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TENTH YEAR

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The work of the Texas Industrial Congress for better farming in Texas will be continued through its usual offer of \$10,000 in gold for best results secured, cost of production considered, during 1914 in yield of corn, cotton, kaffir, milo, feterita, cow peas and peanuts. Classes will also be provided in live stock for the best results in feeding steers, calves and hogs. The conditions for the live stock contest will be announced later. For the agricultural products the classes will be practically the same as in former years.

Class A, open to everybody, will be model demonstration farms of four acres cultivated in corn, cow peas, cotton and either kaffir, milo or feterita.

Class B, will be for boys and girls cultivating an acre in corn. Class C, will be limited to boys and girls and will consist of one acre cultivated in cotton. Class D, open to everybody, will be

for one acre cultivated in either kaffir, milo or feterita, with or without irrigation. Class E will be for boys and girls cultivating an acre in peanuts. Class F will be for contestants entered in Class A who feed a steer with the products of the model demonstration farm. Class G for Baby Beef and Class H for hogs. \$2,000 has been allotted Class A and \$1600 each to Classes B, C, D and E. \$1000 in each class will be divided among the contestants in those classes who exceed the average yield and cost of production of all contestants entered in that class for 1914.

Men, women, boys and girls of the state who want to enter the contest this year are requested to write at once to the Texas Industrial Congress at Dallas for application blanks stating what classes they wish to enter. The contest will be open for entries until May 1st.

Change Dates.

County Judge Faulkner is in receipt of the following letter from W. F. Doughty, State Superintendent of Public In-

struction:

"Your attention is called to the fact that a special examination for teachers' certificates will be held in all counties in the state the first Friday and Saturday, and Thursday preceding, in April, instead of May, as heretofore. There will be no May examination this year.

The change is made to accommodate a large number of teachers who desire to hear from their papers before the regular June examination.

"The April examination will be limited to state certificate only, and the same rules and regulations which govern regular examinations will also govern this instance."

Mule Increases \$11 Value.

Washington, D. C.—The Texas mule has increased \$11 in value during the past twelve months, while the Texas horse shows a decrease of \$2 per head, according to a report recently issued by the United States Department of Agriculture. Texas has more mules than any state in the Union and more than twice the number of Missouri which ranks second in this respect. On January 1st, 1914 there were 753,000 mules in Texas, the number having increased 29,000 in the last year. These mules are valued at \$79,940,000 and have increased \$23,000,000 since January 1913.

B. Y. P. U. Program.

Subject—The character of God.
Scripture lesson—6:1-8 Ethel Cash.
Introductory remarks—Leader.
The holiness of God—Ruby Newton.
Scripture reading, Ex. 15:11; I Peter 1:15-16; Psa. 30:4—By the members.
Song.
The wisdom of God—Mrs. Brewer.
The justice of God—A. J. Mayfield.
The goodness of God—A. W. Willard.
Psalms 8—Grace Hamilton.
Song.
Closing prayer.
Leader—Orma Kibler.

A car load of fish and barrel of oysters at the Delmonte Cafe.

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Preparation For Crops

With the exception of a few very disagreeable days the past month has offered some excellent weather for the prosecution of the general farm work and it is noticed that plowing and other arrangements for the planting of the spring crops are further advanced than ever before at this season of the year. It is believed that the largest acreage in the history of the McLean country will be devoted to the various crops this year and cotton will hold a not inconsiderable place on the diversification program. Corn also will likely be given a larger acreage than heretofore on account of the fact that the good winter season in the ground makes promise of a specially good yield.

Many new silos have been installed over this section since the planting time last spring and it is understood that many more to be built in time to handle the fall crops, or to receive them in June or July in case a severe dry spell should threaten the yield. By means of the silo the ravages of mid-summer droughts can be forestalled to a large extent.

On the whole the general outlook for 1914 prosperity is very flattering in the McLean country. You are invited.

Highest Price This Year.

Fort Worth.—Monday was a banner day on the local hog market and a precedent was established in the way of prices when \$8.90 per cwt. was paid for the best hogs. Several hundred head sold at this price, which is the highest amount offered for porkers this year. Hog receipts for the entire day reached 3,000 head and this averaged a little more than \$8 per cwt.

Weaver Calves Top Market

Geo Weaver returned the first of the week from Fort Worth where he had been with two cars of fat calves which he has been feeding silage, cake and corn for the past several months, the corn being the last ration and used to finish off the beef. He expresses himself as highly pleased with the experiment of full feeding, having had the best bunch of stuff on the last Monday market. The tops out of the two cars weighed, thirty-six of them, 778 pounds each and brought eight cents per pound, the highest price that

any by half cent. Twenty-nine in another bunch weighed 668 and brought seven and a half cents. Six weighed around 600 and brought six cents.

Mr. Weaver has devoted considerable time and expense to the fitting up of feed yards and has a big underground silo, from which he fed the second filling this past fall and winter. He is authority for the statement that there is good money to be realized from a crop of kaffir or maize if handled through the silo route and he expects to engage more extensively in the business in the future.

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SYNOPSIS.

Francois Beaupre, a peasant babe of three years, after an amusing incident in which Marshal Ney figures, is made a Chevalier of France by the Emperor Napoleon, who prophesied that the boy might one day be a marshal of France under another Bonaparte. At the age of ten, Francois visits General Baron Gaspard Gourgaud, who with Alixe, his seven-year-old daughter, lives at the Chateau. A soldier of the Empire, Napoleon befriends the boy's imagination with stories of his campaigns. The general offers Francois a home at the Chateau. The boy refuses to leave his parents, but in the end becomes a copyist for the general and learns of the friendship between the general and Marquis Zappi, who campaigned with the general under Napoleon. Marquis Zappi and his son, Pietro, arrive at the Chateau. The general agrees to care for the Marquis' son while the former goes to America. The Marquis before leaving for America asked Francois to be a friend of his son. The boy solemnly promises. Francois goes to the Chateau to live. Marquis Zappi dies leaving Pietro as a ward of the general. Alixe, Pietro and Francois meet a strange boy who proves to be Prince Louis Napoleon, the Emperor's son. The general discovers Francois loves Alixe, and extracts a promise from him that he will not interfere between the girl and Pietro. Francois goes to Italy as secretary to Pietro. Queen Hortense plans the escape of her son Louis Napoleon by disguising him and Marquis Zappi as her lackeys. Francois takes Marquis Zappi's place, who is ill in the escape of Hortense and Louis. Francois is a prisoner of the Austrians for five years in the castle owned by Pietro in Italy. He discovers in his guard one of Pietro's old family servants, and through him sends word to his friends of his plight. The general, Alixe and Pietro hear from Francois and plan his rescue. Francois as a guest of the Austrian governor of the castle prison inspects the interior of the wine cellar of the Zappis. Francois receives a note from Pietro explaining in detail how to escape from his prison. Alixe awaits him on horseback and leads him to his friends on board the American sailing vessel, the "Lovely Lucy."

CHAPTER XIX.

The Sacrifice.

Young Henry Hampton, thrilled to the core at this drama, bent over him, as Battista laid him on the deck, and looked up anxiously at Pietro.

"Is he living?" he asked.

"He was living, though for an hour or two the devoted friends who cared for him doubted if they had not got him back only to lose him. But that last effort of the change to the ship being past, when consciousness came again he grew strong more rapidly."

"I thought—the Austrians—would nab me—as I came aboard," he whispered, smiling gaily as he gasped the words to Alixe. "It was—firm in my mind."

And Alixe laughed at him, and told him that they were far out on the Adriatic now, safe under the American flag, and the Austrians left two hundred miles behind.

"Even if they had—nabbed me," whispered Francois, "those two days you would have paid."

And Alixe shuddered a little and told him to go to sleep and stop thinking of Austrians, for they were out of his life now forever.

"My seigneur," said Francois next day when the general took his turn at sitting by his bed, "may I ask a question?"

"Any question in the world, Francois, my son," the general growled at him, as if the tender words were a defiance to an enemy.

Francois hesitated. "About Alixe and Pietro?"

The general shook his head. "Ah that! That I cannot tell you, Francois. Sometimes I believe that I have been mistaken, that—" the general as he stopped looked oddly at Francois and smiled. "Sometimes I believe that even I, even Gaspard Gourgaud, might make a mistake in trying to play the good God, and arranging lives. That might be—yes. In any case I cannot tell."

Francois, thinking deeply, hazarded another question. "He loves her?"

"I believe so, indeed," said the general. "He cares most to be with us—with her. Ah yes, I have no doubt that he loves her. But why it goes no farther—enprist! It is beyond me—that! I would knock their foolish heads together, me—but that is not convenient."

"Does she love Pietro?"

"Mon dieu! How can a mere man say that? She is a woman. I do not know—not in the least," the general exploded at him.

"But Pietro loves her?" Francois asked again, his wistful smiling eyes searching the general's face.

"Yes—I am sure of it."

And Francois smiled.

"No one could help it," he said half to himself.

In a day more little Battista came into Francois' cabin and put clothes on him and wrapped him like a mummy in coats and rugs, and carried him in his arms up on deck, and there laid him in a hammock on the sunny side of the ship. And the salt air blew on his face and he gulped it in, and by and by Alixe brought a chair and sat by him and read to him, and Francois lay quiet and wondered if heaven could be any improvement on this.

So, on that long, bright, calm morning at sea Francois lay in the hammock and watched the million little waves glisten and break for unknown miles over the salt water, and listened to the voice he loved best in the world, as it told him of those others whom he loved also, and of the places

dear to him; and he wondered that he had indeed come through the long nightmare of prison to this happiness.

"Mr. Hampton has been talking to me about Virginia; it must be a beautiful country," said Alixe. "I should love the free friendly life of those great domains. I believe I could leave France and Vicqueux for such a country as that, where there are no political volcanoes on top of which one must live. With us it is always plotting and secrecy. Always a war to look back on or to look forward to. I should like to go to Virginia."

"But," said Francois, with his great eyes glowing, "the war one now looks forward to in France will be short and glorious. And after that will be peace, for there will be a Bonaparte ruling, and that means strength and good government."

"How you believe in the great captain and in his blood," and Alixe smiled down at the pale face on fire with its lifelong enthusiasm.

"One must," said Francois simply, and paused, and went on. "For me—you know, Alixe, how it is. How the star of the Bonapartes has always seemed to be my star! I believe that I believe that my life is tied to that house. Napoleon was more than a man to my mind, his touch set me aside for his uses in my cradle."

"And made you a chevalier," Alixe considered. "That was a true accolade. You would have a right to that title under another Bonaparte."

"I believe so, Alixe."

"And my father believes it. So you must hurry and get well and come back to France and be fit for work when the prince needs you, Chevalier Beaupre. My father has told you that a movement is preparing? He is reckless, my father, and it troubles me. It might be unsafe for him to live in France if his part in these plots were known."

"Then you could come to Virginia—to Carnifax," and Francois smiled.

But Alixe flushed. "That is Pietro's estate, not ours," she said quickly; and then she rose and bent over the sick boy. "I must go to my father now," she said, and caught his pitiful hands suddenly in both hers. "But oh! Francois, I wish I could tell you how it changes all the world to have you back again"—and she was gone.

Francois, trembling with a rapture he could not quiet, lay, not stirring, because he feared to break the spell of the touch of her hands; feeling within him a rebel hope that yet he would not let take hold of him. Could it be? Was it true? Did she care for him and not Pietro? Was that the reason that in all these years she and Pietro were still only sister and brother? Yet, he caught and choked the thought. Even then he had no right, he could not, would not tell her what she was to him. He would be Pietro's friend always as he had promised long ago; more, a thousand times more now, when Pietro had given back to him freedom and life and hope.

CHAPTER XX.

A Social Crisis.

