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SINGLETON SUNDAY WITH DINNER

Hal Singleton, Sr., mother, Mrs. S. F. Singleton, celebrated her 75th birthday Sunday with all the good friends and was greatly pleased. An elaborate dinner was served upon which had been prepared by the ring bearer, the son, S. D. Singleton, and her grandson, Ed. Singleton, and the button to Joe Singleton. After the cake had been served, ice cream was served. Mrs. Singleton was very happy and enjoyed her birthday very much. She was assisted in entertaining by her mother, Mrs. S. F. Singleton, and her daughter, Mrs. S. D. Singleton, Miss Mate Singleton, Mayor E. M. Wilder, T. J. Kellis.

More than 25 years ago Mrs. Singleton came to the O'Donnell country with her husband and opened a place in the western part of the county and since that time has been a constant resident and has taken an active part in the upbuilding of the county and her friends are numbered by her acquaintances. While she lived on the old Slash L. Ranch, she was a mother to every cowboy that came to that way and her deeds of kindness were heralded through this great cattleland. She has lived three-quarters of a century. Mrs. Singleton does not look her age, although her hair is white with the frost of years, her face is like that of a girl scarcely a young woman. Her mind is very active and, perhaps, there is not a woman in the county that knows more of the history than this lady. She enjoys many more happy days surrounded by loving relatives and friends.

MRS. A. W. GIBBS ENTERTAINS WITH BRIDGE PARTY

Mrs. A. W. Gibbs was hostess to the bridge club last Wednesday evening at the home of her mother, Mrs. S. F. Singleton, which was reported to have been the most enjoyable meeting the club has ever experienced. The members of the club were very anxious to bring their poor husbands to the games and entertain the ladies of the evening, all of which was a great treat to the club. Partners were drawn for the first round of the game. The first round was played with the name of an automobile. The lady and the last round was played with the name of a gentleman written on the cards and when the cards were dealt to spell the full name of the process was complete and the partners were drawn into the dining room. The partners for the games, a song was written on the cards and when the cards were distributed each guest went to the holder of the duplicate and the holder of the duplicate signified that they were partners. The high score Mrs. W. was awarded a box of candy for having the lowest score. Cathey was given a stick of candy. A. D. Brown and B. J. Nichols and Bernice Anderson, and three visitors. Always glad to have visitors. The club meets next Thursday evening with Mrs. H. W. Crews.

Those present were: Mr. James A. D. Brown, B. J. Nichols, H. W. Crews, A. W. Gibbs, A. D. Brown, John Schooler, W. S. Cathey, Mrs. Schooler, Miss Willie Gibbs was assisted in entertaining by her mother, Mrs. S. F. Singleton, and her daughter, Mrs. S. D. Singleton, Miss Mate Singleton, Mayor E. M. Wilder, T. J. Kellis.

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W. O. STEVENS STORE BEING MOVED TO NEW LOCATION

The W. O. Stevens stock of dry goods is being moved this week from the O'Donnell Mercantile stand to the building formerly occupied by the Hart Mercantile. The store has been closed all this week. The building is being remodeled and new show windows added which will make it very attractive to the trading public. Carroll Baldwin, manager, is preparing for a grand opening some time next week announcement to be made later.

PLAINVIEW CEMETERY WORK- ING 1ST SATURDAY IN MAY

Announcement has been made that the annual Plainview Cemetery working will be held at Plainview the first Saturday in May. Everyone is invited to participate. Come, and let's work and clean up our silent city of the dead.

B. L. PARKER IS AGAIN ON NIGHTWATCHMAN'S BEAT

Look out boys you had better watch your step, or B. L. Parker will get you. He is again back on the job as nightwatchman after an absence of several months. He entered upon his duties Monday night. B. L. stated Wednesday he had already made two arrests since he began making the nightly rounds.

NEW HONORARY MEMBERS O'DONNELL FIRE DEPARTMENT

The following have become honorary members of the O'Donnell fire department during the past week. Fire Chief Ash reports that he wants to make the honorary membership 100 per cent of the male population of the town. He is highly gratified at the large number coming into the department since he issued the call three weeks ago: R. C. E. Collins, Jeff Musick, Recall Cafe, Prof. Edwards, City Cafe, Dr. O. H. Shepard, Guy Bradley, McDonald-Ely Gin Company, Bob Carroll, Homer May, Morris Sanderson, A. A. House, J. M. Christopher, Mrs. M. E. Barton and T. M. Wilson.

