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STATISTICS PROVE US A FARMING COUNTY

WE OUTSTRIP ALL OTHER COUNTIES IN RURAL POPULATION
SEE 1910 CENSUS REPORT FOR PROOF

NO FAILURES IN LAST FOUR YEARS

Our Thrifty Farmers Made Fine Crops Last Year--It Is Not In The Land
But In The Man Where The Trouble Lies.
Scientific Farming Pays

If you should happen to be from Missouri, and doubted the fact that Lynn county is the best farming county on the South Plains, we can show you that such is the case.

In the first place, we have the largest rural population of any of the South Plains counties, as the 1910 census clearly shows. In the second place, we have more horses and mules than any of the surrounding counties. The assessor's reports for 1910 place the number of horses and mules in Lynn county at 2843 as against 2324 in Lubbock, 312 in Lockley, 2783 in Terry, 2267 in Lawton, 2550 in Borden, 2308 in Garza and 2811 in Crosby county, which only lacks only 32 head of mules as many as Lynn, but it is an old settled county when Lynn county was organized.

Third, with the exception of Lockley, all the surrounding counties have more cattle than

we have.

Lynn is one of the young counties, but she is rapidly settling up mostly in the country with the farmer and stock farmer, and now since the Santa Fe has built through the bounty, we will soon have the large truck farmer establishing themselves all along the line. The soil of Lynn county is so productive that in spite of the dry seasons we have had lately, none of our farmers have suffered, and many of the thrifty progressive ones have done well.

There is no class of livestock that is of more profit to the farmer than that of raising good mules for the market, and from the way the mule buyers have been hanging around Tahoka all this winter it is very evident that the Lynn county farmers have plenty of good mules to sell.

NOTICE

I hereby give notice that I have leased my establishment known as the Palace Meat Market, to J. B. Burleson from Jan. 10th to April 10th 1911. —Dan McDonald, Tahoka.

The Upshaw residence in the city was recently sold to Mr. Hill who has moved here from an adjoining county and will make Spur his home in the future. —Texas Spur.

Sam Weathers returned on the down train Monday evening, from moving his parents to Hunt county. Sam says Hunt is all right, but that he just had to come back to Lynn county.

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POSTED.

I hereby give notice that the H. E. Randall premises in the west part of Lynn county is "Posted" and any one trespassing thereon will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law. H. E. Randall.

Where is the Moses to lead the children of Lamesa out of the bondage of discouragement and despondency? Oh, for just one man with the necessary backbone and confidence in himself and in the future, to take the lead here now! The News has all along endeavored to cheer up our people, pointing them to the prosperity of former years and holding out the hope of still better things to come, but we are forced to acknowledge the failure of our efforts to overcome to any great extent the spirit of dissatisfaction and lack of confidence prevalent. And therefore we long for the advent of a Moses to lead our people. —Dan McDonald.

FOR SALE.

2 cultivators, 1 disk harrow, 1 moly plow and 800 bales of Kaffir corn. Come and see. E. D. SKINNER & SON. 23-24

LOST—Between Guy King's residence and the Baptist Church Gold Watch and chain with DA engraved on the case. Liberal reward. Mrs. Guy King.

WANT PETITION UP TO CITIZENS

M. K. & T. Wants Petition To The Legislature Asking For Passage Of Special Law

Dublin, Texas, Jan. 13th 1911. Mr. C. E. Brown, Tahoka, Texas.

Dear Sir:— I am sending you under separate cover a petition addressed to the Thirty-second Legislature, petitioning them to enact a law permitting and authorizing the Missouri, Kansas & Texas to lease and operate the Texas Central Road.

The consolidation of these two roads is vital to the welfare of the section traversed and to be traversed by said road, and the citizenship of this entire section desire the consolidation. At a meeting of representatives from all the towns along the Texas Central Railway, held at this point, resolutions were passed unanimously favoring this move and a committee appointed to get up petitions, not only in our immediate section, but to ask the assistance of our friends over the entire State to help us in this way to bring pressure to bear on our Legislature to give justice to a section of country that is being held back for the want of railroad facilities.

There will be opposition to this movement in some sections for selfish and political reasons and we are going to meet the opposition before the Legislature with enough petitions from all over the State to show the Legislature that the citizenship of Texas as a whole is in favor of building up the entire state regardless of sectionalism. We regret very much the necessity of having to call for assistance upon our friends from other sections of the State to compel the Legislature to give us justice, but such is the case. Should your section ever find themselves in the same embarrassing position, we would be glad to reciprocate.

Please do me the favor of getting as many names signed to the petition as possible between now and the 19th of this month, returning same to me to me and oblige,

Yours very truly,
T. A. MILLER.

NO JOKE HERE

Some years ago, we saw what we consider a very unique and original sign painted in a store which read something like this: "Please shut the door. Coal is \$20 per ton." Now this was up to attract attention and was considered a pretty good joke but in reality coal was only eight dollars per ton. Of course we like for our friends to see us but when you enter our sanctum please close the door behind you and leave outside the zero we have been experiencing. We are not Eskimos nor sons of Eskimos and this weather seems cold to us. The sign would be no joke here as coal here actually costs us in coin of the realm, eighteen dollars a ton. —Andrews Co. News.

Its just three dollars below that figure here Bro., but we almost consider we are getting it at bargain sale prices as against the old price of twenty-five dollars when we use to freight from Big Springs. Then it was 100 miles from a railroad, but now our nearest railroad point, Tahoka, is only 33 miles.

Do They Want North And South Railroad And Are They Willing To Pay The Price

One of our citizens is in receipt of a communication from a northern capitalist who inquires whether or not the citizens of Big Springs are desirous of securing a north and south railroad. While he did not care to go into the proposition at great length he stated that for a bonus of \$100,000 or \$125,000, right-of-way, depot grounds, etc., he would be willing to guarantee a road crossing the T. & P. Ry. at Big Springs and making connection with a railroad north and one south of here. It is also understood that this bonus is not to be demanded until the road is in operation, and if at that time the citizens are unable to pay in full a further extension of time will be granted. —Big Springs Herald.

The fact that it's dry and some of the merchants are busy taking stock and counting their money and therefore failing to advertise for the past few weeks in no wise discourages us. We consider our business one of the most important town building assets and in due time our services will be in demand. In the meantime our efforts are being directed toward giving the public the newest newspaper that it is in our power to publish. We earnestly solicit the aid of any and everyone who would hand us an item or items of news. —Richland Springs Eyewitness.

Mrs. W. C. Cowan visited Mrs. Swan Thursday afternoon.

J. S. Melton, of Amarillo, representing the Osgood & Gordon Monumental Co. came in Thursday. He is an Oklahoma friend of Dr. McCoy of this place.

H. A. Marcy, of near Meadow, was a visitor at the Odd Fellow Lodge Tuesday night. He is a member of the Brownfield Lodge.

J. G. Hufstetler, of Lubbock, who has worked on the Avalanche force for a year or so, passed through Tahoka Tuesday on his way to Post City where he will work on the Post for the present.

Uncle Bob Montgomery called on The News Thursday and handed us a letter he had received from Dr. J. B. Hall, a dentist of Plainview, Texas, who writes that he will be in Tahoka Jan. 25th for a ten days stay and if the proper inducements are offered him he will locate in Tahoka. You real estate agents better get busy.

Rev. J. E. Stephens Presiding Elder for this district, came in from Post City Monday where he had been to hold the regular Quarterly Conference at that place. He visited our Home Mission Society at Mrs. Donaldson's Monday afternoon and made the ladies a talk that was enjoyed by all.

W. C. Smith, of Brownfield loaded out the last load of lumber for his new house Thursday evening. Mr. Smith bought over \$600 worth of lumber of the Higginbotham Harris Lumber Co. in Tahoka and will have one of the best houses in Brownfield when he gets it finished.

The meeting at the Baptist church continues to draw interested listeners for the evening services and the devoted mem-

FARMERS MEET FIRST MONDAY EACH MONTH

THE FARMERS INSTITUTE OF LYNN COUNTY WILL MEET EVERY FIRST MONDAY AT COURT HOUSE

NEXT MEETING FEBRUARY 6TH

Farmers Should Establish A First Monday Trades Day, Then It Would Only Necessitate One Trip—Put Your Shoulder To The Wheel And Push

The Farmers' Institute of Lynn County will meet in regular session at the court house in Tahoka, Monday afternoon February 6th, for the purpose of transacting business of the utmost importance to each and every farmer living in Lynn county.

The date of this meeting is the "First Monday" in the month, and is the day universally used as a Trades Day" in every live, progressive town in Texas.

Where this custom prevails you will see the farmers, traders and in fact every one for miles around who has anything to sell or who wants to buy anything begin to drift toward town on the Saturday before the great day so that by Sunday night the wagon yards and lodging houses are full to overflowing. At Cleburne, in Johnson county, it is nothing unusual to meet

men from Jacksboro, Stephenville and other towns equally distant, who have come all the way because they know that in the immense crowds gathered there every first Monday he will be sure to find a purchaser for what he has to sell or he will find just what he wants offered for sale or trade. If any one wants to hire help, rent a farm, or buy or sell country produce of any kind, First Monday at Cleburne, or any other live town where this day is observed is the place to do so.

