named Angledove, who lost his life over two years ago at Paris in saving a fellow employe during a factory fire, has been awarded a bronze Carnegie medal and



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Seventy-five instructors attended at Snyder the Scurry County Teachers' institute. W. W. Campbell of state department of agriculture delivered an address on the importance of agricultural instruction in public schools.

The one-million-dollar good roads bond proposition was defeated in Denton county by 134 votes. Compared with the November election, the good road advocates gained 220 votes. The city of Denton went over two and a half to one for the bonds.

In a collision headon at Waco between a street car and an automobile Jay Adams of Valley Mills sustained a fractured skull and while being taken to a hospital died. Tom Nesbitt of the same place was seriously hurt.

President Wilson's majority in 1916 in Texas was 200,512, which was 66,920 greater than it was in 1912. His majority this year was the largest ever received by any presidential candidate in Texas and plurality over Hughes 221,466.

Sergeant R. E. Gonzales of the machine gun company of the Second South Carolina infantry and a son of W. F. Gonzales, United States minister to Cuba, died at the base hospital, Fort Bliss, of pneumonia, after a four days' illness.

Campaign for the \$700,000 road bond issue for Wichita county will begin in the early part of 1917, according to plans formulated by Wichita County Motor club. Idea is to construct 110 miles of bituminous macadam road with the bond issue proceeds.

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company, manufacturers of that article are having difficulty in obtaining bottles and other supplies necessary for marketing. He also said vinegar prices are likely to advance.

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The Majesty on High.

—James Montgomery.
Our Father, in whom "we live, and move, and have our being," in whose presence we are always, let us not at this time, while we are prepared to rejoice because of the coming of Him who "brought life and immortality to light," be un-mindful of our duties to mankind and our obligations to Thee. Make us to realize to a greater degree than ever before the infinity, great blessing vouchsafed to man, in that he is the only creature that can be conscious of the fact that God is, and that man alone is capable of looking about him at the works of Thy hands and declaring, "The heavens declare the glory of God, and the firmament showeth His handiwork." He only can know that "He stretcheth out the north over the empty place, and hangeth the earth upon nothing," that it is Thou who "canst . . . bind the sweet influences of the Pleiades, or loose the bands of Orion;" that can "bring forth Mazaroth in his season, or . . . guide Arcturus with his sons." Make us to realize that the greater the intelligence, the power and talents Thou hast given us the greater our responsibilities to mankind and to Thee; that we should not bury our talents in a napkin, nor become nesciant at Thy commands. It is Thou, oh, God, who hath spanned the heavens with thy bow of promise; who hath caused the flowers to blush and send forth their sweet fragrance; who hath made the brooks their soft murmur, and gave the thunder to the waterfall; who hath given the birds their song and sweet laughter to little children; who hath put the sheen in the diamond and the sparkle in the dewdrop; who hath put love into the hearts of mankind—that divine spark which alone includes all that is best and noblest in the virtues—and made temporal existence worth while; who hath given men and women work to do, that they may go fourth in Thy service. Yea—
"Lord God of Hosts, teach us to clearly see
That we begin and end our work with Thee."

Let love enter into the people of all Nations, that strife may cease and tranquillity and peace prevail.
"Put them in fear, O Lord; that the Nations may know themselves to be but men." Make them know that "When the righteous are in authority, the people rejoice; but when the wicked beareth rule the people mourn," for "Righteousness exalteth a Nation, but sin is a reproach to any people." Make the warring Nations to know that war cometh of hatred, and hatred of pure evil, and that they should begin now to "beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more." May they act on the good impulses which they feel and know—that only in peace can they be happy, and that where there is peace there is love, and where there is love there is God, and that without Him there can be no peace—
" . . . Sweet peace,
The gift of God's love."

May there come out of the terrible cataclysm of war now prevailing such horror of it that those engaged in it shall resolve to employ their energies henceforth in the glorious work, of promoting peace and harmony among men until "the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea." Then shall men be willing to forgive each other their trespasses—

their rights as they see them, or their inadvertent and thoughtless actions when innocent of wrong intent, or even of premeditated wrong, for has not each to come at last before Him who shall "judge righteous judgment?" Make Thou men to realize that the commandments as to mercy, patience, forgiveness, humility, purity and love are not lightly to be regarded, nor is there observance optional with us, but mandatory, and essential to that spiritual growth and worthiness which fit men for the reward of the righteous. Make them to know that the natural man is unfit, that "he drinketh iniquity like water," and that his iniquities have separated between him and his God; that purity of thought and action are imperative. Therefore let all men realize their shortcomings in this respect, and pray with the Psalmist, "Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me Let the words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart be acceptable in thy sight, O Lord, my strength and my redeemer." And may men everywhere dwell more and more on the good, and the true, and the beautiful; that they may think more loving thoughts, say more loving words, and do more loving deeds.

Hear our prayer, O gracious Father,
Author of celestial good,
That Thy law so pure and holy
May be better understood."
"Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, from everlasting and to everlasting. Amen and amen!"—
Dallas News.
Amen!