T BAR CLUB WOMEN HAVE INTERESTING MEETING THURSDAY

The T Bar Club ladies met with Mrs. Moore the first Thursday, the regular meeting date, with Mrs. Nichols as hostess. The meeting was called to order at 3:00 by the president, roll call by secretary. A very interesting time was had and new business taken up. The club women voted to meet with Mrs. Ben Moore of the O'Donnell club some time in the near future for a demonstration on mattress making. Much interest was manifested with almost all the club members present. At the close of business the hostess served delicious cake, pineapple custard, and chocolate to those present. Those present were: Mrs. Jim Nichols, hostess, Mrs. R. L. Moore, President, Mrs. McCarty, Secretary, Mesdames Henderson, Crews, John Moore, Lindley, L. W. Payne, J. C. Beasley, Townzen; Misses Esther Nichols and Bernice Anderson, and three visitors. Always glad to have visitors. The club meets next Thursday evening with Mrs. H. W. Crews.

Sometimes a floating indebtedness gets heavy enough to sink. Some men who stand on their dignity give evidence of not having much else to stand on.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney McKinnon and children of Tahoka were O'Donnell visitors Sunday. Mr. McKinnon is the new manager of Cicero-Smith Lumber Company at Tahoka.

Geo. Foster and Dr. C. T. Kibbe returned Monday from a business trip to Hereford.

More Sky Juice Falls In O'Donnell Territory

ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM TREDWAY COMMUNITY

The farmers in this community were highly elated over the splendid shower which fell in this territory Monday night. The rain was beneficial, but not sufficient for cotton planting.

Messrs Mathew and Hughes of Rotan were here last week visiting relatives and friends. They reported rain all the way from Rotan to Gail.

Mr. Joe Proctor of Abilene was visiting his father the past week.

There will be an Easter Hunt at the Mesquite school house on next Sunday evening. Everyone is invited to come and bring a basket of eggs.

Gail and Draw will play baseball at the Mesquite school house on next Friday afternoon. Everyone come and see the fun.

Blue Weed.

MRS. PAUL GOOCH ENTERTAINS SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

The beautiful country home of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Gooch was the scene of much gaiety Thursday night when Mrs. Gooch entertained her Sunday school class together with a number of outside guests.

Soon after arriving guests were supplied with pencils and slips of paper on which were written words with letters very much disarranged. Our hostess announced we were going on a trip to Topsy Turvy town which meant we were to arrange these letters promptly and correctly. Scattered brains were racked for ten minutes when papers were collected and judged. It was found Kathryn Veazey and Beulah Estes had won the prize which was awarded by Mrs. Gooch with very touching remarks.

We were then conducted upstairs where we found four tables. On one table was cotton, mullage and tooth picks of which we were to make lambs. On the other tables were pencils, paper and scissors and we were instructed to draw bears, tigers and lions. After much deliberation the committee announced Mr. Naymon Everett winner. They were also awarded with a box of tiny Easter eggs.

Refreshments consisting of cake and pink and white brick ice cream were served to the following:

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Westmoreland, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Thomas, Rev. and Mrs. W. B. Hicks, Mr. and Mrs. Cary Shook, Mr. and Mrs. Naymon Everett, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Veazey and Mrs. Estes, Misses Erna D. Palmer, Thelma Palmer, Mabel Kirkpatrick, Mable Harris, Era Harris, Blanch Popplewell, Margie Anderson, Beulah Estes, Sue Gates, Annie Ree Preston, Marguerite Hicks, Kathryn Veazey, Kitty Ayler, Christine Hicks, Bessie Mae Tate and Christine Millwee, Messrs. Gordon King, Otis Harris, Travis Everett, W. B. Hicks Jr., Leon Veazey and James Knight Hicks.

Mrs. Gooch proved herself a royal hostess as well as a capable and enthusiastic Sunday School teacher. The success of her social showed much time had been spent in preparation. Now, young people let's show our faithful teacher how much we appreciate her by always being at Sunday school with well learned lesson, and doing all we can to keep the record of the biggest and best class in Sunday school. Any young man or woman in town who does not belong to some other Sunday school will always find a hearty welcome in our class. Come and see.

Many a man falls into debt, but the process of getting out is usually one of crawling.