Several attempts have been made to observe First Monday in Tahoka, but now, that the farmers have themselves decided to hold their meetings on first Mondays it ought not be much trouble to establish this very convenient custom of every one coming to town once a month, and all coming the same day.

TEXAS HOGS AT THE HEAD

Two expert hog breeders who attended the International Livestock Show at Chicago made the statement that the hogs that won the grand champion honors at the greatest of all stock shows were no better than the third premium hogs at the National Feeders and Breeders Show at Fort Worth and that the grand champions at the Fort Worth show were so far superior to anything at Chicago that they would have been in a class by themselves.

The hogs that won the grand championship at the great Fort Worth show were Texas hogs. As Chicago is supposed to attract the best hogs in the country, we may be pardoned for considering Texas hogs better than the best. Anyhow, that's the way it looks.

Encouraged by the success of a Texas hog raiser in winning such honors last year, a number of others will be in the contest this year, and we have it straight that the hogs on exhibition at the big National Feeders' and Breeders' Show, March 13 to 18, will be something to open the eyes of everybody who don't know that Texas raises the finest hogs in the world.

The other day a merchant in a nearby town saw a farmer receiving goods at the station from a Chicago mail order house. The goods were in his line, and the same had been carried in his store for years. He approached the farmer and said: "I could have sold you every article you have here for less money than you paid the Chicago house, and saved you the freight besides."

"Then, why on earth didn't you say so!" answered the farmer. "I have taken the local papers for years, and never have seen a line about your selling these goods. The Chicago house

Church Notes

The W. H. M. S. met in regular devotional meeting Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock with Mrs. J. D. Donaldson as hostess and Mrs. Millman as leader. "Faith" was the subject for the afternoon and each member read Bible references. Bro. Stephens was with us and gave us a splendid talk on our subject. The committees appointed at our last meeting were released.

Mrs. Joplin invited us to meet with her our next meeting which will be Jan. 30th. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned, all praising Mrs. Donaldson for her fine cake and chocolate.

Mrs. W. B. Blackburn, Press Reporter.

W. H. M. S. PROGRAM

Monday, Jan. 30.

Hostess Mrs. S. W. Joplin. Leader, Mrs. W. B. Blackburn.

1. Scripture Reading, John 16 Chapter.
2. (1st Peter 3: 12; 2nd. Chro. 7: 14; Matt. 5: 44; Prov. 15: 29; Mark 11: 25; Matt. 21: 22; Psalms 145: 18.

3. Round Table on Subject.
4. Song "Sweet Hour of Prayer."

5. Sentence Prayer.
6. Select Reading, "Prevailing Prayer." Mrs. H. C. Crie. Mrs. J. D. Donaldson. Mrs. Julia Clayton. Committee.

Bro. Sharp has been absent the past week.

O. L. Slaton and little daughter of Lubbock visited Tahoka last Friday.

THE CIRCULAR STAIRCASE

By **MARY ROBERTS RINEHART**
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SYNOPSIS.

Miss Innes, spinster and guardian of Gertrude and Halsey, established summer headquarters at Sunnyside. Amidst numerous difficulties the servants deserted. As Miss Innes looked up for the night she was startled by a dark figure on the stairs. Unusually noisy disturbed her during the night. In the morning Miss Innes found a strange link cuff-button in a hamper. Gertrude and Halsey arrived with Jack Bailey. The house was awaked by a revolver shot and Arnold Armstrong was found shot to death in the hall. Miss Innes found Halsey's revolver on the lawn. He and Jack Bailey had fled. The link cuff-button mysteriously disappeared. Detective Jamieson arrived. Gertrude revealed she was engaged to Jack Bailey, with whom she talked in the billiard room a few moments before the murder. Jamieson accused Miss Innes of holding back evidence. He imprisoned an intruder in an empty room. The prisoner escaped down a laundry chute. Gertrude was suspected. A negro found the other half of what proved to be Jack Bailey's cuff-button. Halsey reappears and with Bailey tells in response to a telegram. Gertrude said she had given Bailey an unloaded revolver, fearing to give him a loaded weapon. Cashier Bailey of Paul Armstrong's bank, defunct, was arrested for embezzlement. Halsey said Armstrong wrecked his own bank and could clear himself. Halsey's fiancée, Louise Armstrong, was found at the lodge. The housekeeper said Louise and Arnold had a long talk the night of the murder. Louise was prostrated. Louise told Halsey that while she still loved him she was to marry another, and that he would despise her when he learned the whole story. It developed that Dr. Walker and Louise were to be married. A prowler was heard in the house. Louise was found at the bottom of the circular staircase. Louise said she had heard a knock at the door and answered it. Something brushed past her on the stairway and she fainted. Bailey is suspected of Armstrong's murder. After "feeling a throat," Thomas, the housekeeper, was found dead. A slip was found in his pocket bearing the name "Lucien Wallace, 14 Elm street, Richmond."

CHAPTER XX.—Continued.

"Certain."
"In what part?"
"In the east wing."
"Can you tell me when these intrusions occurred, and what the purpose seemed to be? Was it robbery?"
"No," I said decidedly. "As to time, once on Friday night a week ago, again the following night, when Arnold Armstrong was murdered, and again last Friday night."
The doctor looked serious. He seemed to be debating some question in his mind, and to reach a decision.
"Miss Innes," he said, "I am in a peculiar position; I understand your attitude, of course; but—do you think you are wise? Ever since you have come here there have been hostile demonstrations against you and your family. I'm not a croaker, but—take a warning. Leave before anything occurs that will cause you a lifelong regret."
"I am willing to take the responsibility," I said coldly.
"I think he gave me up then as a poor proposition. He asked to be shown where Arnold Armstrong's body had been found, and I took him there. He scrutinized the whole place carefully, examining the stairs and the lock. When he had taken a formal farewell I was confident of one thing. Dr. Walker would do anything he could to get me away from Sunnyside."

CHAPTER XXI.

Fourteen Elm Street.
It was Monday evening when we found the body of poor Thomas. Monday night had been uneventful; things were quiet at the house and the peculiar circumstances of the old man's death had been carefully kept from the servants. Rosie took charge of the dining room and pantry, in the absence of a butler, and, except for the warning of the Casanova doctor, everything breathed of peace.
Affairs at the Traders' bank were progressing slowly. The failure had bit small stockholders very hard, the minister of the little Methodist chapel in Casanova among them. He had received as a legacy from an uncle a few shares of stock in the Traders' bank, and now his joy was turned to bitterness; he had to sacrifice everything he had in the world, and his feeling against Paul Armstrong, dead, as he was, must have been bitter in the extreme. He was asked to officiate at the simple services when the dead banker's body was interred in Casanova churchyard, but the good man providentially took cold, and a substitute was called in.
A few days after the services he called to see me, a kind-faced little man, in a very bad frock-coat and hunched tie. I think he was uncertain as to my connection with the Armstrong family, and dubious whether I considered Mr. Armstrong's taking away a matter for condolence or congratulation. He was not long in doubt.
I liked the little man. He had known Thomas well, and had promised to officiate at the services in the rickety African Zion church. He told me more of himself than he knew, and before he left I astonished him—and myself, I admit—by promising a new carpet for his church. He was much affected, and I gathered that he had yearned over his ragged chapel as a mother over a half-clothed child.
"You are laying up treasures, Miss Innes," he said brokenly, "where neither moth nor rust corrupt, nor thieves break through and steal."
I sent him home in the car, with a bunch of hothouse roses for his wife,

was cheap at the price of a church carpet. I received less gratification—and less gratitude—when I presented the new silver communion set to St. Barnabas.
I had a great many things to think about in those days. I made a list of questions and possible answers, but I seemed only to be working around in a circle. I always ended where I began. The list was something like this:

Who had entered the house the night before the murder?
Thomas claimed it was Mr. Bailey, whom he had seen on the foot-path, and who owned the pearl cuff-link.
Why did Arnold Armstrong come back after he had left the house the night he was killed?
No answer. Was it on the mission Louise had mentioned?
Who admitted him?
Gertrude said she had locked the east entry. There was no key on the dead man or in the door. He must have been admitted from within.
Who had been locked in the clothes chute?
Some one unfamiliar with the house, evidently. Only two people missing from the household, Rosie and Gertrude. Rosie had been at the lodge. Therefore—but was it Gertrude? Might it not have been the mysterious intruder again?
Who had accosted Rosie on the drive?
Again—perhaps the nightly visitor. It seemed more likely some one who suspected a secret at the lodge. Was Louise under surveillance?
Who had passed Louise on the circular staircase?
Could it have been Thomas? The key to the east entry made this a possibility. But why was he there, if it were indeed he?
Who had made the hole in the trunk-room wall?
It was not vandalism. It had been done quietly, and with deliberate purpose. If I had only known how to read the purpose of that gaping aperture what I might have saved in anxiety and mental strain!
Why had Louise left her people and come home to hide at the lodge?
There was no answer, as yet, to this, or to the next questions.

of Thomas' funeral in the village, and Alex and I were in the conservatory cutting flowers for the old man's casket. Liddy is never so happy as when she is making herself wretched, and now her mouth drooped while her eyes were triumphant.

