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AN AIM OF A FRIENDLY BANK

A purpose of The Farmers National Bank is to Combine old-fashioned courtesy and modern banking methods—to make courtesy quite as prominent a feature of its service as the stability of its resources and the skill of its management.

By courtesy we mean something more than mere civility—something that will impress the customer with the dignified, friendly confidential relations that subsist between the depositor and the bank.

THE FARMERS NATIONAL BANK

—Read Our Messages Appearing In Farm and Ranch—



OF CROSS PLAINS, TEXAS

AID AVAILABLE FOR VOCATIONAL TEACHER

Superintendent Nat Williams of the Cross Plains public schools, Elmer Vestal, member of the local school board, and Taylor Bond of the Farmers National Bank, returned from a recent visit to Austin. One purpose of the visit was in the interest of employing a vocational agricultural teacher whose work will be performed in conjunction with the Cross Plains schools and confined to this community. The matter was discussed with the State Supervisor of Agricultural Education, and since their return the following letter from that source has been received by Superintendent Williams:

Austin, Texas,
July 29, 1929

Mr. Nat Williams,
Cross Plains, Texas.

Dear Mr. Williams:

We find that we will be able to make reimbursement on your department of vocational agriculture next year. Attached please find blank contracts and a letter of general information which will enable you to determine the per cent basis and the

amount of reimbursement on the salary of your teacher.

I do not know just where we are going to locate a teacher. I have today a letter from Mr. H. L. Williams, who is the man that we were speaking about while you were in the office. He graduated from A. & M. College several years ago but has not in the meantime taught vocational agriculture. I do not know why he did not secure a teaching job when he got out of the College. He probably will place an application with you. It might be that he would be satisfactory.

In the meantime I am getting in touch with a number of states adjoining Texas, and hope to locate a good man during the next ten days.

Very truly yours,
D. L. Davis,

Supervisor Agricultural Education.

Miss Jewel Casey of Howard Payne College, Brownwood, and her mother, visited with friends in Cross Plains and Cottonwood last Saturday and Sunday. Miss Jewel, in company with other members of the family, will leave the latter part of this week for a visit to Yellowstone Park and other places of interest in the far west.

We'll Help You to Succeed!

The successful man looks successful! We'll help you look successful and BE successful if you will send us your clothes to be pressed.

Our method of pressing—the Valetor method—makes clothing seem like new again. It restores the original trim tailored lines of the garment; raises the nap and renews the lustre of the fabric; kills germs, moth eggs, and removes perspiration odors.

Send us a suit, dress, or coat to be pressed today. You'll get it back when you want it, looking like new!

JIM SETTLE'S DRY CLEANING

"ENEMY TO DIRT"

PHONE 27

BAILEY BARR INJURED BY FALL FROM TREE

Bailey Barr, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Barr of Cross Plains, was seriously injured by falling from a tree at the Barr Aviation Field, about two miles north of town, late Wednesday evening of last week. The accident occurred at the end of the last flight of the airplane, performances that were being conducted on that day as a part of the program of the Cross Plains annual picnic. The parachute performer had made the jump from the plane at a high altitude, and the strong winds had drifted him over the timbered section of Turkey Creek. The parachute and its attendant landed in the top of a high elm tree, and it was during an effort made by young Barr to reach and assist him, when a limb upon which the latter was standing gave way, resulting in a fall to the ground about 25 feet below. Young Barr first landed on the high bank of the creek, but being stunned and rendered unconscious by the fall rolled on into the water of the stream, and would have drowned within a few minutes had not another party who was nearby reached him in time to keep his head above the water until other help could arrive.

The young man, who is being treated for his injuries at the home of his parents, has been unconscious and in a serious condition since the time of the accident seven days ago, though some improvement in his condition was announced on Wednesday of this week, and attending physicians believe there is a fair chance for his recovery. He was carried to the Sealy Hospital at Santa Anna early Wednesday morning.

SNAKE BITE FATAL TO OPLIN YOUTH

The 33-hour fight for life of Alton Monroe, 8-year-old Lawn boy, against the venom of a rattlesnake bite was a losing one. The lad died in a local sanitarium at 3:30 o'clock Saturday morning. He was bitten by the rattler about 6 o'clock Thursday evening as he was driving a flock of turkeys to the farm. Antivenom serum was administered.

The father of the boy, Sebe Monroe, gave his blood in a transfusion, resorted to as last hope of saving the boy's life. The snake which bit young Monroe, was a large one the boy told attending physicians. Its fangs left marks nearly an inch apart. The youth had lived in the Lawn and Oplin communities all his life, having been born at Oplin.

Besides his parents, the boy is survived by two sisters, Etna and Lucille Monroe; a brother, Clifford Monroe and his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. McKinley of Melrose, N. M., and Mrs. A. G. Chauncey of Abilene.

With Laughter Undertaking company in charge, funeral rites were held Saturday afternoon at four o'clock from the Baptist church at Oplin, Rev. L. S. Bright, Potosi, Baptist pastor, officiated. Burial was made in the Oplin cemetery.—Abilene Reporter.

A. A. BERTRAND OPENS NEW CAFE IN BAIRD

(Baird Star)

The Bankhead Cafe, is a new business institution in Baird, under the able management of Mr. A. A. Bertrand, formerly of Cross Plains where he has been in the cafe business for several years and previous to that was in the business for nine years at Santa Anna. The new cafe is located in the building recently vacated by City Pharmacy No. 2. It is nicely furnished throughout with modern equipment. Mr. Bertrand is assisted in the management by his wife, who is also thoroughly familiar with the management of the cafe business.

The Bankhead Cafe was formerly opened last night, when the management held open house from 8 to 10 o'clock, when the public was invited to call and inspect the new institution.

GREAT AIRSHIP MAKES SECOND VISIT TO U. S.

The giant dirigible Graf Zeppelin, 776 feet in length, the monster airship of the world, reached Lakehurst, N. J., last Sunday night on its second transatlantic crossing and its landing was greeted by a crowd of cheering people estimated at 100,000. To add all the thrill possible to the successful first lap of its trip around the world, the huge vessel after nearing the airport at Lakehurst, disappeared and paid New York a fleeting visit before returning for its first landing after leaving its base in Germany Wednesday night of last week on its 4,175-mile journey. An idea of the immensity of the air craft can be gained by comparison with local distance. In length it is equal to the distance across two and one-half business blocks in Cross Plains. The average speed from the time of departure from its base in Germany was approximately 45 miles an hour. It conveyed 25 passengers, exclusive of a scoreway and the ship's crew.

A brief record of the voyage is interesting. Leaving the Alps and Rhone Valley she struck across the northwestern stretches of the blue Mediterranean, the ship had sailed farther than on her unsuccessful attempt to reach America last May. Heading straight for Gibraltar she cut diagonally across the southeast corner of Spain and made for the open Atlantic at approximately 70 miles an hour. From the Mediterranean key fortress 3,000 miles of the flight remained to be covered.

Flying at an altitude of 2,000 to 3,000 feet, the huge craft appeared at times to be shaken by strong gusts of wind, but she valiantly held her course. The passengers, including seven Americans, two gorillas, several hundred Canary birds and other whatnots, were reported as remaining happy and comfortable during the entire trip. It left Lakehurst on return to its base in Germany, Wednesday, and will again proceed from there on its trip around the world by way of Japan, across the Pacific to San Francisco, thence across the continent to Lakehurst.

ANNUAL PICNIC DREW RECORD ATTENDANCE

The big three days annual picnic, rodeo and carnival entertainments which closed Friday night of last week, was attended each day by record crowds and all seemed to realize a full enjoyment of the occasion. The celebration was sponsored by the local fire department, assisted by the cooperation of all the business concerns of the city, and the net sum seized from the sale of concession, tho small, will be a great help in taking care of the many incidental expenses of the firemen's organization, many of which are urgently necessary and not otherwise provided for. Approximate figures, derived from various estimates gives the attendance on the last night of the entertainment at 7,000 people. The local band is being highly commended for the excellent musical concerts which they rendered on each day and night of the celebration.

The matter of changing the style of the event for the future year is now being discussed, and in some features it may be different from those of the past. Many are in favor of converting it into a community fair, combined with a free for all barbecue and picnic, along the lines of ye old-time occasions.

L. D. Mathis of Tifton, Ga., has returned home after a few days visit with his uncle and aunt, Judge and Mrs. A. J. Mathis, in Cross Plains. He was accompanied home by his brother, Elbert Mathis, of the Buford Webb ranch. Mr. Mathis reports that crop conditions in Georgia are the best they have had at this season for many years, especially the tobacco crop.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Brubeck have returned to Cross Plains from Merkle, and contemplate again making their home here. Mrs. Brubeck was formerly Miss Reba Baum and their many friends here gladly welcome their return.

Are Your Roofs Ready For Winter?

Winter storms will soon be here—is your roof weather proof against the onsets that will be made upon it? Right now is the time to see about having them made so. We have all the materials you will need.