Comments on the Prayer.

This "Prayer" appeared on the editorial page of the Dallas News a few days ago. Every Christian in the world can heartily endorse it. Every non-Christian whether believer or unbeliever, who loves his fellow man can endorse the sentiment expressed in this prayer. May the sentiment here expressed become the guiding force in the affairs of our great nation to the end that right shall triumph over wrong and that our nation be spared such an awful calamity that has befallen the nations of Europe. Had the people and the rulers over them lived up to the teachings of Christ the present unholy war could never have occurred. Christianity has not failed because some of the leading Christian nations have been involved in war. Had they lived up to the teachings of Jesus Christ and the sentiment expressed in this prayer this war would have been impossible. Most of the nations involved in this unholy war, especially those directly responsible for it have, for a century or more worshiped the god of force more than the God of heaven and this war is naturally the result. These nations are only reaping what they have sown. Christ's law makes for peace not war. May the present efforts towards peace be successful and a truce proclaimed at once. What could be more appropriate than a proclamation of all rulers in Europe granting an armistice on the birth day of the Saviour of the world. All nations on earth want peace and are praying for it. The doctrine of force; the doctrine that might makes right has failed and involved the world directly and indirectly in the most horrible war of all time and it is time to end it. May peace come speedily and all the world realize as never before the power of Christianity to make all peoples and nations happy, prosperous and contented.

PASTURE POSTED

All hunting or trespassing in any way in my pastures south of Baird is positively forbidden.
52-4t Adv J. Y. Gilliland

A LETTER FROM THE BORDER CITY

El Paso, Texas, Dec. 13, 1916
The Baird Star,
Baird, Texas.

Dear Friends:—I am still receiving The Star and derive much pleasure from reading it. I get it in the noon mail every Monday.
I am writing this letter to return the greetings you sent with the last Star. I am still in the service of the U. S. Government driving the same truck and bid fair to stay here for sometime. We are kept quite busy at present unloading lumber to build wooden barracks for the regulars who are on duty here and to wall the tents of the National Guard, of which there are quite a few. I don't think there has been less than one thousand cars of lumber used by the government in El Paso since the first of June.

There are only thirty-three civilians left in this truck company now, but we have sixty-three enlisted men in this company and the Captain, which makes ninety-seven men in the company. The civilians of the company are training the enlisted men to drive and take care of the trucks and several of them have regular trucks now.

They do not employ any more civilians in this company but if one quits or gets discharged they put an enlisted man in their place. But all civilians here now may hold their jobs as long as they will do the right thing and try to hold them.

All cars are inspected every six days by the Captain, Truckmaster, Assistant Truckmasters and Chief and Assistant Mechanics. On that day no cars or men are allowed to leave the park without special permission from the commanding officer Truckmaster and Assistant Truckmaster who is officer of the day. On that day our commanding officer is executive officer of the day for all truck companies of this district.

We do not wear any part of the regulation clothing of the U. S. Army now—unless we want to serve six months at hard labor—which doesn't suit any truck driver—and pay a three hundred dollar fine, so most of us don't wear them.

These three ton trucks sure learn the people and the government that it takes a dandy good road to hold under them. A White three ton truck weighs between 8,510 and 10,000 pounds without any tonnage except the driver and regular equipment. And when we get from six to eight thousand pounds on top of that and run about twelve miles an hour in trains from fifteen to one hundred cars long over a road several times a week they have to be good roads or there will soon be no road at all.

El Paso is quite a lively city now with so many soldiers here. Some of the soldiers are howling quite a bit about the merchants raising prices and of the general condition of the city. But tell me how many cities could have had their population almost doubled in so short a time as El Paso did and have coped with the situation as easily as El Paso did when all the troops were moved here so suddenly last spring? El Paso furnished water, lights, provisions, lumber and practically everything that was needed and with very little delay, and in my estimation they did exceedingly well.

Well I must close as I suppose you will be tired reading this, so with best wishes I remain,
Yours truly,
Mark Terry.

Pocketbook Lost—I lost a small black pocket book containing a \$5. bill and some postage stamps. Anyone finding same will confer a favor by returning it to me.
1-1t Jesse Boland

GENUINE APPRECIATION

TO OUR FRIENDS AND PATRONS:

The year 1916 has passed into history and we desire to extend to you in a few simple words our genuine appreciation for your splendid support during the past year. No purchase has been too small to merit our warmest thanks, no act of courtesy to us has been overlooked, all have their place in the green spot of our memory.

We extend to you the warmest greetings of the season, and bespeak for you and those dear to you, the full measure of happiness and prosperity during the new year and the years to follow. May fortune deal as kindly to you in the future as you have dealt with us in the past, is our sincere wish.