On a day the ship sailed into a splendid roadstead, big enough to hold the



The General Shook His Head.

ships of half the world. Then into a wide flashing river, the James river, four or five miles wide down there at its mouth. And up and up and up the bright river, the narrowing river, between its low green banks, with now and again a glimpse of a large house and of gardens and lawns green with June, as one sailed past.

Harry Hampton told Francois who lived in them as they went by—Harrisons and Carters and Byrds and Randolphs—strange-sounding, difficult, English names in the ear of the Frenchman. Young Mr. Hampton knew them all, it seemed; many of them were his cousins; Francois listened, surprised, interested, to the word picture which the Virginian unconsciously drew, as he talked of every-day happenings of a society and a way of living quite different from any the Frenchman had ever heard of.

With that they were in sight of Roanoke house—one might see the

roofs of the buildings over the trees—Harry Hampton pointed it out with a touch of excitement in his grave manner. Then, as one slipped along the sparkling water, there was a sharp bend in the stream, and as they turned it the large silvery green slope of the lawn lay before them, with its long wharf and barges lying at the water's side, and a ship unloading its return cargo from England.

"It is the Sea Lady," called young Hampton. "She is in before us—and she sailed so long after."

He made a quick movement forward with his pathetic broken step—for this only son of the Hampton family was a cripple.

There were people gathering on the lawn, negroes drawn up in line; the women in bright-colored turbans, men and women both showing white teeth as they grinned with the pleasure and the excitement of watching the ship come in. Then a white light figure ran down the broad greenness, and a girl stood, golden curls on her shoulders, a straw hat with blue ribbons tying down some of the golden curls, but not all—stood and watched and waved an eager friendly hand.

"It is my cousin Lucy," Harry Hampton said, and Francois, looking at him, saw his eyes fixed on her intently.

In a few minutes more, leaving the ship with his halting careful step, Francois saw him kiss her cousin—yet it seemed not altogether cousinly—and with that he was saying a word about "My new friend, the Chevalier Beaupre," and the girl's quick hand-clasp and the warm welcome in her voice of honey, made Francois feel as if a place in her friendship had been waiting for him always.

Then, from back of her, from somewhere, towered suddenly a tall man, with large features, and first seized Harry Hampton's hand and then turned to the stranger with the same air of entire pleasure and hospitality.

"My nephew's friend is welcome at Roanoke house," he said, and Francois, with his few words of English, understood enough to be warmed to the soul at his first contact with southern hospitality.

"It is my uncle, Colonel Hampton," Harry's voice was explaining.

They would not hear of his going to Carnifax—not for days, not for a month; why should he go at all?—Colonel Hampton asked. If he were to be only a year or two in Virginia, why trouble to set up housekeeping alone in that big house, when Roanoke house was here and in order, and only too glad to keep him. So Francois for a week or two stayed. And found himself, shortly, a notability. Harry Hampton, his boyish ambition for adventure and daring denied every personal outlet, because of that accident in babyhood which had started him in life hopelessly lame, was as proud of his salvage from the Austrian bird of prey as if Francois' record had been his own. Much more frankly proud, for he could talk about it, and did. Alixe had told him a great deal, and the episode of the headlong rescue of Prince Louis Napoleon, the capture and imprisonment and final theatrical escape, went like wildfire about the countryside, and stirred all the romance of the warm-blooded southerners. Every house wanted the hero to break bread, and under young Harry's proud wing Francois went gladly to meet all these friends of his friend.

As the general had said years ago, his simplicity struck the finest note of sophisticated high breeding; moreover, he had lived with high-bred people in more than one country; the aristocrats of Virginia were delighted with his young nobleman, as they thought him—with his charm of manner and his stirring history, with the lines of suffering still in his thin face and the broad color of gray—the badge of that suffering—in his dark hair; with the quaint foreign accent too, and the unexpectedness in the turns of his rapidly increasing English.

And now he had left Roanoke, and was living in the great old house on Pietro's land, the old house which had been lived in a hundred years before Pietro's father had bought it, the old house in which grandchildren of Pietro live today.

Something in his odd broken English, something in his vivacity and energy, something in the warmth of the heart which the poor souls felt in him—none quicker than negroes to feel a heart—fascinated the slaves who fell to his unspacemost management. He had met Henry Clay and the proud aristocrats of Virginia as men and women, and given them the best of himself; he met those thick-lipped, dim-soled, black people no otherwise, and gave them the same. By the crystal truth in him the first had been vanquished, and it happened not differently with these other human beings. Pietro's mishandled property grew orderly month by month; Francois, in the saddle most of the time, riding from end to end of the plantation, found his hands full and his work interesting, and his health and strength coming back—though that was a slower progress.

The people who do most are likely to be the people who can do a thing

more. Young Henry Hampton, ruled out of the larger part of his natural pleasures by that stern by-law of nature, which had made him lame, appealed to Francois' sympathy every day more deeply. The one thing which the lad could do was riding. "Henry," Francois spoke, as the two trotted together down a shady lane of the plantation on the way to the far fields where negroes worked in the autumn sunlight, "what would you think of organizing a mounted troop of militia?"

The boy's face flamed with excitement. What would he think of it? He would think it glorious, wonderful, half a dozen big adjectives.

There were many young men in the neighborhood; all of them rode; none of them had enough to do; Francois had a hold on them—a man may not spend five years in a dungeon because of a dashing mad act of bravery with-



"My Nephew's Friend is Welcome to Roanoke House."

out acquiring a halo which adheres afterward; it was fairly certain that a military company, originating with the Chevalier Beaupre, would succeed. And it succeeded. Three days later it was started with the cordial sanction of the fathers and the enthusiasm of the sons. Francois was, of course, the moving spirit and the responsible head, and Francois was hard at work calling back the old lore of his school days at Saint-Cyr and reading books on tactics and all military subjects.

"Henry," said Colonel Hampton one morning after breakfast at Roanoke House, "I want to speak to you a moment in my study."

Harry went calmly into the dim, pleasant, old room, with its paneled walls and portraits set into the paneling; he had no fear of what his uncle might say, for he was not merely the young nephew and ward living in his uncle's house—he was the owner of most of the acres which made the plantation a great one. Colonel Hampton considered that in his treatment of Harry, and Harry knew it well enough. Moreover, it was an unspoken secret that Harry or Lucy had the right of strength over weakness in dealing with the head of the house. Obstinacy combined sometimes with weakness, it is true, but yet the two youngsters understood clearly that the colonel was the head only by a graceful fiction. So young Henry Hampton felt no alarm at the quality of his uncle's tone. The colonel sat down in the biggest chair, a chair throne-like in its dignity, he faced the lad and pulled importantly at the end of his mustache.

"This troop of cavalry about organized," he demanded.

"Well, that's rather a big name for it, Uncle Henry, but it is going like a streak," answered Henry, junior. "We meet again today, and tomorrow I think we shall begin business."

"I approve of it," Colonel Hampton stated.

Harry bowed his head gravely. The colonel went on.

"It is a well-bred and appropriate method of amusement. A gentleman should know something of military affairs. But—ah—the ranking and—ah—arrangements! Such—details are not unlikely with gentlemen of the first families, as you all are—except one—to crystallize into a—later importance. The man who has been the leader of this company of very young men will not unlikely be the man thought of as a leader in—ah—affairs of greater moment to come. May I inquire who is the captain?"

Henry Hampton looked troubled, impatient.

"Why, nobody yet, Uncle Henry. We have not got to that. But, of course, the Chevalier—"

Colonel Hampton interrupted him. "Exactly. I thought so. That is what I wish to avoid. The Chevalier must not be the captain."

The boy caught up the words hotly. "Uncle Henry, he has done it all. We all want him."

"Exactly. But you must not have him. I am surprised at you, Henry! Do you remember that this man is peasant-born? Do you want to be led into battle by a person whose rank is not above that of our own serv-

ants? "Led into battle!" Young Henry laughed shortly. "Led into a corn field is more like it." And then his glance fixed. "Moreover, Uncle Henry, if there were battle in the case, we should all count ourselves lucky to be led by—a hero."

"A hero!" Colonel Hampton sniffed. "A mere French peasant by his own account. Of course, I have—received him, because of your infatuation for him. And—the young man has qualities. He has been a success socially. I will not deny. I am quite surprised by his success. But when it comes to putting him in a position above men of birth, my blood revolts. I request you, Henry, to use your influence against this. I can not endure to have him give you commands. You should be the captain, because your social position has made the enterprise possible. But, yet, if—your misfortune—if some other seems more fit—"

A painful color darkened the boy's face and his brows gathered. The colonel went on. "I should make no objection to that. But—"

again he pulled at the corners of his mustache with solemnity—"I must request you to use your influence absolutely to prevent this parvenu from being placed over you."

Harry Hampton put his hand on the table beside him and lifting himself with that aid stood before his uncle, leaning a little on the table as his lame foot made it necessary, but yet a figure full of decision and dignity.

"And I must refuse absolutely, Uncle Henry, to do anything of the kind. I am not in question. As you say, I have—a misfortune. I shall see what influence I have to see that the Chevalier Beaupre is made captain of the company he has organized and is to educate. This is fitting. I am proud to call him my friend, and I am glad that I am large-minded enough to realize that as large a mind as his is not to be measured by petty standards. If he is a prince or if he is a peasant is quite immaterial, because he is first a very great thing—himself."

He turned from the astonished colonel, and with his halting step was gone.

Shortly the young master's horse was ordered and he had left word with Ebenezer, the butler, as he went out, that he would not be home till bedtime, and was off toward Carnifax.

"Francois," he began, finding his friend busy over his papers in that same library, at that same carved mahogany desk, where today lie the packages of old letters—"Francois, I want to speak to you—about something—before our meeting."

"What then? The boy is out of breath. You have been running Black Hawk again, my Henry—that horse will complain of you soon, the strong beast. What is it you are in such a hurry to say that one must race across country so of a good hour of the morning?"

"But Henry was too intent to talk nothings. "It is important," he said briefly. "We must have a captain for the company at once, and it must be you."

"Sabre de bois!" smiled Francois radiantly. "The good idea! I can not imagine a fellow more beautiful to be a captain than I, can you?"

But Henry was altogether serious-minded. "You will consent then?" he threw at him. "I did not think of it till this morning, but I see it should be done at once. We shall all want you, of course, and want nobody else."

Now Henry Hampton, not having thought of the question till this morning, had no right to make this statement in a full round voice of certainty. Yet he knew every man in the company, and he felt in himself the force to answer for them. He answered for them without a hesitation. And with that Francois' laughing face grew grave. He pushed the letters from him and got up and came across to the boy and bent and put his arm around his shoulder as he sat still and stiff. These French ways of his friend pleased Henry immensely, but they also petrified him with embarrassment. Francois was not in the least embarrassed. He patted the broad young shoulder affectionately.

"My good Henry," he said gently. "What a loyal heart—and what a reckless one! How then can you answer for all those messieurs?"

Harry hung up his head and began. "They will—if they do not I shall make them"—but Francois stopped the bold words.

"No," he said quietly—yet with a tone of finality which the other recognized. "That will not be necessary. And they will treat me with honor; they will be better to me than I deserve. I know that well." There were so few people in the world who did not, to Francois, seem his good friends. "But, my Henry, I will not be the captain. I have thought of that, if you have not. Look here."

He swung to the desk and slipped out a drawer, and had a long folded paper in his hands. He flapped it open before Harry's eyes. It was a formal notice to Mr. Henry Hampton, Junior, that the Jefferson troop of Virginia had elected him as its captain.

Harry flushed violently and his mouth quivered with pleasure, and nervousness, with unhappiness. The

other watched him eagerly. All affair of the troop he had done give pleasure to Harry Hampton, friend. It was the only way in which the lame boy could be on equal terms with the other boys, and Francois determined from the first that even if he should have to be the captain he should have. To be the captain ought to be a joy.

"It," Harry cried and then was still—and then spoke sorrowfully. "But it can not be!"

"Can not be?" demanded Francois. "Why not?"

