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**SCHOOL DAYS**  
**BANK ACCOUNT**  
**START THEM TOGETHER**

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## 1913-14 School Term Opens

Amid the clanging of the old familiar bell and the merry babble of hundreds of childish voices the 1913-14 session of the McLean public schools was regularly inaugurated in the big auditorium on last Monday morning at nine o'clock sharp. Accompanying their children and interesting auditors of the opening ceremonies were scores of parents and others who have the success of the school at heart. After assembling in the spacious auditorium Prof. Durrett addressed the crowd to order and

and introduced Rev. J. C. Carpenter of the local Methodist church who read a short lesson from the bible and formally opened the session with prayer. Following the prayer he delivered a ten minute talk full of valuable advice and counsel for the assembled students. He was followed by Prof. Durrett, who spoke at length with reference to the general hopes and expectations of himself and his fellow teachers for the success of the school term, laying particular stress upon the pertinent fact that the combined efforts of trustees, teachers and parents could not materially advance a student in the pursuit of his studies unless he had a firm determination to use his best individual effort in that direction.

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Following Prof. Durrett A. B. Gardenhire, C. E. Donnell and President C. E. Anderson of the Board each made short talks, expressing the willingness and intention of the trustees to aid in every possible manner in making this a banner term of the McLean Public Schools. The pupils were then separated

into their respective grades and marched to their room where each was given a list of the books that would be needed during the term.

At two-thirty the faculty and Board of Trustees meet in joint session at the school building and discussed matters pertaining to the general conduct of the school along lines that would serve its best interests.

While the conduct of the individual pupil is not under the supervision of the faculty after reaching home, yet certain rules were formulated touching the every day life of the pupil that will undoubtedly render them more capable of doing efficient work in the school room, and patrons are earnestly requested to aid in seeing that these rules are obeyed as far as is possible.

One of these rules forbids the attending of parties or entertainments of that character during the school term, with the exception of Thanksgiving and the Christmas holidays. While it has been customary to have these parties on Friday and Saturday nights, and some may think it a presumption on the part of the officers of the school to request their discontinuance, yet they believe that such influences serve to detract the minds of the pupils from their work and naturally retards their progress to a certain extent. Vacation time and holidays furnish ample opportunity for the children to enjoy the merriment of parties and entertainments and if the patrons of the town and community will lend their approval to the adoption of this rule the board and faculty feel sure that the best interests of the school and the individual pupil will be served.

The faculty as outlined in the News two weeks ago has not been changed except with reference to the Peterson creek school, the young lady who was to occupy that post having resigned. Her place was taken by Will Turner.


All parties are hereby warned to take note of the fact hunting, fishing, wood hauling and all trespassing is absolutely forbidden on any land owned or controlled by the undersigned. Violators will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.  
J. M. HUNTSMAN.  
J. M. NOEL.

## Swat The Chanticleer

State Topics (Houston): Farmers and country merchants annually lose enormous sums of money through carelessness and indifference. After the middle of May, eggs are generally unfit to be placed in storage. During the hot months millions of eggs are shipped into cities, only to be dumped in garbage pile or sent to the incinerator. Of course the person or firm shipping the eggs blames the commission merchant. He frequently writes ugly letters to the consignee about the returns for the eggs being highly unsatisfactory. The fault rests entirely with the shipper. He should candle every egg before shipment, in fact during the very hot weather, it is almost useless to ship any eggs at all. The heat soon spoils eggs which start out fresh. The express companies, of course, lose nothing. They get their charges, but both the shipper and the commission man lose both time and money. Next to the staple crops, the farmer gets more cash from his eggs than from any other thing he produces on the farm. If the farmer would see that all eggs are gathered fresh daily, and the merchant would see that they are shipped promptly, millions of dollars a year would be saved.

Within less than ten miles of the Topics office, to wit, in the suburbs of Houston, lives a lady who could tell the Topics editor many things about eggs that he doesn't know. The lady's name is Mrs. Kalb, and it would be profitable to Editor McLeMore to call at her poultry ranch and have a talk with her. Smart as he is well known to be, Mrs. Kalb could enlighten him on many matters of a practical, scientific and sociological nature, for she is one of the very best informed women in Texas in many fields of knowledge. She used to be official secretary to a number of the great National scientific and sociological and historical organizations, and she has crossed the continent many times to attend the conventions, take the records, write the minutes and prepare them for the printers. She is now out of that work, but she is in another of equal value, and which she is making equally interesting to herself in the poultry business. She has not only made important discoveries on her own account in connection with her business, but she is excellently informed regarding the discoveries of others. She will tell you, if you go to see her, Editor McLeMore, that the chief reason for the tremendous loss in summer eggs is because the hens which lay them are permitted to share the same inclosures with the male birds. She will tell you that fertile eggs begin a process of incubation immediately after their temperature passes 72 degrees (we believe the figures are 72), and that it is slightly "hatched" eggs that compose the great bulk of "bad" eggs. Infertile eggs, which are the product of hens which are not associated with a male fowl, are subject only to the spoilage consequent to actual decay or obvious uncleanness. Infertile eggs kept dry and clean will retain their freshness for a long time. This seems so simple a fact that one would guess that

## LOOSEN UP!



NOW that it has rained and rained until we are satisfied with the rain, why don't you loosen up and bring your chickens to town.

### The Market

Is a shade better this week and I will give you the benefit of all the rise.

Yours for business,

## M. D. BENTLEY

all egg raisers know it, but Mrs. Kalb declares not one casual poultry keeper in a hundred ever knew or thinks of it. Celibate hens not only lay better eggs, but more of them, than married hens, although of course the egg of a celibate hen is no good for the incubator. Mrs. Kalb's motto is "Swat the Rooster," and in her lectures under the auspices of Judge Kone's Agricultural Department she makes this matter so plain and cites so many common sense as well as scientific reasons for the annihilation of chanticleer no one can lister and not be convinced of the correctness of her statements. Farmers who sell eggs, she declares, should never permit the hens and roosters in the same inclosure. If that precaution were customary practically all of the vast waste in the form of bad eggs would be eliminated. The practical egg raisers, those who make eggs their business and succeed at it, follow this plan, declares Mrs. Kalb, but her observation in every part of the country is that not one in scores of those who carry poultry as a side line knows anything about it. The crux of the whole

matter is this: If you are keeping hens from which to raise chickens, you must of course have fertile eggs; if you are keeping hens to produce eggs for table use, swat the rooster. By swatting the rooster you get more eggs and better eggs—and save the roosters' board.

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Eliminate, Conquer or Alter Aeroplane Dangers

The prevailing impression regarding the future development of the aeroplane could hardly be termed optimistic. This is because conclusions are based upon the fatalities which have occurred and the failures of the many who have undertaken to develop something in aeronautics regardless of the fundamental principles.

First one fatality is laid to the gyroscopic condition existing in the mechanism of the machine. Then another is blamed upon the loss of control through conditions of the atmosphere or something breaking. But let us take the bull by the horns and see what can be done to either eliminate, alter or conquer these dangers.

Gyroscopic force is a hard thing to eliminate practically. Nevertheless its action can be relied upon and governed. For several months the writer has seen gyroscopic force so generated within an aeroplane as to be not only neutral but utilized to advantage in stabilizing the machine.

Atmospheric conditions or currents in the air cannot be eliminated or altered. They have been conquered if possible. But since also they are an unseen power their presence is unknown until felt. Future efforts will be to produce a controlling system which in turn will be controlled by a device which responds to the elements when their power exceeds that of the aeroplane, thereby utilizing to advantage that which we cannot conquer by force.

There has been wonderful development in aviation for the short time since the first successful flights and there remain so few problems to be solved to perfect the science to a standard of safety that the writer believes the pessimistic attitude taken by the public regarding the future value of the aeroplane is unjust to the extreme.

Do not condemn a science that you do not understand. Study it. Become familiar with it and perhaps you who are the most skeptical today will be instrumental in solving the problem that will cover the last step necessary to placing the science upon a valuable commercial basis.

Impressions Received by Human Mind in Infancy

The mind in infancy is, methinks, like the body in embryo; and receives impressions so forcible that they are as hard to be removed by reason as any mark with which a child is born is to be taken away by any future application.

We that are very old are better able to remember things which befell us in our distant youth than the passages of our later days. For this reason it is that the companions of my strong and vigorous years present themselves more immediately to me in this office of sorrow. Untimely and unhappy deaths are what we are most apt to lament; so little are we able to make it indifferent when a thing happens, though we know it must happen. Thus we groan under life, and bewail those who are relieved from it. Every object that returns to our imagination raises different passions, according to the circumstances of their departure. Who can have lived in an army, and in a serious hour reflect upon the many gay and agreeable men that might long have flourished in the arts of peace, and not join with the imprecations of the fatherless and widow on the tyrant to whose ambition they fell sacrifices?

Careful Planning Needed in Rearing Family

A bride recently asked me how I ever managed to rear eight children, give some a college and others a musical education, and save money for a "rainy day" on a salary of \$100 a month. To which I replied that it took untiring energy, careful planning, cautious buying, and getting the best possible value out of every cent expended.

My advice to young married people is to get into their own home as soon as possible and have a kitchen garden. We have both, our home being within walking distance of my husband's office, thus eliminating car fare. The garden was a means of recreation for my husband after office hours, and he has always taken pride in the variety of fruit and vegetables our little garden produced. We also have our own chickens and a cow.

It hasn't been easy to act as manager, cook, seamstress, laundress, nurse and maid of all work, but as it was a work of love I always enjoyed it. While I made small trousers out of large ones and little dresses out of old ones, my husband read to me, thus keeping me posted on the live topics of the day. We purchased in large quantities, flour by the barrel, sugar by 100 pounds, ham, bacon, etc., by the piece, and now that my children are all raised we have enough by careful investment to do a little traveling and enjoy life.

Watermelon Is Fast Losing Public Favor

Is the good old watermelon, the fruit so dear to the hearts of our ancestors, going out of fashion and being replaced by other fruit that has become more popular?

There are just as many fads and fashions about fruit these days as fabrics. The alligator pear has been growing in favor in this country. Its surface is like satin and its taste so dainty that already it is beginning to push out the watermelon as the popular fruit of the day. The good old watermelon was the fruit beloved of our ancestors, but times are constantly changing. The watermelon is all right for private families and out-of-door parties, but it has had its day for summer entertainments.

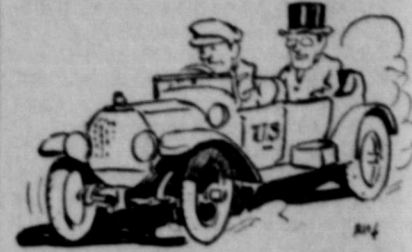
There are at present so many other fruits that meet the popular fancy that it looks as if the watermelon will be doomed to take a back seat at swell entertainments.

The watermelon is big and heavy and hard to handle, and that is one of the reasons that it is losing its prestige with flat and apartment dwellers. The modern apartment is no place in which to eat watermelons. Even the garbage cans in the modern apartments are too small to hold the watermelon rinds.

NEWS and GOSSIP of WASHINGTON



Autos for the Cabinet a New Topic at Capital



WASHINGTON.—The requisition of Secretary of Labor William B. Wilson for three automobiles, two for personal and one for departmental use, has brought up the subject of the private use of government conveyances. The demand for automobiles by the secretary of labor is based on the claim that "it is just as cheap now to purchase, maintain and operate a motorcar as it is a horse and wagon or buggy."