More "sky juice" fell in the O'Donnell territory Monday night. While the precipitation in town amounted to only about one-fourth of an inch the country to the east of town received more, in some places amounting to two and a half inches. Very little fell to the west where moisture is beginning to be needed.

Grass and all vegetation are now growing rapidly and the pastures are covered with a blanket of green and the country side presents a beautiful appearance. The greater part of the farming land is ready for the seed and on many farms maize, corn and other feedstuffs are being planted.

The O'Donnell country was never in better shape at this time of the year and all the old-timers predict another big crop.

Keep your eye on the O'Donnell country and watch her again take her place among the most prosperous sections of the west. We have the soil, the climate and the best people on earth—just give us the price for our products and the country will again come into the lime light.

GRIM HUMOR OFTEN MARKED JUSTICE OF OLD TIME VIGILANTES

Probably the grimmest dispensers of justice this country has ever known were the Vigilantes of the Western towns of fifty years ago.

When the members of the Henry Plummer gang, and Terrible Jack Slade were executed by the Vigilantes of Virginia City and Bannock, all mines closed down and 600 hard-faced men marched four abreast to the place of trial; stood in cordons about the gibbet, and with drawn pistols overawed anybody who might feel inclined to interfere.

It was the custom of the Vigilantes to send out riders, arrest the desperadoes whose misdeeds had earned death, and hold a trial. It was quick. Then came a verdict of guilty with the penalty, death by hanging; invariably at once. The rope was ready, the limb of a cottonwood tree was usually available and the condemned either walked off of a moving wagon or had a soap box kicked from beneath his feet.

A historically correct illustration of the earnestness with which the Vigilantes enforced law is pictured by Director John Ford of "Iron Horse" fame, in the forthcoming William Fox epic picture, "3 Bad Men," which was recently completed in the heart of the Teton Country, and which will be seen at the Lynn Theatre, April 18.

In reading of Vigilantes executions preparatory to the making of this hair-raising scene, Mr. Ford found an instance where a condemned man asked that a handkerchief be tied around his eyes. That was done and a moment later he was "dancing on nothing."

An Eastern tourist—horrified by the nonchalance of those who conducted the affair, asked the leader of the Vigilantes if he did "not feel" for the condemned as he placed the rope about his neck.

"I certainly did," was the reply. "I felt very carefully for his left ear, so I'd be sure to get the knot in the right place."

Every promise from the West Coast is that this picture—mammoth in proportions and portrayed by one of the most brilliant casts ever assembled—will take rank as the greatest of Historical Western photodramas. Some of the leading players are George O'Brien, Olive Borden, J. Farrell MacDonald, Tom Santschi, Frank Campeau, Lou Tellegen, Priscilla Bonner, Alec B. Francis, Otis Harlan, George Perry and many others.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Christopher and son J. C. and little grandson Ryan Wade, returned Sunday from Lone Wolf, Okla., where they spent the week-end with relatives and friends.

SUNRISE PRAYER MEETING SUNDAY AT CHRISTIAN CHURCH

There will be sunrise prayer meeting at the Christian church Sunday morning at 6:00 o'clock. There has been an invitation extended to all the churches in town to participate in the program which will be composed of several short talks by pastors with special prayers for missionaries of the foreign fields and especially those in China. The high school Glee Club Girls will sing, and there will be other special music. Given by authority of the church.

YES, "WE HAVE NO FISH STORY" FOR THIS WEEK

Ben S. Coin of The Popular, and Editor J. W. Roberts returned last Friday night from a two weeks vacation spent in San Antonio and the lower Rio Grande Valley.

Our friend "Sky Juice" Kellis and Albert Curry who have been carrying on in our absence at the Index office the past two weeks have published two splendid newsy papers which, in our opinion, is far better than our feeble efforts are capable of producing.

One thing we cannot conscientiously give our readers this week, and that is a story of how "The waves kissed the sandy shore, and bathing beauties beckoning evermore, moonlight boat rides upon the surf, a petting party upon the turf, fish glistening in the sun, and how the big one (bathing beauty of fish got away." Those who are interested may draw upon their imagination for that part of the story. We are just like the rest of the 125,000,000 who inhabit the earth. We went to see and enjoy some of the great outdoors, and we saw all that two "modest souls" with two good eyes could see in the metropolis of Texas in a week. From there we went to the Rio Grande valley of which we have heard so much during the past few years and saw some beautiful country along the Rio Grande. The whole country was dressed in nature's new spring dress. But to us it seemed more like a hot house than a garden and we were anxious to get back to where the cool, mollescent breezes will rock you to sleep at night—the great South Plains of Texas where the best people on earth live.