H. SCHWARTZ

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BAIRD, TEXAS

NO RAISE IN SUBSCRIPTION PRICE OF THE STAR THIS YEAR

Owing to the uncertainty of supplies and the threatened increase of the price of paper we will after next week make some changes in the size of THE STAR. The size will be increased to six columns, 8 pages, former size. Four pages will be ready print, but much the same character of news and special items we have been running in plate. We also expect to discontinue the Magazine Section. We do not like the contemplated change altogether, but it is that or raise the subscription price to \$1.50 a year. We have signed a contract for 1917 with the Western Newspaper Union. This firm is one of the largest Ready Print houses in the United States and buy paper in large lots and can buy paper when a small concern could not get a bundle.

Owing to the increased price of paper and everything in printer's material we must insist that all subscriptions be paid in advance or we will be compelled to discontinue the paper to those who do not pay in advance.

Look at date printed on your paper. If your time has expired it is probably the last copy you will get until payment is made. This is an absolute necessity with us. We simply cannot send the paper any longer at \$1.00 a year on a credit. Our losses on that score is more than we can stand.

W. E. Gilliland, Owner

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NOTICE

For lack of space it is impossible to publish all the local and social news this week. Several other articles and letters are left out for the same reason. All will be published next week. Editor

NOTICE

Because of the crowded condition of the First Grade of the Baird school, the School Board decided to have two sessions each day. Half of the students will come in the forenoon and the others will come in the afternoon. This will give the teacher more time with each child for individual work, and it is believed that better results will be obtained.

The double sessions will begin January 14th. All parents who have children in that room will be notified as to whether their children will be expected to come in the forenoon or afternoon.

Notice to Creditors of the Estate of J. M. McCanlies, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that original letters of administration upon the estate of J. M. McCanlies, deceased, were granted to me, the undersigned, on the 5th day of December, A. D. 1916, by the County Court of Callahan County, Texas. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same to me within the time prescribed by law. My residence and post-office address is Moran, Route 2, Shackelford County, Texas.

L. C. McCanlies, Administrator of the Estate of J. M. McCanlies, Deceased, 5-4tp.

HOLIDAY WEDDINGS

Mr. John Bowyer Bell and Miss Virginia Oliver were united in marriage on December 20th at 8.30 p. m. in Christ's Episcopal Church, Oak Cliff, Dallas. The Rev. Mr. Heaton officiating.

Preceding the ceremony Miss Marjory Phillips sang "Mavis" followed by "All For You" sung by Mrs. Herbert Rountree. Mr. Farley Bell, brother of the groom was best man and Messrs Gifford Till and Clifford Oliver acted as ushers. The bride was given away by her brother Mr. Ewing Oliver.

The bride was attired in a gown of white satin with court train with gold and pearl trimmings. Her veil was caught with orange blossoms and she carried a shower bouquet of brides roses and sweet peas. The church was beautifully decorated with palms and wreaths of carnations.

Mr. Bell is the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Bell of this city, where he grew to young manhood. He has made his home in Dallas for the past few years. Mr. and Mrs. Bell spent the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Bell, returning to Dallas, where they will make their home.

Mr. Frank Hall, of Baird, and Miss Maude Wilson were married at the home of the bride's father, Mr. W. F. Wilson, in Corpus Christi, on the evening of December 22d. Rev. Frank Austin, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, officiating.

Mr. and Mrs. Hall arrived in Baird on Sunday and spent the holidays with Mr. Hall's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Hall. They will make their home in Fort Worth.

Mr. Claude Chaviness and Miss Kate Vaughn, both of Fort Worth, were married in that city on Sunday, December 24th. Mr. H. D. Hart of Dallas, and Miss Ruth Vaughn were married on Sunday, December 31st.

Both young ladies are daughters of Mrs. Rena Vaughn, of Fort Worth and granddaughters of Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Vaughn, of this city. Mr. Hart is the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Hart, of this city.

Mr. Grover Miller and Miss Ann Boen, both of Rowden, were united in marriage at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Boen, on December 25, 1916.

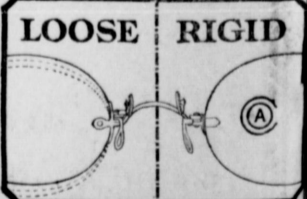
AGREEMENT ON 8-HOUR MEASURE

The agreement which has been reached between the attorney general of the United States and the railroad roads relative to the enforcement of the Adamson eight-hour law, scheduled to go into effect January 1, has been published by the various roads to their employees. Wages and conditions after January 1, pending the decision by the United States Supreme Court on the law, will be the same as at present, but railroads will alter their system of keeping accounts so that should the law be upheld the employes will receive overtime dating back to Jan. 1st—Baird Spring Herald.

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TEXAS FARM NEWS

Back to the Farm.

Back to the farm seems to be the popular refrain we hear sung these days. Every man you meet remembers when he was a boy down on the farm and wishes he still was there and says if he ever gets money enough he is going to buy a farm of his own where he can have "yaller" legged chickens and hears the cows low and the pigs squeal; where he can have Jim Lowery's good old buttermilk, golden butter and corn bread and turnip greens and raise his kids on fresh air and sunshine every day that the sun shines. And as a result of this general feeling of "I wish I were a farmer boy down on the farm," the farms are certainly changing hands and many a fellow will in 1917 breathe the first really healthy pure ozone he has filled his lungs with in years.