CROSS PLAINS LUMBER COMPANY

Phone 18

S R. Jackson, Mgr

SCHOOLS TO START MONDAY, SEPT. 9

At a meeting of the school board Monday night of this week the list of teachers for the ensuing term was again completed by the employment of Miss Annette Spath, of Coleman, to fill the place on the faculty made vacant by the recent resignation of Miss Fouts. All other arrangements are now complete and the schools are announced to open for the fall term on Monday, Sept. 9th.

Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Kennedy returned the first of this week from their vacation visit with relatives and friends in Arkansas. They were accompanied home by Mrs. Kennedy's brother, Freg Brum, of Sulphur Rock, Ark., who will remain in Cross Plains and be employed in the local oil fields. Mr. Kennedy relates that they had a fine time on their visit to the foot-hills of the Ozarks in "Old Arkansas."

Chester Glover of Putnam was a visitor here during the past week.

CHAS. KEMP, DRILLER, HAS FINGER SEVERED

Chas. Kemp, local oil driller, had the misfortune of getting one of his fingers severed while operating some part of the machinery at an oil well on the Rudloff lease, near Cross Plains, the first of last week. About one-half of the finger was entirely severed from the hand, which will disable him from work for several weeks.

NEW BEAUTY PARLOR OPENED ON WEST 8TH

Miss Edna Mauldin, who has operated a beauty parlor in Cross Plains for the past two years, and Mrs. Geo. B. Scott, have opened an attractive and modern arranged beauty parlor on West Eighth street.

Bonnie Wayne Adams and Joe Johnson are visiting friends in Lampasas this week.

U.B. Thrifty



"I PAID THAT BILL ONCE!"

The best-oiled business machinery sometimes coughs once or twice. The electric light company collector may come for payment of a bill you have already met. Can't find the receipt. The collector looks grim.

Ah! An afterthought! THAT CANCELLED CHECK!

Enough—it is a Legal Receipt.

Just one value of a Checking Account.

THE FIRST STATE BANK

CROSS PLAINS, TEXAS

M. E. Wakefield, President,

J. A. Barr, Vice-President

Tom Bryant, Vice-President

E. I. Vestal, Noah Johnson, Tom Bryant and J. B.

Eubank, John P. Newton, Paul V. Harrell, Directors

J.D. Conlee, Ass't Cashier

A. R. Clark Ass't Cashier

MEETING TO START AT GUNN CHURCH

A series of Baptist revival meetings, to last ten days, have been announced to start at the Gunn School House, about midway between Cross Plains and Cross Cut, on Friday night of this week. Rev. Will Mann will do the preaching and the singing will be conducted by leaders selected from the congregation. Everybody cordially invited.

THE MASON-DIXON FAMOUS SURVEY

Few southern people know the details surrounding this survey which later became the most frequently mentioned imaginary line in the world. Nearly two centuries after the trouble began, which caused this survey to be made, Louis F. Hart recently visited the border line between Maryland and Pennsylvania, in a pilgrimage to the original Mason and Dixon line. Mr. Hart not only visited the actual spot where Charles Mason and Jeremiah Dixon started their famous survey but spent a great deal of time gathering data and illustrations around which to build the story of the famous piece of engineering.

Using Holland's Magazine, as his vehicle, Mr. Hart says "Time changes all things. Old hatreds die and new loyalties are born, but the demarcation between peoples, especially when it goes back as this does, to the Roundheads and Cavaliers of Cromwell's day cannot be wiped out in an hour. Customs and modes of thinking remain when material landmarks have crumbled and vanished. Thus it is that in setting out to relocate Mason and Dixon's Line after so many years, we must take into account not only the bench marks which took from the estate of Charles Lord Baltimore, three thousand square miles or so, but also those which give double unity to some forty million people living in the South today."

"Opinion may differ as to where the line should run, but no one can deny that it is there. Nor would anyone go so far as to say that on one side dwells the practical, and on the other ideal. Humanity is too imperfect to achieve the absolute in either direction, were that result desired. The fact remains that the home of romance is the South, her threshold guarded with uncompromising loyalty by her sons."

KILLED BY LIGHTNING

Elo York of Dime Box 15 miles southwest of Caldwell, was struck by lightning during a thunder storm, while chopping cotton in a field and was instantly killed. Funeral services were held from the family residence in Dime Box.

Don't think a stranger is "stuck up" until you really know him. When you know him you find out he's a pretty good fellow, after all.

GROWING MARIHUANA SEIZED IN BROWNWOOD

A quantity of Marihuana, native Mexican shrub, which when smoked by men is said to have the same effect as loco weed has on animals, was found Saturday growing in Brownwood by peace officers and confiscated.

Enough of this strong narcotic plant to retail at \$10,000 was found in six different locations in the Mexican part of the city, officers said and a full wagon load of it was locked up in the city hall.

There is no state law against growing the weed, according to Assistant Police Chief Joe J. Boyd, who has had experience with users of it in El Paso, but there is a law against selling it.

Boyd and four city men went hunting the marihuana and wherever the weed was located it was cut and loaded in cars. Mexicans encountered during the cleanup seemed surprised the weed was growing, stating that it grew there naturally, though Mr. Boyd said some of the plant, which reached a height of eight feet, were being well watered and otherwise taken care of.

WINNING

It takes a little courage

And a little self-control,
And some grim determination.

If you want to reach a goal

It takes a deal of striving

And a firm and stern set chin.

No matter what the battle,

If you're really out to win.

There's no easy path to glory.

There's no rosy road to fame.

Life, however we may view it,

Is no simple parlor game.

But its prizes call for fighting;

For endurance and for grit;

For a rugged disposition.

And a don't-know-when-to-quit.

You must take a blow and give

one;

You must risk and you must

lose.

And expect that in the struggle

You will suffer from a bruise.

But you mustn't wince or falter.

If a fight you once begin.

Be a man and face the battle!

That's the only way to win.

—Anonymous.

The young doctor sat down wearily in his easy chair and turned to his wife affectionately.

"Has my darling been lonely?"

"Oh, no!" she said. "At least not very lonely. I've found something to do with my time."

"Oh," he said, "what is that?"

"I'm organizing a class. A lot of women are members and we're teaching each other to cook."

"What do you do with the things you cook?" asked the doctor.

"We send them to the neighbors."

"Dear little woman!" he returned kissing her. "Always thinking of your husband's practice."

WHAT W. T. U. CO. IS DOING FOR WEST TEXAS

Abilene, Texas Aug.—That West Texas is well under way on its march to break last year's record of \$200,000,000 oil production is evidenced by the great oil field construction program now being carried on by the West Texas Utilities Company.

This company has built since January 1st, more than 123 miles of new transmission lines and is engaged in building many more miles at this time. The oil field power load on July 1st, was 30,533 horsepower, as compared with 23,470 horsepower on January 1st, showing a net gain of 30 per cent in the first six months of this year.

Anticipating one of the greatest years in the history of the oil industry in West Texas, and to be ready to adequately care for the rapidly increasing oil field load, this company's construction gangs are working overtime building new extensions and strengthening old distribution systems.

Following are some of the more important projects now under way or for which orders have been approved:

Construction of 18 miles of 12,000 volt transmission line from Miles, Texas to the Atlantic Pipeline Company's pump station near Bronte and installation of a bank of four 667 kva transformers to permit service to Bronte and Wilmett.

Building of 450 kva—12kv-2200 volt substation at Shell-McMahan gathering station at Iraan in Yates oil field to take care of added load.

Install four 33 kva transformers at Big Lake substation.

Install four 333 kva transformers Hamlin Shell substation, replacing three 250 kva transformers.

Extend 13,000 volt transmission line eight miles from the town of Imperial, west to serve oil field.

Construction of 17 miles of 12,000 volt line northeast from Lueders to a point in the southeastern part of Haskell county providing rural service to Colbert's Clear Work ranch, rural customers enroute and to serve oil field load in Reynolds County.

Construction 3,000 feet 12,000 volt line to serve oil field power load in South Vernon; 4200 feet 12,000 volt line for power load in South Vernon; 3.6 miles 12,000 volt line to serve Phillips Camp, South Vernon; 3750 volt line to serve rural community of Hilltop in South Vernon field.

Construction 5800 feet volt line to serve rural customers north of Quanah.

Construction 2400 feet 2300 volt primary and 1950 feet secondary lines in Humble Oil & Refining Company's camp near McCaney.

Construction 2300 volt primary line and build transformer rack to serve Dempsey Gin at Turkey.

Construction three miles 13,000 volt line from Wellington-Dodsonville line south to serve a gin, and 12 rural customers at Loco.

Construction 6600 volt rural line 18,000 feet south from Cristoval to take care of new rural customers.

T. B. SLICK COMES BACK WITH BIG GUSHER

Oklahoma City, Aug. 6.—T. B. Slick, famed as a wildcatter, came back to his home county to get his latest big producer at the No. 1 Hiddleston in Sw Sw Se 19-11-2w on the east side of the south Oklahoma City field.

The well blew in early Wednesday night and was estimated good for 100 barrels of oil an hour. It also had about 15,000 feet of gas. No gauge was taken because the control head was split. A control head was to be put on today and the oil turned into tanks. Total depth was 6,435 feet in lime.