GIRL DEBATERS OF O'DONNELL HI DEFEAT SLATON DEBATERS

Misses Sue Gates and Velma Slaughter, O'Donnell Hi debaters, captured honors when they journeyed to Wilson the past week and debated the Slaton boys who were champions of the Lubbock district. The O'Donnell girls used the negative side and were declared easy winners over the Slaton boys.

The O'Donnell boys, Messrs J. V. Shook and Elmo Buckett, debated the Slaton Hi girls. The O'Donnell boys used the affirmative side and were declared the losers by the judges in a close decision. The district meet will be held at Lubbock on April 22 and 23.

Those accompanying the O'Donnell debaters were Supt. J. A. Rickard, Mr. Cook and Mrs. House.

THE FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Rev. Iyre L. Townsend will preach here next Sunday, April 17th, both morning and evening. In the morning at 11:00 o'clock, his subject will be "Side Lights of the Resurrection" a message of interest to all. Remember the Sunday school at 10:00 a. m. with the new and interesting programs being given in this department. All friends and visitors in the city as well as regular members are especially invited to be out and join with us in this glorious Easter service.

R. L. Painter left first of the week for a business visit to McCamey. He will return by way of Fort Worth.

Mrs. Jennie L. Rutledge of Brownwater, has been the guest of Moll Patten the past week.

NEW CITY OFFICERS INSTALLED IN OFFICE TUESDAY NIGHT

O'Donnell is being governed this week by an almost entire new force of City officials. The City Attorney was the only candidate to succeed himself when the newly elected officials were sworn in on last Tuesday night. In the recent election, a mayor, a city marshal, city attorney and three aldermen were elected. C. T. Kibbe, the outgoing mayor administered the oath of office to the new officials before a house packed to capacity who had gathered to witness the change in the city administration.

Since the recent election which was one of the hottest ever experienced for a city election in a town the size of O'Donnell, things have settled down to normal. The topics for conversation have changed from a political nature to the possibilities for oil in the O'Donnell territory and future price of cotton. All efforts are again centered upon the duties of trying to make an honest living.

O'Donnell city dads are now composed of E. M. Wilder, Mayor; J. Y. Everett, City Marshal; W. H. Crunk, City Attorney; Aldermen, R. C. Carroll, Ed Singleton, C. L. Davis, John Hardberger and G. A. Haney.

MR. AND MRS. GRIFFIN ANNOUNCE MARRIAGE OF THEIR DAUGHTER

Mr. and Mrs. Griffin have announced the marriage of their daughter, Jackie to Johnnie W. Johnson on April 2nd. Only a few friends of the contracting parties were present. Miss Griffin was well known in O'Donnell and will long be remembered by her acquaintances. Mr. Johnson lives at Meridian where the young couple will make their home.

MRS. CARLTON WILL PRESENT CLASS IN RECITAL FRIDAY NIGHT

Mrs. Carlton's Expression Class will give a recital next Friday evening at 8:30 at the High School auditorium. No admission will be charged.

The class has made much preparation and promises to give you one of the best programs of the season.

EASTER IS COMING SUN- DAY, APRIL, 17TH

Easter comes at a glad season of the year. The festival itself, is both commemorative of the resurrection of Jesus Christ and as a memorial to the atonement wrought by the death of the Master upon the cross.

It is hailed with great acclaim in all the Christian churches of the world. In Greek and Latin and in the languages derived from them, Easter was known as "Pascha," "Pasch," "Pasqua," "Paques," etc., from the Chaldean word, "Padcha," the equivalent of the Hebrew "Pesach." The "Destroying Angel's" act is recalled by the last name in "passing over" the households of the Hebrews when he smote the Egyptians, as disclosed in the twelfth chapter of Exodus.

This year Easter will fall on April 17. The way by which Easter is determined is that of the first Sunday after the paschal full moon—the fourteenth day of the calendar moon, or the full moon which happens upon or next after March 21; and if the full moon happens on a Sunday, then Easter day is the first Sunday following.