At Big Springs, Texas, farms are changing hands right along and the air of prosperity is there with a large dollar mark sign.

At Channing, Texas, a complete invoice of all lands and cattle belonging to Hugh Exune and Lee Henry was recently made, and the X. & T. ranch is now to be cut up and sold to small stock farmers. It is understood that this sale and cutting up of the big ranch will, so press reports state, begin in May, 1918, and thus will another one of the famous ranches disappear and be assimilated by the ever encroaching small stock farmer. It was once said by a well known Texas writer that "if you will put your ear to the ground you will hear the tread of coming thousands of small farmers marching westward," and nothing is more true today than that saying.

The Grimes ranch, consisting of twenty-one sections of land, was recently sold for \$200,000, according to press reports, to Dallas parties and will be cut up and sold in quarter section tracts to farmers.

A Ranchman's Experience With Silos.

J. S. Arledge, of Maryneal, Texas, writes of his experience as follows, under date of May 27, 1916, with two one-hundred ton silos:

"I have had a number of people to ask me what I think of the silo, so I thought I would attempt to tell the public my experience with them. I have two one-hundred ton silos on my ranch in Nolan county, where I have just finished shipping out the last of 102 head of last spring heifer calves. The two loads just shipped were fed 96 days on ensilage, cotton seed meal and ground maize heads.

"These calves were purchased and put on feed Feb. 8 and shipped May 4. The calves cost \$35.00 put in feed lot. I fed them 96 days, giving them all the ensilage they would eat, which was about 20 pounds per day. I gave them one pound of meal and three pounds of maize for the first ten days and doubled this for the next ten days, and gave them about eight pounds of maize and three pounds of meal the balance of the time. I also kept hay or dry cane in racks all the time. After charging them up with all the feed and labor, maize at \$15.00 per ton and \$3.00 per ton for cane ensilage, the cattle made me \$10 per head, exclusive of profit made on hogs following, which I am sure amounted to \$2.00 per head per calf.

"The calves averaged 630 pounds and brought \$8.75 per hundred at Fort Worth. "I am sure that I could not have found any roughage that would have been near so cheap as the ensilage. I can put up ensilage at \$3.00 per ton and make more money at it than you can raising cotton at 12 cents. The mistake a great many make is that they think one can fill their silos with maize stalks, bull nettles, etc., and finish cattle on it by itself that will top the market. You may rest assured that you will never take anything out of the silo that you didn't put in it. If you put corn that will make sixty bushels to the acre, you will take out the fattening feed. Now, in this country I think cane and maize well matured will make the best ensilage load about when filling. This mixed with meal will either fatten or make good flows of milk. Ensilage for milk cows can't be beaten; if anything, it beats a wheat field, and you all know what that is. I don't see how anyone in the stock business can afford to be without silos. My two silos cost \$280 each, and you see from this feeding that they paid for themselves and had over \$600 left."

Texas Wheat Acreage for 1917.

The wheat acreage in Texas for 1916, according to the Dallas News, shows a big increase over the acreage of previous years. According to the reports to the News there is an estimated increase of close to 23 per cent for the season compared with last year. No Texas counties show a decrease. Childress county shows an increase of 100 per cent. Deaf Smith county, an increase of 25 per cent. Sherman county, an increase of 40 per cent. Hemphill county, an increase of from 10 to 20 per cent. Clay county reported the largest acreage of any one county, its acreage being 65,000 acres which is an increase of 10 per cent. Montague county shows an increase of 10 per cent. Moore county an increase of 20 per cent and Hall county reports an increase of 400 per cent, while Lubbock county has an increase of 581 per cent.

Peanuts.

Peanuts are an innocent looking little nut, but they certainly have been knocking out that newly talked of evil "high cost of living."

H. C. Grafa, purchasing agent for the Cleburne peanut factory, recently states, so press dispatches report, that 90 per cent of the peanuts produced in Texas this year had been sold at about one dollar a bushel, and that from Joshua, Texas, had been shipped seventy-five carloads of peanuts which sold for something like \$90,000. This is only what one town has shipped. The peanut has brought millions of dollars in all probability to Texas this year, and the beauty about it is that in many instances land considered unfit

for anything else produced peanuts abundantly.

In Navasota county, Texas, 12,000 acres were planted this year in peanuts. T. J. Loyd lives two miles north of Nacogdoches. He planted 125 acres in peanuts this year and sold therefrom \$4,200 worth of peanuts and hay, but best of all he fed and sold \$1,400 worth of hogs. Some of the land he planted in peanuts was considered the poorest land in the county. Mr. Loyd says, so press reports state, that peanuts on his land made twice as much per acre as anything else and that they require less labor than cotton or corn.

Poultry Culture in Texas.

The Texas department of agriculture issued a 30-page bulletin on "Poultry Culture in Texas." The bulletin deals with the breeding and rearing of poultry on Texas farms as a commercial industry. For a free copy of this bulletin write "Commissioner of Agriculture, Austin, Texas."