The Hiddleston well is owned jointly with the Prairie Oil and Gas, the latter company acquiring half-interest in the lease in the recent sale of Slick properties to that company.

DANGEROUS FEVER

A cattle disease that is known as hemorrhagic septicemia or stockyard fever has become prevalent within a radius of seven or eight miles of O'Donnell and a number of cases have been reported throughout Lynn and Dawson counties. More than 350 dairy cows have been vaccinated by the vocational agriculture representative during the past three weeks. The disease is a blood disease which kills an animal within a few hours up to a few days and is very contagious and spreads rapidly when once it has a hold in a section but may be stopped or controlled by vaccinating.

He Is Helping the People of Cross Plains

The merchant in Cross Plains who advertises is the one who extends the trade territory of this town. He is the one who induces people to come from a distance to Cross Plains.

If it were not for the advertising merchant the trade area of this town would be much smaller than it is. It would be confined to the people who live immediately about Cross Plains.

The advertiser sends out an invitation that reaches out for miles. The reader is interested and a desire for the merchant's merchandise is created and he comes to Cross Plains to buy.

The advertiser in Cross Plains is the town builder. He is willing to spend his money to bring new trade to Cross Plains to make Cross Plains a better business point.

If every merchant would unite in this program, the effect would be correspondingly large.

Advertising makes for a bigger and more prosperous Cross Plains and the man who advertises and contributes toward this deserves the business of this community.

Show your appreciation of his public spirited effort. Trade with him.

The Cross Plains Review

We Will Pay

The Following
Prices for Your Poultry This Week

COLORED FRYERS—2 TO 2½ LBS. . . . 20¢

LEGHORN FRYERS—1½ TO 2 LBS. . . . 17¢

HEAVY HENS 16¢

LIGHT HENS & LEGHORNS 15¢

OLD ROOSTERS 9¢

ALSO BRING US YOUR CREAM

Neeb Produce Co.



An
ELIZABETH ARDEN
Treatment
is based on
three fundamental steps
**CLEANSING · TONING
NOURISHING**

THE cleansing—with *Venerian Cleansing Cream*—rids the pores of all impurities which cause blackheads and coarseness. The Toning—with *Ardena Skin Tonic and Special Astringent*—clarifies the skin and firms the contours. The Nourishing—with *Orange Skin Food* or the delicate *Velva Cream*—rounds out lines and wrinkles. These three steps, which supply every need of the skin to keep it naturally clear and lovely, should be a part of your daily care of your skin at home.

Elizabeth Arden's
Venerian Toilet Preparations
are on sale at

ROBERTSON'S
Cross Plains Drug Store

Willard Batteries
GARRETT MOTOR CO.

Sam Swafford is adding quite a modern and attractive appearance to his home three miles west of town, by remodeling, enlarging and other improvements.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Williams visited Mrs. Williams's mother, Mrs. E. E. Gillum, who is in the Sanitarium at Brownwood for treatment, last Sunday. They report that her condition is improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Dee Little visited with relatives and friends at Albany last Sunday.

Mrs. A. M. Blackburn of San Antonio, who has been visiting with her sister, Mrs. M. A. McDonough, left Friday of last week for a visit with other relatives at Bangs.

Linsey Tyson visited with Robert Howard, at Brownwood, the past week-end.

Miss Betty Tyson visited with friends in Brownwood the latter part of the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Green Jeans and Fred Stacey left last week for a vacation visit in Arkansas.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Eddington are on a summer visit to the mountainous scenes and other parts of Arkansas.

The Cross Out Junior League meets every Sunday evening at 5 o'clock at the Methodist church. All Juniors are invited to attend these meetings.

Miss Elizabeth Deaver of Dallas visited with Mrs. H. H. Nash and family the past week.

FOR RENT—My home in Cross Plains. Five rooms and bath. Tom Upton.

Water Well Drilling Wanted, while machine is in Cross Plains.
W. B. VARNER.

LET'S HAVE CREAMERY FOR CROSS PLAINS

Creameries, cheese factories, milk condensaries, etc., seem to be fast developing into the chief order of the day as the greatest necessities of West Texas. Cross Plains should be among the leaders in the move, so let's go after one. Below are some articles from other small towns and communities, showing what they have realized for having undertaken the venture:

SLATON CREAMERY SHIPS 9 CARS BUTTER

The Slaton creamery, completed and placed in operation ninety days ago, has shipped nine carloads of butter to northern and eastern market centers, mostly to New York and Chicago, according to W. M. Randle, creamery manager.

Local dairymen believe the Slaton plant's record is quite remarkable for the first three months of operation. The creamery has annual capacity of 1,000,000 pounds of butter and is largely financed by Slaton farmers and business men who hold stock in it.

LAMESA BUILDING CREAM CONDENSER

Construction of a \$200,000 Lamesa Milk Products Company at Lamesa, Dawson County, will begin within the next thirty days. William A. Wilson, secretary of the Lamesa Chamber of Commerce, announced while visiting Dallas Friday. The plant will begin operation the early part of January, 1930.

The company will have a powder milk manufacturing plant with a capacity of 100,000 pounds of whole milk daily. It will consume milk from seven counties adjacent to Dawson County, Mr. Wilson said.

The plant is being constructed by the F. H. Doughtie Engineering Company of Chicago, Ill., and Lamesa interests, he said. There are 250 stockholders.

Counties to be served by the plant will include Dawson, Lynn, Terry, Gaines, Andrews, Martin, Howard and Borden. There are 6,000 milch cows in Dawson County and 10,000 in the area to be served by the plant.

"The plant will serve two purposes," he said. "It will mean twenty-four pay days a year for the farmers and will provide a market for feeds grown in that section."

SURPLUS PRODUCTS

BRING OVER \$3000
Colorado. Three thousand dollars worth of surplus home products of the Mitchell County Home Products association to date this year according to reports heard at the meeting of the association held here this week.

This amount did not include field products, but janes, preserves, canned chicken and canned peas put up by the women members of the association. Ten members of the group sold the major portion of the products. One woman sold \$605.40 worth and the lowest amount was \$102.40.

The famous Mitchell county canned chicken and black-eyed peas made a large portion of the products. Orders for these items have come from practically every state in the union. Recently Cornell University requested samples of these products and other colleges and various home demonstration clubs over the country have inquired as to the method of packing, marketing, etc.

The women put up a uniform quality of these products all labeled under the Clover Leaf label, and every can is guaranteed. Colorado merchants sell the goods and guarantee satisfaction, which has resulted in a big home demand for the canned chicken and peas, as well as a foreign trade.

and peas, as well as a foreign trade. Mrs. J. Lee Jones, originator of the home market.

Within the past week E. Brumelow has captured and brought into Cross Plains two more gray wolves. They were caught in traps near the Harrell ranch. This makes a dozen or more of the animals which Brumelow has captured in that immediate locality. Probably a total of thirty of the wild dogs have been caught in that and adjoining localities by this trapper within the past year. He is employed by the Texas Cattle Raisers Association, with whom the Federal Government is cooperating in an effort to destroy the wolves and other predatory animals.

Suggestions for a Literary Digest poll during the off-peak for politics: Which is more regretted being out of order, the car or the radio.

Willard Batteries
GARRETT MOTOR CO.

"A CROSS PLAINS INSTITUTION"

HELPY-SELEY

MANAGED BY MCGOWEN & BROWN

**Saturday Specials On
Quality Merchandise**
NOTHING CHEAP. NOTHING OLD

MACARONI—Beechnut—three pkgs. for 25c
GREEN BEANS—Wapco Stringless—no. 2 can 2 for 25c
MALT—Pabst A A. Black Label—per can 54c
PEANUT BUTTER—Wapco 2 pound pail 41c
TOILET PAPER—4 rolls 18c
CORN—No. 2 can Best Grade—2 cans 25c
BAKING POWDER—Rumfords—1 pound can . . 28c
VANILLA EXTRACT—W. B. Brand—2 oz. bottle 25c
COFFEE—1 pound pkg.—pure coffee 32c
GRAHAM CRACKERS—Edgemont—1 lb. pkg. . . 19c
BACON—Deckers—Canadian Style ½ lb. pkg. . . 27c
BACON—Deckers—1 pound box 45c

We could give you merchandise at a cheaper price but it would not be of the quality you want. Open a can or bottle of our goods and compare with some off brand product and see the difference.

We have shipped out over twenty thousand pounds of Tomatoes and have helped make a market for you and we are still in the market. Bring us your Tomatoes and onions. We will find a market for them and help you dispose of them at a good price.

SCOTT'S CAFE

"A BETTER PLACE TO EAT"

FAMILY WASHING IS OUR SPECIALTY.

We wash everything, Iron all flat work, including table and bed linen, counterpanes, sheets, towels and the like and starch and dry the wearing apparel ready for ironing. It is inexpensive: It is sanitary: It is convenient.