The government provides four or five automobiles for the president, one for the vice-president, one for the speaker of the house and one for the public printer, and carriages and horses for the members of the cabinet and their assistants. Cabinet members have two-horse carriages and their assistants single horse coupes.

The White House cars cost from \$4,500 to \$6,000. Ex-Speaker Joseph G. Cannon rode in a large, handsome \$6,000 car, but Speaker Champ Clark has declined to use an automobile of any kind.

Vice-President Thomas R. Marshall uses a government machine. In addition to the touring cars at the White House, Uncle Sam provides an electric runabout for Mrs. Wilson and the Misses Wilson.

Every year, when the appropriation bills come in, there is an extended debate over the "misuse" of the government vehicles by army and navy officers and others connected with the various departments. It is annually charged that government automobiles and horses and carriages and army mules are used for private calls. It is alleged that army officers and others attend social functions at the expense of the government. Sometimes, when there is a dance at one of the big hotels, visitors from Fort Myer come over in a wagon behind army mules. Several years ago in an effort to stop the promiscuous use of government teams, Uncle Sam had all of his vehicles marked, and that did not prove a success. The old practice continues.

The wives of cabinet members are entitled to the use of government vehicles for shopping or calling. With the horses and carriages goes a liveried driver.

The request of Mr. Wilson, coming as it does from the most modest department of the government, has caused much comment about Washington.

Cabinet Officers Are Patrons of Lunch Rooms

SOME of the members of the cabinet have solved the problem of reducing the cost of living to figures within their incomes," said Col. Richard Ryan of Denver the other day. "In my trips to Washington in the last 20 years I have observed that I can get a pretty good quality of buttermilk at some of the dairy lunch rooms, but I was somewhat surprised recently to find at my elbow in one of these lunch rooms the secretary of the treasury, Mr. McAdoo, and two days ago I stood shoulder to shoulder with Secretary of War Garrison."

"I wonder if the people of Washington know that the milk and pie lunch room is peculiarly a Washington institution and that a former secretary of the treasury, more than any other person, was responsible for its popularity? In the seventies, the late Frank Ward opened the first of these lunch rooms in the Corcoran building on Fifteenth street. It was not a big success at first, but one day John Sherman, secretary of the treasury in



President Hayes' cabinet, happened to notice the lunch room and went in to investigate. He drank a mug of milk and ate a sandwich and returned to his office. Thereafter he became a regular customer. It didn't take long till it was noised about among the treasury clerks that the secretary was a patron of the Ward lunch room and the business boomed. "Frank Ward has been dead many years. He was killed by a trolley car on Georgia avenue, but the dairy lunch so modestly started by him in Washington, I think in 1878, is now to be found in every city and good sized village in the United States."

Health Service Warns Against Cigar Clipper



BEWARE the public cigar clipper! Such was the warning sent out the other day by the public health service of the United States. "This," read the statement, referring to the automatic clipper of the cigar shop, "would seem to be a very effective method of bringing about the interchange of mouth secretions and possibly the spread of infection."

When eminent authorities coincide so coincidentally, not only to cough but in the expression thereof, the rest of us are bound to pause in our mad career and give ear to enlightenment. We must give the go-by to the handy little snipper on the tobaccoist's

counter, so far as concerns the use for which it is intended. The neat and prompt contrivance will still be of some use. In its everyday self-cocking, hair-trigger way, it can still nip slices of inquiring fingers, as of yore. It will still chop the useful purpose of chopping superfluous matches into small bits—a favorite pastime in the temperance pool room of our mispent youth.

But we must ignore, avoid, eschew, shun, evade, elude and otherwise escape it and its peril. Be advised and chaw off your cigars, unless you carry a pocket clipper or a jackknife. Or—and this is considered very knowing—you may squeeze the tip of a good ten-center between your thumbs until the wrapper bursts. But on no account insert in the socket of the public clipper any filthy weed you intend putting to your lips. For whatever may be your ideas on the subject of interchanging mouth secretions you surely don't wish to be promiscuous about it.

Just Smiled, Shook Hands and Let Them Go

THERE is no doubt that George Uhler, supervising inspector general of the steamboat inspection service, department of commerce, closely resembles in appearance William Howard Taft, now a professor at Yale and formerly president of the United States. General Uhler, as the genial supervising inspector general is called, frequently found it embarrassing during the Taft regime to visit any of the executive departments. No sooner would he enter the building than the messengers of ebony hue would turn white and in their salaams almost knock their heads on the floor.

With the outgoing of Mr. Taft and the incoming of Mr. Wilson, General Uhler believed he would find relief from that embarrassment, the wearing, against his will, of another man's mantle.

Not so! Everybody knew Professor Taft recently would be in town in attendance on a commission meeting of which he was a member and that he stayed over Sunday.

That Sunday, having nothing better to do, General Uhler got on a street car for the wharves to look over one of the Norfolk steamers. A few blocks further Representative Frederick C.



Stevens of Minnesota got on the car and nodded to the inspector general. Then Representative Daniel A. Driscoll of New York got aboard. He, too, nodded.

In the meantime Mr. Uhler had been the focal center of a good many pair of eyes on the car, presumably sight-seers in particular. As Messrs. Stevens and Driscoll got off the car they stopped and shook hands with General Uhler and said a few words.

Close to their heels a couple with a Washington guidebook in their possession timidly stopped, shook hands and said how pleased they were to meet him. Then the procession of handshakers became continuous.

General Uhler didn't want to hurt the feelings of any of them—so he just smiled, shook hands and let them go.

FARMERS OVERSTOCK THEIR PASTURE LANDS



Cattle Being Fattened on Forage From Which Farmers Will Derive High Prices.

(By M. COVERDELL.)

Through that thief of time, procrastination, carelessness, and a real to keep every hoof of live stock possible—ninety-nine out of every one hundred farmers overstock their pasture lands, and by the time the most trying portion of the season comes on, their stock are without sufficient pasturage to keep them in even fair shape, and while the detrimental effect of such management is most noticeable on dairy cows, it is practically the same with all other stock, since it stunts them in their growth by depriving them of proper nourishment for a most important part of the season.

Another very discouraging feature of such a course, is, live stock that thus have been deprived of ample pasturage during the summer season, will be in poor condition to meet the rigors of winter, for, once they fall off in flesh at this season, there is not apt to be any more luxuriant growth of grass spring up that year, with the result that the animals not only are unfit to start through the winter, but they will consume more high-priced grain and roughage, and yet not regain the loss of flesh sustained by poor or insufficient pasturage at the proper season.

It is imperative, then, that the farmer do one of two things: Dispose of his live stock till he has only what his pasturage will keep in prime shape through the entire season without taxing it to the limit, or continue to sow forage crops to supplement his pasture till the latter part of July. To those who think this too late to sow such crops, we would state that we have sown as late as August 5, and the crop not only made a good growth for pasturage, but reached a height that made it a most desirable winter roughage. With proper management, such a crop might be utilized for light grazing early in the fall; then mown for roughage, but, of course, one must be governed in each case by conditions.

One of the most commendable features of sowing crops for late summer and early fall pasturage, is, that in many cases they can be grown where some other crop has failed earlier in the season, or the first growth has ripened and been removed from the field. Where wheat or any other small grain shows that it will not make a first-class grain crop, it should be harvested just as soon as possible—either bound or mown and stacked for winter roughage. The field may then be sown any of several crops, and will produce an abundance of excellent grazing in a very short time. Spots which were too wet or too dry at regular planting-time may be utilized to a good advantage in this manner. One can even well afford to cut a few rows of corn near the pasture-lot, and sow them over the fence to the stock, and sow some sort of a catch-crop on the ground from which it was taken. Then, there is sure to be some parts of such pasturage left in the soil, and this will serve as a fertilizer to offset the double drain on the land.

As to the different sorts of crops that may be sown for this late pasturage, one must be partly governed by such agencies as weather conditions, conservative handling of the soil, rapidity of the crop's growth, etc. Oats will make a rapid growth and fine pasturage, but if the lateness of the season makes it risky to sow them on account of early frost falling, they should not be sown, as frost ruins them the first time it touches them to any great extent. Millet would not develop quite as rapidly as oats, but it is not so pervious to the damaging effect of frost, and for this reason it is liable to prove quite satisfactory in the majority of cases. Cane and kafir corn are also excellent for pasturage, but should be sown or drilled very thick, so that the plants will grow up in a crowded condition, which causes them to be small, tender and juicy for pasturage. Rye will make a quick growth, and is excellent as pasturage, especially for hogs, sheep and cattle. Wheat or rye will also make good pasturage, but both are somewhat slow of growth in the earlier stage of their development, which is apt to throw them too late for this season's grazing. The cost of these seeds is also to be taken into consideration, as they are higher than most others. However, either of these plants will form the finest of pasturage early next spring. All of these forage crops will reach a stage of

growth that will admit of their being used as a supplementary green feed during the shortage in pasture, where this method is practiced, spots or fields should be chosen near to the regular pasture lands possible, so that the product may be cut or pulled and thrown over the fence to the animals, without having to be hauled. This will in many cases prove more satisfactory than any other plan, since one can feed practically the same amount every day and by gauging this amount according to the number of live stock being pastured, the condition of the pasture growth, etc., this supplementary feed may be made to last much longer than if the animals were given free range of it.

UNUSUAL SUCCESS IN RAISING PLANTS

Beefsteak Fed Occasionally Fems and Palms Brings Good Results.

(By ALICE MAY DOUGLAS.) A friend who has unusual success in raising ferns and palms has given me her secret. She feeds them steak occasionally. About every six weeks she plants a bit of raw meat close to the roots and it is literally eaten up.

Some of our potted ferns were drooping so I hastened to try the new plan. A single dose of the steak brought them back to health and the growth since has been surprising. Then in pure curiosity I experimented with some outdoor ferns last summer and after a few weeks I dug up the place to see how the meat and plants were getting on together. I found the decaying steak literally cladded by innumerable roots that had entwined themselves about it like a thick wire. How hungry they seemed.

It is said to be a common thing for people living along the gulf coast to feed oysters to their ferns and palms. This would be somewhat expensive for us poor inland people, but they frequently buy a load of shell-fish as we buy coal, simply dumping them in a pile in the back yard and keeping them alive by occasional dousing with salt water.

Watering the plants with unstable beef tea has also been successful tried by my neighbor. Hearing the things, "How little we know of our house-mates, the fern family! Who would have dreamed that they, too, would have devoured tastes?" Could the have caught it dwelling so near our dining tables.

Advantages of Press Drill.

During the past two years we have frequently called attention to the necessity of thoroughly compacting the ground for wheat—and, in fact, any crop—especially when the season promises to be dry. The last bulletin of the Iowa experiment station corroborates these statements. Adjoining plots were seeded to winter wheat and given similar treatment, except that one was seeded with a common drill and the other with a press drill. Threshing returns showed the plot seeded with a press drill yielded at the rate of 54 1/2 bushels per acre, while the common drilled plot yielded only 44 bushels. A similar test in 1894 gave a yield of 48 bushels for the press drill and 39 for the common drill. The press drill compacted the soil over the seed, the moisture is retained, and a more vigorous plant results.

Soil Renovation.

The cowpea is a wonderful renovator of soil, the value of which is so generally recognized, even in the south, where it has been most largely grown and experimented with. At the Louisiana station (bulletin 49) 63 varieties have been tested. For vigor and for green manuring the best varieties are the Unknown, Black, Clay and Red, while the strictly bunch varieties, Whipperwill, Blue, Blackeye, etc., give larger returns in peas.

Shade of Importance.