There was a moment's silence with a painful effort the words came. "My—misfortune. I am lame."

And Francois cried out, "Henry—that is nonsense! What of it? It is a thing you do as well as the best of hands. Who has such a seat, such hands as you? Why not then, I command?" And went on. "It is settled. I have talked to them all—see the signatures. You are the captain, Henry—and I am your right hand as your left hand—yes and your feet, to whenever you need me."

"But," said Harry, dazed, "it is really your place; don't you want to be captain?" he shot at the other boyishly.

And with that Francois' arm was about his shoulder again as the two stood together, and Francois was laughing. "But yes," he said, "I should like it. That is a secret." His face was brilliant with laughter. "You only may know, my Henry, that I am vain—ah, very vain," he repeated sadly. "Never tell it. I love titles and honors and importance. I like to be called Chevalier—though indeed that is my right," he added with a quick touch of dignity. "And I should like very much to be captain of this company of fine young men, the flowers—does one say—of the South. But it is not best." He held up his forefinger and looked enormously worldly-wise. "No. You would not mind; the young messieurs would not mind, perhaps—but the fathers—ah, the fathers!" He threw back his head and gazed at the ceiling with eyes of horror. Then with a start and a hand flung out, "And the mothers! Mon Dieu! But the mothers, Henry! They would make—what you call it—a h—l of a time, is it not?"

Harry roared with joy at the terrified whisper. "But I have neither father nor mother," he suggested.

"Ah, Henry," argued Francois with deep satisfaction in his tone, "that makes you so suitable."

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"Diapepsin" settles sour, gassy stomachs in five minutes—Time it!

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"The changes all things," ended Cook. "I said to a young man who said: 'I'm a young man who is a young man.'" "I'm a young man who is a young man."

"I'm a young man who is a young man," he answered, "when you take your girl home in a taxi."

Only One "BROMO QUININE" is the name of the medicine.

Notice that the fellow, who de- scribes generally wants to bor- row your wealth.

Man Fades as Dyes are the eas- iest to use. Adv.

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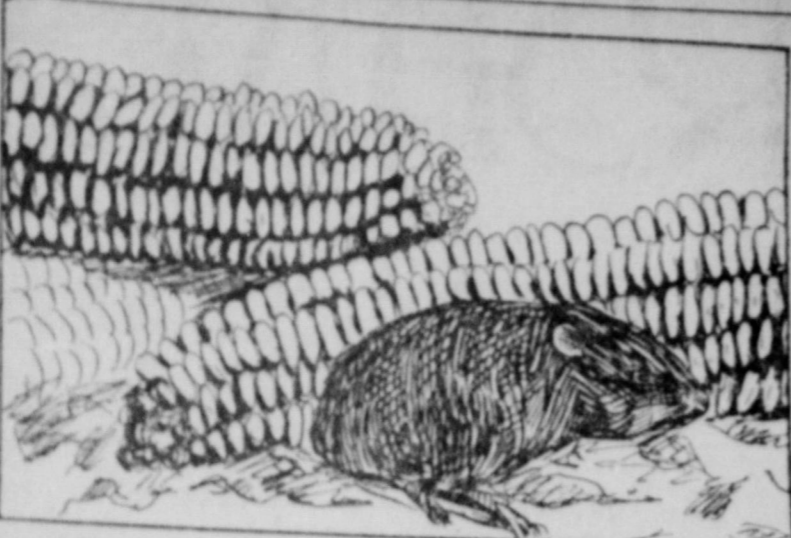
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Drive the poisonous waste from your clogged-up bowels, and start your liver working perfectly with gentle, bilious- killing HOT SPRINGS LIVER BUTTONS. They purify the blood, put an edge on the appetite and put vigor and ambition into people who lack energy. Take them, and headache, nervous- ness, sleeplessness and dizziness will vanish. They are simply fine, especially for women and elderly people. Cut out calomel and other makeshifts. Take little chocolate coated HOT SPRINGS LIVER BUTTONS for a week, and notice the complexion clear- up, and pimples vanish. All druggists, 25 cents. Free sample from Hot Springs Chemical Co., Hot Springs, Ark.

DESTRUCTIVENESS OF THE MEADOW MOUSE



The Common Meadow Mouse.

The different species of "field mice" or "meadow mice" that are found in all parts of the country, are almost entirely responsible for much of that damage done to plants of various kinds, the blame for which is partly bestowed upon moles and shrews. Serious damage is done every year in orchards, potato fields and gardens. Many young fruit trees are girdled by these rodents, in orchards in all parts of the United States. Mulched trees, or trees growing in orchards where cover crops are used, are more liable to injury. Damage to straw- berry plantations and to various kinds of garden crops are reported annually. Irish potatoes and sweet potatoes have been especially subject to attack.

Serious injury to planted crops has several times been noticed in fields lying adjacent to "broom-edge" grass fields. Examinations of such places showed that the mice had evidently invaded the cultivated areas from their protected retreats and breeding places among the "broom-edge." The green stalks of this wild grass furnish a considerable portion of the food of the mice, as can be seen by the great number of cut-off, and partly eaten, stems and blades that are to be found about their nests and along their runways, where the plant grows.

Small as meadow mice are, they inflict enormous injury upon the crops of the country. The loss to the farmers from this source averages several millions of dollars annually. And the most lamentable part of it all is that the major portion of this loss is preventable. From their homes in grass, brush, woods and thickets, mice in- vade fields, orchards, vineyards, nurseries, dooryards and gardens, passing through underground runways. Potatoes, sweet potatoes, carrots, beets and other vegetables are eaten by these mice both while stored in pits or lying in piles in field or garden.

All things considered, repression of field mice by strychnine poisoning is the most satisfactory. The strychnine salt most used commercially is strychnine sulphate. This is best for poisoning purposes, since it is soluble in boiling water. Various baits, such as wheat, oatmeal and corn, among the grains, and seeds of various plants, as the tomato, dandelion, and sunflower, may be used. The bait should be soaked over night in poi- soned syrup prepared as follows: Dissolve an ounce of strychnine sulphate in a pint of boiling water; add a pint of thick syrup and stir thor- oughly. This may be scented by a few drops of oil of anise, but this is not essential. Soak the bait all night— adding enough grain or seed to absorb the syrup and not be too damp. Owing to the danger of destroying native birds, such as quail and others, the bait should never be placed in exposed situations, but under shelters which admit mice but exclude birds. For orchards and nurseries the following is an excellent plan: Cut small twigs and dip them in the strychnine syrup. Then scatter the poisoned twigs near the trees to be protected. This is a splendid plan as it poisons both rabbits and mice and does not effect birds or domestic animals.



Potatoes Partly Eaten by Meadow Mice.

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UNIFORMITY IN MARKETING THE SHEEP



An Excellent Trio.

(By W. C. COFFEY.) If close proximity to the regions where most of the sheep are produced were the only factor in determining the best location for a market, the largest markets would be still farther west than they are, because nearly seventy-five per cent of the sheep in the United States are west of the Mississippi river and fifty-seven per cent are in the Rocky mountain region and west to the Pacific Coast.

Shipping facilities for getting the output of the packing houses to the consumer have an important bearing. Still another factor which has a great deal of influence is the fact that many sheep from the west are fattened in the Mississippi and Missouri valleys. Many of these are handled twice by the markets, first as feeders, and again as sheep intended for slaughter. When sold as feeders they go only a comparatively short distance from the market and this is a factor that equalizes the seeming disparity of the markets being too far removed from regions of heaviest production and really makes such places as Chicago and Omaha the actual centers of the sheep trade.

The great central sheep markets of today have enjoyed a very large growth during the last twenty years. The number of sheep received in Chicago being 2,867,253 more the last year than twenty years before. This growth is largely traceable to the turning of the sheep husbandry interests in the west from wool production, as a primary object, to the production of both mutton and wool, and to the rise of the sheep feeding industry. By liberal infusion of mutton blood into their flocks, and by marketing their sheep at a younger age than formerly, Western flockmasters supplanted a dry, ill-flavored mutton with a whole- some product that met with ready demand. Almost at the same time sheep feeding became popular, and these better bred sheep of the range were also better fed. A further impetus was thus given to mutton consumption which has now reached the point in many of our cities at least, where the only check to liberal consumption is the lack of the ability to buy.

With this greatly increased activity in the production of better mutton in the west and in feed lot operations, the large markets have not only in- creased in volume of business but they have also improved in their organiza- tion, as may be seen in the review of conditions past and present at the Chi- cago market. Formerly sheep on this market were not classed and graded, but were sold in mixed bands just as they were unloaded from the cars. Often these mixed shipments were made up of all ages and sexes, in every degree of quality and condition. The volume of business was small; mutton was not much sought after, and hence the need of careful discrimination was not felt. To the commission man or the buyer this system perhaps did not offer great inconvenience. Perhaps the buyer even counted it to his ad- vantage as he is inclined to measure the value of the whole offering by the inferior individuals in it. But to the shipper who occasionally visited the market, little opportunity was pre- sented by such a system to determine the preference of buyers. This system gave way to one that is more orderly and definite. The day of the buyer taking "pot luck" on shipments is over. Now they are sorted into the different classes and grades and thus prepared for the inspection of the buyer. The result is a market by which the man who follows his shipments to sale may be enlightened, and from which market quotations may be made that will be of aid to those who have sheep to sell.

With respect to control of receipts so that violent fluctuations in prices do not occur within a short space of time, the Chicago market has greatly

Improved during the last twenty years. Until the sheepmen of the west be- came recognized as specialists in mutton production, treacherous fluctua- tions were matters of almost daily occurrence. There are records of de- clines of fifty cents per hundredweight in prices within an hour. The large western shipper was obliged to fore- stall such ruinous conditions. This was done by establishing feeding sta- tions on the railway lines tributary to Chicago from the west. Most of these are owned and controlled by the rail- road companies. The large shipper consigns his sheep to some one of these feeding stations and then awaits the advice of his commission firm as to the number of sheep and the time he shall send them to market.

A shipment of say twenty thousand sheep is thus distributed over a period of a week or ten days instead of all being dumped on the market on the same day. Since from sixty-five to seventy-five per cent of the sheep reaching Chicago market are sent first to the feeding stations, it can readily be seen how much they aid in prevent- ing market glutting. The record run of sheep on the Chicago market for one day is about 60,000 and a run of 40,000 is considered very heavy, but were it not for the feeding stations it is claimed that there would frequently be days when the run would be nearer 100,000 head.

ANTI-HOG CHOLERA SERUM TO FARMERS

Department of Agriculture Been Endeavoring for Years to Pre- vent Spread of Disease.

The United States department of agriculture has been engaged contin- uously for more than 25 years in en- deavoring to discover some method of preventing or curing hog cholera. As is now quite generally known, these experiments of the department finally resulted in the discovery of a serum that will prevent the disease when properly prepared and administered. The results of these experiments of the department of agriculture were brought to the attention of the author- ities in all of the states, and as a re- sult approximately 30 different states are engaged in the distribution of anti- hog-cholera serum to farmers.

This work has undoubtedly resulted in a great saving to the individual farmer, but it has not resulted in the eradication or noticeable diminution of the disease in the country as a whole. The department of agricul- ture believes that with this serum to use as a basis, a country-wide cam- paign, looking to the elimination or control of hog cholera should be un- dertaken. Congress has recognized the importance of such work by an appropriation of \$75,000. This appro- priation authorizes the department of agriculture to demonstrate the best methods of controlling hog cholera and the work thus authorized has al- ready begun, although, owing to the small amount of money available, it is necessarily restricted to a few local- ities.

Millet Hay Not a Safe Feed. As a result of extensive investiga- tions, the North Dakota experiment station decided that millet hay when used entirely as a coarse feed is in- jurious to horses. It produces an in- creased action of the kidneys, causes lameness and a swelling of the joints, produces an infusion of blood into the joints, and destroys the texture of the bone, rendering it softer and less tenacious so that traction causes the ligaments and muscles to be torn loose.