Phone 14 for Prompt Service
CROSS PLAINS STEAM LAUNDRY

DR. S. E. SHOULTZ

MAGNETIC MASSEUR

Box 215, Cross Plains, Texas

*I have moved My Office Back to my
Residence. One Block South and two
Blocks East of High School.*

**EXAMINATION FREE
Lady Attendant**

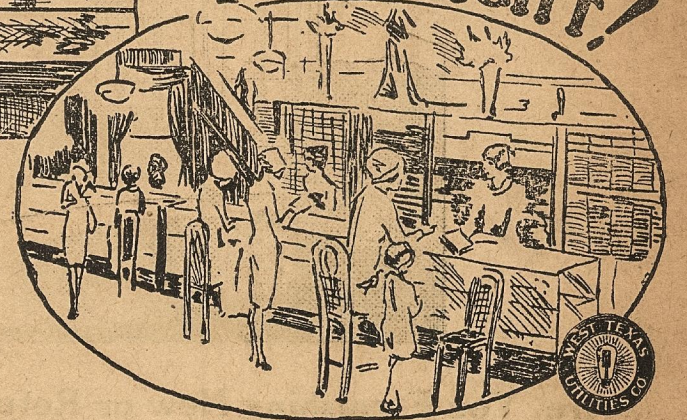
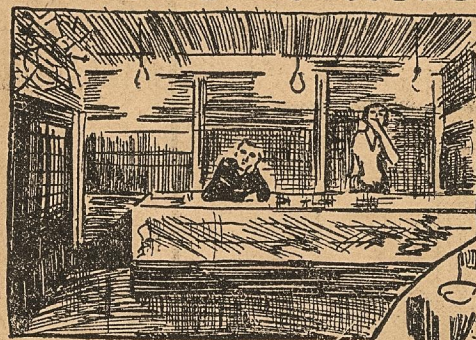
**Rates \$ 20 per week, including Board
Room and Treatment**

Office accommodation for people who do not wish to stay at Hotel—this rate limited. Never before were you offered a rate by a magnetic Masseur to compare with this. Single treatment \$1.50, per week \$10.00. If you are ailing don't let this opportunity pass. Remember you get as good service, and the same treatment as you get at Cisco, Glenrose, or Mineral Wells for less money.

Come to Cross Plains and save your money. Rates begin July the First, 1929.



**Business is NEVER good in the
POORLY LIGHTED STORE - BECAUSE
TRADE
FOLLOWS
THE LIGHT!**



TWO stores, side by side . . . one is dull, dark and dismal, while the other is light, bright, cheerful, and business flourishing. One proprietor is plodding along, wondering why business comes so slowly . . . the other has increased his business considerably, because he has learned with proper lighting merchandise can be more easily displayed and chosen by those who enter his establishment.

—Customers come and go . . . some may buy and some may not, yet an endless stream of prospective buyers flows into the store which is well lighted . . . easily and quickly merchandise is selected with the help of pleasant clerks.

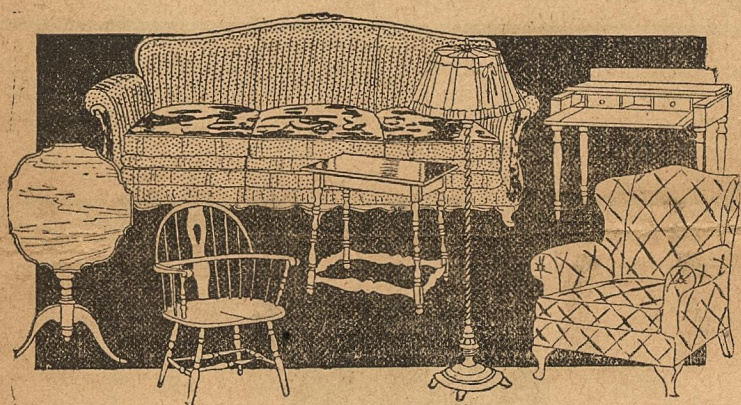
—Consult our illumination engineer . . . he will gladly help you solve your lighting problems . . . then more customers will come into YOUR store, for **TRADE FOLLOWS THE LIGHT!**

**West Texas Utilities
Company**

AUGUST FURNITURE SALE

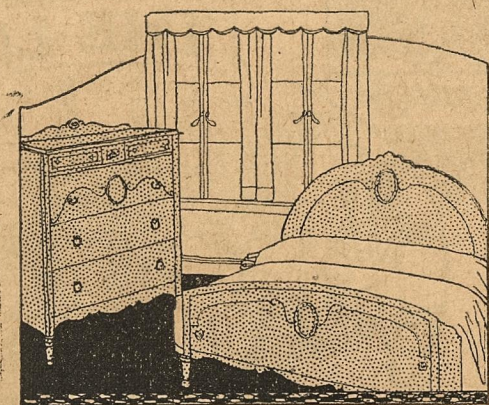
Another Big Shipment of the Latest Dessgns In Furniture and Kitchen Utensils Has Just Arrived and Will be Included in this August Bargain Sale.

Come In and Select What You Need -- Look It Over, Whether You Buy or Not. We Want You to See It.



Unusual Living Room Values

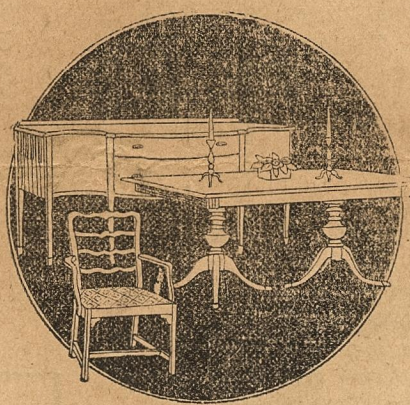
During August we have prepared a sale of living room furniture values that will make you open your eyes. The finest woods, finishes, manufacturing, designs and upholstery you wish to own, at prices no higher than you would expect to pay for ordinary furniture. See us today.



Are You Furnishing New or Refurnishing Your Bed Room This Fall?

In either case you will be interested in this very unusual sale of bedroom suites we have prepared for those who buy here during August.

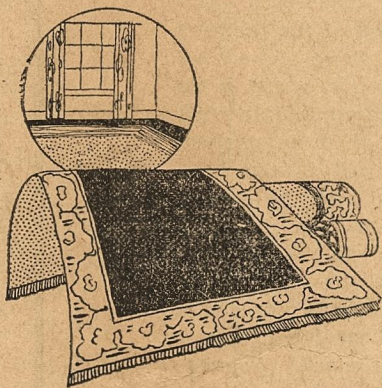
See the Bargains on our line of Stoves, Gas, Oil or Wood.



Remarkable Bargains

In Dining Room Sets

Each piece the work of a master designer and a master craftsman, you will wonder, when you see them, how we can sell at such low prices. Well, it is August, and we want to keep business going on as usual. Better buy now and save.



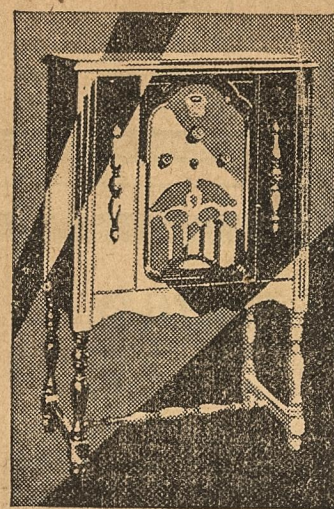
A Sale of Rugs

A money-saving event that is remarkable in many ways. Our entire stock of rugs has been reduced for this sale. Every rug is new and of guaranteed quality. The season's newest styles and colors are here. Extended payment plan may be arranged if desired.

Right now when you are planning what new chairs you wish to buy for the winter home needs, comes this outstanding offer of fine chairs at much less than regular prices. Look them over, but do not overlook them.

FREED RADIO

"Famous Since Broadcasting Began"



\$99.50

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MODEL NR-55

8-Tube Neutrodyne for house-current operation. Push-Pull amplification. Inductor-Dynamic Speaker. Cabinet of Walnut Veneer.

THE LATEST CONTRIBUTION to RADIO DEVELOPMENT

A set which is making price history—a set which upsets all former standards of radio values—

—The new FREED Model NR-55—

The Freed reputation for fine radio achievement goes up another notch in the production of this outstanding set. This model of compactness contains all the qualities that radio science can offer—simplicity of operation—perfect tonal reproduction—unmatched selectivity even in the most crowded wave area—a cabinet of the finest make—and best of all—it sells—(less tubes) for \$99.50. You will be astonished to discover what superior radio quality is offered by this exceedingly low priced set.

If you are not yet familiar with FREED RADIO reproduction let us give you a demonstration.

Terms for your convenience.

Cross Plains Furniture Company

DREW BAUM

Mrs. Geo. B. Scott and Miss Edna Ramsey announce the opening of the Marinello Beauty Shop, first door west of the First State Bank.

During next week the Marinello Beauty Shop will have Mrs. Penecost of Abilene, who demonstrates the Denison Crepe Paper work, and will be glad to have all ladies to call and see the work, as we feel sure you will be interested in making a few, if not all the nice things.

Oscar Jones and Pat Murphy of Baird were in Cross Plains Wednesday.

Paul Harrell and Renrick Clark were in Baird Tuesday, attending business.