The importance of shade for the fowls during the hot summer months cannot be overestimated. The best method is to plant fruit trees in poultry yards, as this will give fruit as well as shade.

Advertisement for 'SE' featuring an illustration of a man and a woman, with text: 'SE BEING THE IN RICHMOND WILLI BY CYRU ILLUSTRATIO COPYRIGHT 1912 By DODD, M'.

SYNOPSIS. The Varney, wife of a Confederate general, has lost one son and another is being fought for by the army if his father consents. The Varney's are making their last assault on Richmond. Edith, the youngest daughter of the Varneys, is a nurse in the hospital at Richmond. Capt. Thorne is a friend of Edith's and is ordered to go and tell her that she must not go and tell her that she must not go and tell her that she must not go.

CHAPTER V.—Continued.

"Hush," said Mrs. Varney, her voice low and level in spite of her agitation. "Hush!" "Have you any idea why I sent for you?" "What you say was gwine send me to the hospital, ma'am." "No, then Martha told you," said Mrs. Varney.

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THE FARMER'S MOST FAMOUS TOY

The farmer's most famous toy is his stone. He would give the palm not to his elaborate mechanical contrivance, his dolls, but to the simple stone. It was in 1887 a Dutch farmer found some looper children using a paring stone for a toy. The farmer sent the stone to...



# SECRET SERVICE

BEING THE HAPPENINGS OF A NIGHT IN RICHMOND IN THE SPRING OF 1865

THE PLAY BY WILLIAM GILLETTE; BY CYRUS TOWNSEND BRADY ILLUSTRATIONS BY EDGAR BERT SMITH

### SYNOPSIS.

Mrs. Varney, wife of a Confederate general, has lost one son and another is being courted by Wilfred, the youngest of the army if his father consents. The secret service agent, Edith, is making her last assault on the effort to capture Richmond. Edith receives from President Davis a commission for Capt. Thorne, who is just returning from a mission as chief of the secret service at Richmond. Capt. Thorne declares he must not go and tells the commission from the president. He is strangely agitated and dejected. He cannot accept Thorne's decision. The commission, however, is prevented by a general of Caroline Mitford, Wilfred's secret service agent, a rejected suitor of Edith, who carries a note from a prisoner in Libby prison.

### CHAPTER V.—Continued.

"Jonas," said Mrs. Varney, her voice low and level in spite of her agitation. "Jonas!" "Jonas, speak!" "But even to that appeal he remained silent. Arrelsford waited a moment and then: "Corporal," he said; "take him outside and get it out of him. Strive him up until he talks. But don't let him yell or give any alarm; gag him until he's ready to tell. You understand?"

The corporal nodded and turned toward the hall door. "Not that way," said Arrelsford; "take him to the back of the house and keep him quiet, whatever you do. Nobody must know about this, not a soul." "Very good, sir," said the corporal, saluting. He gave an order to the men, and they marched Jonas off, swiftly and silently. Nothing that had been said or done had disturbed the women across the hall. Mrs. Varney glanced up at the unfolded piece of paper in Mr. Arrelsford's hand. He was smiling triumphantly.

"Was there anything in that?" she asked. "Yes, there was. We know the trick they meant to play. "But not the man who was to play it?" "I didn't say that, ma'am." "Does it give you a clue to it?" "It does." "Will it answer?" "It will." "Then you know—" "As plain as if we had his name." "Thank God for that," exclaimed the woman. "May I see it?" Arrelsford hesitated. "I see no reason why you should not." He extended his hand toward her, and she glanced at the paper. "Attack tonight. Plan 3. Use telegraph," she read. She looked up. "What does it mean?" she asked tremulously.

"They are to attack tonight, and the place where they are to strike is indicated by Plan 3." "Plan 3?" questioned the woman. "Yes; the man this is sent to will know what is meant by that. It has been arranged beforehand, and—" "But the last words," said Mrs. Varney. "Use telegraph." "That is plain, too. He is to use our war department telegraph and send some false order to women that position, the one they indicate by 'Plan 3,' so that when they assault it, they will find it feebly defended or not at all, and break through and come down on the city and swamp us."

"But," exclaimed Mrs. Varney in deepest indignation and excitement, "the man who was to do this? Who is he? There is nothing about him that I can see." "But I can see something." "What? Where?" "In the words, 'Use telegraph.' We know every man on the telegraph service, and every one of them is true. There is some one who will try to get into that service if the game is carried out, and—" "Then he will be the man," said Mrs. Varney.

"Yes; there aren't so many men in Richmond that can do that. It isn't every man that's expert enough—Mrs. Varney, Jonas brought this paper to your house, and—" "To my house?" exclaimed the woman in great astonishment, and then she stopped, appalled by a sudden thought which came to her. "At the same time," said Arrelsford, "your daughter has been trying to get an appointment for some one on the telegraph service. Perhaps she could give us some idea, and—" Mrs. Varney rose and stood as if rooted to the spot. "You mean—" "Captain Thorne," said Arrelsford impressively.

### CHAPTER VI.

The Confidence of Edith Varney. Mrs. Varney had, of course, divined toward whom Arrelsford's suspicion had been entirely centered. She had mentioned the name before he had mentioned the name that the alleged spy or traitor could be none other than her daughter's friend; indeed, it would not be

stretching the truth to say that Thorne was her friend as well as her daughter's, and her keen mother's wit was not without suspicion that if he were left to himself, or if he were permitted to follow his own inclinations, the relation between himself and the two women might have been a nearer one, still and a dearer one, yet, nevertheless, the shocking announcement came to her with sudden, sharp surprise.

We may be perfectly certain, absolutely sure, of a coming event, but when it does occur its shock is felt in spite of previous assurance. We may watch the dying and pray for death to end anguish, and know that it is coming, but when the last low breath has gone, it is as much of a shock to us as if it had not been expected, or even dreamed of.

The announcement of the name was shattering to her composure. She knew very well why Arrelsford would rejoice to find Thorne guilty of anything, and she would have discounted any ordinary accusation that he brought against him, but the train of the circumstances was so complete in this case and the coincidences so unexplainable upon any other theory, the evidence so convincing, that she was forced to admit that Arrelsford was fully justified in his suspicion, and that without regard to the fact that he was a rejected suitor of her daughter's.

Surprise, horror and conviction lodged in her soul, and were mirrored in her face. Arrelsford saw and divined what was passing in her mind, and, eager to strike while the iron was hot, bent forward open-mouthed to continue his line of reasoning and denunciation, but Mrs. Varney checked him. She laid her finger upon her lips and pointed with the other hand to the front of the house.

"What!" exclaimed the Confederate secret service agent; "is he there?" Mrs. Varney nodded. "He may be. He went out to the summer-house some time ago to wait for Edith; they were going over to Caroline Mitford's later on. I saw him go down the walk."

"Do you suppose my men could have alarmed him?" asked Arrelsford, greatly perturbed at this unexpected development. "I don't know. They were all at the back windows. They didn't seem to make much noise, I suppose not. You have a description of the man for whom the letter was intended?"

"Yes, at the office; but I remember it perfectly." "Does it fit this—this Captain Thorne?"

"You might as well know sooner or later, Mrs. Varney; that there is no Captain Thorne. This is an assumed name, and the man who has in your house is Lewis Dumont." "Do you mean he came here to—" "He came to this town, to this house," said Arrelsford vindictively, his voice still subdued but full of fury, "knowing your position, the influence of your name, your husband's rank and service, for the sole purpose of getting recognized as a reputable person, so that he would be less likely to be suspected. He has corrupted your servants—you saw old Jonas—and he has contrived to enlist the powerful support of your daughter. His aim is the war department telegraph office. He is friendly with the men at that office. What else he hasn't done or what he has, the Lord only knows. But Washington is not the only place where they have a secret service; we have one at Richmond. Whatever game he plays, it is one that two can play; and now it is my play."

The patter of light footsteps was heard on the stairs, a flash of white seen through the open door into the hall dimly lighted, and Edith Varney came rapidly, almost breathlessly, into the room. She had changed her dress, and if Caroline Mitford had been there, she would have known certainly from the little air of festivity about her clean but faded and darned, sprigged that she was going to accept the invitation. In one hand she held her hat, which she swung carelessly by its long faded ribbons, and in the other that official envelope which had come to her from the President of the Confederacy. She called to her mother or as she ran down.

"Mamma!" Her face was white and her voice was pitched high, fraught with excited intensity. "Under my window, in the rosebushes, at the back of the house! They're huring somebody frightfully, I am sure!" She burst into the room with the last word. Mrs. Varney stared at her, understanding fully who, in all-probability, was being roughly dealt with in the rosebushes, and realizing what a terrible effect such disclosures as she had listened to would produce upon the mind of the girl. "Come," said Edith, turning rapidly toward the rear window; "we must stop it!" Mrs. Varney stood as if rooted to the floor.

"Well," said the girl, in great surprise, "if you aren't coming, I will go myself." These words awakened her mother to action. "Wait, Edith," she said. "Now, and for the first time, Edith

noticed Mr. Arrelsford, who had stepped back and away from her mother. She replied to his salutation with a cold and distant bow. The man's face flushed; he turned away. "But mamma, the men outside," persisted the girl.

"Wait, my dear," said her mother, taking her gently by the arm; "I must tell you something. It will be a great shock to you, I am afraid." "What is it, mamma? Has father or—" "No, no, not that," said Mrs. Varney. "A man we have trusted as a friend has shown himself a conspirator, a spy, a traitor."

"Who is it?" cried the girl, at the same time instinctively divining—how or why she could not tell, and that thought smote her afterward—to whom the reference was being made. Mrs. Varney naturally hesitated to say the name. Arrelsford, carried away by his passion for the girl and his hatred for Thorne, was not so reticent. He stepped toward her.

"It is the gentleman, Miss Varney, whose attentions you have been pleased to accept in the place of mine," he burst out bitterly. His manner and his meaning were unmistakable. The girl stared at him with a white, haughty face, in spite of her trembling lips. Mechanically she thrust the envelope with the commission into her belt, and confronted the man who loved her and whom she did not love, who accused of this hateful

act the man whom, in the twinkling of an eye, she realized she did love.



"Attack Tonight. Plan 3. Use Telegraph," She Read.

Then the daughter turned to her mother. "Is it Mr. Arrelsford who makes this accusation?" she asked.

"Yes," said Mrs. Varney, again answering for Mrs. Varney, "since you wish to know. From the first I have had my suspicions about this—" But Edith did not wait for him to finish his sentence. She turned away from him with a look of scorn, and moved rapidly toward the front window.

"Where are you going?" asked Arrelsford. "For Captain Thorne." "Not now," he said peremptorily. The color flamed in the girl's cheeks again.

"Mr. Arrelsford, you have said something to me about Captain Thorne. Are you afraid to say it to him?" "Miss Varney," answered Arrelsford hotly, "if you—if you—" "Edith," said Mrs. Varney, "Mr. Arrelsford has good reasons for not meeting Captain Thorne now."

"I should think he had," returned the girl swiftly; "for a man who made such a charge to his face would not live to make it again." "My dear, my dear," said her mother, gently but firmly, "you don't understand, you don't—" "Mamma," said the girl, "this man has left his desk in the war department so that he can have the pleasure of persecuting me."

Both the mother and the rejected suitor noticed her identification of herself with Captain Thorne in the pronoun "me," one with sinking heart and the other with suppressed fury.

"He has never attempted anything active in the service before," continued Edith, "and when I asked him to face the man he accuses, he turns like a coward!" "Mrs. Varney, if she thinks—" "I think nothing," said the girl furiously; "I know that Captain Thorne's character is above suspicion." Arrelsford sneered. (TO BE CONTINUED.)