"I always said there were plenty of things going on here, right under our noses, that we couldn't see," she said, holding out her apron.

"I don't see with my nose," I remarked. "What have you got there?"

Liddy pushed aside a half dozen geranium pots, and in the space thus cleared she dumped the contents of her apron—a handful of tiny bits of paper. Alex had stepped back, but I saw him watching her curiously.

"Wait a moment, Liddy," I said. "You have been going through the library paper-basket again?"

Liddy was arranging her bits of paper with the skill of long practice and paid no attention.

"Did it ever occur to you," I went on, putting my hand over the scraps, "that when people tear up their correspondence it is for the express purpose of keeping it from being read?"

"If they wasn't ashamed of it they wouldn't take so much trouble, Miss Rachel," Liddy said oracularly. "More than that, with things happening every day, I consider it my duty. If you don't read and act on this, I shall give it to that Jamieson, and I'll venture he'll not go back to the city to-day."

That decided me. If the scraps had anything to do with the mystery ordinary conventions had no value. So Liddy arranged the scraps, like working out one of the puzzle-pictures children play with, and she did it with much the same eagerness. When it was finished she stepped aside while I read it.

"Wednesday night, nine o'clock."



He Scrutinized the Whole Place Carefully.

"Why did both she and Dr. Walker warn us away from the house?"
Who was Lucien Wallace?
What did Thomas see in the shadows the night he died?
What was the meaning of the subtle change in Gertrude?
Was Jack Bailey an accomplice or a victim in the looting of the Traders' bank?
What all-powerful reason made Louise determine to marry Dr. Walker?
The examiners were still working on the books of the Traders' bank, and it was probable that several weeks would elapse before everything was cleared up. The firm of expert accountants who had examined the books some two months before testified that every bond, every piece of valuable paper, was there at that time. It had been shortly after their examination that the president, who had been in bad health, had gone to California. Mr. Bailey was still ill at the Knickerbocker, and in this, as in other ways, Gertrude's conduct puzzled me. She seemed indifferent, refused to discuss matters pertaining to the bank, and never, to my knowledge, either wrote to him or went to see him. Gradually I came to the conclusion that Gertrude, with the rest of the world, believed her lover guilty, and—although I believed it myself, for that matter—I was irritated by her indifference. Girls in my day did not meekly accept the public's verdict as to the man they loved.

But presently something occurred that made me think that under Gertrude's surface calm there was a seething flood of emotions.
Tuesday morning the detective made a careful search of the grounds, but he found nothing. In the afternoon he disappeared, and it was late that night when he came home. He said he would have to go back to the city the following day, and arranged with Halsey and Alex to guard the house.

Liddy came to me on Wednesday morning with her black silk apron

Bridge," I read aloud. Then, aware of Alex's stare, I turned on Liddy.
"Some one is to play bridge to-night at nine o'clock," I said. "Is that your business, or mine?"

Liddy was aggrieved. She was about to reply when I scooped up the pieces and left the conservatory.

"Now then," I said, when we got outside, "will you tell me why you choose to take Alex into your confidence? He's no fool. Do you suppose he thinks any one in this house is going to play bridge to-night at nine o'clock, by appointment? I suppose you have shown it in the kitchen, and instead of my being able to slip down to the bridge to-night quietly, and see who is there, the whole household will be going in a procession."

"Nobody knows it," Liddy said humbly. "I found it in the basket in Miss Gertrude's dressing room. Look at the back of the sheet." I turned over some of the scraps, and, sure enough, it was a blank deposit slip from the Traders' bank. So Gertrude was going to meet Jack Bailey that night by the bridge! And I had thought he was ill! It hardly seemed like the action of an innocent man—this avoidance of daylight, and of his fiancée's people. I decided to make certain, however, by going to the bridge that night.

After luncheon Mr. Jamieson suggested that I go with him to Richmond, and I consented.

"I am inclined to place more faith in Dr. Stewart's story," he said, "since I found that scrap in old Thomas' pocket. It bears out the statement that the woman with the child, and the woman who quarreled with Armstrong, are the same. It looks as if Thomas had stumbled on to some affair which was more or less discreditable to the dead man, and, with a certain loyalty to the family, had kept it to himself. Then, you see, your story about the woman at the card-room window begins to mean some-



anything tangible that we have had yet."

Warner took us to Richmond in the car. It was about 25 miles by railroad, but by taking a series of atrociously rough short cuts we got there very quickly. It was a pretty little town, on the river, and back on the hill I could see the Morton big country house, where Halsey and Gertrude had been staying until the night of the murder.

Elm street was almost the only street, and number 14 was easily found. It was a small white house, dilapidated without having gained anything picturesque, with a low window and a porch only a foot or so above the bit of a lawn. There was a baby-carriage in the path, and from a swing at the side came the sound of conflict. Three small children were disputing vociferously, and a faded young woman with a kindly face was trying to hush the clamor. When she saw us she untied her gingham apron and came around to the porch.

"Good afternoon," I said. Jamieson lifted his hat, without speaking. "I came to inquire about a child named Lucien Wallace."

"I am glad you have come," she said. "In spite of the other children, I think the little fellow is lonely. We thought perhaps his mother would be here to-day."

Mr. Jamieson stepped forward. "You are Mrs. Tate?" I wondered how the detective knew.

"Yes, sir."

"Mrs. Tate, we want to make some inquiries. Perhaps in the house—"

"Come right in," she said hospitably. And soon we were in the little shabby parlor, exactly like a thousand of its prototypes. Mrs. Tate sat uneasily, her hands folded in her lap.

"How long has Lucien been here?" Mr. Jamieson asked.

"Since a week ago last Friday. His mother paid one week's board in advance, the other has not been paid."

"Was he ill when he came?"

"No, sir, not what you'd call sick. He was getting better of typhoid, she said, and he's picking up fine."

"Will you tell me his mother's name and address?"

"That's the trouble," the young woman said, knitting her brows. "She gave her name as Mrs. Wallace, and said she had no address. She was looking for a boarding house in town. She said she worked in a department store, and couldn't take care of the child properly, and he needed fresh air and milk. I had three children of my own, and one more didn't make much difference in the work, but—I wish she would pay this week's board."

"Did she say what store it was?"

"No, sir, but all the boy's clothes came from King's. He has far too fine clothes for the country."

There was a chorus of shouts and shrill yells from the front door, followed by the loud stamping of children's feet and a throaty "whoa, whoa!" Into the room came a tandem team of two chubby youngsters, a boy and a girl, harnessed with a clothes-line, and driven by a laughing boy of about seven, in tan overalls and brass buttons. The small driver caught my attention at once; he was a beautiful child, and, although he showed traces of recent severe illness, his skin had now the clear transparency of health.

"Whoa, Flinders," he shouted.

"You're going to smash the trap."

Mr. Jamieson coaxed him over by holding out a lead pencil, striped blue and yellow.

"Now, then," he said, when the boy had taken the lead pencil and was testing its usefulness on the detec-



I could see the Mortons' Big Country House.

Ive's cuff, "now then, I'll bet you don't know what your name is!"

"I do," said the boy. "Lucien Wallace."

"Great! And what's your mother's name?"

"Mother, of course. What's your mother's name?"

And he pointed to me! I am going to stop wearing black; it doubles a woman's age.

THE ONLOOKER
By WILBUR D. NESBIT

That Heartless Song



Good Ludwig Stein was taken ill with pains on his inside. The ambulance was sent for him; he had a soothing ride. And in the hospital he lay, a victim of sore fate. The while the surgeons figured on the time to operate.

Good Herman Schwartz, his partner is the business they had. Because of Stein's misfortune was extremely blue and sad. He feared the worst—and if it came he saw that was the end. Of all his hours of cheery talk with his beloved friend.

The surgeons promised Schwartz they'd let him know how Stein came through. Said he should know the first result, no matter what they'd do. But Schwartz was worried, and the night the surgeons were at work He started for the hospital through all the fog and mirk.

An unfamiliar street it was; he saw a double door Behind which reached a wide, wide hall—and from which came a roar. It was a roar of jollity, it was a roar of cheer For 'twas a place where college men met once in every year.

Schwartz thought it was the hospital and crept adown the hall: He shuddered at the song he heard, he leaned against the wall— The graduates sang long and loud, they sang with might and main And Schwartz gave up in mad despair when he heard their refrain.