Mrs. Fred C. Birth and daughter Mary Bob Stubblefield, Marguerite Young and Harold Gracey enjoyed an early morning swim in Lake Cisco Tuesday.

E. D. Priest attended business in Abilene Tuesday.

Elliott Bryant made a trip to Fort Worth the first of the week to meet Tom Jr., who returned home with him.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul McCasland of Brownwood visited relatives here latter part of last week.

Mr. C. T. Childs spent the week end in Cross Plains.

The following boys are enjoying a fishing trip on the bayou: A. C. Dodson, Orbi Booth, Roger and Phelix Watson, Jack DeBusk, and others.

G. C. Boyer and family moved into their new home in the north end of town the first of the week.

Wirt Morris of Fort Worth was in Cross Plains the first of the week, attending business.

Miss Edna Smith of DeLeon visited with her cousins Misses Georgia and Mabel Jones past week.

Olin Mitchell returned Sunday from a trip to New Mexico.

Mrs. Cora B. West and family are planning on making their home in Brownwood within the near future.

A number of Cross Plains people have been present at the Baptist Revival in Burkett.

A. G. Foster and family made a trip to Atwell last week.

Lucile Hill of Baird was in Cross Plains the first of the week.

T. R. Haggard, associated with the Glenn Company at Cisco, conducting a branch office at Abilene, has been engaged as architect and supervisor of the new Clyde school building, we are informed.

Hurry your hens through the molt with Purina. Davis Feed & Produce. Mary Massa visited in Baird with her brother over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Schooley were in Cisco Sunday.

Bring us your cream. Price 38c per pound. Davis Feed & Produce.

Austin Newton will be the principal in the Walnut Springs school for the ensuing school year.

Fred Heyser of Putnam and Miss Leta Copping of Cottonwood were in Cross Plains Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. McWhirter of Baird were in Cross Plains Thursday.

Miss Edna Ayres of Wichita Falls will visit with her sister, Mrs. Frank Green, for several days.

Hurry your hens through the molt with Purina. Davis Feed & Produce.

Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Webb of the Webb ranch on Pecan Bayou, were recent visitors in Cross Plains.

Miss Mildred Butler of Clyde, and Miss Elizabeth Butler of Memphis, are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Will Butler.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Adams and little son, Lanier, accompanied by Misses Marie and Louiema Williams, are spending this week visiting in the southern part of the state.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Bloodworth, residents of this community back in ye pioneer days, returned for a visit with old-time acquaintances the first of this week. Mr. Bloodworth opened the first store at Cross Out in 1878. They are now living in Throckmorton county and this is their first visit to this section in 22 years.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Murphy of Abilene were among the Cross Plains visitors the past week.

J. Lawson of Pampa, was a business visitor here the first of this week. Mr. Lawson formerly operated a tailor shop in Cross Plains.

Miss Stella Bell is employed with the Ike Kendrick Insurance Agency, while Mr. and Mrs. Kendrick and the children are vacationing in New Mexico.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kellar and daughters of Rising Star, were among the thousands to attend the big picnic.

The Dressy revival meetings have been announced to begin on Sunday, August 11th. Rev. J. Perry King of Abilene will conduct the preaching, Rev. Ollie Dennis will lead in the singing. All are invited to attend and help in the meetings.

Mr. and Mrs. Drew Baum and little son, Donald, visited with Mr. and Mrs. Tom Marsh at Abilene last Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. March recently moved from Cross Plains to Abilene, where Mr. Marsh is engaged in some line of the grocery business.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Browning, both a graduate of the local high school in '28, and since then they have been operating in the local telephone office, have been transferred to Putnam last week.

Bill (Slim) Gross, also a graduate of the local high school in '28, left first of the week for Lamesa.

FIRST METHODIST

Well, yes it is pretty hot, but no hotter at the Church than at home. Come to Church next Sunday and forget yourself for a season and thereby escape the heat for at least a part of the day.

Subject: "KEEPING UP THE HOME FIRES." The home fires can be made cooling whereas the hell fires will for ever burn.

Keep the home fires burning, All our hearts are yearning, That the house in which we live, A lee to life may be: Love, the torch be lighted; Sin and strife ignited; Loving hearts united be: Happy home sweet home.

Sung to the tune of "Keep the Home Fires Burning. Come and help us sing it next Sunday morning.

Evening service at 8:30. Subject: "Militancy in Christian Living.

If not in services elsewhere we have a place for you. Come and worship with us.

W. C. HOWELL, Minister.

PIGGLY WIGGLY

Handles all the brands you like best



Home Killed Meats.

Home Baked Bread

W. D. Smith, Prop.

B. Y. P. U. PROGRAM

Topic, The Cross or the Crescent, Which?

1. Introduction, Carlton Holder.
2. A Visit to a Yarnbo Town, Chas. Hill.
3. Within the Home, Katherine Ford.
4. The Fetish Tree, Leonard Davidson.
5. Some Religious Customs, Mildred Watson.
6. The Worship of Ono, J. P. McCord.
7. Spirit Worship, Loyd Bryan.
8. The Worship of "Mohame", Eva Freeman.

Carlton Holder, Captain.

MRS AUBRA DODSON ENTERTAINED BRIDGE CLUB

Mrs. Aubra Dodson entertained the bridge club Tuesday afternoon. Delicious refreshments were served to club members and several guests, including Mrs. Harry Baker of Coleman, Mrs. Grian R. Pope of Pioneer, Miss Edna Ayres of Wichita Falls and Mrs. H. A. Dubey of Cross Plains. The high score guest prize was awarded Mrs. Pope, and the high score club prize went to Mrs. Harvey Cut prize was won by Mrs. Baker.

IT WON'T BE LONG NOW BUFFALOES ARE SAYING:

Coach (between halves) — "Say, you, what's the matter with you? Didn't I tell you to kick over the side lines so their quarter back couldn't run the ball back! I been tellin' you that all week, but no—you gotta boot it straight down the field right in his arms, you mush-head!"

Punter—"Aw, listen, coach, I ain't got a chance. I kicked the ball the way you said every time, but the old pigskin 'ud curve in, that's all."

Coach — "Oh, I see—it was the wind, huh?"

Punter—"No, it's that quarterback. Didn't you hear him yell every time I kicked that damn pigskin? Don't you know he's the champion hog-caller in Texas?"

DEEP CREEK CAMP MEETING

All plans for the Deep Creek Camp meeting to be held by the Rev. W. E. Hawkins, of the Radio Revival, assisted by Rev. D. L. Cooper, who was a former pastor of the Baird Church of Christ, and who now is in charge of the Jewish department of the Los Angeles Bible Institute, and local pastor, which will be held at the Lone Star Camp ground between Baird and Putnam on the Bankhead Highway beginning on Wednesday, Aug. 14th, and continuing until Sunday night Aug. 25. Every convenience is being provided for the meeting. Mr. Hughes has tendered the use of his Camp Ground, which will be lighted by electric light. A large tent 40x60 feet will be erected and the services will be held here.

To all who wish to come and camp all convenience may be had. Any size tent can be rented for ten days for \$3 and cots at 50 cents each for the same period. Furnaces will be built to cook on and there will be plenty of shade and water at the camp. Good singing and gospel teaching will be features of the meeting.

This meeting is undenominational and all are earnestly invited to attend and cooperate with the people in charge.

Advertising is not a fad. Fads don't last hundreds of years

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Gracey and children and Mr. and Mrs. Don Harvey visited in Cross Plains Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Meeker of Fort Worth, spent the week-end in Cross Plains.

Mrs. Carlton Powell and Mr. Cole are marketing in Dallas this week for the local Higginbotham Store.

Miss Marguerite Young is visiting Rosalea Cutbirth this week.

Mr. W. E. Melton and son Zeland, were in Cross Plains Sunday.

Misses Anika Hart and Glenn McGowan of Baird were Cross Plains visitors the first of the week.

Master Harold Gracey, Jr., of Rising Star visited with relatives here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Dee Anderson and Dr. McGowan motored to Cisco Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Waldo Wilburn and Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Holden were in Cisco Sunday.

J. D. Conlee and wife made a trip to Cisco Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Gardener spent week-end in Walnut Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Carmichael and sons, Stanley and Art, and Earnest Davis were Cisco visitors Sunday.

Mrs. Harry Baker visited here with friends the first part of the week.

Miss Brenice Smith of Rising Star visited with Mrs. E. P. Watson the last week.

Bring us your cream. Price 38c per pound. Davis Feed & Produce.

BAPTIST CHURCH

Saturday, 9:00 A. M., Sunbeam Band.

Sunday, 9:45 A. M., Sunday School. Sunday, 7:00 P. M., B. Y. P. U. meetings.

Sunday Evening, No. service on account of meeting at the Church of Christ.

Monday, 4:00 P. M., W. M. U. Missionary.

Program at church, conducted by Circle No. 1.

Monday, 8:15 P. M., Mass meeting at the tabernacle of the church members.

Wednesday, 8:15 P. M., Prayer meeting.