Taking His Choice. "These monopolists in their treatment of the small dealer remind me of Mr. Blanc," said Upton Sinclair. "Mr. Blanc said to his little son on Christmas day: "Tommy, which will you have, turkey or cold mutton?" "Turkey, please," Tommy answered promptly. "But Mr. Blanc began to back away at the grating, cold mutton." "No, Tommy," he said, "you can't have turkey. Take your choice, my lad, take your choice, but you can't have turkey."

# The ONLOOKER

HENRY HOWLAND

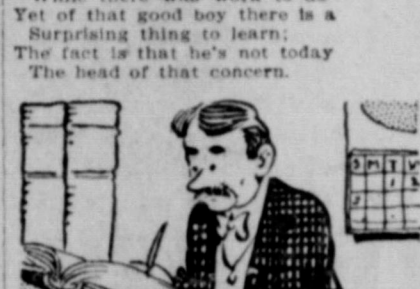
## STRANGER THAN FICTION

He started in an office boy. He dusted off the chairs. He put things in their places, and he brightened up affairs. He never monkeyed in the hall. He never tried to shirk. He always answered every call. And blithely did his work.

He never cared to read about the deeds of Deadwood Dick. His parents never sent word that their darling son was sick. His grandma never died, and so he worked day after day. He went where he was told to go. Nor otered on the way.

He had no taste for playing jokes. Around the busy place. It was a pleasure to behold. His bright and happy face. He never hummed a ragtime air. Nor puffed a cigarette. And when they left things to his care. They knew he'd not forget.

He never practiced dancing flgs. Nor spoke till spoke to. He never sneaked away at night. While there was work to do. Yet of that good boy there is a surprising thing to learn; The fact is that he's not today The head of that concern.



Politics and Filial Affection.

"Yes, mother," said the rising politician, "you must come to the convention. I have reserved a seat for you on the stage. And try to look as old and pathetic as possible."

"Why, John, you know I never took any interest in politics. I would be altogether out of place at such a gathering. And I can't see why you should want me to look old and pathetic."

"I am going to be nominated, mother, and a committee will find me at my hotel and persuade me to go before the delegates and tell them how proud I am of the honor they have thrust upon me. I want you there so I can make a bit by turning and kissing you when everybody is looking. The older and more frail you can appear the better it will be for me."

By the Sea. It was down by the sea that I saw her. By the sea, with its spray and its roar. I watched her plunge into the breakers. And boldly strike out from the shore. She came from the ocean all dripping. And lovingly looking at me. But I had no wish to be near her. On the beach sloping down to the sea.

ALAS! "How happy you must be, Mrs. Scaddsworth. They say your husband made several million dollars by selling short before the stringency began."

"No, I'm awfully miserable. Of course, it's nice to be rich, but our daughters, as you know, had all become the wives of mere Americans before we got our money."

Foolish Worm. Deahly bud he coteh de wuhm—Deas ways dat what I heahd—Whiche show de wuhm ain' got no head Foh if he had he'd stay in bed En fool de eahly bud.

Too Good to Spoil. "When I was here several years ago you were having a lively political campaign, the main issue of which was the erection of a new city hall. The opponents of the scheme must have been successful." "No. The ones who favored it were successful; but it has been one of the best political issues we've ever had here, hence the new city hall is still a thing of the future."

Scandal. "What are those women talking about so excitedly?" "One of them claims to have seen one of her neighbors sitting in a hammock with an arm around his own wife."

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Exactly. "That was a very warm argument." "No wonder, with so much hot air in it." Quite So. "I think children's nurses are extortionate in their prices." "Well, isn't it naturally a hold-up business?"

Hard Game. Redd—Don't they have any extra men in the polo team? Greene—Oh, yes; a few in the hospital.

Real Influence. "Let me write the songs of a nation," said the ready-made philosopher, "and I care not who makes the laws." "I won't go quite so far as that," replied Senator Sorghum; "but let me write the amendments and I care not who draws up the bills."

Lo, the Poor American! Hagop Barasjian of Pitchburg and Menad Estabrokrakamasian of Lowell went fishing yesterday in Lake Chagoggogmanhauggoggaubunagu a gamaug, near Worcester, with their cousin, Hajjoman Saralaneropanlan, whom they are visiting for the weekend, but you would never have learned it from us if we hadn't been able to paste it.—Boston Globe.

Identified Himself. The whizzing motor car struck a stump, and one of the occupants of the back seat, a lady possessed of considerable embonpoint, executed a neat but not gaudy parabola in the atmosphere and alighted by the roadside like a polypus falling from a shot tower.

"I don't believe I have broken any bones," she stated, in reply to the inquiry of the omnipresent bystander; "but there is a lump on this bank that—" "Lump—bah!" snarled a smothered voice. "The constable that's goin' to arrest you and his boys' riders, if I live!"

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HISTORY'S MOST FAMOUS TOY. The Cape for examination and the result was the discovery of the diamond fields of South Africa. And the child's plaything found its way to £500. According to a Japanese belief, dolls sometimes come alive, acquiring a soul in process of being played with by successive generations of children. Food is provided for them and they are treated with great care, lest negative should bring trouble upon the household. One pretty story tells how a childless husband and wife borrowed a doll that had gained a soul, fed and clothed it, and deservedly prospered thereafter.

All this is in utter contrast with the unpleasant theory of Varro about dolls. He held that the dolls given to little Romans at Christmas—that is to say, at the Saturnalia—represented original sacrifices of human beings to the infernal god.—London Chronicle.

Lightning Uncovers Lead Mine. Lightning recently uncovered a lead mine on the farm of William Thack

er in Baxter county, Ark. The bolt struck a hickory tree, ran into the ground, and then divided into six branches, digging ditches about three feet deep and eighteen inches wide. The longest ditch is 150 feet in length, and the others vary from twenty to forty-nine feet. At the end of the longest ditch is a hole two feet in diameter and two feet deep from which a considerable quantity of lead ore was thrown out, one piece weighing four pounds.—Kansas City Journal.



# The Small Town Merchant

No store is so small or town so insignificant that it does not pay the merchant to advertise. He should send a weekly message into the homes of the people in his trade territory. They all are interested in bargains and consistent and conscientious advertising cannot fail to pay for itself over and over again during the year.

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### Boosts For Fair Exhibit

F. M. McCracken, president of the Bank of Alanreed, was a visitor in the city the first of the week and made the News office a pleasant call. The gentleman is interesting himself in the matter of accumulating an exhibit of agricultural products to be shown at the Panhandle fair at Amarillo the early part of next month. Speaking of the matter to the News man, he said:

"In my judgment an exhibit from this section would be of more real value on year like this than probably any other time, and the liberal offer of the fair management to furnish exhibit space free of charge should not be overlooked by our people. I believe that the people of Alanreed would gladly co-operate with McLean in getting up an exhibit of this character and I shall be glad to lend my efforts in any way to accomplish the desired end."

The people of McLean certainly should not forego this opportunity of showing to the world what can be produced in this

section during a dry year. The cost of placing the exhibit would be very meager, indeed, considering its importance and some concerted action should be taken at once. The management of the fair has set aside an exhibit space for this county and it should be utilized.

#### Missionary Items.

"Missions are not the church's afterthought, But Christ's forethought."

We quote the following from a Chinaman:

"Jesus Christ is the light of the world in every sense in which that sentence can be interpreted for every oil lamp, gas light, electric, acetylene, acetylene, oxyhydric or any other light, except a tallow candle or a dish of oil with wick floating therein. has been made in a land with a bible. The light, the progress and the comfort of the world is the result of the bible."

He adds further that the man who does not believe this has never studied the history of progress, or else they have never lived outside of a Christian country, or whose lives do not harmonize with the teaching of the scripture; neither do they make any distinction between intellectual and religious thinking.

Forty Chinese girls are now studying in the United States, fitting themselves to return to their home as medical missionaries to their countrywomen.

The cause of Christian unity in American is receiving its greatest impulse from the foreign field.

We completed our study course on China last Wednesday and the ladies were so much benefited by this book that we now purpose to take up another book entitled "The King's Business or Mexico Today." The price is 43 cents, including postage.

We will also begin a bible study course on the book of St. John, price 20 cents. All women desiring the book will please hand the money to Mrs. Ashby next Sunday or Wednesday, or else leave it at the bank, notifying her of same.

On thanksgiving day, the 27th of November, the ladies of the Methodist church will serve a dinner down town for the purpose of raising money to help defray the expense of some needed repairs on the parsonage.

Next Sunday night, September 21st, the young people, with a few women, will render a missionary program at our church. Everybody, and especially Methodist, are cordially invited.

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#### Irish Verse.

I have been in many contests From America to Paris, France.

I have taken all the medals Wherever I had a chance.

I have stood before the world, And men that are learned and wise;

I have carried all the banners On bread and cakes and pies.

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#### B. Y. P. U. Program.

Subject—Bible study meeting: John.

Opening exercises by President.

Leader take charge.

Scripture lesson—Prov. 1:22-33, responsive reading by Ethel Cash and Bessie Everett.

Song.

Prayer.

Introduction—Leader.

John before he became king—Alvah Christian.

Special music—Andrew Mayfield and Fred Landers.

John killing of Jehoram—L. O. Floyd.

John exterminates the house of Ahab—Roger Francis.

John's failure—Mrs. Hamilton.

Luke 7:30—Burrel Erwin.

Isa. 3:10-11—Roy Newton.

Lesson for us from 'Life of John'—Open discussion by all.

Closing exercises.

Leader—Edith Stockton.

We have three three-burner Oil Cook stoves on which we will give 10 per cent discount for cash. McLean Hardware Co.

#### Senior League Program.

Subject—The doctrine of sin. Talk—Leader.

The wages of sin is death, Rom. 6:23—Pearl Newton.

For from within, from the hearts of men, evil thoughts proceed, Mark 7:21—Oma Landrum.

Prayer.

Song.

Depart from me all ye workers of iniquity, Luke 13:27—Leo Wadley.

Whatever a man soeth that shall he also reap, Gal. 6:7—Ethel Stockton.

Song.

Sin is transgression of the law, I John 3:3—Andrew Jordan.

The sinful act quickly grows into the sinful practice—Katie Robinson.

The final result of sin is, therefore, not surprising, Ezk. 18:4-20—Luther Petty.

Lesson found in July Era, August 3rd.

Leader—Isabel Francis.

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Sewing machines of the Very Best variety at the McLean Hardware Co.

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Anything you want in harness James Drake.

Sheriff Denson was here from the capital last Sunday.

Look out! The buggy peddler is peddling at large and somebody is going to get skinned. McLean Hardware Co.

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Take the discount on oil cook stores at McLean Hardware Co.

Fred Paschall has accepted a position at the Erwin Drug Co.

Does your blind child want music? Apply to Oma Landrum.

Mrs. J. Sam Orr of Amarillo was here this week with a millinery stock.

Economy, E-Z Seal and Mason fruit jars at McLean Hardware Co.

Miss Carol Willis left Monday for Yukon, Okla., where she will teach the coming school term.

There's a sewing machine waiting for you at McLean Hardware Co.

Mrs. J. W. Sugg has returned to her home here after an extended stay at Hooker, Okla.

Want music lessons on the piano? See Oma Landrum.

Mrs. C. L. Upham and little daughters left yesterday for a visit with relatives at Erick.

If you eat with Red you will be healthy, happy and fat. We strive to please.