Hustling for Feed During Winter.

SHEEP FOR IMPROVING SOIL

Much of Gullied Land and Waste Hill- sides of This Country Could Be Profitably Utilized.

It is universally accepted that sheep droppings under like conditions con- tain a larger amount of fertili- ty than those from the horse, cow or hog. One of the desirable fea- tures of this product is the uniform distribution made by the sheep over the land.

In Europe the value of sheep in improving impoverished or naturally thin soils has been recognized for centuries. It is stated on good au- thority that many of the soils would be almost worthless but for the fact that they are densely covered with sheep. Flocks of sheep aggregating 2,000 or 3,000 in number are not un- commonly seen. The various breeds which naturally inhabit rough moun- tain lands, and precipitous cliffs, where only scanty and coarse herbage exists, manifest their great value in making otherwise worthless land bring in profitable returns.

Much of the gullied land and waste hill-sides of this country could be uti- lized profitably in the production of sheep. Many farmers have proved this to their highest satisfaction. Much of the land which now grows coarse vegetation can be restored to profit- able tillage by the use of sheep. For- tunately the sheep is a ruminating ani- mal, and with the compound stomach can make use of much of the coarse grass and weeds which thrive on de- pleted soils.

Fattening Cattle. Pennsylvania station bulletin No. 112 says: "During the winter of 1909-10, to cattle fed in an open shed made more rapid gains, attained a higher finish, sold for 15 cents per 100 more, and returned 11.6 cents more for each bushel of corn consumed, than similar steers fed in the barn. They also re- quired less labor, and more straw was used for bedding. Results of previous work show that cattle which are in groups of 10 or 12 each, with ample room at mangers and troughs, make more satisfactory gains than similar cattle tied in stanchions."

Making a Breeding Pen. If the cocks and cockerels have, as they should, been in a run apart from the hens and pullets during summer, this is the time to make up your breeding pen. From the cocks, dis- card all those that did not prove good breeders last season, both as to pro- liferacy, and in quality of their get.

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FATTEN FOWLS FOR MARKET

Ten Days is Sufficient and Bird Should Be Confined in Coop or a Number in Small Yard.

A fowl should always be fattened as quickly as possible. Ten days is long enough, but it should be confined either in a coop or a number in a small yard. They must have a continual supply of fresh water and should be fed four times a day, the first meal being given early and the last one late. A recommended mixture is three parts cornmeal, one part ground oats, one part bran, one part crude tallow, the entire lot scalded and fed for the first three meals, with all the corn and wheat that can be eaten up clean at night. Weigh the articles given.

The color of the skin of a fowl can be changed by feed. Sometimes the color of the skin is important, but half of the fowls that are sent to market have anything but a yellow skin. In breeding for market it is important to have a breed that grows rapidly and fleashes up young; the skin should be yellow, and if the feathers are all white both the chicks and old fowls will look much better when dressed than those with colored feathers.

Food mixed or moistened with skim milk instead of water produces whiter flesh and a superior flavor. Skim milk alone is a high nitrogenous food; the carbohydrates have been removed in the butter, so that it is not a complete diet for any animal. The fat of the cream, however, can be cheaply substituted with corn or cornmeal.

Feeding Work Horses. The feeding of the farm work horse, whether mare or gelding, is of the greatest importance. Generally the farm horse is overfed, and its effici- ency thus impaired. Careful atten- tion should be given to feeding care and methods. Consideration of the food requirements of the horse, as re- lated to work performed, can not fail to show a saving in feed that may be made on practically every farm.

Little Things Mean Much. An extra grain of corn on each ear, an extra boll of cotton on each stalk, an extra cent for each dozen eggs, an extra dime for each pound of butter, an extra dollar for each bale of cotton—little things within themselves but meaning millions to the south each year. "Many a mickle makes a muckle" is as applicable to increased earnings as to the saving of what has been earned.

Good Combination. Silage and cottonseed cake have been making good gains on cattle, but the price, while good, is not what feeders expected to get.

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Tree Strangely Marked. A curious tree which though sound was never known to blossom has just been cut down by Mr. James Hay- den Carrigan, on his lands at Fand- town, County Kildare, Ireland. On the freshly sawn butt of the tree there was found a blood-red imprint of what closely resembled a hand and part of an arm.

Vegetable Nightcap. A vegetable nightcap may be seen in the agricultural museum at Washing- ton. It is the sheath of an immense African flower, and is used by the natives as a cap. Turned up around the lower edge, it runs to a point like a tasseled nightcap. Its color is a rich brown, its texture of a fine lacelike quality, and it is strong and durable.

From Many, One. "This is our most valuable fowl," said the amateur hen farmer. "A fine bird," remarked the visitor, trying to look wise. "Yes, indeed. We have named her E Pluribus Unum." "Why the name?" the visitor ques- tioned. "She came from the only egg that hatched of fifty in the incubator."

"They Say! They Say!" Wife—The cashier at the bank says you are just the meanest, stingiest— Husband—Great Scott! Wha—what is that? He says— "Well, he didn't say it in so many words, but that is what he meant, of course." "Look here! What did the fellow say?" "He asked me to indorse the check, and, when I told him I didn't know what he meant, he said he presumed I hadn't had much experience in get- ting checks cashed—so there!"

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SO FAR we have not been favored with any response to our invitation for expressions from the public relative to the proposition of voting a special road tax in this precinct. This is a matter of vital importance and if "silence" may be construed as "giving consent" why not proceed with the preliminaries? Road improvement is necessary, imperative. It costs money. Shall the burden rest heavy on the few public spirited citizens who stand for progress and community advancement regardless of personal sacrifice, or shall it lay where it belongs, equally on the shoulders of all?

IT IS SAID that the Canadian Record is the best paying newspaper in the Panhandle, considering the size of the town, population of the county, and amount invested. Canadian is a railroad division town and cattle shipping center—a combination that is hard to beat—and the merchants are good advertisers. The Record editor wears diamonds to the Press Association, and makes all the other fellows feel envious.—Plainview News.

Canadian is a good town, all right; but if it was a sorry one Frank Jamison would make money in it just the same, if he chose to operate there. He is the kind of man who would make friends anywhere, and whom it is a real pleasure to do business with. Jamison's friends had rather be dunned by him than merely saluted by their other associates.—Clarendon News.

Such lovely flowers. (Shamrock Texan please copy.)

A FARMER who was carrying an express package from a city mail order house, was accosted by a local merchant: "Why didn't you buy that bill of goods from me? I could have saved you the express and besides you would have been patronizing a home store which helps pay the taxes and build up this locality." With characteristic frankness the farmer asked: "Why don't you patronize your home paper and advertise? I read it and didn't know you had the goods I have here, nor do I ever see your name in the paper inviting one to come to your store."—The Pomotropic.

White Deer Notes.

Having been so busy for the past week, I failed to give the news of this place.

It rained on the 22nd the severest sandstorm of the season, which terminated in a very cold norther, the last very long. We were in town visited Friday by a heavy snow at it soon passed.

Many of our people were in attendance at court the past week.

C. H. Dudley visited his sister and family near Conway Thursday.

Joe Heare and wife visited at Indian the last of the week.

Mr. Heagan of Happy made a regular trip again Sunday.

Mr. Kunkel and nephew

Mike Kunkel, of McLean, visited Mr. and Mrs. T. N. Holloway from Saturday until Tuesday.

Business must be increasing from the number of drummers that have been in the city of late.

The Polander people were visited today by the Bishop of Dallas, who dedicated their new church. A very large crowd were in attendance.

Everybody's Literary had a large attendance again Friday night and a good program. T. N. Holloway and Mrs. Henry Sefton were the winners in the "spelling bee".

Mr. Phar of Oklahoma City was here a few days ago figuring with the local board of trustees on plans for a new school building.

White Deer has enjoyed a very successful term of six months school and bids for two more months.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Edgar visited friends in Pampa Sunday.

Bob Lawver and family were visited a few days this week by Mr. Lawver's brother from Iowa.

"We have on our exchange table a copy of the 'Wireless Dispatch', a pen-printed, semi-monthly in the interest of Everybodys Literary at White Deer, O. W. Harrah editor, and from the way he 'wools' some of the old timers it looks like there might be several live wires connected with it."—Pampa News.

Will admit that Henry Sefton has the city 'dray' line, but it looks as though Hrof. Holloway is in the race also, as he seems to keep a string of dray wagons about his premises.—Contributor in Carson County News.

Mrs. H. A. Tate is spending the week in Hereford with her daughter, Mrs. Betts.

John Kunkel and force have been repairing the Santa Fe wells here.

Hary and Dwight Bobbitt visited at Panhandle Saturday.

The Baptist of White Deer have called Bro. Reed of Goodnight as pastor for the remainder of the pastoral year.

Sunday school every Sunday, E. H. Grimes superintendent. Come everybody.

JONATHAN.

Aid Meeting.

The Presbyterian Ladies Aid met with Mrs. S. O. Cook on Wednesday afternoon at two o'clock, and there were sixteen ladies present. As this was not a business meeting the bible study course was proceeded with after scripture reading and prayer by the president of the society.

It is pleasing to note that greater enthusiasm is manifested in the present course than ever before and it is hoped that much benefit will be derived from pursuing it.

The committee appointed to make arrangements for the St. Patrick Stunt Social met and are now engaged in evolving the program for that occasion, mention of which will be made next week.

At the proper time delightful refreshments of chocolate and

cake were served and a blue ribbon was tied on the horn of the cow that gave the whipped cream.

REPORTER.

INEXPENSIVE FARM HOME.

Department of Agriculture Furnishes Free Plans.

The farm house is the most important building on the farm, and money judiciously expended in its planning and construction is well invested. The United States Department of Agriculture, through its Bureau of Farm Management, has been investigating conditions in the rural districts and in many instances found that the living apartments were inconsistent in cost with the value of the farm, and very often in striking contrast with out-buildings and farm machinery. The Department of Agriculture is not only striving to make the business of farming more remunerative, but is also endeavoring to make farm life more attractive. A series of plans for the construction of farm homes has been prepared. In designing these homes, service, economy and attractiveness have been combined in a frame structure which can be built for \$800 in a community where average prices for material and labor prevail.

The specifications call for a simple four-cornered structure. There is but one chimney and one outside entrance. Another door may be provided by sacrifice of wall and floor space or by increasing the size and cost of the house.

The government experts in planning these homes realized that the comfort and convenience of the farm woman was paramount. They drew their plans accordingly. The kitchen is the most pleasantly located room in the structure. It opens on a screened porch where a large part of the work may be

JOHN B. VANNOY

Optician & Jeweler

Dealer in Clocks, Watches, Jewelry and Silverware.

Does Engraving and all kinds of repair work pertaining to the jewelry trade.

done in the summer.

The water problem has also been carefully considered. Cistern water may be drawn from a bucket pump on the back porch or from a pitcher pump in the sink. Hot water is provided by a reservoir connected with the kitchen stove. The sink with only a drain pipe to be provided, has been found too inexpensive to be omitted.

The living and dining room is combined and affords sufficient space for the longest table the harvest days will ever require. It has two routes to the kitchen which are convenient for serving a large number of workmen. The Bureau of Farm Management is trying to help the farmer and will gladly furnish free plans to farmers contemplating building homes.

We give cash coupons on eggs. C. A. Cash & Sons.

Junior League Program.

Lesson—Matt. 24:1-7.
Song.
Recitation—Mabel Faulkner.
Story—Zimrude Hext.
Song.
Bible drill.
Prayer.
Song.
Benediction.
Leader—Ruth Jordhn.

Church Direct

Methodist Church.