A. E. HILL, Pastor.

CLOSING OUT USED CARS

Well, we've got just a few more days in which to move our good used cars, and we are going to move them. We sold over twenty of these cars the last twelve days. They must be right, or we could not sell them this way.

We have on hand the following, ready to go:

One Chevrolet Six Roadster, just slightly used.

One Model A Ford Roadster, Looks New.

One Chevrolet Truck, with 3-in-1 Body and Cab, A dandy for anything.

One Chevrolet Truck, with cab, Will put body on to suit buyer.

Two 1927 Chevrolet Roadsters, Dandys.

A few Fords and Chevrolet Tourings and Coupes, All are going, and they are right and priced to sell.

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Service And Market For Your

Produce and Cream

We consider it a favor to have an opportunity to serve you.

We want you feed business!

A Checkerboard Feed for Every Thing.

DAVIS FEED & PRODUCE

"The Checkerboard Store"

Dodson Chevrolet Company

CROSS PLAINS, TEXAS

P. S. One 5-Passenger Dodge, A bargain, If you want a good car to take a trip in, here it is.

ATWATER KENT RADIO

All over the country this set was tested before you heard of it. That's one of the reasons it passes every test you can think of now. Come in and find out how good a radio set can be.

Cross Plains Hardware Company

RUPTURE EXPERT HERE

C. F. Redlich, Minneapolis, Minn., nationally famous Rupture Appliance Expert, will demonstrate without charge his unequalled method at the Southern Hotel, Brownwood, Saturday, Aug. 24th. And in Abilene on Wednesday, Aug. 28th. At the Grace Hotel from 10 A. M. to 4 P. M., Mr. C. F. Redlich says:

"The 'Perfect Retention Shields' hold the rupture perfectly, no matter what position the body assumes or how heavy a weight you lift. They give instant relief and contract the opening in a remarkably short time.

The secret of their success is in their simplicity. An expertly adjusted device seals the opening without discomfort or detention from work. It is practically everlasting, sanitary, comfortable and actually holds ruptures which heretofore were considered uncontrollable.

"IF YOU WANT TO HAVE IT DONE RIGHT—SEE REDLICH."

Doctor J. W. Seaver, for many years in charge of the Physical Education of the students of Yale College, has recorded 75% cures with this system.

Mr. Redlich is internationally known and speaks English, German and Spanish.

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GARRETT MOTOR CO

CHEVROLET COMPANY ANNOUNCE NEW MODELS

Rounding out its line of six-cylinder Motor Company today announces two new closed models—the Imperial Sedan and the Sport Coupe. Officials point out that despite the scores of improvements incorporated in these new models prices have been kept within the low Chevrolet price range, the Imperial Sedan listing at \$695 and the Sport Coupe at \$645, both f. o. b. factory, Flint, Mich.

The new Imperial Sedan is introduced because of a widespread demand for a style car in the low-price field. On this model the famous Fisher Body designers have lavished their skill with very noticeable success. It has smart concave front pillars with a radially molded visor and in the back the rear quarters are stylishly fitted with Landau bows. The interior is smartly upholstered in deep tufted plush, and the car is equipped with an adjustable driver's seat, and other items commonly found in smart cars of this type such as completely equipped instrument panel, smoking set, etc. It is finished in lustrous black with molding in Saginaw green and striping in tusk ivory. Exterior bright work, such as radiator, head lamps, and landau bows are chromium plated.

The new Sport Coupe is also offered in response to a demand for a style car for two passengers, and includes a comfortable rumble seat in the rear and a rear window that is easily raised and lowered by means of convenient Ternerstedt regulator.

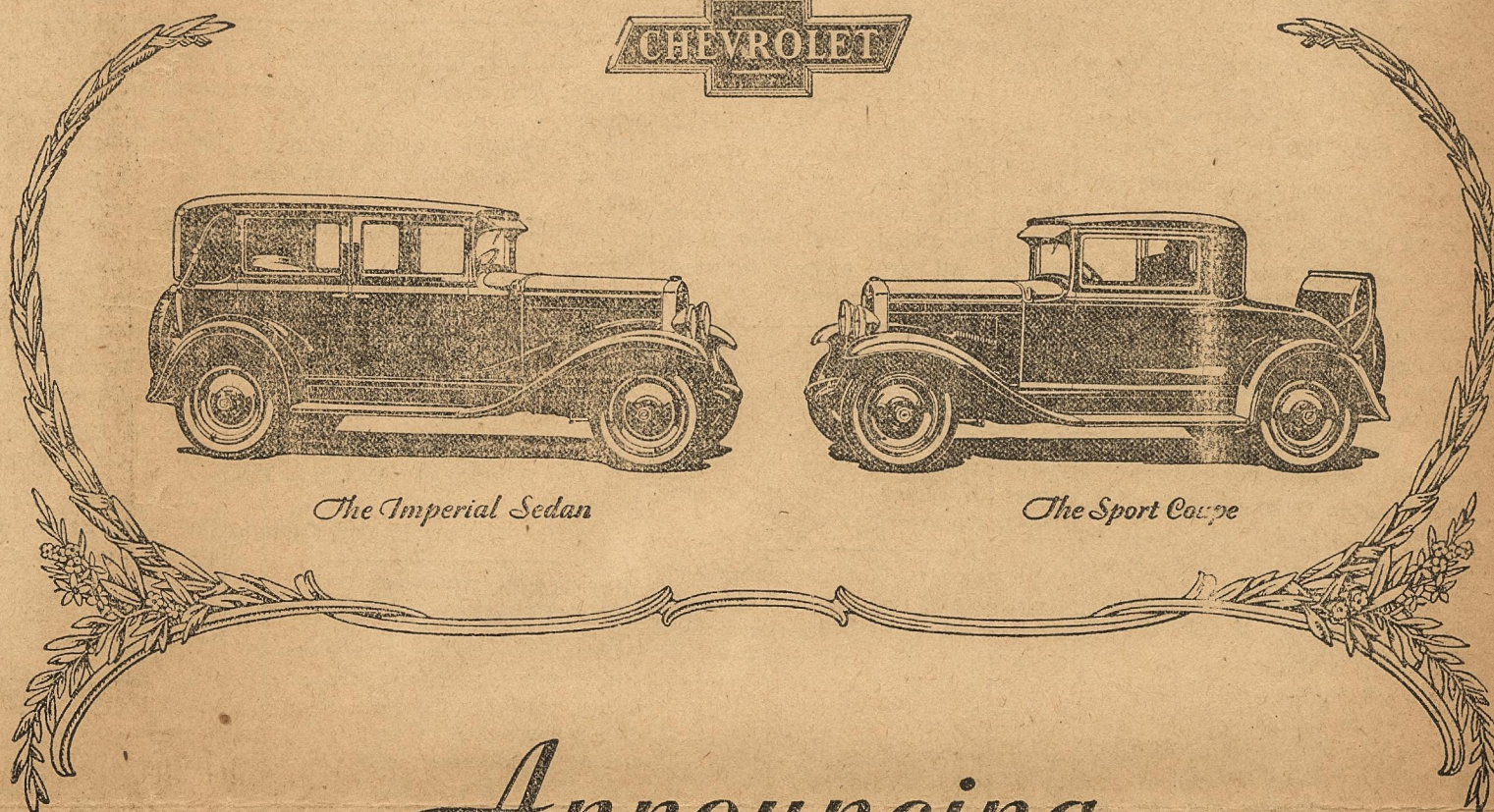
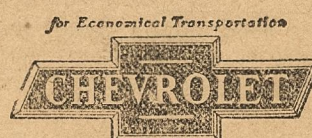
Introduction of these two new models simultaneously with the announcement that more than 950,000 of the new sixes have already been delivered into the hands of owners and that Chevrolet factories are operating on the biggest summer production level in the history of the company.

Production of the new models has been underway for several weeks. Meanwhile thousands of the cars have been shipped to dealers. Officials predict that the entire nationwide dealer organization will be sampled with the new cars in two weeks or less. In many of the larger centers, the new cars are already on display.

As a result of the introduction of these two new models, the Chevrolet passenger car line embraces seven cars, five closed and two open models.

AN OLD TIMER

A jelly bean asked an old Trail Driver "What is an old timer?" The trail driver replied: "My dear young man, an old timer is one who was there when side saddles was in style; when the wagon circus and Punch and Judy were the only shows; when sideburns and long droopy moustaches all the rage; when plush backed photo albums were found in every parlor; when every fiddler could play "Nigger in de Cainbrakes" to perfection; when moustache cups were in use; when the village barshop had a wall case full of shaving mugs, each bearing its owner's name in gold letters; when a \$40 broadcloth suit was in style five years, and buck boards, rawhide bottom chairs, and goard dippers and froes were to be found in every home. Yes, young man, there are several "old timers" like myself gullivating hereabouts that can tell you the old timer has seen more in his day than you would ever see if you lived to be as old as Methuselah. We've seen the ox wagon, the auto and airplane, the telegraph and radio. What have you seen, son?"—Camp Wood Coney.