T. M. Speed and son, Lon, were at home this week from the Pampa country where they are making preparations to put in a wheat crop.

Everything in the hardware line for sale at the McLean Hardware Co.

Messrs. Massey, Smith and Sharp of Groom were here Saturday night to attend the Masonic lodge.

A car of Dawson Fancy Nut coal on the track in a few days. A dandy at the price. Western Lumber Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo Green of Broncho, Texas, are here the guests of the A. P. Rippey family.

Our entire stock of hardware and implements for sale. McLean Hardware Co.

Mrs. R. H. Collier has been spending the week at Amarillo, the guest of her mother, Mrs. W. B. Hedrick.

Fresh bread on hand at all times at five cents per loaf. Red's Restaurant.

The younger society set enjoyed a party at the Richardson home Saturday night.

See the Western Lumber Company for hog fence. A new shipment on hand.

J. O. Scarbrough left Sunday night for Mineral Wells, where they expect to make their home.

Bring me your leather repair work of all kinds—harness, saddles, shoes. James Drake.

Mrs. E. F. Reynolds is here from Gilmer to visit with her daughter, Mrs. A. A. Callahan.

Our tongue is not so slick as the peddler's but we can save you money on a buggy or hack. Cal & Bill.

T. A. Cooke this week purchased the J. F. Harbert residence south of the railroad.

I have sold my photographic business to Tracy Willis, who will strive to make better photos and give the public more efficient service than I have done. You will find his prices on post cards and some of the mounted photos cheaper than my prices were. I thank the public for their patronage and solicit for Mr. Willis a continuance of same. J. B. Vannoy.

## DON'T TAKE THE WRONG MEDICINE

If Your Liver Gets Lazy You Need a Liver Tonic. Not Merely a Laxative for the Bowels.

Many people take a simple laxative when their liver gets sluggish rather than take calomel, which they know to be dangerous. But a mere laxative will not start a sluggish liver without forcing you to stay at home and lose a day from your business.

You have such a tonic in Dodson's Liver Tonic. Dodson's Liver Tonic must be all they claim for it because they guarantee it to take the place of dangerous calomel and agree to hand back the money with a smile to any person who tries Dodson's Liver Tonic and is not satisfied with the relief it gives.

Dodson's Liver Tonic is a harmless vegetable liquid with a pleasant taste, and is a prompt and reliable remedy for constipation, biliousness, sour stomach, and the other troubles that come from a torpid liver.

Erwin Drug Co. gives its personal guarantee and if you will ask about this guarantee you will protect yourself against imitations that are not guaranteed. Large bottle of Dodson's Liver Tonic is 50 cents.

J. R. Hindman is making arrangements to build new cement walks on the south and west of his hotel.

Drop in and see us about dinner time. We serve the best 25c dinner in town. Red's Restaurant.

Mrs. J. Y. Bates and little son returned Monday from a visit with friends at Claude.

The Eclipse is the only windmill that is selling now—it is the BEST. For sale by McLean Hardware Co.

Prof. S. R. Loftin of Alanreed was a business visitor in the city Friday and Saturday.

Peace Maker on tap at this store. Get a sack and be satisfied—until it's gone. D. Bassel.

Dr. C. E. Donnell returned the first of the week from a visit to relatives at Silverton and Tulia.

We will give you ten per cent off on all buggy and hack harness for cash. Cal & Bill.

Roy Rice has been at LeFors this week assisting the clerk with the work of getting out tax citations.

Vernie Phillips left the latter part of last week for Marion, Indiana, where he goes for a visit with relatives.

If you wish music in the school room where your children's fingers will not be pinched by the cold apply to Oma Landrum.

J. L. Hess and A. Stanfield left Saturday for Kansas City with a shipment of cattle. Mr. Hess will go from there to his old home in Illinois for a short visit.

I have purchased the photo gallery from Mr. Vannoy and will strive to make you better photos than ever before. My prices on POST CARDS and some of the mounted photos will be cheaper than Mr. Vannoy's were. Kodak work turned out promptly. Tracy Willis.

Mrs. T. A. Cooke is enjoying a visit from her daughter, Mrs. E. G. Doran of Shreveport, La. Mrs. Doran is accompanied by her two little children.

## CLASSIFIED ADS

For Sale—Small heating stove so cheap you will be afraid there is something wrong with it—but there isn't. News office.

For Sale—Home grown alfalfa seed at normal price. O. P. Homel, Alanreed, Texas.

For Sale—Ladies stride saddle as good as new. Cheap. Mrs. A. G. Richardson, phone 54.

Will sell or trade a good runabout buggy with harness. Phone 54.

For Sale—Eighteen toulouse geese. Phone 74. W. W. Overton.

For Sale or Trade—Good second hand surry. See G. R. Bellenger at C. C. Cook's store.

For Sale—20 or 30 shoats. Inquire of S. B. Fast, 5 miles north of McLean. Phone 133 1/2 1/4.

\$5.00 REWARD—For return of white gray hound dog, lost on August 24th. Has brindle patch on each eye. Phone three shorts and a long on 66. A. E. Gething, Northfork Texas.

### Greever to Make Race.

The report seems to have gained considerable credence to the effect that Judge Frank P. Greever would not be candidate for re-election to the office of district judge of this the 31st judicial district. In a letter to S. E. Boyett of this city, the gentleman seeks to correct this report, stating positively that he would make the race at the coming election. Judge Greever has made a popular and efficient officer and the News sees no reason why he should not again be elected.

Would like to have a regular place to get two pounds of butter per week. Phone Mrs. Richardson.

Miss Mable Upham and Lyman and Rhoda Upham were over from LeFors the latter part of last week visiting with friends.

Hair switches made from combings, old ones made over. Satisfaction guaranteed. Mrs. Carrie Bellenger.

Misses Hattie Thompson and Nona Cousins have gone to Denton where they will enter the College of Industrial Arts.

Miss Willie Pearl Phillips entertained a party of friends at her home last Sunday. A watermelon feast was enjoyed in the afternoon.

Rev. H. A. Goodwin and wife are here from Shamrock this week guests of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Holcomb.

I will start a school Monday for the unders. Miss Katie Robinson.

Miss Ruby Cook has gone to Waxahachie, where she will enter the Trinity University for the current term.

Uncle Mack Patton and wife of Jackson county, Okla., are here visiting relatives. They expect to spend the winter here.

Miss Florence Bruner, who has been spending a couple of months here with her uncle, A. A. Callahan, left the first of the week for her home at Gilmer.

F. B. Kachelhoffer left the first of the week for Joliet, Ill., where they will make their home again after a stay here of several years. The best wishes of hosts of friends attend them.

Mrs. J. S. Denson and little son, Aubrey Donald, who has been spending the summer in Colorado, returned the first of the week to their home at LeFors.

Billie Pettit, who has been spending the summer with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Loftin, returned, returned to his home at LeFors Sunday night.

## TO CALIFORNIA

Very low fares to the Pacific Coast points, with liberal stop-over privileges. This is the

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excursion you have been waiting for, the lowest fare of the year to these points. Get ready to go.

Tickets on sale September 25th, to October 10th.

Through Pullman cars for all points and through dining cars, too. The way to go is via the



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For further particulars call a local agent, or write.

J. I. Johnson, G. S. Pentecost, G. A. Amarillo G. P. A., Ft. Worth

### How They Stand.

Following is the standing of contestants in the Wise & Beall piano contest up to the 11th instant.

1	10,230
2	2,015
3	2,000
5	10,970
6	2,000
7	2,690
8	12,807
9	7,000
10	2,960
12	2,000
13	3,945
14	2,200
15	2,135
16	5,450
17	2,000
18	4,490
19	2,000
20	2,000
21	2,000
22	7,045
23	2,000
24	2,000
25	2,065
26	2,275
27	7,967
28	2,000
29	43,708
30	2,000
31	2,000
32	2,000
33	6,838
34	13,264
36	2,900
37	2,000
38	2,000
39	2,500
40	5,000
41	21,990
42	2,000
43	2,000
45	23,452
46	6,000
47	2,380
48	26,505
49	15,860
50	18,818
52	23,600

### Nooe Returned.

Sheriff Denson returned the first of last week from New Mexico, bringing with him J. H. Nooe who had been arrested in that state upon notification from the sheriff's department. Mr. Nooe waived requisition and also examining trial and was given bond upon his return here, which he readily furnished.

# THE LAST CHANCE ON CHAIRS

After the first of next month all trade coupons for the chairs that have not been traded out will be destroyed. We shall furnish chairs on all coupons traded out up to that time. If you have a coupon you had better finish trading it out and get one of these handsome chairs free.

Our next offer will be a big reduction on dry goods. Watch for it.

C. A. Cash & Son  
General Merchandise.





**W**HAT has become of the White House brides? There have been two of them. Miss Jessie Woodrow Wilson will be No. 12. But she feels no superstitious alarm on that score, 13 being the luckiest of numbers in the Wilson family.

It is interesting to consider the fact that three of the round dozen of White House brides, including the first one, Lucy Payne, and the last one, Alice Roosevelt, married congressmen. Also that two, Della Lewis and Nellie Grant, became the wives of foreigners. Only one president, Mr. Cleveland, was married in the White House, although another, Mr. Tyler, took to himself a spouse during his term of office.

In earlier days White House weddings were always celebrated in the circular room, the state department, oval in shape, which is now called the blue room. But of late years Washington society has expanded to such an extent, numerically speaking, that, with perhaps 1,000 guests to be invited, the east room is none too large for the staging of so important a spectacle as a marriage in the White House.

At the wedding of Alice Roosevelt, which occurred Feb. 17, 1906, the east room was almost uncomfortably crowded.

The bridal pair were wed on a raised platform before an extemporized altar. The ceremony was performed by the Rt. Rev. Henry Y. Satterlee, Bishop of Washington, and breakfast for sixty persons was served in the state dining room, a buffet lunch for the other guests being furnished in the green room.

Nick Longworth, at that time a member of congress from Cincinnati, is exceedingly popular. He can do amusing things with the piano, is a first-class baseball player and has other accomplishments. At the date of his marriage he was nearly forty. Though not rich, he will eventually inherit a considerable fortune from his mother. His wife has spent most of her time since her marriage in Washington, where she is a leader of the young married women's set. She has no children.

There was a gap of nearly twenty years between the Roosevelt wedding and that of Frances Folsom, who was married in the White House June 2, 1886, to President Cleveland. She was only twenty years old at the time and was the daughter of Mr. Cleveland's former law partner. On this occasion the ceremony was semi-private and the blue room was plenty big enough for the bridal party and a small number of invited guests.

When her husband died, five years ago, Mrs. Cleveland was left very well off. In addition, congress voted her the customary \$5,000 a year as the pension of a president's widow. A few months ago she was married to Thomas J. Frost.

When Rutherford B. Hayes was colonel of the Third Ohio Volunteers the lieutenant-colonel of the regiment was Russell Hastings. Whence it came about that Colonel Hastings, in later years, made the acquaintance of Emily Platt, a niece of President Hayes. Miss Platt was a member of the White House family through the Hayes administration, being regarded almost as a daughter. When she became engaged to Colonel Hastings it was arranged that she should be married in the White House, and the ceremony was performed there on June 19, 1878, at 7 o'clock in the evening. It was wholly a family affair.

Four years earlier took place the wedding of Nellie Grant, the third daughter of a president to be married in the White House. On this occasion the spectacle was staged in the east room, then used for the purpose for the first time. The date was May 21, 1874, and the bridegroom was Algonquin Charles Frederick Sartoris, an Englishman.