As usual, O'Donnell churches will observe Easter with elaborate programs. It is an event that the children and the grown-ups have learned to look forward to with much pleasurable anticipation; it is an event all should remember with some beauty.

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FRIENDLY COMPETITION

Not so many years ago it was the habit among merchants handling the same kind of merchandise to spend more time knocking their competitors than in praising their own goods.

Fortunately most of this "stone-age" competition has been eradicated and rivals in business can be the best of friends without even trying.

Whenever you knock your competitor, you are merely admitting the fact that his merchandise is better than yours—for if yours is the best to buy, why should you worry about what he sells?

When a young man or an old one for that matter—signifies his intention of going into business in competition to you, give him a welcoming hand and encourage him in his endeavor.

It is not only morally right—but it is also good business. To the man who plays the game square, through and thorough, there can be no failure.

"A BIT OF HISTORY AND PRESENT DAY FACTS"

Not many years ago, James Atwell trudged three miles over a lonely road, through deep sand to a little rural school. So great was his desire for knowledge, so great was his ambition to amount to something in the world that it was a rare thing for him to be absent.

The school boasted of only three teachers. But it was fortunate to secure those, who usually tried in every way to assist worthy students. One instructor in particular, had a large class of boys and girls, who were anxious to pass the state examinations. He was very thorough and was glad to give extra time in order to aid this class. James Atwell was one student, who, when the examination was over found himself among the fortunate ones.

He was a poor boy, whose parents were tillers of the soil and who possessed no surplus money with which to send the son to college.

Therefore, James went from a rural school with a teachers certificate into another little school to try to instruct a group of primary children and thus save a little money with which to better prepare himself. Perhaps some will say he had not sufficient training to enter the school

room. True he had no college training. But with his ambition to succeed, every effort was put forth. The result was, that those little tots learned and the patrons were pleased.

So, with a little money, and a will to work, James Atwell, next year, went to college. While there, realizing that every moment counted, he carried all the work, that the faculty would allow. No idle minutes were his to spend. He burned midnight oil, that he might take part in contests, that would better fit him for a teacher.

After a while he again entered the school room, and although a young man, with a desire for clean wholesome pleasure, James allowed no frivolity to interfere with his profession. The day was spent in hard work. When night came he retired at an early hour so that he might be fresh and calm for the next day's work.

He knew what it was to crave knowledge. He knew what it was to be poor. So, many were the days he began work at eight o'clock in the morning and remained until five in the afternoon. The law did not require those extra hours, but the need of the boys and girls called for the very best there was in him. Hence, he gave it willingly and unstintingly. He knew that no teacher could be a success, who worked only from nine until four. Therefore, by his untiring efforts a few people were encouraged to climb on and make for themselves a way.

If James Atwell was among the living he would be happy to know that many of his students of yesterday are making a success of life, today.

In the present fast age with the demand for college degrees, cool, practical thinking, and sane living is badly needed. College degrees are fine and all should strive to possess one. But many times the person who is thorough and practical who puts himself into his work, yet holds no degree is more efficient than some who have them.

May the time come when every teacher regardless of his college training will seek to raise the standard of his profession. This can be done by continuously standing at the post of duty. When more of our in-

structors teach, (not the text book alone, it is merely an outline, or pattern) everything that will help the child to a higher plane of life, then we shall have better schools and better citizens.

Some training should be given in declaiming, debating and music, especially vocal by all instructors. Some are too prone, to leave all such to special teachers. Many students would like to prepare themselves in these subjects, but often have not the means. Therefore, when all instructors see that they get the proper training there will be more efficiency in the schools, and a greater number of boys and girls will be better prepared for living.

The writer gives the above as a who probably have not the means to finish their education in a few short years. Remember you cannot leap to the top round of the ladder at one bound. Be content to climb slowly if needs be but use every opportunity to climb that is presented and at all times do thoroughly that which you can do.

To the teachers is meant no unjust criticism. May this little article be a spur to your determination to build and maintain a higher standard of your profession.

Contributed.

Singleton Hardware and Grocery has Pruitt's GERMGET to put in the chicks drinking water that is guaranteed to prevent disease or your money back. 29-2tc.