RANCH AND FARM BREVITIES.

Palo Pinto county farmers are progressive. They believe in adopting ideas that are beneficial and they are always on the alert looking for the things that will benefit them most. As an evidence of this they have decided to terrace their farms, and in that way make every acre "tote double." They have also decided to plant more peanuts, potatoes and all kinds of feed stuff and to not plant so much cotton as heretofore.

J. R. Leguenece, secretary of the Rice Millers' association, recently gave out the final estimate of the 1916-17 rice crop which shows a total production in the United States for this season to be 9,747,188 bags, an increase of nearly three million bags over the production of 1915. The "carry over" of rough rice left from last season is placed by the millers at 61,988. This production is far above the average for the last five years. The annual rice production since 1910 is as follows: 1910, 6,400,000; 1911, 6,900,000; 1912, 6,600,000; 1913, 6,250,000; 1914, 6,160,000 and in 1915, 6,869,000. The production for Texas is estimated at 2,465,000 bags and the Louisiana production is placed at 4,668,832 bags, while it is estimated Arkansas will produce 1,525,220 bags.

Pecan tree planting is now very popular in Texas. The Texas Nursery Company of Sherman, Texas, reports that it has shipped during 1916, 22,000 pecan trees to Texas towns and cities.

Farm crops for 1916 are valued by the United States government at \$7,641,609,000, which is \$1,750,000,000 more than the same crops were worth in the year 1915. It is said that higher prices due partly to reduced production and partly to the demands for American food from the warring nations of Europe were responsible for the vast increase in value. Four farm crops produced in the United States in 1916 were worth more than a billion dollars. They were as follows: Corn, total value \$2,295,783,000, which was an increase in value of \$573,103,000 over 1915; wheat, total value \$1,079,598,000, which was an increase in value of \$83,462,000 over 1915, while the production in 1915 was 400,000,000 bushels more than in 1916; hay, total value \$1,008,894,000, which was an increase in value of \$95,250,000 over the crop of 1915.

The Pleasant Hill Marketing association of Cisco, Texas, recently sold on the Fort Worth market through the Nored-Spears Commission company, two choice baby beeves one of which averaged 840 pounds and sold at \$10, and the other weighed 650 pounds and brought the same amount. They were the property of R. L. Poe and B. F. Trot.

The farmers of Eastland county have marketed several carloads of cattle and hogs since the organization of the marketing association.

Dr. Henry Parker, an Angora goat expert of Portland, Oregon, was in San Angelo, Texas, and while there advised ranchmen to raise more goats this year. The doctor claims the price of goats and mohair will advance 100 per cent next year. He says practically all the goats in Europe have been killed, so press dispatches report.

The bankers of Wichita Falls, Texas, believe in practical help and sensible diversification and recently a local bank there distributed a number of registered pigs among the farmer boys of Wichita county, it being understood the boys are to raise the pigs and reimburse the bank from the increase in pigs. This is a similar plan upon a number of Wichita county farms.

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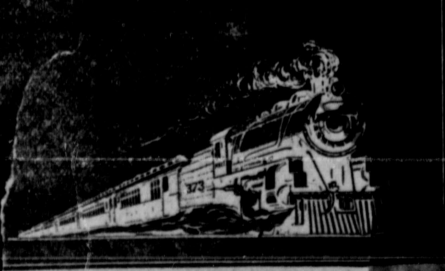
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Indians were frequently employed as messengers by both parties during the early colonial wars and the Revolution, and some wonderful stories are told of the distances covered by them, sometimes without sleep, and nearly always with a very small allowance of food.

Indians of the present day are poor runners. Like all persistent equestrians, they are weak in the legs and not capable of enduring long marches.

Canadian Indians still preserve some of the running characteristics of the race, and in the Northwest Territory remarkable runners are still to be met with.

Oriental countries have always been famous for runners, and are to this day. The Arab couriers of the Sultan of Morocco are required to make on foot the distance between Tangier and Fez, about 150 miles by tortuous roads, climbing big mountains and swimming bridgeless rivers, in three and one-half days.

Then there are King Khama's postal runners in Bechuanaland. They are short distance pedestrians; but they are rattling travelers over the roughest of roads, and toughened by long experience. They are placed fifteen miles apart between Shoshong, his majesty's capital, and Kimberly, and they get the royal mail over the ground at the rate of 130 miles a day.

But human endurance is seldom tested so severely as among the postal messengers of the Chinese Government between Peking and Lhasa. These messengers are picked and trained men, who in times of great urgency are required to cover 4,500 miles between the two capitals, on horseback, in thirty-six days, or 125 miles a day.

The messenger's letters, inclosed in a yellow bag, are never taken off his back except when he changes his dress, once a week. He changes horses every few miles, eats and sleeps in postal stations, is under the most rigid restrictions as to articles of diet, and is permitted to sleep only four hours a day.

How Ants Live.

Ants are one of the most interesting of insects. Not only are they industrious, but they have what seems to us a highly developed sense for such tiny creatures.