Ellen Wrenshall Grant was a handsome girl of eighteen, with brown hair and eyes, rosy cheeks and a plump figure. Sartoris, who was the son of a member of parliament and was said to have an income of \$50,000 a year, met her for the first time on a steamer coming back from Europe. The wooing was rapid, but General Grant disapproved of the match and did not give his consent until a year later.

There are plenty of people living today who

well remember the popular excitement caused by this international marriage. It was estimated that the wedding presents represented a value of more than \$100,000.

Certainly no marriage ever started out with a fairer outlook. But unfortunately the prospect was not realized. Sartoris, who was an idler, like many Englishmen of his class, did not make a satisfactory husband, and Mrs. Sartoris was eventually compelled to divorce him. Her son, named Algernon after his father, recently married a French girl, Cécile Moulford, and is now residing in France. Two daughters are married.

A little over a year ago—Mr. Sartoris having meanwhile died—Mrs. Sartoris took a second husband, Frank Hatch Jones, being married to him on July 4, 1912, at Cobourg, Canada.

On the evening of Jan. 31, 1842, Elizabeth Tyler, third daughter of President Tyler, then a girl of eighteen, was married in the blue room of the White House to William Waller, a member of congress from Williamsburg, Va.

It is not possible in all instances to trace the subsequent history of the White House brides, some of whom, indeed, such as those of the Jackson administration, were persons of no prominence apart from the fact that they were married in the White House.

Soon after this marriage Mrs. Tyler died, and within a short time the widowed president took to himself a second wife, whose name was Julia Gardiner. She was a New York girl.

Returning from abroad with her father, Miss Gardiner visited Washington and met President Tyler.

Soon afterward President Tyler became engaged to Miss Gardiner, and they were married in New York. The bridal party returning immediately to the White House, where the wedding reception was held.

Mr. Tyler was fifty-six and his bride only twenty. John Quincy Adams, then in congress and a bitter enemy of the president, spoke of the marriage as a "union of January and May."

Young Mrs. Tyler did the honors of the White House for eight months, until the close of the administration. Then she and her husband went to their Virginia home, where they lived seven years. When Mr. Tyler died his widow took her children to her mother's home at Carleton Hill, Staten Island, and there spent the rest of her life.

When Van Buren was president Dolly Madison was still the leader of Washington society, and it was she who introduced to him the beautiful Angelica Singleton, daughter of a distinguished South Carolina family. Miss Singleton became a frequent guest at the White House, and the president's son, Major Abram Van Buren, fell in love with her. He married her in November, 1823, at her home in South Carolina, but the wedding reception was held at the White House, where young Mrs. Van Buren immediately took charge of affairs as mistress of the establishment, the president being a widower.

Andrew Jackson was remarkably devoid of relatives. Perhaps it was on this account and because he was fond of young people that he made so much of his wife's relations. Two of the latter were married in the White House at his request during his administration. A third young woman who enjoyed the same distinction was Della Lewis of Nashville, the daughter of an intimate friend of the president.

The second marriage at the White House during the Jackson regime was that of Mary Easton, another Tennessee girl, who was a niece of Mrs. Jackson. In this instance the bridegroom was Lucien B. Polk, likewise of Tennessee. The pair went to live at Columbia, Tenn., where they spent the rest of their lives very happily.

Elizabeth Martin was a relative of Mrs. Jackson's. She was married in the White House to a young clerk, Lewis Randolph, a son of Martha Jefferson Randolph, who was the eldest daughter of Thomas Jefferson.

This takes us back as far as the administration of John Quincy Adams, who had three sons. The first of the three brothers was John

Adams, a graduate of Harvard, notoriously hot tempered and inheriting the arrogance of his grandfather, after whom he was named.

At that time a young man named Hellen, from Philadelphia, was employed in the White House in a secretarial capacity. He had a very pretty sister named Mary, and John Adams fell in love with her, finally obtaining the consent of his parents to their marriage, notwithstanding some opposition to start with.

The ceremony was performed in the circular room, and there was dancing afterward, the president and his wife taking part in the Virginia reel.

It has been said of the Monroes that they had fewer friends in Washington than any presidential family before or since. They were very exclusive and so formal that Mr. Monroe once refused to see a near relative who called at the White House because the visitor was not attired in the small clothes appropriate to full dress.

Mrs. Hay, the eldest daughter, would not visit the wives of the diplomats because they did not call first upon her. Thus it came about that when the youngest daughter, Maria Hester Monroe, married her cousin, Samuel Laurence Gouverneur, then secretary to the president, nobody was at the wedding except members of the families of the bride and bridegroom. It took place in the circular room at noon on March 9, 1820, and the clergyman, the Rev. Dr. Hawley of St. John's church, wore knee breeches with silver buckles on his low shoes.

The couple spent their summers at Oak Hill, Loudon county, Va. They lived in New York in winter. Ex-President Monroe died in the New York house while on a visit to his daughter. They had three children, two of them boys.

Maria Monroe Gouverneur died at Oak Hill at the age of forty-nine and was buried there.

Anna Todd of Philadelphia was married at the White House in 1812 to John G. Jackson, a member of congress from Virginia and a grandnephew of Stonewall Jackson.

History is unfortunately silent in regard to subsequent events in the life of Anna Todd, but it is known that she went to Virginia with her husband and lived there the rest of her life.

Dolly Madison had two sisters. One of them, Anna, became the wife of Congressman Cutts of Maine. The other and younger sister, Lucy, was married at fifteen years of age to George Steptoe Washington, a nephew of the Father of His Country. He died and she went to live with the Madisons.

All of which merely leads up to the fact that on the evening of March 11, 1811, Lucy, the widow aforementioned, was married at the White House to a Kentucky widower named Todd, who was an associate justice of the Supreme court. This was the first White House wedding and was celebrated with all the eclat possible in those comparatively simple days.

It will be noticed that only four of the twelve White House brides have been daughters of presidents. The first of these was Maria Monroe, the second Elizabeth Tyler, the third Nellie Grant and the fourth Alice Roosevelt. Jessie Woodrow Wilson will be the fifth.

**HARD TO REALIZE.**

"We quickly accept conditions as they are. It's hard to realize that a bald-headed man ever had hair."

"That's true."

"Yet some of them not only had hair, but long, crinkly curls."

**A DILEMMA.**

"I suppose Mrs. Smith is much distressed about her husband's death."

"I don't know about that. He was so mean and cranky that in one way, it is a relief. But then black is so horribly unbecoming to her."

**THE BOSS SPEAKS.**

"Young man," said the boss, "I like to see you arrive in the morning feeling fresh."

"Yes, sir."

"But let it end there. You have a habit of keeping your freshness up all day."

**NOTHING SERIOUS.**

"Was I full when you saw me last night?"

"I wouldn't like to say that."

"Come on. What was I doing?"

"Well, you were challenging a lamp-post to a race."

**DRY FARMING METHOD**

It is Necessary to Have Soil in Proper Condition.

How to Conserve Moisture is One of Most Important Questions for Farmer to Solve in Dry Portions of Northwest.

Much is said at present in the northwest regarding dry farming. These methods are only good farming methods. In good farming it is necessary to have the soil in a good physical condition, including texture, temperature, ventilation and soil washing.

The soil should have plenty of plant food. In raising 100 bushels of corn it requires 240 pounds of the three things necessary to make corn, says a writer in the Orange Judd Farmer. These must be taken from the soil.

With the soil in a good physical condition, the plant food in the most available form, then it is necessary to have another important factor, and this one factor is, a man.

In the drier portions of the northwest the question of how to conserve soil moisture is one of the most important problems for the farmer to solve. There is hardly a season that some crop is not reduced from one-fourth to one-half of its yield, because there was not enough moisture to mature it. The soil may have been in good condition, plenty of plant food, in fact, all other conditions may have been favorable for a good crop, but with an insufficient supply of water all of the labor and expense counts for little, and in many instances nothing.

So the question arises, to what extent can the farmer control the soil water? Before he can do this intelligently it is necessary for him to know in how many forms soil water exists. Soil water exists in three forms.

Gravitational water is under the direct flow and is vertically downward until it reaches the ground water surface. It moves through the spaces left by decaying roots. Plants do not use it, but it is detrimental to most cultivated plants when within 18 inches of the surface. It is a supply for wells and springs, also the source from which the capillary water is drawn.

Capillary water does not flow by gravity. It is the direct source from which plants derive moisture. It may be drawn upward or downward, depending on whether the soil is drier at the surface or below. In dry times the capillary action may be strong enough to raise the water five or six feet, the power depending on how good a physical condition the soil is in.

If in poor condition, coarse and cloddy, and the soil particles not close enough together, then the water cannot rise to take the place of that carried away by evaporation or used by the plant. On the other hand, if the soil is in good condition and the soil particles close together, then the water passes freely to the surface.

Notice the track of a horse in the plowed field. Moisture is seen at the surface. Why? Because the soil particles in the track have been pushed close together, and there is capillary action between them. The moist surface shows that the water is passing off into the air. This should teach a lesson.

The question is sometimes asked, What must be done to stop the water from passing off into the air so that it will pass off through the tissues of the plant? Break the compact soil by tillage, and thus break the capillary action and stop the water in its upward course. This forms a soil mulch. This is one of the most important ways of preventing the evaporation of water, because it breaks the capillary pores, and leaves a layer of loose soil between the air and the moist soil below, so that the water cannot rise through it.

After heavy rains this mulch becomes compact, capillary action is restored, and capillary pores are connected directly with it, and evaporation takes place very rapidly. It is necessary to stir the soil after every rain.

Hydroscopic water is the tiny film of water around each soil particle. A quantity of soil in a room may be dry. If this dry soil is subjected to a high temperature of 105 Centigrade this hydroscopic water is drawn off. The amount varies from 1 to 12 per cent, depending on the soil type. The higher per cent is found in peaty soil. Plants do not use hydroscopic water.

**Ration During Molting.**

The molting of fowls is a natural process and not a disease, and no medical treatment is necessary or desirable. Feed molting fowls just as you would feed them at any other time, only remember that molting is done during hot weather, and less carbonaceous food should be given than when the weather is cool. Oats, wheat, clover or alfalfa or any leguminous seeds may be used more because the weather is warm than that fowls are molting.

Any sort of green food is good; so are beets, turnips, bulbs or tubers of any sort that they will eat. They should have little corn or other heat producing food.

**Poor Farms Predominate.**

The sections where the poor farms predominate are usually sections where the barnyard manure is not available or not properly utilized. There is nothing that will do more to keep farms in rich shape than the fertility that is produced by farm stock.

**Then What Did Papa Do?**

When one dish was passed, mamma said she just loved to eat of it, but that the food would not agree with her. Paxton said he liked bananas but he didn't eat them.

"Then Jean, the five-year-old, said: 'I love watermelon, but I can't eat it.' 'Why can't you eat watermelon?' said papa.

"Because you don't buy me any," she said.

**ECZEMA DISFIGURED FACE**

Hampton Springs, Fla.—"I had had eczema on my face and hands for about three years. My face was badly disfigured. The eczema broke out in pimples and itched so very badly I would scratch it all the time. It was the most irritating disease I ever had. It started on my face and hands and it spread all over my body. I had great large sores all over me, caused from the eczema. It bothered me day and night so that I could not rest at all.

"I used three remedies for skin disease and they didn't give relief at all. I was almost terrified until a friend recommended Cuticura Soap and Ointment to me. They helped me from the time I started to use them. I only used two cakes of Cuticura Soap and two boxes of Cuticura Ointment and was cured." (Signed) Mrs. E. C. Parker, Dec. 7, 1912.