He staggered out, he rushed down street and on a corner cried: "Boleeece! Boleeece!" until an officer rushed to his side. "What is it?" asked the officer, and Schwartz tried to explain About the brutal men who yelled that rollicking refrain.

"Mein partner, Stein, is sick down dare, der surgeons vant to take His 'pendix could so dot he don't haf no more stomach ache. Ach! Heartless, soulless, biddles! Dey haf cigars unt vine Unt make a picnic velle dey operate on Ludwig Stein!

"I vent dare vare der surgeons are, I listened by der door Unt hear dem all eegzclaim dese vords in von vild, saffage roar! 'Der vedder it iss always fair ven us good vons iss here Mit a Stein upon der table unt a good song ringing clear!'"

The officer went back with Schwartz and found out his mistake— Good Ludwig Stein is well again and no more has an ache. But when Schwartz hears that "Stein Song" he will shake his head and sigh: "I cannot laugh no more at dot, it always makes me cry."

As a Favor.

The good woman has been profoundly touched by the story told by the tramp, and has invited him into her kitchen, where she has spread him a plentiful Christmas dinner. While eating, he has continued his sad story, telling how he was thrown out upon the world, an orphan; how he lost his wife and all his children; how his business was shattered and he became a wanderer upon the face of the earth, and many more heartrending things.

"You poor, poor man," sighed the good woman. "Is there anything I can do for you to make this day, at least, brighter and happier?"

"Yes'm, dere's one t'ing I'd like to ask of ye."

"What is it?"

"Please move about a foot to der left. Youse been cryin' in de punkin pie."

A Holiday Happening.

She stood beneath the mistletoe— Her age was more than you should know— We hope we're not unkind, But in three minutes, maybe less, With symptoms of intense distress The shrub began to shrivel.

Deserved Rebuke.

The young man across the aisle from the beautiful young woman continues to wink slyly at her. She draws herself up haughtily and says:

"Sir! You are like all the men—"

"I beg your pardon," he interrupts. "I have an affection of the optic muscles which causes my eyelid to quiver peculiarly. I trust it has not annoyed you."

"As I was about to say," she continues, "you are like all the men—one never knows when you are in earnest."

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"Your son used to be so round-shouldered. How did you get him cured of it? He seems to be so straight now."

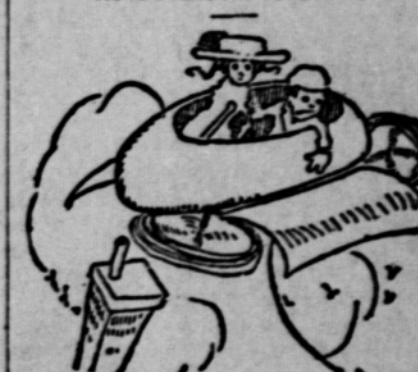
"He has become an aviation enthusiast, and spends most of his time watching the bird-men."

Aromatic Spirits.
Mrs. Tarr—Sislah Lobstock has just got a divorce from her husband.
Mrs. Wombat—Don't say? How much ammonia did de cou't done grand her?—Puck.

Ill-Mannered Chicken.

Little Robert, 3 years of age, went with his grandmother to the chicken park to see her feed the chickens. When the little ones jumped upon the water dish and dipped their bills into the water, he cried: "Oh, grandmother, they are putting their feet on the table."

IN SCIENTIFIC DAYS



Marjorie—Why are we stopping here, Harold?

Harold—Ah, the anchor's caught on a wireless.

WONDERED WHY.

Found the Answer Was "Coffee."

Many pale, sickly persons wonder for years why they have to suffer so, and eventually discover that the drug—caffeine—in coffee is the main cause of the trouble.

"I was always very fond of coffee and drank it every day. I never had much flesh and often wondered why I was always so pale, thin and weak."

"About five years ago my health completely broke down and I was confined to my bed. My stomach was in such condition that I could hardly take sufficient nourishment to sustain life."

"During this time I was drinking coffee, didn't think I could do without it."

"After awhile I came to the conclusion that coffee was hurting me, and decided to give it up and try Postum. I didn't like the taste of it at first, but when it was made right—boiled until dark and rich—I soon became fond of it."

"In one week I began to feel better. I could eat more and sleep better. My sick headaches were less frequent, and within five months I looked and felt like a new being, headache spells entirely gone."

"My health continued to improve and today I am well and strong, weigh 145 pounds. I attribute my present health to the life-giving qualities of Postum."

Read "The Road to Wellville." 15 pkgs. "There's a Reason."

Ever read the above letter? A man once appeared from time to time. They

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No. 159

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Mrs. W. A. Steadman, D. G.
Mrs. V. E. Redwine, Secretary.

Tahoka, Camp

No. 1603

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night at W. D. W. Hall.
D. T. Rogers, C. C., H. M. Larkin, Clerk.

The 32nd Legislature has opened with a blaze of glory and the capital city is illumined like a birthday cake. The sessions are as fine a lot of fellows as ever undertook to think in new channels.

There are currents and undercurrents in politics but the influence for progress in the 32nd Legislature is as strong as the Gulf Stream and is sweeping everything before it.

That a host of bills will be introduced in the 32nd Legislature no one doubts; it would not be possible to enumerate so large a

body of men without having a few who are as natty as a peacock in the Fall of the year, but the Legislature, as a whole, looks good.

The inauguration of the new Governor on the 17th is the topic of absorbing interest in Austin and the statesmen are too busy scrambling for dress suits to pass laws. The governor's message will form the keynote for legislative activities.

There are many new faces around the capitol at Austin. Politics usually plays such tricks. The hearts of a number of the old employees are going up and down like a churning dasher awaiting final announcements. After all, political pies are mighty little and are cut in short slices.

It is railroad construction that places funds in touch with commerce and it is good roads that place the farmer in touch with the railroads. Good roads are the greatest aid in the development of a community and money spent for their construction will bring returns to the farmer.

The press report from Kentucky tell us that the public school boards are abolishing corporal punishment. Bad grammar and Nigger English are better than the whipping post and the rod was never popular in Texas anyway. The children of the Blue Grass State should join the home-makers that are coming to Texas and secure the benefit of splendid school system that endowed with 52,801,000 acres of land and where the rod is used for fishing poles only.

Texas has begun the race to the 1920 Census honors by importing a carload of babies from the east. This however is no reflection on the Texas stock as a population producer as this splendid bird has worn the blue ribbon as a Census promoter for the past half a century and has kept Texas at the head of Uncle Sam's big family column. Neither can it be construed as dissatisfaction over the work of the immigration agent whose accomplishments are closely interwoven in the commercial fibre of our progress. It simply means that the commercial clubs are on the alert and have struck a new lead in populating the state and that they are going to win the pennant in 1920 at all hazards. We are getting eastern capital, eastern men and now we are importing eastern babies. There is room for all in Texas.

The Crop Reporter issued by the Federal Agricultural Department gives a comparison of the value of hogs in the United States by states. November 15th, Texas is quoted at \$7.50 per 100 lbs. Those who have obeyed the injunction to plant hogs are riding on the crest of a wave of prosperity that will surely bring their ship into port. With the packing houses located in Texas the farmers are always sure to get good prices for packing house products. The price of hogs in Texas is the same as that of Illinois, Indiana, Kansas and Missouri and is 20 cents better on the 100 lbs than that of Arkansas, Iowa, Nebraska, Minnesota and a number of other states. This healthy market condition is largely due to our packing houses which make us a market of buyers, not

for prices. Without packing houses our hogs would sell at Kansas City and Chicago prices less the freight. Plant hogs and build packing houses.

The whole country has been suffering from an overgrowth of legislation and Texas is the first state in the Union to enter the turning basin and the entire nation is on the housetops watching us as we round the circle. From the viewpoint of legislative sight seeing it forms the most spectacular event of the 20th century and from the standpoint of importance, it eclipses anything in the history of our state, not excepting the battle of San Jacinto, for peace has its victories no less than war. The tremendous momentum under which we are traveling renders the task of turning the big vessel in so short a time and so narrow a space a most difficult feat and one that will shake the ship of state from stem to stern, but we have a skillful pilot who knows both the vessel and the waters, and the turning will be a triumph in statesmanship and those who are at the wheel will go down in history as patriots of peace.

ODD FELLOW'S ORPHANS HOME

S. C. Harris, of Matador, returned the first of the week from Corsicana where he had been to place the Orphan children in the Odd Fellow's Orphan Home at that place. Mr. Harris says that the Orphan home is a most interesting place and that it is highly improved and well prepared to care for the inmates in a comfortable manner. The Home comprises two hundred thirty acres of land has three three-story buildings, a hospital, electric light plant, power house and dairy. At the present time there are about three hundred inmates made up of old men, widows, and orphan children. While there Mr. Harris said that he saw three hundred cats at the same time. The institution also has two bands to furnish music for the pleasure of those who love music. The Odd Fellows are doing a great work in this home, and in establishing and maintaining such an institution the evidence a true christian spirit. —Matador News.