Cordially invites you to all services. Sunday school at 10 a. m. Sunday. Preaching at 11 a. m. 4th and 5th Sundays morning; Groom 1st Sunday evening and night; Alanreed 2nd Sunday morning and night; Head 3:30 p. m.; Elderedge 2nd Sunday p. m. Junior and Senior Leagues at 2:30 and 3:30 p. m. respectively, every Sunday. Missionary Society 2:30 p. m. Tuesday. Prayer meeting every Tuesday night.

J. T. HOWELL, Past.

Holiness Services.

Conducted by S. R. Jones, McLean Presbyterian Church 4th Sunday nights of each month; Cottage prayer meeting the night of each week. The 1st of each month at the Health house at 3 p. m. Third Sunday the Back school house at 11 p. m. Public invited to attend all services.

Baptist Church.

Preaching second and fourth days in each month at 11 a. m. 7 p. m. Sunday school every Sunday, C. S. Rice, attendant. B. Y. P. U. at 6 p. m. Sunday, Reep Leaders, Ladies Aid meets on Tuesday. Mrs. Myrtle Hamilton, church conference on Saturday the second Sunday in each month at 11 a. m.

R. F. Hamilton, Past.

Presbyterian Church.

You are cordially invited to preaching services at the Presbyterian Church, U. S. A., the third Sundays in each month, day school at ten o'clock every morning. The teachers' conference will be glad to greet you Sunday morning. The pastor is delighted to welcome you to services, both morning and evening. Prayer meeting on Wednesday at 7 o'clock.

J. T. BRYANT, Past.

CLASSIFIED AD

FOR SALE. One six year old milch cow with young calf. Will let you try her for 10 days. Phone 602 long and 2 shorts.

For Sale—Single-comb Rhode Island Red eggs. Write for price. Mrs. Rowe Davenport, Amarillo, Texas.

For Sale—200-egg old Turkey bator at a bargain. Mrs. Chambers.

For sale—cane bundles at one-half cents per bundle. 100 or 3 rings on 88. E. N. or Dougherty.

FOR SALE—One Canton saddle parallel beam; One Canton harness one set rubber tug harness with lars. All this stuff practically new. Will sell cheap for cash or on terms with good security. See me if need something good at low price. A. J. Mayfield or J. W. field, McLean, Texas.

For Sale—Genuine Red Top seed, NEW. \$1.50 per bushel. Bourland, Box 83, McLean, Texas.

For Sale—The Electro-Charging, for rheumatism, asthma, neuralgia and diseases caused by the blood. Sold on a guarantee benefit—money refunded. R. L. reel, agent.

Alfalfa Hay

We have a stock of CHOICE Alfalfa at Amarillo. Special prices car lots to any point in the Panhandle. Immediate shipment. Also deal in field seeds. Have some Extra Fine Red Seed Oats for sale. Prices and samples on application.

Early Grain & Elevator Co.
Amarillo, Texas

John Mertel

Dealer in Shoes

Fine Shoe Repair Work. I Will Sell You Good New Shoes and Fix Your Old Shoes Good.

Corner South Citizens Bank.

McLean, Texas.

Local Happenings

Items of Interest About
Town and County

When you use White Lilac flour you take no chance.

E. B. Guertin visited at Clarendon the first of the week.

A fresh supply of tankage just arrived at the McLean Hardware Co.

The telephone is the greatest social asset in the rural home.

You won't get bit if you use White Lilac flour.

The evolution of farm machinery is a continued story of human ingenuity.

Two cans of best corn (regular 2 for 25) for 20 cents. C. A. Cash & Sons.

J. C. McClellan has the thanks of the News for subscription favors.

Do not use White Lilac unless you always want good results.

Road builders are real benefactors to humanity.

A car load of oysters and a barrel of fish at the Delmonte Cafe.

Good roads promote prosperity; bad ones produce profanity.

A car load of fish and a barrel of oysters at the Delmonte Cafe.

Joe Phillips has our thanks for a subscription renewal this week.

White Lilac once used always used.

Permanent highways are essential to the advancement of the community.

White Lilac is milled from choice Missouri soft wheat.

Henry Lankford was a visitor to Amarillo the first of the week.

Good roads are better advertisements than electric signs.

C. A. Cash & Son are distributors for White Lilac flour and guarantee every sack.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Denson were here from LeFors the first of the week visiting with friends.

A new and complete assortment of Clark's O. N. T. thread—the best that is made. Bundy-Hodges.

J. Y. Bates of LeFors was among the business callers in the city the first of the week.

If you like pure "Home Made" ribbon cane syrup see C. A. Cash & Sons.

Bert Mars was here from Fort Worth the first of the week visiting with friends.

Have your rugs and carpets cleaned, color guaranteed. Luke's Tailor Shop.

Homer West and Albert Overton have returned from an extended stay at Sour Lake and Electra.

One can of our Home Made pure cane syrup will convince anyone that it is about right. C. A. Cash & Sons.

The candidate crop continues to grow in numbers and the coming campaign promises to be a warm one.

The restaurant on the wrong side of the street but, we always have what you want to eat. Eagle Cafe.

Edgar Thompson of LeFors was here the first of the week enroute to the convention at Oklahoma City.

If we haven't got it we will get it if it belongs to the hardware line. McLean Hardware Co.

Good roads rid the farm life of the dread and seclusion of rural loneliness.

Drop in when in town and give us a trial. We are a little out of the way but it pays to walk. Eagle Cafe.

Good roads, schools and churches are the fundamentals in rural development.

The largest and most complete assortment of spring and summer samples on display at Luke's.

The wheels of education, morality and civilization must have good roads to travel on.

Want to buy butter and eggs. Will give glassware coupons on all produce of this kind. Bundy-Hodges.

The sooner a town or community realizes the importance of good roads the quicker it will become a city.

1500 all wool samples to select from. A fit or no sale. See them before buying a new suit. Luke's Tailor Shop.

The most serious enemies to the country life are isolation and drudgery.

Ever eat anything? We are in the feeding business and we shall appreciate your patronage. Eagle Cafe.

The News turned out some nice menu cards for the Imperial Cafe at Shamrock this week.

We do all kinds of tin work on short notice. Leave us your orders. McLean Hardware Co.

The small pox scare seems to have subsided as there are no recent cases reported.

We are never too busy to give you prompt and careful attention. Everything in season. Eagle Cafe.

A. R. Guill left Sunday via Clarendon for Byers, where he will join his family in their new home.

Delmonte Cafe, B. F. Gardenhire, Proprietor, offers the public the services of an expert cook and a modern institution in every respect.

The public is hereby warned that anyone crossing my land will be prosecuted according to law. Keep to the section lines. C. E. Rowe.

G. W. Mathrole and family left Monday for Miami where they will make their home in the future.

A big shipment of Tom Watson watermelons just arrived. Get them while you can. Bundy-Hodges.

J. R. Hindman got rolled while in Oklahoma City for \$20.00—that's what he says.

A Shipment of Thistleware due to arrive in a few days. Call and see it. McLean Hardware Co.

Attorney C. C. Cook of Pampa was visiting relatives and friends in the city this week.

Joe Fox was down from Pampa this week looking after the various assessor votes.

E. B. Guertin has gone to Amarillo to accept a position with the Southwestern Coal Co.

A new and extensive line of hosiery for men, women, boys and girls just received. They are the kind you have waited for. Bundy-Hodges.

D. N. Massay and Chas. Watkins made a hurry trip to Wellington the first of the week where the former went to make an arrest.

Raise Chickens. We have one Old Trusty incubator left. Better get it before it is gone. McLean Hardware Co.

Dr. J. A. Coppedge of Alameda, justice of the peace of that precinct, was here the first of the week and held a short session of court.

Mrs. Earl S. Hurst spent the first of the week at the L. H. Webb ranch in the northeast part of the county. The guest of Mrs. Webb.

The Presbyterian ladies are now getting up a "stunt" party for St. Patrick's day in the evening. It will be at the Holt home.

Miss Olive Henry left Wednesday afternoon for Sedan, N. M., where she goes to make final proof on a homestead claim.

Examine those gasoline lights of A. G. Richardson's and let us fit you up with a good lighting system. McLean Hardware Co.

At the election in Wheeler county Saturday of last week the county went dry by something over two hundred votes.

Friends are glad to note that Carl Overton is out again after a confinement at his home of forty days on account of a severe attack of small pox.

S. H. Dalrymple and son, Rondo, left the latter part of last week with their car of household goods for their new home at Winboro.

The selfish days of the independent farmer are rapidly passing and we are beginning to catch the vision and share the profits of organized efforts.

When the public becomes fully awakened to the benefits of improved highways bad roads will fade into oblivion.

We have a choice stock of genuine Mexican June corn seed. Texas red rust proof oats, and all other field seeds, and can ship on a moment's notice. We can also sell you corn, corn chops and feed in straight or mixed cars.—AMARILLO MILL & ELEVATOR CO.

You Don't Get Bit When You Buy

WHITE LILAC

Buy you get a nice 42-piece dinner set. Coupon in every sack. See us for particulars.

C. A. Cash & Sons

Practically every cowman in the county has been at Oklahoma this week attending the cattlemen's convention.

Don't forget about that photograph. Why not have your father's, mother's and baby's picture enlarged. Stereoscopic views made from your kodak negatives. Tracy Willis.

The convention of anti-prohibition democrats will be held in Dallas on the seventh of this month and the indications are that Candidate Brooks will receive their endorsement.

Use Peacemaker, the flower of flours. Sold by the Union Trading Co., McLean, Texas. Manufactured by the Alliance Milling Co., Denton, Texas.

B. F. Gardenhire visited at Clarendon the first of the week. Mrs. Gardenhire returned with him, having spent an extended visit there with her parents.

We want to impress upon you the fact that YOU are always welcome at our store. We are here to serve you and will appreciate your trade. Bundy-Hodges.

LOOK Mr. Farmer—Have for sale one 14-inch four horse lister for \$30.00, one 14-inch success sulkey for \$20.00; one 12-inch John Deere lister for \$10.00; one John Deere sled cultivator for \$15.00; one stalk cutter for \$5.00; two sled go-devils for \$5.00 each; one 60-tooth harrow for \$5.00; one 12-inch walking plow for \$5.00. If going to farm, come out. I can fit you up for a little money. W. W. Overton, one mile east of city, phone 74.

County clerk Upham was over from the capital the first of the week visiting with relatives and shaking hands with friends.

Members of the graduating class of the local high school are planning a play to be given at the close of the 1913-14 term.

Use Peacemaker, the world's greatest prize winner. Sold by the Union Trading Co., McLean, Texas. Manufactured by the Alliance Milling Co., Denton, Texas.

Extensive preparations are being made for the graduation exercises at the local school. The graduating class, numbering thirteen, is the largest in the history of the school.

In exchange for the coupons we give with every cash sale, we are giving away Roger's Genuine Solid Nickel Silverware. Come in and let us explain it to you. C. A. Cash & Sons.

The problem of organized and systematizing agriculture is one which the farmers invite assistance of all lines of industry friendly to their interests.

Mrs. W. P. Rogers was enjoying a visit from her brother, Ernest Wilkerson of Arizona, last week. Edg was the first meeting of the brother and sister in thirteen years.

Have your rugs and carpets cleaned—guaranteed not to fade. Prices: Ingrain 10c per yard; Brussels 12-12c to 16c, according to weight; plush 15c to 17-12c and 20c, according to weight. See Luke.

We—Beg.

To call your attention to the fact that since a change has been made in the McLean Hardware Co. it is necessary that all outstanding notes and accounts owing to said firm be at once arranged satisfactorily, and the most satisfactory way that we can think of is the CASH WAY. This means notes and accounts made prior to February 16th, at which time change took place—when C. S. Rice and W. B. Upham became the owners of the McLean Hardware Co. business.

Those accounts and notes brought over from last year, and past due, must be paid. We need the money and must have it. Please give this matter your immediate attention—don't wait to be "jogged" again, we need the money.

Respectfully,
McLean Hardware Co.

Misses Pearl Williams and Ruth Aaron and John Aaron of Plymouth, Texas, were here this week the guest of the Geo. Bourland family.