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**More Like an Enemy.**

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"I am."

"Going to meet a friend?"

"No, indeed. I'm going to meet a note."

**Not Fit For Ladies.**

Public sentiment should be against it, and we believe it is there can be no reason why ladies should have to suffer with headaches and neuritis, especially when Hunt's Lightning Oil gives such prompt relief. It is simply a question of getting the ladies to try it. All druggists sell Hunt's Lightning Oil in 25c and 50c bottles.—Adv.

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Isn't it queer how many of your friends are broke when you want to borrow a few dollars?

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Ever notice how much fuss men make about their honor—on the stage?

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**THE AMERICAN HOME**

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Mr. William A. Bradford will answer questions and give advice FREE OF CHARGE on all subjects pertaining to the subject of building, for the readers of this paper. On account of his wide experience as Editor, Author and Manufacturer, he is without doubt, the highest authority on all these subjects. Address all inquiries to William A. Bradford, No. 175 West Jackson boulevard, Chicago, Ill., and only enclose two-cent stamp for reply.

The majority of people have to figure pretty closely in approaching the building problem. At least, it is well for them to do so, even those who have an abundance of the "where-withal."

This is a cottage house plan, 32 feet 6 inches wide by 42 feet 8 inches long, exclusive of the porch. Ten feet of the length, however, is accounted for by the kitchen extension, so that the main part of the house is not very long.

It is intended to be a cheap affair. The word "cheap" in this instance is used in its better sense, meaning good value for what it costs. The word "cheap" has been shamefully abused. Such slang phrases as "cheap skate," "cheap john," etc., have given a snide value to a good, old-fashioned English word which originally meant "bargain." As this little house can be built under favorable circumstances for about \$1,000, the word "bargain" should apply without any qualifications.

The value of a house is not always in its size. It is more in after comfort and continuous convenience. There are many small families living in crowded quarters who would have much better accommodations than they are accustomed to, if they lived in a



little house like this, erected in the outskirts of town, where fresh air and sunshine may be had in quantities sufficient to promote health and good looks.

The arrangement of the rooms is very simple; and while the finish is good and neat, there is nothing expensive about the house. The plan calls for a good cellar with properly laid and coated on the outside with a half-inch layer of Portland cement mortar to insure a dry cellar.

There is room in every town and city for hundreds of such houses. Transportation is so easy, quick and convenient on account of the new electric trolley lines, that there is no longer any excuse for people huddling together in small, badly lighted, unventilated apartments, except in very large cities.

The large veranda across the front gives the house a good appearance.

**Floor Plan.**

It takes away the plainness, and, in fact, is the main difference in outward appearance between this little one-story house and the old-fashioned one-story house that everybody would like if possible. But there are other and more important improvements in the new construction. Modern methods of using building paper, cement better mortar, and better plaster, is working wonders in the comfort of such little houses. It is just as cheap to use these materials as to build houses in the old-fashioned way.



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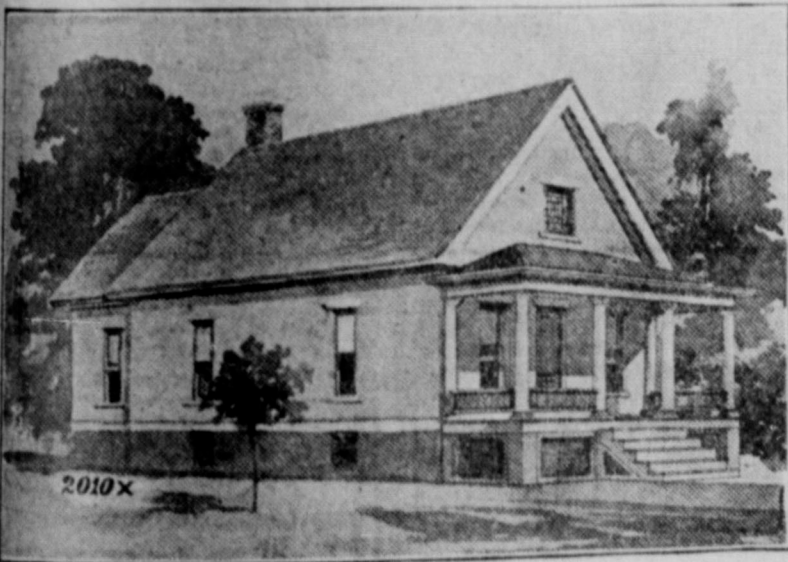
The specifications provide for good mortar that is to be gaged with cement when used below grade line, and beam filling between and alongside of all joists on top of the wall by fitting brick closely underneath the floor.

Another feature never seen in cheap houses until lately is the cement wainscoting in the kitchen. The use of cement for this purpose has many advantages.

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The value of a house is not always in its size. It is more in after comfort and continuous convenience.



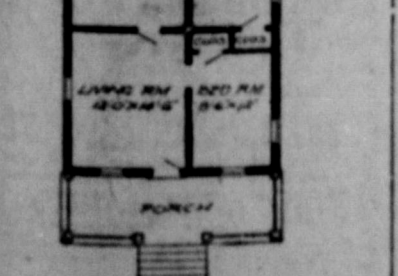
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Little house like this, erected in the outskirts of town, where fresh air and sunshine may be had in quantities sufficient to promote health and good looks.

The arrangement of the rooms is very simple; and while the finish is good and neat, there is nothing expensive about the house.

There is room in every town and city for hundreds of such houses. Transportation is so easy, quick and convenient on account of the new electric trolley lines, that there is no longer any excuse for people huddling together in small, badly lighted, unventilated apartments, except in very large cities.

The large veranda across the front gives the house a good appearance.



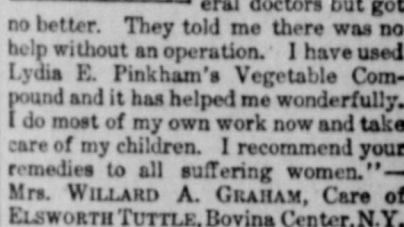
Floor Plan.

It takes away the plainness, and, in fact, is the main difference in outward appearance between this little modern cottage and the old-fashioned one-story house that everybody avoided if possible.

MOTHER SO POORLY

Could Hardly Care for Children - Finds Health in Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

Bovina Center, N. Y. - "For six years I have not had as good health as I have now. I was very young when my first baby was born and my health was very bad after that.



no better. They told me there was no help without an operation. I have used Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and it has helped me wonderfully.

If you have the slightest doubt that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound will help you, write to Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co. (confidential) Lynn, Mass., for advice.

MUCH LEGISLATION OF VALUE

Anti-Tuberculosis Workers Have Reason to Be Satisfied With Laws Passed in 1913.

Out of 41 state legislatures in session during the season of 1913, laws dealing with tuberculosis were enacted in 30 states, while in 34 states consideration was given to bills dealing with the prevention of this disease.

Among the notable advances in the legislative enactments of this year are the tuberculosis registration law of Colorado; laws providing for subsidies to local hospitals in Minnesota and Wisconsin, an act providing for the establishment of county hospitals in Indiana, and the establishment of state bureaus for the prevention of tuberculosis in Ohio and California.

Something Good for Your Lazy Liver

The most perfect constipation remedy the world has ever known comes from Hot Springs, Arkansas.

No matter what you have been taking to tone up your liver and drive poisonous waste from the bowels, the sooner you get a box of HOT SPRINGS LIVER BUTTONS, the sooner your liver, bowels and stomach will be in fine condition.

They are simply wonderful, splendid; they are gentle, sure, blissful. Take them for sick headache, indigestion, loss of appetite, etc. All drug stores have them at 25 cents a box. Free sample from Hot Springs Chemical Co., Hot Springs, Ark.

Plant That Catches Its Food.

The common bladderwort, an aquatic plant not only defends itself against insects and animals, but catches worms and fish for its food.

Gets Clogged. "Has your friend Scribbles an easy flowing style?" "Not so much as formerly. He's using a fountain pen now."

Drawback. "You deserve a great deal of credit young man." "Maybe I do, but I always have to pay cash."

Fame-The reward of one who is willing to be chronically misquoted by the newspapers.

HOW TRAGEDY WAS AVERTED

Farmer Saw His Predictions Verified if Train Had Only Come Through His Land Sideways.

In a Tennessee backwoods lived a farmer who, although he had never seen a railroad, yet had his opinion of them and the mischief which he understood they might cause. According to his notion, a train was as much to be dreaded as a cyclone itself.

Egged Off. De Wolf Hopper, at a luncheon in New York, said of a bad actor: "He's had hints enough to quit the stage, dear knows. He's had more hints than Phat."

"Phat, after a brief experience on the road as 'Hamlet,' returned to his job in Canal street.

"How did you come to leave the stage?" I asked him one night. "I had hints that I wasn't suited to it," he replied.

HE CARRIED AN UMBRELLA.

A dear old lady who was very "set" in her prejudices was asked just why she didn't like a certain man. She had no particular reason that she could think of at the instant, but she had been so emphatic in her expression of dislike that she knew she would have to find some excuse—at once.

Quick as a flash she answered her question, "He carries an umbrella whether it's raining or not—he is a 'softie.'"

"But," said her friend, also looking out of the window, "here comes your son William, and he is carrying an umbrella."

That is the position some people have taken regarding that wholesome and refreshing beverage Coca-Cola. They have said a good many unkind things about it and in each instance have had it proved to them that their tales were not true.

Finally they seized upon the fact that Coca-Cola gets much of its refreshing deliciousness from the small bit of caffeine that it contains. They looked upon that as a splendid argument against it.

But does that stop their criticism of Coca-Cola for containing caffeine? No—their answer is similar to the old lady's—they say "But that's another matter"—what they mean is "Being prejudiced against Coca-Cola and liking tea or coffee, it all depends on what carries the caffeine."

We think the joke is on them—for caffeine is caffeine, and if it is not harmful in one it can't be harmful in another. We all know that it is not harmful in tea or coffee—that it is really helpful in whatever it is—this is bound to include Coca-Cola.

Of course, the truth is, that having started an attack on false premises and having had what they thought were good reasons for criticism proved to be no reasons at all, they are grasping at an excuse which does not exist, to explain a prejudice. So you see, after all, it all depends on who carries the umbrella to people who are determined to be unfair. Let us be fair.—Adv.

Disconcerting. Model—"It's a horrid shame! You know as well as I do that my figure isn't so sinfully distorted as that!" Impressionist—"Ah, my child, when will you understand that it is your soul that I paint, and not your figure?"—Bystander (London).

Severe Rheumatism. Grove Hill, Ala.: Hunt's Lightning Oil cured my wife of a severe case of Rheumatism and my friend of toothache. I surely believe it is good for all you claim for it.—A. R. Stringer, 25 and 56 bottles. All dealers.—Adv.

Before the Coolness. Maud—"My grandmother reached her one hundredth birthday." Ethel—"She couldn't have stopped at twenty-three so long as you have."

True happiness consists not in the multitude of friends, but in the worth and choice.—Doctor Johnston.

Advertisement for Castoria, 900 Drops, for infants and children. Includes a list of ingredients like Pumpkin Seed, Licorice, and various oils.

Advertisement for Castoria, featuring a large signature and the text 'The Kind You Have Always Bought' and 'Bears the Signature of Dr. J. C. Hathorn'.

Advertisement for Spohn's Dye, featuring a portrait of a man and the text 'Spohn's Dye'.

Advertisement for Catarrhal Fever, mentioning 'Plenty of men can give a girl a home like she has been accustomed to'.