Only four democrats in the United States Congress are standing with Lorimer, the republican, who has won a seat in the Senate by bribery and corruption, and one of these four is no other than Joseph Weldon Bailey of Texas. While the great question of purity in public officials is undergoing the trial of its life, our Junior Senator's matchless eloquence is hushed and silent while others are standing boldly in the fight for honesty, conscience and old time integrity as qualifications on the part of our lawmakers and as essential to the safety and welfare of the people. To condemn Lorimer's offense and to uphold a Senator who has purchased his seat in the Congress is to destroy the last hope for a stronger public faith in those whose duty it is to manage the affairs of our country. Keep your eye on those high officials and see how they vote and judge accordingly. —Stanton Reporter.

Advertising.

Recently a Chicago mail order house sent to many country papers in Texas an advertising contract. Some accepted it and others with a false loyalty to local merchants refused to accept the business. Is this the Texas editors were consistent, at least, for they have always given to the towns in which they are published a great deal more than they receive in return. No country newspaper in Texas is so liberally supported by the local merchants that it can afford to turn down any decent business it has an opportunity to get. No local merchant who is going to be seriously hurt by the mail order business deserves to remain in business, for the mail or-

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Commissioners Court of Lynn County, Texas, will receive bids on the 15th day of February A. D. 1911 at the Court house of Lynn County, in Tahoka, from any Banking incorporation, association or individual banker, in Lynn County, to be selected as the depository, for funds of Lynn County, said bids to be as, and for the time, as the law directs.

Given under my official signature this the 10th day of Jan. A. D. 1911.

G. W. PERRYMAN,

County Judge,

Lynn County, Texas. 22-25

Notice, Sheriff's Sale

STATE OF TEXAS
County of Lynn

In the District Court of Lynn County, Texas:

Whereas, on the 11th day of November A. D. 1910, A. E. McPhaul recovered a judgment in the District Court of Lynn County Texas, against W. E. Crump, for the sum of \$423.72 with interest thereon from the 11th day of November A. D. 1910, at ten per cent per annum and all cost of suit, with a foreclosure of the vendors' lien on the following described property viz:

The South-west 1/4 of Survey No. 1, in Blk. C42, Public School Land, which tract of land is fully described in Deed from A. E. McPhaul to W. E. Crump, dated Sept. 26, 1907, Vol. 9, page 226, situated in Lynn County, Texas, as it existed on the 11th day of November A. D. 1910. The number of said case on the docket of said Court being No. 66, and said property to be sold as under execution in satisfaction of said Judgement.

And I, J. H. Edwards, Sheriff of Lynn County, Texas, did on the 28th day of December A. D. 1910, at three o'clock p. m. levy upon the above described property and I will on the 7th day of February A. D. 1911, sell at public sale at the Court House door of Lynn County, Texas, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 p. m. of the same day, the above described property to the highest bidder for cash.

Dated this the 28th day of December A. D. 1910.

J. H. EDWARDS, Sheriff of Lynn County, Texas. 20-25

All kinds of questions will come up this year that you will want to vote either for or against and if you don't pay your poll tax before the first of February you can't vote on any of them.

The local merchant who fights them with their own weapon—advertising. Mail order houses spend very little money for advertising in Fort Worth or Dallas at much less expense than through the country papers. What's the reason? Because the Fort Worth and Dallas merchants really advertise. Country merchants would do well to think about this.—Star Telegram.

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LEGISLATURE ORGANIZES

Constructive Legislation Introduced And Industrial Peace Assured

The Legislative pot has been boiling at Austin during this week. It has sputtered, bubbled and then cooled down again in its effort to rush through Legislation before Governor Campbell retired from office.

The speakership contest was an exciting one as close political campaigns always are, and the House was compelled to choose between two good men. The newly elected speaker has made good in that important position and the House is thoroughly organized and in good working order. The Senate likewise perfected organization and has a strong working force.

THE WEEKS WORK

The feature of the week in Legislative affairs has been the high tension in the Senate over the Prohibition question. The pros and antis have had each other by the throats, figuratively speaking, trying to settle the paramount issue but have so far failed to do so. It is the duty of every Senator to line up on this proposition but when the question is finally settled, our Senator will be as chummy as Mormon Elders and they will walk hand in hand in the development of the states resources.

In the House there has been a large volume of legislation introduced but perhaps the most important now pending in either branch of the Legislature, from the standpoint of progress, is embodied in a measure introduced by representative Terrell, of Cherokee, which proposes that all property, whether private, corporate, home or

new factories shall be exempt from county and municipal taxation for a period of fifteen years on voted tax payers within such county or municipality. Representative Terrell is one of the strongest men in the lower House and is the recognized leader in constructive legislation. He has given the whole something well worth their consideration.

OUR NEW MEMBERS

The new members are safe as a rocking chair, although there are a few who have come to Austin staggering under the weight of bills. The 32nd Legislature, however, has already developed a man who may lead them out of the wilderness; one of the new members has declared his intention of voting against every bill he does not understand and if this proves popular, judging the future by the past, it will effectively be a reflection on the ability of the members of our Legislature, the learned Judges of our courts have been racking their brains in many instances in an effort to understand some of our laws, and have been compelled to confess ignorance and step aside.

Have you paid your poll tax?

Only 11 days in which to pay your poll tax.

Do you want to vote for incorporation? Pay your poll tax before February first if you do.

If you are opposed to incorporation for Tahoka this year you had better pay your poll tax now.

Remember, the Baptist Sunday meeting will begin Thursday, January 26th.

SEE JOHNSON BROS

AT OLD MORRIS STAND

For Groceries

Country Produce Bought And Sold

Hold Sumons of Pride was in our city Saturday.

J. E. Terrell of Dallas was stopping at the Tahoka Hotel Thursday.

Miss Madison of Lamesa was here the first of the week having some dental work done by Dr. Lewis.

Mr. McReynolds and family left this week for Lubbock where they will reside in the future.

Thomas P. Riley of Lincoln, Tenn., came in on the train Thursday eve and will spend about a month visiting his brother George of Tahoka and his brother Luke of Six Mile. This is Mr. Riley's first trip to the Plains, and we are glad to number him among our visitors.

J. P. Fleming and wife, accompanied by their son Emmett left Wednesday for Los Angeles Cal., Mrs. Fleming is afflicted with cancer, and they are taking her there for treatment. They have been residents of Tahoka for some years and we are sorry to see them leave as we are told this move is a permanent one.

Dud Singleton and wife were visitors to Tahoka Thursday.

Little Francis McCoy who was very low with pneumonia last Saturday and Sunday is out of danger and doing nicely.

At 12:15 p. m. Tuesday Jan. 17 Hon. O. B. Colquitt took the out of office at Austin, and at the same time Hon. T. M. Campbell retired to the life of a private citizen again.

S. H. Howell unloaded a car load of 1,000 bushels of oats Thursday, which he had shipped from Tulia.

G. Manshan of Odora, Ohio, came in on the train Thursday evening to look at some land he has owned in Lynn county for several years and had never seen.

Messrs. Monts and Thomas left Wednesday for Mr. Lasemby's place 12 miles northwest of Tahoka where they will build a two room house.

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erty you need an Abstract.

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TAHOKA, TEXAS

Ed. Baldrige spent Thursday
night at the Bigham yard.

Mrs. Morton of Lamesa went
to Post City Wednesday and
stopped over in Tahoka a few
hours to visit friends.

Sam Weathers has returned
from Hunt county where he
went to help his father move.

Adams and Cuerns, of 11 miles
south of Brownfield, loaded out
with cotton seed meal and cake
from Bigham's Thursday.

A drummer from the Star
Mills at Amarillo was here yes-
terday.

The Bigham Coal Yard re-
ceived cars of fine coal this
week.

S. T. Shropshire has been us-
ing Howell's wagon yard this
week while he collected the
horses and mules he bought. He
left Thursday morning for Flu-
vanna where he will load a car
for the eastern markets. Ben
and Burt King went with him to
drive the bunch as far as Flu-
vanna.

Belton Howell returned on the
train Thursday from a several
days trip to Amarillo.

Murrell Skinner returned the
first of the week from a business
trip to Amarillo.

At Dallas January the 17th a
negro was given two years in
the penitentiary for stealing \$3
from a man's pocket.

LYNN GETS GOOD RAIN.

Tuesday night January the
16th Lynn county was visited by
a fine rain which will put the
farmers to work in short order.
Reports coming in indicate that
enough rain fell Tuesday night
to enable the farmers to plow
both their old land and sod land,
so activity is the order of the
day all over the county. If we
get a few more nice rains like
this in the near future there will
be a considerable acreage of oats
sown this spring. Our farmers
believe in diversification so far
as the seasons will allow.