Albert Montgomery of Plymouth, Texas, was here this week for a visit with the family of his aunt, Mrs. T. A. Cooke. He leaves today for his home accompanied by Miss Tommie Cooke, who will visit there for a week.

Clay Gardenhire and family returned the latter part of last week from a two months stay at Brownsville. They have taken charge of the Gull Hotel and will conduct same for the present.

Use Peacemaker Flour, which has won more premiums and medals than any other flour in the world. Sold by the Union Trading Co., McLean, Texas. Manufactured by the Alliance Milling Co., Denton, Texas.

The young people were delightfully entertained at the hospitable Holt home on Friday evening of last week. Progressive forty-two was the feature of entertainment and a merry round of games were enjoyed.

Use Peacemaker Flour, which has made Texas famous in America, Europe and the civilized world. Sold by the Union Trading Co., McLean, Texas. Manufactured by the Alliance Milling Co., Denton, Texas.

Our friend, J. L. Perry of Amarillo, has moved to Dallas and formed a partnership with his brother, Jack E. Perry. They will handle loans and investments and do a general law practice. Here is wishing the new firm continued success.

Dr. Wolcott to McLean.

Dr. Wolcott, Specialist, will be in McLean March 10th, for one day only. Glasses fitted. Hearing tested. Cataract treated. Old cases please call early.

Knowledge Is The Key.

Practical knowledge is the key to prosperity.

To know things is not sufficient. Men and women who both know and KNOW HOW are the kind the world demands.

We teach the "KNOW HOW" of business. We show the "reasons why" things are done. And our students, equipped with this thoroughly PRACTICAL knowledge, win high distinction in every line.

We will give YOU that training which will equip you as a winner—start you right and help you all the way.

Our graduates are not ordinary competent clerks, stenographers and bookkeepers.

Their BUSINESS SENSE has been developed, so they are ready not only to do their routine work well, but to recognize and seize the chances to make a lasting business.

Ask for our

HARRIMAN SAFETY MEDAL AWARDED SOUTHERN PACIFIC COMPANY



At a recent meeting of the American Museum of Safety, held at the Hotel Waldorf-Astoria, New York, the Southern Pacific Company was awarded the first of the E. H. Harriman Memorial Medals for record progress in safety, and accident prevention.

The medal, the gift to the American Museum of Safety by Mrs. E. H. Harriman, in memory of the railroad magnate, will be awarded annually by the Museum to the railroad holding the record for progress in safety and accident prevention. It is executed in gold, and on one side is a raised figure of E. H. Harriman with the inscription, "E. H. Harriman Memorial Medal, awarded by the American Museum of Safety to the Southern Pacific Company," and on the other side is a figure of a trainman, with lantern, walking along a railroad track, with inscription, "For the utmost progress in Safety and Accident Prevention."

The Southern Pacific system operates nearly 12,000 miles of railroad, and during a period of five years just ended has not caused a single fatality to its passengers through collisions, derailments or other train accidents. During that time the Southern Pacific carried over 200,000,000 passengers, more than twice the entire population of the United States, an average distance of forty-five miles. This is equivalent to carrying 9,000,000,000 passengers one mile, or one passenger 9,000,000,000 miles, or 360,000 times the distance around the earth.

This company has expended to date over \$12,000,000 for automatic electric block safety signals, air brakes and automatic couplers and other devices for safety and accident prevention. This company has also endeavored to impress upon its employees in every way possible the importance of accident prevention and that "eternal vigilance" must be the watchword of all, from the highest officer to the humblest employe.

There were forty leading railroad systems in the United States competing for the medal.

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Our new spring goods have arrived and are now on the shelves ready for your inspection. We feel a pardonable pride in the splendid assortment of new and nobby dress goods that it is our pleasure to submit to your approval and we invite one and all to call and let us show you through.

Brocaded Ratine, Fancy Crepes, Brocaded Charmeuse, Embroidered Voiles, Embroidered Ratine, Checked, Plaid and Brocaded Silks and Mes-salines. Full line of laces and embroideries, Shadow laces with dainty edges. Shadow lace for corset covers and caps.

Don't forget the Ginghams, and be sure to ask the price, for it will be interesting. Ask to see the Tissue Ginghams.

A full line of domestics from 8 1-3 cents up. Plenty of linen sheeting and handkerchief linen. A few of the latest styles and colors in ladies' ready made mannish shirts. Fancy work and threads of all kinds. Just ask to see that D. M. C. in white and ecru. Let us have the pleasure of a visit whether you wish to buy or not.

Lee Bros.

"TWOULD BE SWEET TO DIE"

Bought This Lady, While Undergoing Frightful Experience, Here Told First Time.

Linn, W. Va.—"There is no doubt but that my life was saved by the use of Cardul, the woman's tonic," says Abbie Shackelford, of this town.

Cardul, I was very bad nervous and shaking entire body, terrible and would find death I often try trying times to die.

Cardul will surely do for you, what it has done for so many thousands of other women. It will help you.

Get a bottle at the drug store, today. N. R. Hyatt, Ladies' Advisory Dept., Chattanooga, Tenn.

Uncomplimentary. "I've a half mind to tell you what I think of you!" snorted Mr. Blobbins.

MOTHER! LOOK AT CHILD'S TONGUE

If cross, feverish, constipated, give "California Syrup of Figs"

A laxative today saves a sick child tomorrow. Children simply will not take the time from play to empty their bowels.

Look at the tongue, mother! If coated, or your child is listless, cross, feverish, breath bad, restless, doesn't eat heartily, full of cold or has sore throat or any other children's ailment, give a teaspoonful of "California Syrup of Figs."

Beware of counterfeit fig syrups. Ask at the store for a 50-cent bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," which has full directions for babies, children of all ages and for grown-ups plainly printed on the bottle. Adv.

Accommodating. "Drink to me only with thine eyes." "All right, here's looking at you!" Baltimore American

In Winter Pe-ru-na CATARRH TONIC For COUGHS & COLDS

MR. Samuel McKinley, 1215 Grand Ave., Kansas City, Mo., writes: "I can honestly say that I owe my life to Peruna."

"Last December I contracted a severe cold which, through neglect on my part, settled on my chest. I heard of Peruna. It cured me, so I cannot praise it too highly."

Those who prefer tablets to liquid medicines, can now procure Peruna in tablet form.

The Wretchedness of Constipation

Can quickly be overcome by CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS. Purely vegetable—act surely and gently on the liver. Cure Biliousness, Headache, Dizziness, and Indigestion. They do their duty.

Genuine must bear Signature. Pettit's Eye Salve

NATIONAL CAPITAL AFFAIRS

U. S. Keeps Tab Upon Army and Navy Deserters

WASHINGTON—As Uncle Sam finds trouble in locating recalcitrant members of the army and navy who take "French leave," there is a bureau in both the war and navy departments to keep tab on these individuals.



Like the old man who presides over the destinies of the yellow-back paper envelopes and the antiquated furniture, are the methods which he employs in conducting the affairs of the bureau.

"I would like you to look up for me the name of Ray Schultz or Roy Schultz or Schults," was a request made of this official recently. It has been estimated that in the past ten years nearly 1,000,000 record enlistments have been filed in the office.

The enlisted man upon arrest denied he was an enlisted man. No immediate proof could be obtained that he was in the navy or that he was a deserter.

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Everything Under the Sun at Special Prices

"EVERYTHING but a nursing bottle!" was the conclusion reached by Byron R. Newton, assistant secretary of the treasury, commenting on the wide and inexhaustible range of articles in the schedule of the general supply committee.

"Nursing bottles—bottles—ah, under laboratory apparatus. Bottles—but not the right sort. Hospital supplies. Here we are," said the private secretary, pointing out an item to Mr. Newton.

"5620. Bottles of samples. (d) Nursing, graduated, 12 ounces," Mr. Newton read in the book.

Stationery and drafting supplies; hardware, metals, cordage and leather and saddlery; dry goods and wearing apparel; drugs and medicines, chemicals and reagents; laboratory, hospital appliances and surgical instruments; electrical engineering and plumbing supplies; lumber, millwork, packing boxes and building materials; paints, oils, glass and brushes; provisions and household supplies; forage, flour and seed; photographic supplies and special equipment; engraving, printing and lithographic supplies; fuel and ice; incandescent electric lamps; incandescent gas lamp supplies; motor trucks; typewriting and computing machines; electric service; telephone service.

There are the general classifications under which nearly every conceivable thing on earth is sublisted. One could be born into the world by virtue of the facilities of this general schedule, and go out of it by its aid at any old time, and in the course of the life between never know a need that the general schedule could not meet.

Here Are Two Men Who Get Paid for Eating

It sounds like the ideal job when one hears of getting paid for eating, but there are two men in Uncle Sam's employ who draw their salaries mainly because of this, and they will vouch for the fact that such a position is by no means as simple a little thing as a person might suppose.

The two men are Dr. C. F. Langworthy, chief, and Dr. Robert Milner, assistant, in the bureau of the bureau of food hygiene of the department of agriculture. These two men have a corps of assistants, who, like themselves, are required to do plain and fancy eating.

Not long ago a cheese investigation began. Every kind of cheese, rich, juicy cheese, crumbly cheese, cheese that was odorless and cheese that smelled like a Tammany investigation, was brought into the office.

"Everybody try some," he urged, biting into his slice, and everybody did. For a week the office ate cheese omelette, cheese coffee, cheese pudding, plain cheese, baked cheese, fried cheese and several other kinds of cheese.

The point was to determine whether cheese could be assimilated. The office decided that it could and, inasmuch as some of the hardy workers ate six ounces a day without suffering the slightest ailment, the office seemed to be right.

Pen Picture of Senator LaFollette on Rostrum

DID you ever see Robert M. LaFollette speak? It is more of a sight than a sound. He doubles himself into knots, grinds his teeth and puts on every "prop" of intensity known to the forensic play-actor.

And that's what gives point to an observation made recently by W. Stickler Manning. One evening recently Senator LaFollette was making a speech on and, his eyes glittered, his voice sounded like that of the ghost in Hamlet, his snaky fingers wiggled and waved through the air at the terrified Democrats. The blood mantled his face; his teeth ground. At any moment he might say: "Fe-to-fum, I smell the blood of a Roosevelt Mun."

"I'll be always in the hope that he will utter some sentence so vital that it will justify the expression on his face."

HOLD SOIL MOISTURE

Stir Surface and Prevent Packing to Accomplish Purpose.

Universally Known That Loose Soil, Well Stirred, Retains Water Far More Successfully Than When Packed by Rains.

Every year there is some addition made to the sum total of the experience that farmers over the country have had in the matter of treating corn in the way that is the most successful in a season of severe drought.

This knowledge of the general subject of cultivating crops in seasons of drought prompts up-to-date farmers to keep the surface of the soil constantly stirred up and loose, as long as the weather continues dry, says a Kansas writer in the Farm Progress.

So long as the capillaries are open from where they start at varying depths down in the soil up to the surface, the moisture will continue to pass up through and escape. But if the surface is broken up in any way, say by plowing or harrowing, and all the capillaries are broken off the moisture that starts from below will be stopped near the surface where the capillaries are broken off.

When rainfall is abundant, no special care need be taken to conserve the moisture in the soil for the use of the crops; but as soon as it seems imminent that there will be serious drought, if it has not been already done, the cultivated surfaces in all crops where it can be done, ought to be thoroughly stirred, but not to a greater depth than two or three inches.

This method of conserving moisture, which constitutes the basic principle of profitable farming in the semi-arid region, has not had as much attention in the humid parts of the country as it deserves.

Cultivation has been done mainly to keep the soil loose and keep down the weeds and grass. But many are using this method now mainly for the purpose of keeping the moisture within reach of the plants' roots.