Advertisement for Carter's Little Liver Pills, featuring a parrot logo and the text 'Carter's Little Liver Pills'.

Advertisement for Parker's Hair Balm, featuring a portrait of a man and the text 'Parker's Hair Balm'.

Advertisement for Lewis' Single Binder, featuring the text 'Lewis' Single Binder'.

Advertisement for Thompson's Eye Water, featuring the text 'Thompson's Eye Water'.

Advertisement for Winchester, featuring the text 'Winchester' and 'Leader and Repeater'.

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## GIVING AWAY THIS PIANO

We also desire to call your attention to the many splendid values which we are now offering in every department.

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#### Sheriff Sale.

The State of Texas, County of Gray, In the District Court of Potter County, Texas, Peoples Savings Bank vs. H. T. Groom, et-al. No. 1968, In the District Court of Potter County, Texas.

Whereas by virtue of an order of sale, issued out of the District Court of Potter County Texas, on a judgment rendered in said court on the 31st day of August, A. D. 1912, in favor of Peoples Savings Bank as plaintiff and H. T. Groom, Mary L. Groom, Lon D. Marrs, Fannie S. Thompson and H. P. Thompson and the State Bank of Groom are defendants, for the sum of eleven thousand and seventy eight and 97/100 dollars, with interest thereon at the rate of ten per cent per annum, and the further sum of Twenty two and 60/100 dollars cost of suit, I did on the 28th day of August, A. D. 1913, at 2-5 o'clock, P. M. levy upon the following described tracts and parcels of land situated in the County of Gray in the State of Texas, belonging to said H. T. Groom to-wit:

All of Survey No. 204 in Block B2, Certificate No. 15-3231, of 640 acres, Grantee, H. & G. N. Ry. Co.  
All of Survey No. 219 in Block B2, Certificate No. 15-3237, of 640 acres, H. & G. N. Ry. Co. Grantee.  
All of Survey No. 144 in Block B2, Certificate No. 15-3221, of 640 acres, Grantee, H. & G. N. Ry. Co. subject to a levy heretofore made by me in favor of Lon D. Marrs, under order of sale issued out of the District Court of Potter County Texas, in cause No. 1967, entitled Lon D. Marrs vs. H. T. Groom, et-al, to satisfy a judgment in the sum of \$12,629.54, with interest and costs.

These are therefore to notify you that I will on the 7th day of October, A. D. 1913, the same being the first Tuesday in October, A. D. 1913, at the court house door of Gray County Texas, at the town of LeFors, at public vendue, between the hours of ten o'clock A. M. and four o'clock P. M. sell to the highest bidder in cash all the right title and interest in and to the said premises holden by the defendant, H. T. Groom, Mary L. Groom, Lon D. Marrs, Fannie S. Thompson and H. P. Thompson and the State Bank of Groom and the Peoples Savings Bank plaintiff.

And in compliance with law I give notice by publication in the English language once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the McLean News a newspaper published in Gray County Texas.

Said land to be sold located about 20 miles west and south of LeFors Texas.

Dated at LeFors, Texas, this 28th day of August, A. D. 1913.  
J. S. DENSON,  
Sheriff Gray County, Texas.

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The State of Texas, County of Gray, In the District Court of Potter County, Texas.

Lon D. Marrs vs. H. T. Groom, et-al. No. 1967. In the District Court of Potter County, Texas.

Whereas by virtue of an order of sale issued out of the District Court of Potter County, Texas, on a judgment rendered in said court on the 31st day of August, A. D. 1912, in favor of Lon D. Marrs as plaintiff and against H. T. Groom, Mary L. Groom, Peoples Savings Bank, Fannie S. Thompson and the State Bank of Groom, as Defendants, for the sum of Twelve thousand, six hundred, and twenty nine and 54/100 dollars, with interest thereon at the rate of ten per cent per annum, and for the further sum of Twenty two and 60/100 dollars cost of suit, I did on the 28th day of August, A. D. 1913, at 2 o'clock, P. M. levy upon the following described parcels of land, situated in the County of Gray in the State of Texas, belonging to said H. T. Groom, to-wit:

all the right title and interest in and to said premises, holden by the defendants, H. T. Groom, Mary L. Groom, Lon D. Marrs, Peoples Savings Bank and the State Bank of Groom and Fannie S. Thompson and her husband H. P. Thompson, plaintiff.

And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication in the English language once a week for three consecutive weeks, immediately preceding said day of sale, in the McLean News a newspaper published in Gray County, Texas.

Said land to be sold, located about 20 miles west and south of LeFors, Texas.

Dated at LeFors, Texas, this 28th day of August, A. D. 1913.  
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Sheriff of Gray County, Texas.

#### Sheriff Sale.

The State of Texas, County of Gray, In the District Court of Potter County, Texas, Fannie S. Thompson and her husband, H. P. Thompson, vs. H. T. Groom, et-al. No. 1969, In the District Court of Potter County, Texas.

Whereas, by virtue of an order of sale, issued out of the District Court of Potter County, Texas, on a judgment rendered in said court, on the 31st day of August, A. D. 1912, in favor of Fannie S. Thompson and her husband, H. P. Thompson as plaintiff and H. T. Groom, Mary L. Groom, Lon D. Marrs, Peoples Savings Bank and the State Bank of Groom are defendants, for the sum of Eight thousand and eight hundred and twenty two and 27/100 dollars, with interest thereon at a rate of six per cent per annum, and the further sum of Twenty five and 65/100 dollars cost of suit, I did on the 28th day of August, A. D. 1913, at 2:10 o'clock, P. M. levy upon the following described tracts and parcels of land situated in the County of Gray in the State of Texas, belonging to the said H. T. Groom, to-wit:

All of Survey No. 204, in Block B2, Certificate No. 15-3231, of 640 acres, Grantee, H. & G. N. Ry. Co.  
All of Survey No. 216, in Block B2, Certificate No. 15-3237, of 640 acres, H. & G. N. Ry. Co. Grantee.  
All of Survey No. 144, in Block B2, Certificate No. 15-3221, of 640 acres, Grantee, H. & G. N. Ry. Co. subject to a levy heretofore made by me in favor of Lon D. Marrs, under Order of Sale issued out of the District Court of Potter County, Texas, in cause No. 1967, entitled, Lon D. Marrs vs. H. T. Groom, et-al, to satisfy a judgment in the sum of \$12,629.54, with interest and costs; and also subject to a levy heretofore made by me in favor of Peoples Savings Bank, under Order of Sale issued out of the District Court of Potter County, Texas, in cause No. 1968, entitled, Peoples Savings Bank vs. H. T. Groom, et-al, for the sum of \$11,078.67, with interest and cost of suit.

These are therefore to notify you that I will on the 7th day of October, A. D. 1913, the same being the first Tuesday in October, A. D. 1913, at the court house door of Gray County Texas, at the town of LeFors at public vendue, between the hours of ten o'clock, A. M. and four o'clock, P. M. sell to the highest bidder for

all the right title and interest in and to said premises, holden by the defendants, H. T. Groom, Mary L. Groom, Lon D. Marrs, Peoples Savings Bank and the State Bank of Groom and Fannie S. Thompson and her husband H. P. Thompson, plaintiff.

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J. S. DENSON,  
Sheriff of Gray County, Texas.

#### Citation by Publication.

The State of Texas, to the Sheriff or any Constable of Gray county--

Greeting:

You are hereby commanded that you summon, by making publication of this citation in some newspaper published in the county of Gray, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the thirty-first judicial district; but if there be no newspaper published in said judicial district, then in a newspaper published in the nearest district to said thirty-first judicial district, for four weeks previous to the return day hereof, J. E. Thornberg, whose residence is unknown, to be and appear before the Honorable District Court, at the next regular term thereof, to be holden in the county of Gray, at the court house thereof, in LeFors, on the 27th of October, 1913, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court, on the 11th day of August, A. D. 1913, in a suit numbered on the docket of said court No. 165, wherein Sarah Thornberg is defendant, the nature of plaintiff's demand being as follows, to-wit:

A suit to dissolve the bonds of matrimony created between plaintiff and defendant in July, 1892, in the State of Iowa, on account of excessive and cruel treatment rendered plaintiff by defendant on or about March 8, 1913, in the creation of certain debts by the defendant and the execution of several first mortgages on the same property, the absence of defendant and leaving such matters to the care and control of the plaintiff herein, and for the care and control, custody and management of her seven minor children.

Herein fail not, and have you before said court, on the said first day of the next term thereof, this writ, with your endorsement thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and seal of said court, at office in LeFors this, the 11th day of August, A. D. 1913.  
C. L. UPHAM,  
Clerk District Court, Gray County, Texas.

Herein fail not, and have you before said court, on the said first day of the next term thereof, this writ, with your endorsement thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and seal of said court, at office in LeFors this, the 11th day of August, A. D. 1913.  
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For cause of action plaintiff represents to the court that he has been an actual bona fide inhabitant of the state of Texas for a period of twelve months, and has resided in the county of Gray for at least six months next preceding the filing of this suit; that on or about the 6th day of July, A. D. 1908, in Baker City, Oregon, plaintiff was lawfully married to defendant, then a single woman by the name of Maud Orchard; that they continued to live together as husband and wife until on or about the 6th day of March, 1909, when, without a justification or excuse whatsoever on the part of defendant, defendant, against plaintiff's consent, permanently abandoned plaintiff, since which time they have not lived together as husband and wife.

Plaintiff alleges that during the time he and defendant lived together as aforesaid, he was kind and affectionate to her and always provided for her support and maintenance.

Wherefore plaintiff prays the Court that defendant be cited to appear and answer herein and for judgment dissolving said marriage relations, for costs of suit, and for such other and further relief, special and general, in law and in equity, that he may be justly entitled to and in duty bound will ever pray.

Herein fail not, and have you before said court, on the said first day of the next term thereof, this writ, with your endorsement thereon showing how you have executed the same.

Witness my hand and seal of said court, at office in LeFors, Texas, this the 28th day of August, A. D. 1913.  
C. L. UPHAM,  
Clerk District Court, Gray County, Texas.

#### Panhandle Fair.

While in Amarillo recently we had the pleasure of inspecting the work and preparations being made for the Panhandle Fair to be held in that city October 6th to 11th of this year. A large tract of land has been set aside out of the Glenwood park and is being improved as fast as men and money can accomplish the work.

The box stalls for race horses, the spacious cow barns and numerous other livestock buildings have been completed and are ready for use. The agricultural building is now in course of construction and will be ready before the opening of the fair. Various other buildings and improvements are also under way.

Added to the general interest of the fair will be the many attractions already provided in the Glenwood Park. Practically every county in the Panhandle has made arrangements for space in the agricultural building and it is believed that the fair will be a success from the start.

#### Ladies Notice.

We are now ready for receipts for the Cook Book that is being compiled by the Ladies Aid of the Presbyterian Church. Every lady in this vicinity is invited to help furnish these recipes. If you have one or more recipes that you have tried and know to be good please write it out plainly, sign your name to it and hand it to me.

MRS. S. B. FAST.

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I will pay a twenty-five dollar reward for the arrest and conviction of any party guilty of tying down any telephone wire or in any other manner tampering with the lines. The state law on the 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 necessary 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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## Local Car Shipments

Notwithstanding the severely weather that has blighted some extent the farm crops of the entire section of the United States during the past few months, the McLean counting in for its share of the order, we are pleased to give service as compiled by Local Agent Nunn of the Rock Island showing the car load shipments of various products from this section for the fiscal year ending September 1, 1913. Consider the report very interesting as showing the re-

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