Puts High Value on Pet

The fabled pet that is worth its weight in gold was found at Chicago when Dr. G. F. Bicknell refused that value for Jimmie, his pet canary. The bird has the freedom of the house and has a number of accomplishments, but his greatest is serving as a reserve alarm clock. When the alarm rings, it is Doctor Bicknell's custom to roll over for forty winks more, but Jimmie flits in, perches on the bridge of the Bicknell nose, and starts singing a canary reveille.

Surgeon's Possibilities

Electric tools for surgeons are reducing the time required for operations, decreasing the shock to patients and endowing the operator's hands with keener skill. One of these is a "bone mill" driven by motor with various saw and grinder attachments. It enables surgeons to do bone work hitherto considered almost impossible.

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12,000 egg incubators to be installed in the valley. Custom has been made for large proportions, and the Dickens and family are stocking their children's furniture by the ranch. The ranch was sold to C. Davis of Rule.

Additional positions have been installed here at the office of the Southwestern Company for the purpose of the rural and toll lines. There are five positions on which will be ample to take increased business.

Another imposition has been added to the list with the announcement of A. A. Koch, for the past year of the San Angelo and Machine Company, has a land here and will begin the erection of a foundry company. The new industry is known as the Stan Foundry.

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KRESS—Contract has been let here for three brick business houses, and work will start at once on these. WICHITA FALLS—The choral contest sponsored annually in connection with the big yearly convention of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce has been expanded this year to include four classes of organization. Choral clubs, colleges and high school glee clubs and choirs are eligible to compete this year. One hundred dollars as first prize and fifty dollars as second award are to be given in each class of the contest.

CHILDRESS—The fourth West Texas Chamber of Commerce convention of the year will be held in this city May 5, when representative from the Green Belt and Lower Panhandle district gather here. More than thirty towns are expected to send delegates.

STANTON—Work has begun on a 10-cottage tourist camp on the west edge of Stanton on the Bankhead Highway. The cabins are drive-in type and are equipped with heater, running water and conveniences for cooking and other comforts.

MEGARGEL—A successful clean-up campaign has been completed here under sponsorship of the Current Literature Club of Megargel. Substantial prizes were offered for the largest piles of trash, the cleanest premises, and such.

COLEMAN—Leon Shield, oil man and banker of this city has offered \$100 in gold as prize money in the West Texas Chamber of Commerce "Home Town" speaking contest to be held at Wichita Falls during the ninth annual convention of the organization May 16 and 17. Winner of first prize in the contest is to be awarded \$100 in gold, the Thomas Etheridge Jr. silver loving cup, and scholarship to Texas Tech and to the West Texas State Teachers college at Canyon. Fifty dollars will be given winners of second, place twenty-five dollars will go to third winner, and fifteen and ten dollars will go to winners of fourth and fifth places respectively. The contest is open to

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When frowns are sure to rise.
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your head,
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Just smile to everyone you pass,
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THE STATE OF TEXAS: TO THE SHERIFF OR ANY OTHER CONSTABLE OF LYNN COUNTY: GREETINGS:

You are hereby commanded to summons L. M. Huddleston, by making publication of this citation once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, to appear at the next regular term of the Justice Court, of Precinct 4, Lynn County, Texas, to be holden at O'Donnell, in Lynn County Texas, on the First Monday in May, A. D. 1927, the same being the 4 day of May, 1927, then and there to answer the suit of W. H. Guthrie, filed in said Court on the 17 day of March, A. D. 1927, numbered No. 103 on the docket of said court, wherein W. H. Guthrie is Plaintiff, and L. M. Huddleston is Defendant, the same being a suit upon an account, for the

sum of \$165.85, alleged to be due and owing Plaintiff by Defendant, for merchandise, said account past due and unpaid.

Herein fail not but have you before said court on the 1st Monday in May, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

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I wish to express my sincere appreciation to the citizens of O'Donnell for the splendid co-operation and courtesies shown me during the six years I have served them as City Marshall and Tax Collector. I have turned the books and duties of office over to my successor Mr. J. Y. Everett who will serve you in the future. I ask that you give him your cooperation with the promise that he will make you a dutiful officer. With all good wishes, I am, Your friend,
T. A. Wimberley.

ODD HAPPENINGS IN THE NEWS

Los Angeles, Cal.—A cat belonging to Mrs. Elizabeth Lynch has been assured of comfort for the rest of its days by its owner, who recently died. A life insurance policy, real estate worth several thousands of dollars and \$600 in personal property were willed the feline. The cat is five years old.