Their nests vary in size, shape and location. One kind of ant builds an underground nest, with many very tiny tunnels under the soil, and here and there an opening to the surface. Over all the home is a piece of rock for a roof.

Another kind rears a hillock that will hold a whole colony. You can see them where you live, where perhaps they are only very tiny, almost flat with the ground; but in West Africa they are almost mountains in comparison and contain hundreds of small rooms.

A third species builds a nest above the ground. In the island of Barbados a nest is often found in the crotch of a tree branch, and, at a distance, you would suppose that the tree had developed some unnatural growth, as they change the slender limb into a swelling.

Dogs Great Help to Soldiers.

Dogs, formerly regarded in war-time Europe as a luxury and drain on the resources of nations, have come into their own and are doing splendid service in the various European armies. Details of this were given by Dr. D. J. Marshall, State veterinarian, in a lecture in Houston Hall, Thirty-Fourth and Spruce streets, New York, a few days ago.

In England, during the first part of the war, Dr. Marshall said, people who kept dogs were criticized because, it was declared, food the dogs consumed could be utilized in a better way. It was thought best to get rid of the dogs. The people then decided to give them to the army. This was done and the dogs were taken to concentration camps, where they were trained to perform various duties.

"They are now able," said Dr. Marshall, "to carry messages, draw carts containing the wounded, and also seeks out the wounded. When the watch goes on picket duty a dog accompanies him. The men can tell by means of the dogs the approach of the enemy, or the distance of the enemy. When the growl of the dog is low, the men know that the enemy is at a distance, but as the enemy approaches the growling becomes intense. Dogs are also useful in the locating of sharpshooters, and in this way have saved many lives."

Pinch!

Did you ever play pinch? Well, it is lots of fun and easy enough to learn, but it is best played among a crowd who has never played it

before, or at least one person must be green. Sit in a circle. One player says, "I pinch with a pinch on the left cheek," suiting the action to the word and pinching the player on his left on the left cheek. The player on the left repeats the phrase and pinches the next player on his left, and so the play goes on around the circle.

This in itself stems stupid, but the real joke is produced by having one or several persons with sooty fingers. When they pinch their left-handed neighbor, the unsuspecting victim does not see the result, but the others do. He thinks he is only getting the customary pinch and wonders what the others are laughing about. If several get sooty faces, they will be all the more innocent of their own plight, and every time they laugh at others will be the same cause of more fun for the party.

Once around the circle is not enough. Both cheeks can be pinched, as well as the nose, and the ears if you wish, and so prolong the fun.

Getting Fire.

How do you get fire? Of course you think that this is a queer question, because there is always a way for you to get fire. All you have to do is to strike a match, and there you are! It wasn't so easy long ago to get fire, and if you tried to get a spark by rubbing two pieces of dry wood together, you have an idea of your ancestors' troubles. Flint and tinder was the best method up to the time of matches. Even in the revolution, the guns used were flintlocks, that is, the spark needed to ignite the powder was made by striking the piece of flint fixed in the gun.

In farthest east, where the forest people do not have our helpful inventions, they carry with them an instrument for making fire. It consists of a short cylinder of lead, hollowed roughly to cuplike form at one end, which fits a joint of bamboo. They place this cylinder in the palm of the left hand, fill the cup with tinder, adjust the bamboo over it, strike it sharply, removing the covering quickly, and find the tinder alight.

The Modest Little Hen.

Once upon a time there was a little hen who lived in a farmyard. Her dress was a modest brown, and she felt shy because all the other fowls wore such lovely white frocks.

The little brown hen was just the color of the foliage, and often, when the others seemed not to notice her, she would creep away and hide among the leaves, because she felt out of place in all that gay throng.

One day when she was sitting by herself and watching the other hens preening their feathers and seeming so proud of their brilliant plumage the cook came out into the yard and gathered all the white chickens together, put them in a crate and gave them to the farmers to take to town.

The little hen sat very still among her bed of leaves, remembering what the old red hen had told her in the moonlight—that it was much better to have a dress of modest brown than all the fine white feathers.

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A Queer Battle.

A traveler in South Africa, which may well be called the "land of wonders" tells of a queer battle that he once witnessed.

He was musing, with his eyes on the ground, when he noticed a caterpillar crawling along at a rapid pace, followed by hundreds of small ants. Being quicker in their movements, the ants would catch up with the caterpillar, and one would mount his back and bite him.

Pausing, the caterpillar would turn his head and bite the ant and kill his tormentor. After slaughtering a dozen or more of his persecutors, the caterpillar showed signs of fatigue. The ants made a combined attack. Beking himself to a stalk of grass, the caterpillar climbed up tail first, followed by the ants. As one approached, he seized it in his jaws and threw it off the stalk.

The ants, seeing that the caterpillar had too strong a position for them to overcome, resorted to strategy. They began sawing through the grass stalk. In a few moments the stalk fell and hundreds of ants pounced upon the caterpillar. He was killed at once.