When any hood crop is kept clean and the soil stirred sufficiently to preserve what moisture is needed to keep it in vigorous condition till rain comes, it is quite often the case that all the vigor of the plant is then thrown into the fruiting and the yield of grain will be more than was expected, and far more than growth of stalk seems to justify the hope of.

SETTING TREES ALONG ROADS

Windbreak Should Be Placed at Least 125 Feet From Buildings—Avoid Drifting of Snow.

Every set of ranch buildings should be protected by a shelterbelt or windbreak; but of what ever the protection consists, it should not be close to building paths or roads used in winter since the drifts of snow forming to the leeward of such protection will be a great nuisance during the seasons when there is heavy snowfall.

The windbreak should be placed at least 125 feet from roads or buildings and if shade is desired single trees should be grown where wanted.

Dry Farming. The only method used to conserve soil water is to keep a good dust mulch by harrowing. Sandy loam soil is the best type for dry farming purposes. Fall plowing and harrowing in the spring is the only treatment the soil receives.

Solves Labor Problem. Wouldn't the stock business go a long way toward solving the labor problem on your farm? The chief care of cattle comes in the winter when you have the most time on your hands.



CALUMET BAKING POWDER

The cook is happy, the other members of the family are happy—appetites sharpen, things brighten up generally. And Calumet Baking Powder is responsible for it all.



For Calumet never fails. Its wonderful leavening qualities insure perfectly shortened, faultlessly raised bakings. Cannot be compared with other baking powders, which promise without performing.

RECEIVED HIGHEST AWARDS. World's Pure Food Exposition, Chicago, Ill. Paris Exposition, France, March, 1912.

You don't save money when you buy cheap or big-size baking powder. Don't be misled. Buy Calumet. It's more economical—more wholesome—gives best results. Calumet is far superior to over milk and soda.

35 BUSHEL PER ACRE was the yield of WHEAT

160 ACRES FARM IN WESTERN CANADA FREE. 50 bushels for barley and from 10 to 20 bus for flax.

"I'm agoin' back to the ranch," he remarked. "Where are you agoin'?" "Oh, I'm bound for Butter," said I.

THICK, GLOSSY HAIR FREE FROM DANDRUFF

Girls! Beautify Your Hair! Make it Soft, Fluffy and Luxuriant—Try the Moist Cloth.

Try as you will, after an application of Danderine, you cannot find a single trace of dandruff or falling hair and your scalp will not itch, but what will please you most, will be after a few weeks' use, when you see new hair, fine and downy at first—yes—but really new hair—growing all over the scalp.

A little Danderine immediately doubles the beauty of your hair. No difference how dull, faded, brittle and scrappy, just moisten a cloth with Danderine and carefully draw it through your hair, taking one small strand at a time. The effect is immediate and amazing—your hair will be light, fluffy and wavy, and have an appearance of abundance; an incomparable luster, softness and luxuriance, the beauty and shimmer of true hair health.

Get a 25 cent bottle of Knowlton's Danderine from any store and prove that your hair is as pretty and soft as any—that it has been neglected or injured by careless treatment—that's all. Adv.

One Way or the Other. "To succeed, a man must give the people what they want."

The Attempt. "Did the new actress in the party try to do the swoon well?" "She made a faint effort."

Whenever You Need a General Tonic Take Grove's

The Old Standard Grove's Tasteless chill Tonic

Is Equally Valuable as a General Strengthening Tonic. Because it Acts on the Liver, Drives Out Malaria, Enriches the Blood and Builds Up the Whole System.

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Why Suffer From Headaches, Neuralgia, Rheumatism

Hunt's Lightning Oil quickly relieves the pain. The Huntington and Aching sore almost instantly. A truly wonderful remedy for those who suffer. It is astonishing how the pain fades away the moment Hunt's Lightning Oil comes in contact with it.

Pretty Utility Dress of Cloth



OUT of the conglomeration of styles which the beginning of winter ushered in, many are passing and a few are to remain for spring. Here is a pretty and rather plain cloth gown for present wear, which may be copied in taffeta silk, figured or plain voile (or both), in white embroidered fabrics—in fact, in any of the beautiful summer materials. It will be found strictly up to date when the time comes for wearing it.

A very pretty development of it shows a plain skirt, quite full enough to step in at the normal stride, with the hip drapery made of figured voile having a white ground with colored flowers. The bodice is made of this voile combined with shadow lace. There is a girde of leaf green mesaline ribbon and a sash which extends about the figure under the drapery and ties in a bow (at the right side) with short hanging ends. These pretty volles sell at a very reasonable price—in the neighborhood of forty cents a yard—and make up into as elegant looking dresses as those that cost four or five times as much.

We are to have a spring and summer season with everything flower decked. Small flowers on hats,

dresses with sprays or single blossom of small flowers, flowered ribbon girdles and vests, parasols with millinery flowers added for adornment, or with flowers printed in the coverings. A little study of the styles will betray the tendency to the quaint old-fashioned ideas in which flowers were the paramount means of expression in using color. Nothing prettier has ever been thought out.

The little gown pictured is not at all difficult to make. It is an "easy-going" fit but must be draped and hung correctly. Almost any pattern house can provide a paper pattern for guidance in cutting this dress. More material is required this season than for the past two.

Plounces and hip draperies are to the fore, but it is not likely that we shall go to extremes in the matter of growing fond of voluminous skirts. The narrow band of fur which finishes the bodice on the gown pictured can be omitted for spring or summer wear. But if the gown is made for wear in southern winter resorts this narrow border of fur appears on the sheerest of materials—as lace, net and chiffons.

JULIA BOTTOMLEY.

PRETTY BONNET TO ADORN THE SMALL MAIDEN

IT IS a delight to make the pretty little bonnets and caps which small daughters and little sisters look so adorably sweet in, and it is by no means difficult.

Here is one made of chiffon taffeta silk, with plaited ruffles of mousseline and lace. The puffed crown is simply a circle of silk about eighteen inches in diameter, with rows of shirring at the edge. This is sewed to a narrow covered head band or bandeau, bound with pin shirring wire.

Underneath the band the ruffles are placed after being gathered into ample fullness. The knife plaiting may be made of the same silk as the crown



and need not be hemmed at the edge. It is poised under the lace.

By way of trimming, a narrow ribbon ruffling is placed about the crown and a rosette of baby ribbon with hanging ends is placed at the side. Strips of ribbon about three inches wide complete this pretty piece of headgear.

Bonnets of this kind are made up in all the colors that children wear, and are very practical for almost every season of the year. Tiny bouquets of fruit blossoms, little June roses, forget-me-nots, and little daisies are added. Flowers and ribbons are not all things the best for children's bonnets.

When made of the darker colors, as brown or tan, with white or cream lace ruffles, bonnets of this kind are quite durable.

The dainty tints are not very successfully cleaned and therefore such millinery is for wear on dress-up occasions

JULIA BOTTOMLEY.

New Materials for Toilet Articles.

If you must be abreast of the times throw away or give away the toilet articles in silver, ivory or celluloid which have been your faithful friends for years, and get everything new in art glass, which comes in the most alluring tints of cream, rose, mauve and green and in classically severe designs. The little boxes for powder, rouge and soap have square bottoms like the base of a Corinthian pillar and convex covers like the dome of the Madeleine, while the clock cases, pin trays and mirror backs are equally plain and ponderous. If you don't care for toilet articles in glass, even of the most artistic sort, you may turn toward those in alabaster, or what looks like alabaster. These come in shapes similar to the articles in glass, but are pure white and promise to be more durable.

Powder Puffs for the Purse.

Little crocheted powder puffs are the latest novelty for the purse. They can easily be made at home.

Crochet two circular pieces about the size of a silver dollar out of mercerized cotton of any shade desired. Carefully sew them together, leaving small openings through which to pour in the powder. Fill the bag full with the powder, so that it will sift through easily when patted gently on the face. Then make a pretty edge around the circular piece by crocheting a few rows of plain chain stitch, each added row to be caught into the middle of the preceding one, which gives a sort of ruffle effect. An opening can safely be made by cutting a slit or two when it is necessary to refill the puff.

Shirt Bosoms.

The shirt bosoms which were introduced in chiffon on the chiffon and crepe de chine blouses this winter are evidently to continue as the distinguishing feature of the tailored waists for early spring. There is one difference, however; they are now developed in a contrasting material. For instance, on a model in light weight linen the shirt bosom is of plaited handkerchief linen, with a tiny floral design in color scattered over it, this color not being repeated on the Hobe-pierre collar.

Corporation Footballs. Mayor Mitchell of New York was praising a commuter who, by continual complaints, had improved the railway service of his district.

"We are apt to call the kicker a crank and a nuisance," said Mr. Mitchell, "but it's the kicker who gets things done for the community." He smiled and ended: "They who never kick are but too apt to become footballs."

IN MISERY WITH ECZEMA

Franklinton, La.—"About four years ago my face broke out in little red pimples. At first the eczema did not bother, but finally the pimples began itching and burning and then there came little raised places. I suffered untold misery. I scratched them until they bled and I could not sleep at night. I was ashamed of my face and I could not bear to touch it.

"I tried different remedies without result until I tried Cuticura Soap and Ointment and in six weeks they completely cured my face. That was nine months ago, and no sign has appeared since." (Signed) Mrs. Leola Stennett, Dec. 14, 1912.

Cuticura Soap and Ointment sold throughout the world. Sample of each free, with 32-p. Skin Book. Address post-card "Cuticura, Dept. L, Boston."—Adv.

Played No Favorites.

The Tramp Elephant (in jungle restaurant)—You may bring me a bale of hay, Garson!

The Waiter Giraffe—Yes, sir. Clover or Timothy?

The Tramp Elephant (haughtily)—It doesn't matter which—I'm not paid to tout any special brand!—Puck.

BIG EATERS HAVE BAD KIDNEYS AND BACKACHE

Take a Glass of Salts at Once If Your Back Is Hurting or Kidneys and Bladder Trouble You.

The American men and women must guard constantly against Kidney trouble, because we eat too much and all our food is rich. Our blood is filled with uric acid which the kidneys strive to filter out. They weaken from overwork, become sluggish, the eliminative tissues clog and the result is kidney trouble, bladder weakness and a general decline in health.

When your kidneys feel like lumps of lead; your back hurts or the urine is cloudy, full of sediment or you are obliged to seek relief two or three times during the night; if you suffer with sick headache or dizzy, nervous spells, acid stomach, or you have rheumatism when the weather is bad, get from your pharmacist about four ounces of Jad Salts; take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast for a few days and your kidneys will then act fine. This famous salt is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and has been used for generations to flush and stimulate clogged kidneys; to neutralize the acids in the urine so it no longer is a source of irritation, thus ending bladder disorders.

Jad Salts is inexpensive; cannot injure, makes a delightful effervescent lithia-water beverage, and belongs in every home, because nobody can make a mistake by having a good kidney flushing any time.—Adv.

Quite True.

Patience—I see an International congress for physical education will be held in Paris in March.

Patrice—What's the use? We all know it is a physical impossibility to educate some people.

"CASCARETS" FOR A BILIOUS LIVER

For sick headache, bad breath, Sour Stomach and constipation.

Get a 10-cent box now. No odds how bad your liver, stomach or bowels; how much your head aches; how miserable and uncomfortable you are from constipation, indigestion, biliousness and sluggish bowels—you always get the desired results with Cascarets.

Don't let your stomach, liver and bowels make you miserable. Take Cascarets to-night; put an end to the headache, biliousness, dizziness, nervousness, sick, sour, gassy stomach, backache and all other distress; cleanse your inside organs of all the bile, gases and constipated matter which is producing the misery. A 10-cent box means health, happiness and a clear head for months. No more days of gloom and distress if you will take a Cascaret now and then. All stores sell Cascarets. Don't forget the children—their little insides need a cleansing, too. Adv.

Definite at Last. "So Wobbler is dead." "Yes, and it's the first time he ever arrived at a definite conclusion."