The Imperial Sedan

The Sport Coupe

Announcing Two New Models of the CHEVROLET SIX

Broadening the appeal of a line of cars which has already won over 950,000 buyers since January 1st, Chevrolet presents two distinguished new enclosed models of the Chevrolet Six—the Imperial Sedan and the Sport Coupe. With beautiful new Bodies by Fisher available in a variety of striking color combinations and with numerous advanced convenience features—these new models provide, in abundant measure, those elements of distinction ordinarily associated with more expensive automobiles.

When you examine the new Imperial Sedan and Sport Coupe,

you will be impressed by their individuality and completeness. But you cannot fully realize what an achievement they represent until you get behind the wheel and drive! For here are all the qualities of six-cylinder smoothness, power and acceleration which Chevrolet alone provides in the price range of the four—combined with economy of better than twenty miles to the gallon of gasoline!

Come in today. Learn for yourself the new standards of quality and luxury that Chevrolet has made available in six-cylinder cars—at prices within the reach of all!

The Roadster, \$525; The Phaeton, \$525; The Coupe, \$595; The Coach, \$595; The Sport Coupe, \$645; The Sedan, \$675; The Imperial Sedan, \$695; The Sedan Delivery, \$595; The Light Delivery Chassis, \$400; The 1½ Ton Chassis, \$545; The 1½ Ton Chassis with Cab, \$650. All prices f. o. b. factory, Flint, Mich.

COMPARE the delivered price as well as the list price in considering automobile values. Chevrolet's delivered prices include only reasonable charges for delivery and financing.

Dodson Chevrolet Co.

CROSS PLAINS, TEXAS

A SIX IN THE PRICE RANGE OF THE FOUR

RETRIBUTION OF VANITY

By R. F. GAFFORD,
Cross Plains, Texas

I was possessed with a felling of tender yearning as the train passed familiar scenes, drawing nearer and nearer to my old home, and fell to brooding over the past.

What a change time had wrought. It had been twelve long years since I had gone away, broke and penniless, and now, I was returning a rich man. It scarcely seemed possible that I, Craig Blanton, better known in my old home town as the Village Walf—could be rich. It was an achievement that would have made most anyone under the circumstances, ecstatic with joy. I had money, I had power, I had influence in the financial world. I had everything to make me happy that money could buy, yet was I sad. I felt no thrill, no sensation of pleasure at the thought. In fact, I felt a bit frustrated. I had worked, labored, and slaved all these years under illusion that wealth would bring happiness, and had attained it, just to learn that the illusion was false. Success was not the thing I had dreamed it to be. I had fought the battle and won to victory, and found that the thing I had won was not worth the fight. The fight was greater than the victory. And now, since the fight was won, there was nothing to do, and I was possessed with that cosmic sadness that has always been the heritage of man. Out of all the vast and wonderful things that money would buy, it could not buy the one thing I desired most.

Unable to find satisfaction in pursuing riches farther, I had thrown everything aside, and was returning to my old home, seeking surcease. I was tired and bored with the whirl of the business world. The glamour was all gone, and I wanted surcease.

However, there were but few pleasant memories of childhood to ponder upon for my childhood days had been full of bitterness. My parents had died when I was seven, leaving me penniless, and I was thrown upon the world without resources, a waif, a beggar.

My uncle, who was in poor circumstances, took me in and did all that he was able to for me, which was not very much. He clothed me, and sent me to school, but the clothes he gave me were invariable of the very cheapest quality and usually a misfit, and I was forced to wear them as long as a patch would hold them together. The other boys at school reviled, and derided me so much about my slouchy, and ragged clothes, that I soon won a reputation as a fighter. I was too sensitive, and felt my inferior circumstances too keenly. I would often go home after school, and weep bitterly because I was forced to do the things I did to the other boys in order to retain my self-respect, and because I could not dress and be like them. In those bitter hours of despair, my boyish heart had vowed, that someday I would attain wealth, and "lord it" over them, and show them my superiority and how contemptible and insignificant they were in my eyes. But now, since I had attained wealth, I had no desire to "lord it" over them—in other words, show off with my wealth, and treat them with contempt. I could forgive them for what they had done—for all the bitterness they had caused me.

In all my boyhood days I had never but one friend. He stood by me, staunch and loyal, when all other had turned against me, and I loved him still for what he had done. But he had stolen from me, unconsciously, a priceless jewel, when he had married Mary, my boyhood sweetheart. All my life, I had secretly loved her with all the love that a boys heart could know, but on the account of my circumstances, and forever being reviled by my contemporaries, I felt my inferiority too keenly, and was afraid to speak my love to her.

After my uncle died, and I had finished High School, I had gone away with the hope of someday acquiring wealth, and making her my bride. But two years after I had gone, Luther married her. I was glad it was Luther instead of some one else, for it was not so hard to loose to him, he was my friend, and had been the means of bringing many days of sunshine into my clouded and unhappy life, and I loved him for it still. He and Mary were the two people in the world for whom, I would have given life itself.

they had married. I wondered if they were still there, and if good fortune had smiled upon them. My sole object in coming back: was to pay them a visit, and see how they were.

I had not heard from them since getting on. Perhaps they were in poor circumstances, and not doing so well, and needed financial aid, and I would aid them. I had plenty, enough for us all, and why not partly repay them for the kindness shown me in former days when it meant so much to me, more than they could ever imagine.

They had once given me happiness, why not give them happiness in return? It would be the least I could do to show my appreciation, if my wealth would buy them happiness, it would be given them.

Those were the thoughts I were possessed with, when the train came to a standstill in front of the old familiar Depot. I looked around expectantly for familiar faces, but saw none. There were lots of people hurrying about, some scrambling for the train as if they thought it was about to leave them; others, pedestrians, hurrying along the walk towards town leaving the Taxi-cab drivers, drumming for fares. Every thing was a busy stir about me. How the old town had changed. It was almost a city. I scanned the faces near me, but not a familiar face did I see. All were strangers.

But then, none of my old acquaintances would be glad to see me. Perhaps they would be more displeased than pleased. For I had threshed the most of my contemporaries at school, for deriding me, and some of them more than once, and had left with the enmity of them all. There was no one to welcome me back but Luther and Mary.

I did not take a Taxi. I gave my hand-bag to a Taxi driver, and directed him to leave it at a certain Hotel and walked down the side-street that led by the little house that I had once called home—the place of my birth. There was a heavy feeling in my bosom, for those old familiar scenes brought back memories—sad sweet memories of the past.

The old house was in ruin, had almost fallen down. The roof had caved in; the doors were broken from their hinges, and the yard was overgrown with weeds and grass. It looked as if it had been vacated for years. I wondered why it had been neglected so. But then it was in a very undesirable part of town to live, and the town had built back the opposite way. The Mimosa tree in the corner of the yard, where Luther and I had our playground, was dead, and fallen down. What a change time had wrought.

I sat down upon the edge of the porch that was rotten and decayed, with the planks all broken, and caved in, with a feeling of loneliness and sadness, and my mind drifted back over the past. I saw mother again, seated in the old wicker rocking-chair I remembered so well. There was father too, seated on the edge of the porch, smoking his pipe, talking to mother in the twilight, as he had often done. I saw again, Luther and I, just barefooted boys, under the Mimosa Tree in the corner of the yard, at play. And there came Mary tripping down the street in her little gingham gown to join us at play. She lived just a short ways down the street, and invariably joined us at play in the summer afternoons. My boyish heart would flutter with delight at sight of her. Oh, how I had loved her, but could never muster up the courage to tell her. I was timid and bashful, as most boys are, with the girl they love best. She would encourage me in little ways, as girls may, but I was too fainthearted. I remember once in later years, when we were walking from school together I had mustered up the courage to hold her hand for a moment; but for a moment only. She gave my hand a little squeeze—just slightly—and looked up into my face smilingly, and I almost swooned with delight. I thought it the most wonderful thing that had ever happened to me. I was tempted to kiss her. But did I dare kiss her? Would she be furiously mad if I did? What did girls expect of boys; did they expect to be kissed? Well, I didn't dare, I did nothing but walk on by her side and loved her with all the love that a boy's heart could know.

My mind drifted on up thru the years when we had laid mother beneath the sod in the little church yard at the other side of town. "Son, I hope you will always be a man, and do God's Will" was her last words to me. I had tried, oh, so hard, to do as mother had requested me to do, before I went away, but my environments would not permit, and since I had gone away and accumulated wealth, I had drifted away from God. I had not been to Church in years, come to think of it. But I would start going; I would do as mother had requested me. I would attend church the following Sunday at the little Brown Church, at the other side of town.

Aroused from my reverie, and became conscious of my surroundings again, the old house with the broken doors, shattered windows, and overgrown yard. I walked down to the gate that had fallen down, and saw a bunch of children standing on the walk in front, gazing curiously at me, wondering, I suppose, why I was groping about the ruins of that old house. The loneliness of my heart prompted me to sit down and tell them my story, but they would not have understood, so I passed on up the street and left them staring after me.

The next thing to do was to find Luther and Mary. Perhaps they were not there anymore? Perhaps they had moved away? This thought had never occurred to me before. Or perhaps, I hesitated. Perhaps they were dead!