Announcement has been made
that passenger service will be
established between Lubbock
and Post City, to begin Friday
Jan. 20th and the schedule has
been given as follows:

Leaves Lubbock 8:00 a. m.
Arrives at Post City 10:00 a. m.
Leaves Post City 2:00 p. m.
Arrives at Lubbock 4:00 p. m.

This will be very convenient
for Tahoka or Lamesa people
wishing to go to Post City, as
our north bound train will make
connection at Slaton Junction
and passengers could leave here
in the morning and return the
same day if they so wish, having
four hours in Post City for the
transaction of business.

John Burkett, of near Brown-
field, spent Thursday night at
the Bigham wagon yard. He
was loaded out with lumber from
the Higginbotham-Harris Co.,
lumber yard for W. C. Smith at
Brownfield.



If You Want Anything



Miss NenaBell Donaldson is on
the sick list this week.

Jim Hutto is helping Mr. Big-
ham at the feed store.

Mr. Millmen who has been
helping on one of the wagons
employed in unloading lumber
cars was badly hurt Wednesday.
They were just starting from
the lumber yard for another
load of shingles, when the horses
jumped and Mr. Millman was
thrown out of the wagon. The
hind wheel struck him on the
head cutting a gash over his
right eye and injuring one ear.
He was brought home and the
wound dressed and he is feeling
as comfortable as could be ex-
pected.

There were 155 car loads of cucum-
bers shipped from Texas during 1910,
which sold for \$66,770, according to
government reports just recently is-
sued. Texas has always been the
abiding place of Cupid and we are
now raising the article in abundance
that is reputed to quickly settle all
love affairs.

We wish to call attention to the
advertisement of The Fair on the
back page of this paper.

Next Friday night is the night
for the Rebekah Lodge to meet.

The Knights of Pythias meet
Monday night.

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Fred Dawson, of New Mexico,
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ing home Tuesday with a load
of cotton seed from the Tahoka
gin. While here he visited his
sister, Mrs. Callie Lumsden at
the ranch north of town.

Dan McDonald, the proprietor
of the Palace Meat Market, has
leased his business to Bell Bur-
leson for 90 days. Mr. McDon-
ald has quite a bunch of cattle
on his ranch near Pride and this
arrangement will enable him to
see to them for the balance of
the winter. Mr. Burleson has
changed the name of the meat
market to that of the Cash Meat
Market, and a small ad will be
found elsewhere in this paper.

Mr. Opdyke of north of town
was in Tahoka Thursday to meet
his wife but was disappointed
as she failed to come. Mr.
Opdyke came here from Ohio
about two months ago and has
been very busy improving his
place. His new house is finished
and everything is ready for his
wife when she comes.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. R. L.
Darrow, of 12 miles south west
of Tahoka, a fine 10 pound girl,
Thursday night January 19th.

Mrs. James R. Robinson, Mrs.
Chase and Mrs. Jno. Robinson
left on the train this morning
for their homes in Lubbock, af-
ter having spent several days in



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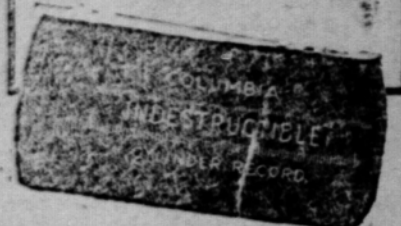
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The KITCHEN CABINET

COOKING is the heritage of every woman. To cook well is the privilege of every girl. —Jennie A. Jemison. A woman's work, grave and, is never done.

Common Vegetables. The simple methods are the best in cooking, as each vegetable has its characteristic flavor which it is desirable to keep. Well cooked vegetables will be palatable and digestible. Poorly cooked water soaked vegetables are neither.

In using wilted potatoes late in the spring they are much improved by soaking in cold water some time to replace the moisture lost by evaporation.

Such vegetables as cabbage and cauliflower should be soaked in water to draw out any insects that may be lodged in them.

All vegetables of strong flavor as cabbage, cauliflower, onion and turnip should be cooked in an open vessel to allow the volatile vapors to pass off gradually in the steam.

Vegetables should be removed as soon as tender; too long cooking changes the texture, injures the flavor and destroys the color of green vegetables.

Such vegetables as fresh peas and beans, all mild-flavored vegetables, should be cooked in a small amount of water and not drained; but the water used as a sauce for the vegetable.

The potato, which is our most common vegetable, is on most homes served day after day, week in and week out in about five or six ways. When there are nearly two hundred ways, and new ones being discovered all the time by progressive women, it seems hard that our tables should not have a little variation.

Instead of mashed potato served in the same old way, try mashing it into the mashed, seasoned potato; make them into small balls, brush with egg and put in the oven to brown. Serve as a garnish around the roast for Sunday dinner.

Mix the scalloped dish next time with a little grated cheese or hard-boiled eggs left from breakfast.

Take nice, even-sized potatoes, cut off a lid at the end, scoop out a little of the potato and put in a piece of bacon. Put on the lid, fasten with toothpicks and bake. The result will be a well-seasoned potato and a mild surprise.

Potato croquettes made of seasoned mashed potato and egg filled with a teaspoon of peas or cooked celery are both unusual and appetizing.

THE HEN he said unto them: Go your way, eat the fat and drink the sweet and send portions unto them for whom nothing is prepared."

The Thanksgiving Dinner. There are so many novel and attractive favors and decorations to be used for the Thanksgiving table that a list will bring out unique surprises. Orange is the favorite color and may be used in all its shades in the decorative scheme for this celebration.

A slice-shaped pumpkin may be chosen for the fruit basket. With care a very good basket handle and all may be cut. Fill the pumpkin basket with grapes, red apples, bananas, oranges and a few autumn leaves. If fortunate enough to have pressed some of the brilliant-hued ones. These may be laid about on the table around the basket.

The place cards could be decorated in autumn leaves and favors, or might be small pumpkins bought at the caterer's holding bonbons. Another beautiful centerpiece could be made by decorating a flat basket with bunches of wheat tied to the basket and fill it with the autumn fruits. A pen and ink turkey or a Puritan maid make appropriate designs for place cards.

Of course, the feast will not be well begun unless there is the turkey. Try roasting his royal highness this year without stuffing him, and see if his flavor is not improved. Baste the bird often and season well. A little celery may be put inside when the seasonings are added, and a few strips of bacon put over the breast. Use the giblets for a sauce. Cook them until tender, then chop fine. When the turkey is done, remove it and add four tablespoons of flour to the fat in the pan, mix thoroughly, add the water in which the giblets have been boiled, season with onion juice and pepper and salt, then the chopped giblets.

Pumpkin Pie.—To a cup of stewed pumpkin add a pint of milk, a half cup of sugar, two well-beaten eggs, a teaspoonful of ginger, a few drops of lemon extract and a dash of salt. Fill the crust and bake slowly.

Sweet Cider Frappe.—Put sweet cider into the freezer and turn until the cider is frozen. Serve as punch with rosette turkey.

A very pretty salad may be prepared by scooping the inside out of rosy apples, fill them with any combination with the apple, such as celery and nuts, with mayonnaise.

Fruit as a Food. Fruits, because of their low nutritive value, are not usually estimated at their real worth as food. Fruits are rich in potash salts and other minerals as well as vegetables acids, which are a valuable aid to digestion.

Fruits are refreshing and cooling to the blood and a valuable addition to the diet because of the water, acids, sugar and flavors which they contain. Water, so valuable to the body, is furnished to us in the most delightful form in fruit.

Nowhere is there a greater need of a generous supply of fruit than on the farm, where the diet is apt to be restricted in variety because of distance from the markets.

Some fruits require little balancing, as they are nearly perfect in themselves, such as grapes, figs, prunes and dates. The ripe banana is rich in carbohydrates.

Fruits, fresh or canned, are better for desserts than so much pastry, without which so many feel the meal is incomplete.

Fruits may be used in soups and in this form are stimulants and appetizers. In salads one may have infinite and most appetizing variety, as the kinds are steadily increasing or coming to our use.

A delightful and dainty dessert which may be made at any season of the year is:

Mistletoe is Dangerous. Few people who know mistletoe only as a desirable feature of Christmas decorations understand that the plant is a parasite dangerous to the life of trees in the regions in which it grows. It is only a question of time, after mistletoe once begins to grow upon a tree before the tree itself will be killed. The parasite saps the life of the infected branches. Fortunately, it is of slow growth, taking years to develop to large proportions. But when neglected, it invariably ruins all trees it reaches.

Intentional Disqualification. "You will admit that you owe a great deal to your wife?" "I should say so," replied Mr. Cumrox. "I wouldn't be invited to any of her receptions or musicales if I wasn't married to her."

Disqualified. Her—My brother won first prize in that amateur guessing contest, but they ruled him out as a professional. Him—A professional? Her—Yes. He's employed in the government bureau, you know.

Lightning Change. The Manager—Can you make quick changes and double in a few parts? The Actor—Can I? Say, you know the scene in "Love and Lobsters," where the hero and the villain are fighting, and a friend rushes in and separates 'em? Well, I played all three parts one night when the other two fellows were ill.