A Failure. "Was your joy ride a success?" "Not a bit of it. Everybody we met got out of the way."

Low Suspicion. "Twobble is a young man of ingratiating manners."

"So he is. I'll bet he never pays his board bill promptly."

GRANDMA USED SAGE TEA TO DARKEN HER GRAY HAIR

She Made Up a Mixture of Sage Tea and Sulphur to Bring Back Color, Gloss, Thickness.

Almost everyone knows that Sage Tea and Sulphur, properly compounded, brings back the natural color and lustre to the hair when faded, streaked or gray; also ends dandruff, itching scalp and stops falling hair. Years ago the only way to get this mixture was to make it at home, which is messy and troublesome. Nowadays, by asking at any store for "Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Hair Remedy," you will get a large bottle of this famous old recipe for about 50 cents.

Don't stay gray! Try it! No one can possibly tell that you darkened your hair, as it does it so naturally and evenly. You dampen a sponge or soft brush with it and draw this through your hair, taking one small strand at a time; by morning the gray hair disappears, and after another application or two, your hair becomes beautifully dark, thick and glossy. Adv.

Not Quiet. "So you live on Long Island. Awfully quiet, isn't it?" "Oh, no. You see, we live on the Sound."

Easy to Tint Candies. Candies can be tinted in any color, or painted in any design by using fuchsin, methyl violet or any others of this class of colors, dissolved in wood alcohol. They may be dipped into a bath of the dye, or this may be applied with a paint brush.

His Table Manners. "The charity worker," says one of them, "is always learning. We can learn much from the destitute. Thus, apropos of the affectation of some of our table etiquette, I once heard a ragged little chap at a school treat say, as he held a chicken leg in one fist and a hot potato in the other:

"The trouble about table manners is that they were invented by people who was never very hungry."

Nightly coughing and torturing throat-tickle quickly relieved by Dean's Mentholated Cough Drops—5c at all Druggists.

The only similarity between patriotism and politics is that they both begin with p.

No thoughtful person uses liquid blue. It's a pinch of blue in a large bottle of water. Ask for Red Cross Ball Blue. Adv.

True love may be a myth, but there are a lot of mighty satisfactory imitations.

Men Fight On Their Stomachs

Napoleon so said. A man with a weak stomach is pretty sure to be a poor fighter. It is difficult—almost impossible—for anyone, man or woman, if digestion is poor, to succeed in business or socially—or to enjoy life. In tablet or liquid form

Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery

helps weak stomachs to strong, healthy action—helps them to digest the food that makes the good, rich, red blood which nourishes the entire body.

This vegetable remedy, to a great extent, puts the liver into activity—oil the machinery of the human system so that those who spend their working hours at the desk, behind the counter, or in the home are rejuvenated into vigorous health.

Has brought relief to many thousands every year for over forty years. Has relieved you and doubtless restore to you your former health and strength. At least you owe it to yourself to give it a trial. Sold by Medicine Dealers or send for free trial box of Tablets—Dr. Pierce's Invaluable Hotel & Surgical Institution, Buffalo, N. Y.

You can have Dr. Pierce's Common Sense Medical Advice of 1008 Pages for 25c.

You'll wake up with a good taste in your mouth

if you chew this after every meal.

The refreshing digestion aiding mint leaf juice does it.



This clean, pure, healthful gum purifies your mouth—sweetens your breath. It's a pleasant, inexpensive, beneficial pastime. It brightens teeth besides.

BUY IT BY THE BOX

at most dealers for 85 cents

Each box contains twenty 5 cent packages

Chew it after every meal

It stays fresh until used

READERS of this paper desiring to buy anything advertised in its columns should insist upon having what they ask for, refusing all substitutes or imitations.

PARKER'S HAIR BALSAM. A toilet preparation of merit. Helps to eradicate dandruff. For Restoring Color and Beauty to Gray or Faded Hair. 25c. and 50c. at Druggists.

CHILD'S GIANT SUMMER COSMOS

It is probably the most superb and beautiful garden flower known. Its long, slender, trumpet-shaped corolla, which produces thousands of flowers, is large and more brilliant than the full cosmos, which, though just now, is in its prime, is less so. It is the only flower that will grow in a 10 cent pot. It is the only flower that will grow in a 10 cent pot. It is the only flower that will grow in a 10 cent pot.

These are the best and cheapest. JOHN LEWIS CHILDS, Floral Park, N. Y.

Death Lurks In A Weak Heart

If Yours is fluttering or weak, use RENOVINE. Made by Van Vleet-Mansfield Drug Co., Memphis, Tenn. Price \$1.00

IT'S OVER

The Piano contest is over, but we are still doing business at the old stand and back our claim for a share of your patronage with a large and well selected stock at honest prices.

WISE & BEALL

General Merchandise

Alasreed Items.

(Too late for last week)

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. John Tiber, Friday, February 20th, a fine baby girl.

Mrs. W. B. Hardin is improving after a two weeks siege of illness.

The ladies of the Methodist church gave a box supper on Saturday night, February 21st. There was a large crowd out and everybody had a nice time, with plenty to eat. The proceeds amounted to thirty-four dollars and eight cents, which will go towards papering the church house.

Miss Miriam Wilson was on the sick list last week.

The new house of R. Y. Mangum is completed and ready for occupancy.

Paul Lusk and Miss Mary Haynes stole a march on their many friends Sunday, February 22nd, going to LeFors and getting married. Here's wishing them a long happy life.

Mrs. B. L. Burk of Lela has been here for a visit with her mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. H. Phillips.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Plunket of Groom have been visiting with the latter's mother, Mrs. N. J. Clodfelter of Whitefish.

Mrs. J. L. Patterson of Clinton, Okla., was visiting Miss Nettie Crisp.

J. L. Caldwell of Amarillo has purchased from R. Y. Mangum the old Times plant and moved it to Amarillo.

Be Attentive.

Almost any business college will give you pretty good ORDINARY business training. make you content to do routine work as a stenographer or bookkeeping.

But this kind of training cannot carry you very far toward success.

The young man or woman who takes our courses has a gilt-edge insurance policy against poverty.

And much more than this.

Our graduates are fitted to advance rapidly because they have been taught to see beyond the regular work of their positions, to make themselves continually more useful, and to advantage of the larger opportunities as they come.

We can make you a specialist. We can show you how to get the most out of every ounce of ability you have, and accomplish the largest possible amount of useful work with the least amount of effort.

Properly equipped in this way, there is no limit to what you may achieve.

The Vice-President of the largest steel company in the world was formerly a stenographer. Nine-tenths of the men who are now making \$100,000, 90 per year were once stenographers. Our President of the United States began as a stenographer.

More instances are needless. It is common knowledge that thousands of successful men and women in every line began as stenographers and bookkeepers.

The question for you to determine is, "Shall we fit you to win similar success?"

Write at once for literature—best of private board and room here at \$12.50 per calendar month—a little more than one half what it would cost you else where.

THE BOWIE COMMERCIAL COLLEGE, Bowie, Texas.

Meat Production Decreases.

Washington, D. C.—The results of the high cost of living are clearly reflected in a report just issued by the United States Department of Agriculture, which shows that the per capita consumption of fresh meats has steadily decreased during the past 14 years. In 1900 the people of this country consumed 175 pounds of meat, in 1909 it dropped to 173 pounds and in 1913 the per capita consumption was 152 pounds. The theory that high prices promote increased production has been exploded. The report shows that the production too, has declined during this period. The per capita yield of dressed meats in 1900 was 211 pounds, 185 pounds in 1909 and only 161 pounds in 1913. Our exports during this time dropped from 32 pounds in 1900 to 8 7 pounds in 1913.

From 1900 to 1913 the consumption of beef per capita has increased about 1 pound; the consumption of mutton per capita is 1 pound less and the per capita requirement of pork and lard has decreased 7 pounds.

Plant More Hogs

Uncle Sam Advises Texas Farm Boys.

The Bureau of Animal Industry of the United States Department of Agriculture has just issued a communication to the farmer boys of Texas between the ages of 10 and 18 years, urging them to plant more hogs. The Texas farmer lost \$24,000,000 last year because he failed to produce enough pork to supply the local demand and the communication advises his sons to raise enough hogs for home consumption, and if possible, a surplus for the market. Some of the points which the Department advises the youthful hog raiser to bear in mind are:

1. The feeding and care are as important as the breeding in producing a good hog. Plenty of feed and good care will make a good hog out of a runt, but lack of it will always make a runt out of a good pig.
2. To make pork cheaply a permanent pasture and forage crops must be used.
3. Young pigs must have a dry bed and plenty of sunshine.
4. Begin feeding the pig as soon as he will eat, and keep him growing until he is mature.
5. Always keep plenty of clean, fresh water where the hogs may drink at any time.
6. Quarantine all newly purchased animals for three weeks.
7. Never keep a female for a brood sow, no matter how well bred she may be, if she will not produce more than four strong pigs at a litter.
8. The more milk a sow will give the faster her pigs will grow.

The latest census reports which relate to January 1st, 1914 show there are 2,618,000 hogs in Texas with a total value of \$22,515,000. This is an increase over the previous year of 125,000 head and \$1,574,000 in value. At every census during the five years prior to 1914 a steady decrease in the number of Texas hogs is shown. The value, however, have steadily increased. A decade ago the Texas hog was worth \$4.68 per head, but Uncle Sam's latest valuation is \$8.60 per head.

The growing demand for young Texas raised pork has become so strong that he is going to market a year earlier and at the weight of 219 pounds, while a quarter of a century ago the average marketing weight was 275 pounds.

Posted.

All parties are hereby warned that hunting, trapping or otherwise trespassing on my land is absolutely forbidden, and any violations whatever will be strenuously prosecuted according to law. Take warning. U. S. HAWK.

Announcements

We are authorized to make the following announcements for office in this county, subject to the action of the Democratic primary:

- FOR SHERIFF:
J. S. DENSON.
W. S. COPELAND
G. E. CASTLEBERRY.
S. L. BALL.
- FOR CLERK:
C. L. UPHAM.
T. J. D'SPAIN.
- FOR ASSESSOR:
A. H. DOUCETTE.
J. B. (Joe) FOX.
J. B. PASCHALL.
- FOR COUNTY JUDGE:
SILER PAULKNER.
- FOR TREASURER:
HENRY THUT.

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Local Agent.

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McLean Texas August 14-12. We the undersigned Druggist of McLean are selling Hall's Texas Wonder and recommend it to be the best Kidney Bladder and Rheumatic remedy we have ever sold.

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The Texas Wonder cures kidney and bladder troubles, removes gravel, cures diabetes, weak and lame backs, rheumatism and irregularities in both men and women; regulates bladder trouble in children. If not sold by your druggist it will be sent by mail on receipt of \$1.00. One small bottle is two months treatment and seldom fails to perfect a cure. Dr. E. W. Hall, 2926 Olive street, St. Louis, Mo. Send for testimonials. Sold by druggists.

Money To Loan

Quick loans made on farm lands. If you desire a loan write, phone or come to see me. Will be glad to serve you.

R. B. BONNER
Shamrock, Texas

Revival.

We are requested to announce that there will be a revival meeting commence at the tabernacle on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in June by the congregation of the Church of Christ. Elder W. P. Skaggs of Vernon will do the preaching. The public requested to bear in mind the opening date.

\$25.00 REWARD

I will pay a twenty-five dollar reward for the arrest and conviction of any party guilty of tying down any telephone wire or any other manner tampering with the lines. The state law on this subject is as follows:

Penal Code, Art. 784: If any person shall intentionally break, cut, pull or tear down, misplace, or in any other manner injure any telegraph or telephone wire, post, machinery or other accessory appurtenance to any telegraph or telephone line, or in any way willfully obstruct or interfere with the transmission of any messages along such telegraph or telephone line, he shall be punished by confinement in the penitentiary not less than two nor more than five years, or by fine not less than one hundred nor more than two thousand dollars.

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