Malicious Fear.

How many useless torments are ours because of fear! exclaims a writer in the Irish World. Looking back over my own life I can see that most of my sufferings were due to fears, and that they were all, every one of them, both useless and poison. Of all the demons that ride poor mortals, fear is the most malicious.

Wise and Foolish Debt.

Don't worry if you are in debt, advises a writer in the American Magazine; that is if it is a wise debt, such as paying for your education or home. Being in debt is a great thing for those who know how to use the method wisely.

Carrier Pigeons for the Army.

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ture is praised. The fault finder
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pretended, and spoils the pleas-
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sion. If a man is praised for
some noble deed, straightway the
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In a recent charge on the Somme a detachment of 200 British captured nearly as many Germans, but, as the fight was not over, the British could not spare many men to conduct their prisoners to the rear. In this emergency, training a machine gun on them, they searched their pockets for knives, or other possible weapons, and finally removed the suspenders. As the Teutons then were obliged to keep their hands in their pockets to hold up their trousers, they were sent to the rear under a small guard.

WOMEN'S DEPARTMENT

A STYLE OF GOOD TASTE AND DESIGN.
1636—Ladies' Dress. Gray broadcloth, with piping in a darker shade of satin, and fancy buttons complete this charming effect. The right front of the waist is shaped at the closing in unique outline. The neck may be finished in high collar style, with smart pointed tabs, or in low outline, by rolling collar and fronts as shown in the small view. The skirt is a three-piece model, with lap tuck at the center front, when the closing is effected. Satin, muslin, velveteen, gabardine, cashmere and serge, gingham, linen and drill are also good for this model.
The pattern is cut in 6 sizes: 34, 36, 38, 40, 42 and 44 inches bust measure, it requires a yard of 44-inch material for a 36-inch size. The skirt measures about 2 1/2 yards at the foot.
A TRIM AND Dainty MODEL.
1893—Child's Dress, with or without Pocket and Belt, and with Sleeve in Either of Two Styles.
Satin, crepe, serge, gabardine, gingham, percale, knits, chambray, crepe, velvet or taffeta could be used for this style. It is also nice for chamois and cashmere. The fullness of the dress may be gathered or tucked between the waist sections. The sleeve may be in wrist or elbow length, and the belt and pockets may be omitted. The pattern is cut in 4 sizes: 2, 4, 6 and 8 years. It requires 2 1/2 yards of 36-inch material for a 4-year size.
A GOOD SENSIBLE STYLE.
1883—Ladies' Apron. This style has several practical features. It envelopes the figure and is cut so wide over the shoulders as to almost supply sleeve sections. The fullness of the apron may be by the belt or worn loose. The pattern is cut in 2 sizes: Small, Medium and Large. It requires 4 1/2 yards of 36-inch material for a Medium size.
A NEW SKIRT MODEL.
1796—Striped wool suiting in brown tones was used in this instance.
The skirt is nice for any of this season's dress materials, and is a practical style for wash fabrics, such as gingham, linen, drill, corduroy, pique. In serge or taffeta it will be nice for wear with smartly cut jackets. The pattern is cut in 7 sizes: 22, 24, 26, 28, 30, 32 and 34 inches waist measure. It requires for a 26-inch size 2 1/2 yards of 44-inch material. The skirt measures a little over 3 1/2 yards at the foot.
A POPULAR AND COMFORTABLE NEGLEE.
1882—Ladies' Kimono. Figured or plain crepe, Japanese toweling, silk, lawn, batiste, linen and chambray are admirably adapted for this model. The back and fronts are joined in a yoke. The neck edge is finished with a wide collar. The pattern has a facing to correspond. The pattern for this smart style is cut in 6 sizes: 34, 36, 42, 44, 46 and 48 inches bust measure. It requires 5 1/2 yards of 44-inch material for a 38-inch size.
GIRL'S ONE-PIECE DRESS.
1880—Striped galatea in brown and white with trimming of white pique or percale would make a serviceable school dress in this style. It is also nice in blue or red serge or gabardine and for a best dress could be of velvet, corduroy or taffeta. The right front is slightly gathered, and fullness is supplied in the deep belt plait, which may be stitched to any desired depth. The skirt is comfortable and is finished with a neat cuff. A smart collar, of sailor style trims the neck. The pattern is cut in 4 sizes: 4, 6, 8, 10 and 12 years, requiring 2 1/2 yards of 26-inch material for an 8-year size.
A NEW COAT DRESS FOR MISSES AND SMALL WOMEN.
1909—This model is ideal for the new Fall serges and gabardines and would be real smart.
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FASHION LETTER FOR JANUARY.