Not Altogether Dead. Mr. Robert Butler of Marlborough, England, has had the peculiar experience of hearing his death announced. He was attending the poor law conference at Exeter when one of the delegates moved that, in consequence of the death of Mr. Butler, which they all regretted, another gentleman, whom he named, should be appointed to fill his place as one of the representatives of Wiltshire on the central committee. Mr. Butler rose from his place on the platform and announced to the conference, amid much amusement, that, so far as he was aware, he was still alive and in good health, and would be pleased to continue in the office if the conference desired.

Cripples Ride Bicycle. George Anstey, aged 12, a cripple of Leicester, England, is one of the most remarkable cyclists in the country. Both his legs are withered and useless, but the Leicester Cripples' Guild has provided him with a two-wheeled pedalless machine, with a padded tube covering the axle bar. Across this he has fastened, to his hands he propels himself along the streets and roads in a marvellously rapid manner. He has complete control of the machine, his hands acting as pedals, steering gear, and brake combined.

Pretty Good Definition. We hear some funny things in Fleet street sometimes, and the following definition of the height of aggravation, by a gentleman in rather shabby boots, whom we encountered in a well-known hostelry the other day, struck us as being particularly choice.

"The 'eight of aggravation, gentlemen," said this portly humorist, setting his pointer on the counter and looking round proudly, with the air of one about to let off a good thing, "the 'eight of aggravation—why, trying to catch a sea out of yer ear with a pair of boxin' gloves."—London Tit-Bits.

An Alaskan Luncheon. Runners of woven Indian baskets, with white drawnwork doilies at each of the 12 covers, were used on an oval mahogany table. The doilies were made at Sitka. In the middle of the table a mirror held a tall central vase of frosted glass, surrounded by four smaller vases, all filled with white spring blossoms. The edge of the mirror was banked with the same flowers. Four totem poles were placed on doilies in the angles made by the runners.

Place cards were water colors of Alaskan scenery. Abalone shells held salted nuts, and tiny Indian baskets held bonbons. The soup spoons were of horn, several of the dishes used were made by Alaskan Indians, and the cakes were served on baskets.

The menu was as follows: Potasson a la Bering Sea (halibut chowder), Yukon climbers (broiled salmon, potatoes, Julienne), snowbirds avec aurora borealis (roast duck with jelly), Shungnak river turnips, Tanana beets, Skagway hash (salad), Fairbanks nuggets (ripe strawberries arranged on individual dishes around a central mound of powdered sugar), arctic slices (brick ice cream), Circle City delights (small cakes), Klondike nuggets (yellow cheese in round balls on crackers), Nome firewater (coffee). —Woman's Home Companion.

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Echoes of Marchhausen. It was an absent-minded traveler who had lately taken to ballooning. "Yes," he observed impressively. "It was a fearful journey. The machine, a thousand feet up, and no more ballast, headed straight for Siberia, and the ruffled air—well, you know as well as I do what effect that has on a balloon. Yes, the peril was terrible. Then the old habit was too strong for him. The wolves detected our presence. A desperate race ensued. We felt their hot breath on the nap of our necks."—London Globe.

Largest of Whales. The largest whale of its type of which there is scientific record was captured recently off Port Arthur, Tex. He measured sixty-three feet in length, and was estimated to be about three hundred years old. Captain Cob Plummer, mate of a United States pilot boat, sighted the monster in the shoals off the jetty, and the crew of his vessel captured the mammal. The huge body was towed ashore, exhibited and much photographed before being cut up.

Rat Bounty Excites Merriment. Seattle, fearing the introduction of bubonic plague by rats, has offered a bounty of ten cents a rat. This moves Tacoma, safe from infection from the sea, to raucous laughter, and the Ledger says that the bounty, "though not intended for rodents of Tacoma, Everett, Bellingham and other populous and busy centers, has been finding its way into the pockets of non-residents of Seattle for non-resident rats. But the joke would be on us if it were found that our rat population had found its way into the Seattle census."

Two Very Old Ladies. We have heard a great deal lately about long-lived people, but it is probable that the oldest two people in the world today are Frau Dutkewitz and another old lady named Babavasilika. The former lives at Posen, in Prussian Poland, and was born on February 21, 1785. She is therefore one hundred and twenty-five years old. The latter, however, is nine months her senior, having been born in May, 1784.

She is still a fairly hale old woman, and for nearly one hundred years worked in the fields. Her descendants number close on 100, and these now make her a joint allowance. She lives at the village of Bavelko, whose neighborhood she has never quitted during the whole of her long life. She remembers events which happened at the beginning of last century much more clearly than those of the last 40 years.—Dundee Advertiser.

Too Ardent a Lover. Georgotto Fontano, an embroiderer who lives in the Rue Serres in Paris, has found himself condemned to a month's imprisonment for what seems to her a harmless act.

She was going home from a concert a few evenings ago when she decided she would like to see her fiancé. As he happens to be a fireman whose station is in her own neighborhood it occurred to her it would be very easy to summon him to her side by breaking the glass of the fire alarm and sounding a call.

She did so and in a few moments fire engines came from several directions, all laden with firemen, of course, but alas! her fiancé was not among them, and more than that all the firemen were angry, and before she knew what had happened she was taken to a magistrate, who proceeded to make the course of true love run unsmoothly by sending her to prison for a month in spite of her tears and protests that she thought it would be a simple way of bringing her fiancé to her side.

An Unnecessary Confession. A hearty laugh was occasioned at the Birmingham police court by a prisoner who gave himself away in a very delightful manner. The man was first on the list, and the charge against him was merely one of being drunk and disorderly. He stepped into the dock, however, just at the moment when the dock officer was reading out a few of the cases which were to come before the court that morning, and a guilty conscience apparently led him to mistake these items for a list of his previous convictions.

He stood passive enough while the officer read out about a dozen drub and disorderlies, but when he came to one "shopbreaking" the prisoner exclaimed excitedly, "That was eight years ago, your honor. Everyone has got to laugh, and the prisoner, realizing the blunder he had made, at first looked very black indeed, but finally saw the humorous side of the matter, and a broad smile spread over his face. His blunder did not cost anything.—Birmingham Mail.

The Bright Side. Nebuchadnezzar was having a most accustomed style. "All flesh being grass," he said, "this must be food for a horse. And chucking heartily, he sent other chaw.—Puck.

Kindly Intention. "A man who enjoys seeing a woman in tears is a brute." "I don't know about that," said Miss Cayenne. "One of the husbands I know takes his wife to all the emotional plays."

Takes Himself Seriously. Nicola Tesla, dining at a hotel's great dining room, was at a table where he can be seen. There out his meal he wears a deeply cloud, a completely absorbed, and he may bring to the table a possible filled with papers. These he scans with prolonged solemnity. In any event, he sits an eloquent study of profundity.—New York Press.

Holidays in the States. Washington's birthday is a holiday in all states. Decoration day is a state holiday in Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee and Texas. Every day is observed everywhere. Usually every state has legal holidays having to do with its own special affairs—battles of New Orleans in Louisiana, Texas Independence and San Jacinto in Texas, Armistice day in California, and so on. Mississippi is like the federal government in lack of statutory holidays, but common consent Independence Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas are observed. A new one is Columbus day in a few of the states.

Planting Wedding Oaks. Princess August Wilhelm, with the Kaiser's fourth son, has set the task of reviving one of Germany's oldest customs, that according to which newly wedded couples immediately after the marriage ceremony plant a sapling of oak saplings side by side in a park or by the roadside of their native town.

The town of Mulhausen, in Thuringia, is the first to respond to the Kaiser's appeal. A municipal official appears at the church door after the wedding and invites the bride and bridegroom to drive with him in a carriage to a new road near the town where they plant oak saplings.

The tree planting idea was started by a former mayor of Brandenburg with the object of repairing the damage caused by the 16 years' war. The mayor forsook young persons to marry until they had planted a number of fruit trees.