Could it be possible! It could not be; it must not be! I would not be cheated of the satisfaction of returning their kindness. I hurried to a Drug Store near by, and procured a city directory and began scanning its pages. I soon found what I was looking for, and was relieved of a nervous tension, of which I was unconscious until then. I was not aware until then that so much pleasure depended upon this. It was the first thrill of real pleasure I had in years.

I learned from the Drug Store man, who happen to know Luther, that he was still working at the mill where he was working when I went away. He was foreman of the mill now, so the man said. Not much for—

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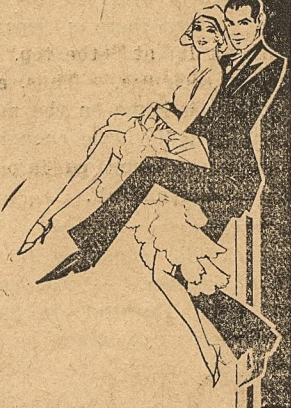
To All Members of the Cross Plains Baptist Church:

The Deacons have asked that all members be present at the Church, Monday night to arrange about taking care of the business of the Church. There are several matters of importance that must be attended to in view of the revival that is to be held, beginning August 11th. We must not go along blindly and expect to have a successful meeting. Can we expect you help? The Pastor.

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OLD HEN MOTHERS KITTENS
(Grainger News)

Believe it or not, an old setting hen at the home of Ira Hardin is trying mighty hard to hatch out her brood of chickens and at the same time is doing double duty in protecting the lives of some kittens. It came about in this way. During the heavy rain of last week, the old mother cat

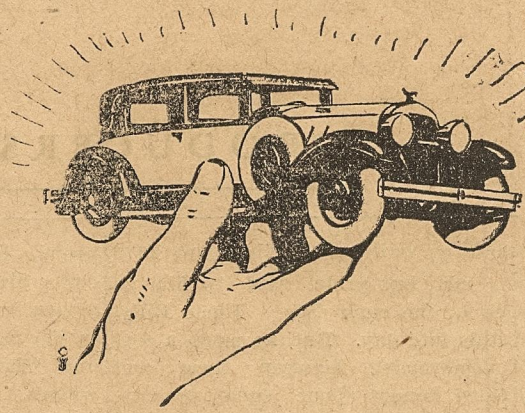
came to the decision that the hen nest so occupied was about the safest place to take her family and there was no objection raised when they were placed in it. In fact, the old hen is taking care of them in grand style, hovering them when "Ma" is away getting her daily ration of mice and what not, and gets fighting mad when someone ventures near.

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AUTOS IN COLLISION ON BURKETT ROAD

(Coleman Democrat-Voice)

A collision took place Tuesday night about 9 o'clock on the Burkett road two miles out of Coleman a few yards from the Wood Filling Station and resulted in a wreck of considerable damage but without fatal injuries to the parties concerned. Two cars and a cart drawn by burros were in the collision.

One of the cars, occupied by Sterling Forsythe, Max Wilson and T. E. Brown was leaving Coleman; the other in which Mr. and Mrs. Walter Croft and baby and Jim Croft were riding, was coming toward town. A small cart driven by a lone woman on her way to California was also coming toward Coleman and was stopped just out of the road.

The cars, in attempting to pass where the cart was stopped, collided in such a manner that the back end of the wagon was torn down and the two cars were damaged, the Croft car receiving the most damage. Jim Croft was cut about the face and the baby had minor cuts and bruises; Walter Croft suffered a bad arm gash and Mrs. Croft's leg was badly cut. Dr. Anders happened by at the time of the wreck and carried the Crofts to his office and attended to them there.

Those in the other car received scratches and bruises of no consequence and the woman in the cart was not injured in any way. Her wagon was repaired and the Welfare League investigated her circumstances. She refused to stop in Coleman to work and indicated she would continue her journey to California.

HOW THE TIMES HAVE CHANGED

By JOE SAPPINGTON

A peculiar characteristic of most men who have passed their sixtieth birthdays is that they believe everything in the moral and physical world has undergone a change since they were young. To prove the correctness of this assertion on some real cold day ask any old settler of your acquaintance if he ever experienced colder weather, and he will tell you that the winters we have been having for the last thirty years have been so warm that they reminded him of the late summers we used to have along in the early '50s. However, should you meet him in the middle of August, on a day when it was so hot that the mercury would be spewing out at the top of the thermometer, and ask him if he had ever known it to be so hot the chances are he would tell you that the winters back in the early '50s were warmer than the hottest summer weather we have been having for the past twenty or thirty years.

I shouldn't be at all surprised if there were not a lot of old settlers who stood around in the flood until the water got up in their whiskers commending the rain they were having was but a gentle shower compared to what they had seen, some 300 years before.

I once lived in a town that had a lot of old settlers who would tell you, to a man, that away back in the '50s, the winters were colder, the summers hotter, and that it rained more, and rained less, than now and as to hail and snow and cyclones and sudden changes, we of this degenerate age know nothing whatever.

I once lived neighbor to one of these old-timers, who believed with all his heart that God performed all his mightiest works between the years of '43 and '69. It made no difference what took place, let it be a cyclone or a camp meeting Uncle Billy Stone had "seed" a bigger one about fifty years previous. One day there came up an awful storm and hail stones fell as big as quart cups, and killed grown cows and horses and broke big limbs off of trees and knocked the shingles off of every roof in town, and I thought surely Uncle Billy never saw a worse hail storm than that, and as soon as the storm had passed I stepped over to his house to interrogate him about it. When I went in, Uncle Billy was just crawling out from under the bed where he had taken refuge from the hail stones. My first greeting was: "Say, Uncle Billy, how was that for a hail storm?" He looked at me for at least a minute before he spoke and I could tell there was a struggle going on in the old man's mind, a struggle with conscience and pride. Conscience said spitter out Uncle Billy and confess that was about the best

organized hail storm that you have ever met, but pride said to him go back to the early '50s. Uncle Billy, at this late-day. But, he made a sort of compromise between them and divided honors about equal, by saying: "Well, Joe, I can't say that I ever seed quit as big hail as drapped around a hail on the 10th day of May, '59, that was almost as bad that lesteed a leetle a leetle longer and lightning a powerful sight wusser."

It is the same way with everything else with the most of the old settlers who have passed the sixtieth mile post of life's journey and they are perfectly sincere in their belief that nothing happens on as big scale as it did a long time ago. They looked through different eyes then and heard through different ears and their minds and hearts took hold and fondly retained the passing events that more impressed them in the long ago. It is but natural for them to believe hat back yonder in the days when life held out its fondest hopes, and the warm young blood surged through their veins, that nature did all things on a much larger and grander scale. They are perfectly sincere when they tell you that the winters were colder, the summers hotter, that the rivers got higher, the sky bluer, that the men were taller, smarter, stronger and straighter, that he girls were prettier and friends truer, back in the days when they were young. Really I think it shows a spirit of unselfishness that approaches the sublime, for one of these old fellows to even acknowledge as did Uncle Billy that he had "never seed" quite as big hail as "drapped"

around his house that day, and who could blame him for qualifying it by saying he had seed a hail storm back in '59 that lasted a "leetle" longer and "lightened a powerfull sight wusser."

The day is coming and it is not so far away when the last of these grand old pioneers will have crossed that dark and silent river, so let us of a younger generation listen with patience and gentleness to their accounts of the mighty deeds performed by God, and man, away back in the '50s.

It will be but a few more years till a whole crowd of us fellows will be telling of the wonderful things that took place back in the '80s, and we would feel hurt if the young men of that day should treat out tales of the mighty work that was wrought between the years of '76 and the early '90s incredulously.

GIANT TOADS TO FIGHT INSECT PESTS IN TEX.

Two hundred more giant Surinam toads are to be brought to Beaumont from Porto Rico at once, as a result of tests made with 33 brought there recently, for use in fighting insect life.

The Surinam toad is about twice the size of the native toad and smaller than a native bull frog.

The Surinam's tongue is one of his bids for fame. He can sit in one spot complacently until he sees a particularly luscious insect, when his

tongue makes a lightning-like dart and spears it, at any distance up to four or five inches.

In 1920, twelve of the Surinam toads were taken to Porto Rico from their native haunts in Brazil, and have multiplied so rapidly that at present the island is said to be practically free from damaging insect life.

Applications already have been made to the county farm agent by a number of farmers through the country for some of the toads when they arrive.

The method of reproduction of the toads is as interesting as his habits and his abnormally long tongue. When the eggs are laid, the male toad spreads them over the back of the female. After there a separate cavity, with a lid at the top, develops around each egg. Thus, each young toad has a home on the mother's back until he is large enough to open the lid and come out into the world to shift for himself.

Dale Brockfield, employed by the Cross Plains Lumber Co., was carried to the Sealy Hospital in Santa Thursday of last week, where he was operated upon about ten o'clock Thursday night for acute appendicitis. He was attacked with severe symptoms of the affliction while working in the lumber yard during the day, and after a local medical examination he was carried immediately to the Santa Anna institution. Late reports from the hospital state that he is recovering rapidly.

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