Belle River Road, Mich.—The next

time you have to make a short detour on rough roads just think about Neil Possious of this town. Possious, a poultryman, had to detour 56 miles to go a distance of two miles from here to Marine City, Mich.

New York City.—Frank A. Sullivan, without a penny to his name, crossed the continent from Los Angeles to New York in three weeks, recently. His diet consisted only of coffee and oranges. He lost twenty-five pounds during the trip. Sullivan hiked five hundred miles and got auto rides the rest of the way.

Port Huron, Mich.—A new thing in theatre conveniences has been inaugurated here. It is a "crying room" for mothers with crying children. The pictures can be seen through a glass wall until the offsprings get tired of exercising their vocal ability.

Clarksburg, W. Va.—In order to get out of paying a \$6.60 fine, E. W. Moats has agreed to remain sober for 25 years. He was arrested on an intoxication charge but neighbors said he had not been drunk for 25 years. The judge then agreed to suspend the fine if Moats would stay sober 25 years more. Moats accepted the challenge.

ONLY FITTEST CAN SURVIVE IN WILD

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All nature seems to be a battle ground. The creatures that rove the woods, fly in the air, swim in the sea and streams, creep, or crawl, all seem to spend their lives in fear of something bigger and stronger gobbling them up.

To live they must keep their wits about them and safety depends on wariness. Even the largest creatures, writes Oliver G. Pike, F. Z. S., in London Tit-Bits, have enemies, while most, if not all, have learned to look upon man as the creature to be most avoided. Young animals have so much to learn, and such a short time in which to learn it, before their parents desert them and cast them adrift, that it is a wonder so many survive.

In a lifetime spent among wild creatures I have seen many narrow escapes, and I have known that when an animal does escape from an enemy, even if it is badly wounded, it will probably live longer than most of its companions, for with each encounter won the creature becomes more artful and will not run into that trap again.

I was once resting on the margin of a Highland loch, and before me numbers of gulls were circling over the water. The largest of these, a powerful great black-backed gull, dived to the water, and a moment or two later rose with something in his beak. My field-glasses showed this to be an eel about 18 inches in length. The bird had captured a prize, and one would have thought that such a strong bird would have made short work of it.

He was flying across the water, no doubt intending to land, but he had not gone far when I saw he was in difficulties. He flustered frantically, and seemed to be falling towards the water, when he did the only thing he could to save his life. He let go of the eel, and the latter dropped to the loch. When the eel found itself captured by an enemy much bigger than itself, it twisted tightly round the bird's neck, and if the latter had not released it he would have been strangled.

I have known a similar thing happen to a heron which often fished on a certain lake. In this case, too, the bird would have been killed, but it released the eel just in time. Now, the heron is not the kind of bird that would be caught again by this trick, yet an eel is food that he cannot very well resist, and a few days later this heron caught another.

This time he captured it across its middle and held it in a firm grip with his long neck well extended. For three or four minutes he stood in this position, as motionless as a statue. He did not want to be strangled again, and he did not want to lose his meal. What could he do?

Suddenly he tossed the creature into the air, caught it deftly, either by its head or tail—I am not sure which—and then began to swing it backwards and forwards like a driver cracking his whip! There was no hope for that eel. A minute later it was bruised and broken. The great bird worked it round in his beak until the head pointed down his throat, and with a few violent gulps it disappeared from view.

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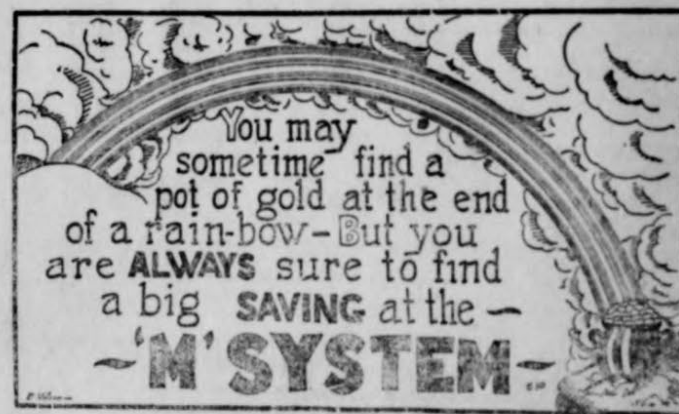
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