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That Suit for Libel Against the Postum Cereal Co., Ltd., Gave a Splendid Chance to Bring Out Facts

A disagreement about advertising arose with a "weekly" Journal. Following it, an attack on us appeared in their editorial columns; sneering at the claims we made particularly regarding Appendicitis. We replied through the regular papers and the "weekly" thought we hit back rather too hard and thereupon sued for libel. The advertisement the "weekly" attacked us about claimed that in many cases of appendicitis an operation could be avoided by discontinuing indigestible food, washing out the bowels and taking a predigested food Grape-Nuts. Observe we said MANY cases not all. Wouldn't that knowledge be a comfort to those who fear a surgeon's knife as they fear death? The "weekly" writer said that was a lie. We replied that he was ignorant of the facts. He was put on the stand and compelled to admit he was not a Dr. and had no medical knowledge of appendicitis and never investigated to find out if the testimonial letters to our Co. were genuine. A famous surgeon testified that when an operation was required Grape-Nuts would not obviate it. True. We never claimed that when an operation was required Grape-Nuts would prevent it. The surgeon testified bacteria [germs] helped to bring on an attack and bacteria was grown by undigested food frequently. We claimed and proved by other famous experts that undigested food was largely responsible for appendicitis. We showed by expert testimony that many cases are healed without a knife, but by stopping the use of food which did not digest, and when food was required again it was helpful to use a predigested food which did not overtax the weakened organs of digestion. When a pain in the right side appears it is not always necessary to be rushed off to a hospital and at the risk of death be cut. Plain common sense shows the better way is to stop food that evidently has not been digested. Then, when food is required, use an easily digested food. Grape-Nuts or any other if you know it to be predigested (partly digested before taking). We brought to Court analytical chemists from New York, Chicago and Milwaukee, Ind., who swore to the analysis of Grape-Nuts and that part of the starch part of the wheat and barley had been transformed into sugar, the kind of sugar produced in the human body by digesting starch (the large part of food). Some of the State chemists brought on by the "weekly" said Grape-Nuts could not be called a "predigested" food because not all of it was digested outside the body. The other chemists said any food which had been partly or half digested outside the body was commonly known as "predigested." Splitting hairs about the meaning of a word. It is sufficient that if only one-half of the food is "predigested," it is easier on weakened stomach and bowels than food in which no part is predigested. To show the facts we introduce Dr. Thos. Darlington, former chief of the N. Y. Board of Health, Dr. Ralph W. Webster, chief of the Chicago Laboratories, and Dr. B. Sachs, N. Y. If we were a little severe in our denunciation of a writer, self-confessed ignorant about appendicitis and its cause, it is possible the public will excuse us, in view of the fact that our head, Mr. C. W. Post, has made a lifetime study of food, food digestion and effects, and the conclusions are indorsed by many of the best medical authorities of the day. Is it possible that we are at fault for suggesting, as a Father and Mother might, to one of the family who announced a pain in the side: "Stop using the food, greasy meats, gravies, mince pie, cheese, too much starchy food, etc., etc., which has not been digested, then when again ready for food use Grape-Nuts because it is easy of digestion?" Or should the child be at once carried off to a hospital and cut? We have known of many cases wherein the approaching signs of appendicitis have disappeared by the suggestion being followed. No one better appreciates the value of a skilful physician when a person is in the awful throes of acute appendicitis, but "an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure." Just plain old common sense is helpful even nowadays. This trial demonstrated Grape-Nuts food is pure beyond question. It is partly predigested. Appendicitis generally has rise from undigested food. It is not always necessary to operate. It is best to stop all food. When ready to begin feeding use a predigested food. It is palatable and strong in nourishment. It will pay fine returns in health to quit the heavy breakfasts and lunches and use less food but select food certainly known to contain the elements nature requires to sustain the body. May we be permitted to suggest a breakfast of fruit, Grape-Nuts and cream, two soft boiled eggs, and some hot toast and cocoa, milk or Portum? The question of whether Grape-Nuts does or does not contain the elements which nature requires for the nourishment of the brain, also of its purity, will be treated in later newspaper articles. Good food is important and its effect on the body is also important. "There's a Reason" Postum Cereal Co., Ltd.

Nellie Maxwell.

We want to reduce our stock, and will sell shoes, hats, and dry goods at cost--Also groceries at reduced prices.

FOR 8 DAYS ONLY

The following prices will hold good for 8 days beginning January 28th and ending February 4th. Come, price our big bargains.

Dry Goods

All Dress Gingham Now	10c	All Outing At	8c
All Apron Gingham Now	8c	Ladies and Mens 15c hose At	10c
All Calico Now	5½c	Boys and Girls 20c hose At	15c
Bleaching At	7, 8½ and 10c	SHOES--Our Entire Line of up-to-the-notch Foot Wear Will Be Thrown on the Market at Cost for 8 days only.	
Mens \$3.50, \$3.00, \$2.25, and 1.75 at \$2.50, 2.00, 1.75, and 1.25.			

FROM
Saturday January 28
TO
Saturday February 4

THE FAIR

Groceries

American Lady-Best flour in town	\$3.00	New South Ribbon Cane per case	3.80
Tomatoes, 3lb cans	2.25	Everybodys Brand. Syrup per case	3.50
Corn, Best, 2lb cans	2.00	25c Peaberry Coffee	.20
Dr. Prices Flakes 3 for	.25	30c Premium Coffee, premium in each pkg, at	.25
There are lots of bargains in our Grocery Department. It will pay you to pick up a few of the bargains.			

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Varieties adapted to West Texas and
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CROSBYTON-SOUTH PLAINS

Everything Moving Along In The
Very Best Way Possible

Everything is moving along in good shape on the Crosbyton and South Plains Railroad construction in the vicinity of Lubbock. There is indeed much activity in and around our city in railroad work.

The work on the bridges across the two prongs of the Yellow House Canyon is being prosecuted with all the haste possible and within a very short time will be completed and ready for the rails. The Y has been put in on the divide between the two streams, the track having been completed to the second bridge. An immense amount of material is being assembled for the road and active track-laying will begin within a very short time. We understand there is now enough material on the ground at Lubbock to complete the track to Crosbyton, with the exception of twelve miles of steel, which is contracted to be delivered here by the time the stock on hand has been exhausted or before.

The right-of-way has been secured for the extension of the road west to the west line of the Overton Addition and grade work is going on in that part of the city at this time. This will be the switch ground for the road and quite a broad right-of-way was required. A number of houses were in the wake of the right-of-way and had to be moved. Some have already been located in other parts of the city and the remaining number will be removed as soon as the house movers can get to them.

Everything is coming along in good shape and there is no fault to be found with the progress that has been made on this road from the very beginning--Lubbock Avalanche.

Midland Signs up for New Railroad to the North.

Our neighbor on the West, Midland, has contracted with Morris J. Healy, president of the Rock Island, Farwell, Tucumcari & Gulf railroad, now building out of Texico, for the construction of a railroad from Midland north to connect with the line at Farwell. The contract provides that work shall begin at Midland within 60 days.

Mr. Healy agrees to build a road with 60 pound steel rails from Midland to Farwell, or to some point on the Santa Fe between Farwell and Amarillo, and to have it in operation within 2 1/2 years from the date of the contract. He also enters into a bond in the sum of \$100,000 to faithfully perform his agreements.

He also agrees that the general offices of the road shall be located in Midland; that Midland shall be division headquarters and that the roundhouse and machine shops will be located there.

Midland has agreed to turn over to Mr. Healy \$100,000 bonus, \$15,000 in cash, and the balance of the \$100,000 in notes and other

NEW MEMBER ARRIVES

Brings Family From West Texas
To Spend Winter Here

Honorable J. J. Dillard, of Lubbock, Texas, representing the 10th district, arrived this morning, bringing with him his family, who will remain in Austin during the session of the Legislature. Mr. Dillard is a typical West Texas man, and is imbued with the progressive spirit. He never misses an opportunity to boost for West Texas. One of the first things he did after his arrival was to visit the Rayburn headquarters, and he has been boosting for his favorite candidate with that peculiar enthusiasm for which the West Texas boosters are noted.

Mr. Dillard says that this is his first trip to Austin, and he means to put in his time in an unostentatious way doing what he can to assist in making this the period of real development for Texas.--Austin Daily Tribune.

The \$15,000 has already been raised in cash, and is now ready in trust to be paid over to Mr. Healy at the proper time.

An engineer of the Rock Island road is expected there the latter part of this week to commence the surveys. The route will probably be through Andrews, county seat of Andrews county, to Seminole, county seat of Gaines county, and from there north to Farwell on the most feasible and practicable route to be determined by actual survey.

It is the intention of Mr. Healey that this road be continued south through San Antonio to the gulf, thus giving Midland a north and south outlet.

We are glad to make a note of this deal and hope to see work commence on schedule time at Midland. No better situation for Stanton could be hoped for than to see the Rock Island attempt to push across a territory that the Santa Fe has long had its eye on. Watch out for developments soon.--Stanton Reporter.

MORE THAN A DREAM

There is comfort, sweet comfort, for you and for me,
And the moments we spend in a dream,
But the air castles we build for you and for me,
Don't stand as firm as the seem.

There are moments we spend in extravagant plans,
That might be spent in accomplishing one;

The reward is given to industrious hands,
We're only remembered by what we have done.

The days and the hours are allotted to us,
Weighed out by the Omnipotent One;

The moments and seconds are accredited to us,
He will only reward us for what we have done.

Then fill every moment with a valuable treasure,
To carry to the beautiful shore;

Sitting and dreaming is a wonderful pleasure,
But dreaming don't fill up eternity's store.

—Compliment of A. Coleman, to the News.

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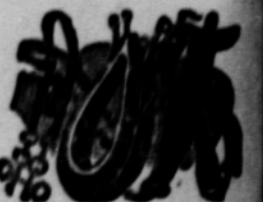
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