Satin and velvet are favorite materials for afternoon dresses. In some of them satin and velvet are combined. One also sees coat suits with long blouses of satin. These long blouses promise to be very popular. They are made in the lines of a Russian blouse, and are worn in a length in keeping with the coat, and according to the height of the wearer.
A blouse of this kind in green and tan, worn over a skirt of green satin, with trimming of fur on blouse and skirt will make a charming costume.
Black satin dresses and black satin suits are much in evidence, both with fur trimming, which makes the satin appear warmer.
The new velvets are lovely. Panned velvet, especially in black is used extensively for street dresses, coats and evening gowns.
One-piece dresses are much in vogue for street wear, and there are some lovely simple models in serge and jersey cloth.
One of blue serge is embroidered in gray, another also of blue serge, has a deep circular rounce of black satin with broad collar and deep cuffs to match.
High, rolled collars of fur are used on some of these models.
One could have a Dutch round neck on a gown of this kind, edged with fur.
Tricot, divyvel, broadcloth, and other woolsens are used for morning dresses.
Much of the embroidery now in vogue on woolen and cloth gowns is done in chenille or worsted, but metallic thread is also used.
Beautiful shades of red are applied to dark blue serge and gray, yellow, purple and light blue is also used.
There never was a season for so much use of fur. If one has taste and talent for using odd bits of fur from old muffs and neck scarfs, one may have a fur-trimmed cape, coat or dress as one desires. Combined with small pieces of satin or cloth old fur things may be transformed into stunning stylish trimmings or dress accessories.
Hand knitted Angora wool capes and scarfs are fur-trimmed, muffs and hats to match make charming sets, not only for sport wear, but also for street wear.
Entire hats are made of fur, sometimes slightly and again lavishly trimmed.
Muffs are of many shapes and styles.
Long scarfs, short scarfs, wide and narrow scarfs are in vogue, both in fur and in fur-trimmed material.
Big flaring collars are made up separately in fur.
Straight choker collars of fur and chin collars are shown with cuffs or with muffs and hats.
For evening wear dresses in empire effect will be much in favor. There are also lovely gowns in semi-princess effects, with large collars in stand-away effects.
Gathered tunics are worn over two-piece gathered skirts.
Blouses with frill revers, low neck outline and deep pointed cuffs finishing the full sleeves, are worn with suspender and over-blouses.
A plaited Russian blouse is pretty in Georgette crepe with collar, cuffs, girdle and pocket flaps of satin. A skirt of matched satin is worn with the blouse.
A dainty party or dance frock of lace and net is always attractive. The skirt could be made of lace flouncing. The waist of net finished with a simple round neck. The sleeves short and puffed. A belt of silk flowers or a girdle of rainbow ribbon forms a pretty finish.
Dresses for girls, big and little, show smart belts that cover pockets over the sides. The belt and keep hot Yoke dresses in one-piece effect are both stylish and comfortable for growing girls.

A WORD ABOUT RABBITS


It is now the time of year when rabbits are eaten. The Texas rabbit has no superior in flavor when cooked in the right manner. Try the following the next time you serve rabbit:
If the rabbits have a musty smell, as sometimes happens, even when they are not tainted, rub them inside with a little vinegar and then wash out well with warm water. Young rabbits are delicious cooked like chicken in Maryland. After the rabbits have been well cleaned and washed, cut into joints and roll the pieces lightly in flour. Fry in drippings or butterine and lard until nicely browned on both sides. Season with pepper and salt and add quarter cupful of boiling water to the pan. Cover closely and let steam for 15 minutes, or until the rabbit is well done, adding a tablespoonful of two of water if necessary. Take up the rabbit and keep hot while making a gravy with flour and milk or water, using one tablespoonful of flour to a cup of liquid. When the gravy has thickened squeeze a few drops of lemon juice into it and serve with the rabbit. Creamed onions are fine to serve with this dish.
If you have a suspicion that the rabbit is not young try a grissone as follows: After the rabbit has been cleaned and cut into pieces let soak in salt water a few minutes and then put in a saucepan with a cupful of water (one cupful of water for each rabbit if more are used). Add an onion sliced thin, a bit of canned or fresh tomato, a dash of nutmeg, pepper to taste and a few tiny pieces of salt pork (one-fourth cupful when cut up). Cover and cook slowly for two hours, or until the rabbit is tender. Remove the rabbit and keep in warm place. Strain the broth and thicken it with flour mixed smooth in cold water, then pour the gravy over the meat and serve with slices of lemon as a garnish or squeeze a few drops of lemon juice over the dish.
Rabbits also are fine broiled if young, or roasted if old, just like chicken. Currant jelly served with rabbits cooked either way improves the flavor.

ECONOMIES IN BEEF.
The cheaper cuts of beef are very palatable and nutritious if cooked properly. Herewith are some good beef recipes:
TO MAKE TENDER STEAK TENDER.
Put three tablespoonfuls of salad oil and one tablespoonful of vinegar on a flat dish, lay the steak on the mixture and let rest in this way for half an hour, then turn it over and let it rest in the same way for an hour. Then turn it over and let it rest in the same way for an hour. The tenderest steak same quantity of vinegar and oil. The toughest steak will yield to this treatment and be tender when it is served.
BEEF HEART.
Buy a six-pound beef heart and boil it slowly for an hour. The "ears," as they are called, which are on the top, may then be removed easier. Make a chicken dressing

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