

# THE ENTERPRISE.

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BIG SPRINGS, TEXAS, FRIDAY, AUGUST 13 1909.

\$1.50 A YEAR

## West Texas National Bank

Big Springs, Texas

### County Depository Howard County

Deposit Your Money In This Bank

as it will be SAFEGUARDED BY THE BANKING LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT. We are prepared to care for the needs of our customers.

Our policy is liberal yet conservative.

#### Work to Begin in 30 Days.

The rewritten contract with W. G. Shaffer, J. J. Lanin and the total railroad committee, was signed after some argument, at 3 o'clock this afternoon.

The citizens who signed the final contract, will be requested to sign the new one, which is practically the same instrument, with some advantageous clauses for both parties.

In one month the work on the Sterling City Railroad will be started.—San Angelo Standard.

The Junior Endeavor Society of the Christain Church gave an ice cream festival on the Y. M. C. A. lawn last Friday night which was well attended and the youngsters netted a handsome sum from the evening's receipts.

#### A Nice Little Home for \$1,250.

On the hill. South side. Four rooms and hall. Small barn. East front, city water, good neighborhood. Good terms. 43-21 R. T. Piner, Phone 311 Big Springs, Texas.

Bert Ramsey will sell you a lot in Soash for \$1 down and \$1 per week.

Miss Zula Lovelace has returned from a two weeks vacation with friends and relatives in Scurry county.

Rain has fallen in different parts of the county, and in fact nearly all over the county. In some places good rains are reported which will be of great benefit to crops.

#### Committee Meets.

The committee to locate the West Texas Normal School met in Fort Worth Monday, heard the praises of 23 good towns, received the bids of the different candidates and will select a location later. The committee from Big Springs was, B. Reagan, J. I. McDowell, A. D. Ellis, S. H. Morrison, J. B. Littler and R. D. Matthews. Each town was allowed twenty minutes in which to make speeches. B. Reagan and S. H. Morrison spoke in behalf of Big Springs and if we don't get the school it will be no fault of theirs for they both made good speeches and presented the claims of Big Springs in such a manner that caused the committee to take notice. It will probably be two weeks before a location is decided upon by the committee which is composed of Lieut. Gov. Davidson, State Superintendent of Instruction, R. B. Cousins and John Marshall, speaker of the house of representatives.

#### C. E. Prayer Meeting.

C. E. Prayer meeting Wednesday, Aug. 18th. Subject—Two Prayer Lessons. Matt. 6 chapter 5, 6, 18, 19, 20 verses.

Leader—Mr. A. J. Sewell. Song.

Sentence Prayers. Unanswered Prayer—Mrs. Tynes.

Christ's Definite Way—Walter Barrett.

Power in Prayer—Mrs. E. S. Bledsoe.

When to Pray—Prof. R. E. Barker.

Vocal Solo—Miss Lizzie Tamsett.

Mizpah.

#### C. P. Services.

Services at the Cumberland Church—Sunday 15th.

Sunday School 9:30 a. m.

Preaching 11 a. m. and 8:30 p. m. Subject Faith—Tess. 11 chapter.

Our annual protracted meeting will commence 5th Sunday in Aug. 1909. Rev. Mason of Pilot Point, Texas will preach for us.

We earnestly request all of the ministers and their members to join in with us in a grand union revival. Brethren, let us work for the salvation of souls. Come one, come all.

A. W. Baldrige, Pastor C. P. Church.



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A. B. JONES, Vice-Prest. L. V. READ, Ass't Cash'r  
C. E. BELL, BERNARD FISHER.

#### Hon. W. J. Bryan to Visit Big Springs.

The leading character during the Chautauqua course here Sept. 16-20 will be that of William J. Bryan in his wonderful course styled the "The Price of a Soul." Mr. Bryan will give two lectures one at 2:30 and at 8:00 on the 16th.

To one who has heard this wonderful discourse it will be of double interest and pleasure to hear it again and to those who have never heard this master of human oratory it will well worth your time and money to go. For truly is Bryan the silvery tongued orator of America.

There will be other interesting features connected with this course carried out by Dr. Stewart who will appear once followed by the Royal Hungarian Orchestra, Nicola, Magician and Richard P. Hobson of Merrimac fame.

Tickets for the entire course \$3.00. Children under 17 \$1.50. Be sure and take advantage of this opportunity as it comes but once in a life time.

#### County Court Doings.

County court met in regular session on the 2nd instant, with three criminal cases on the docket. They were disposed of in the following manner:

State of Texas vs. Frank Johnson charged with theft, entered a plea of guilty, was fined \$2.50 and six hours in jail.

State vs. Snowie Bell, theft, entered plea of guilty, was fined \$1.00 and 15 minutes in jail.

State vs. Fess Whitaker, aggravated assault, acquitted.

At a meeting of the stockholders of the First State Bank of Big Springs held Aug. 10th it was voted unanimously to accept the guarantee assessment plan of the State of Texas to secure its depositors.

## Texas & Pacific Telephone Co.

The only line that connects with all local telephone exchanges from

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Reaches all points east with copper wires

Office at Ward's Drug Store

For the benefit of the traveling public we have pay stations at Ostemore and Palace Hotels

Rexall mosquito talcum powder makes the "skeeter" skidoo from your room. R. L. McCamant & Co. sell it.

S. E. Davis went to Tennessee last week and arrived home Monday bringing with him his father and mother, R. V. Davis and wife.

J. M. Cockerell of Odessa spent several days here this week, the guest of his brother, J. E. Cockerell.

The song the mosquito sings will not be heard in your room if you use Rexall mosquito talcum powder. Sold by R. L. McCamant & Co.

## A Most Hearty Welcome

to each of you who visit our store, and we are anxious that you become a customer if not already one. Our groceries are fresh, you know we are styled

### The Pure Food Grocers

If its to eat, we have it. We carry feed stuff of all kinds, such as oats, chops, bran, hay, etc. Remember that you don't have to pay long time prices when you buy from us.

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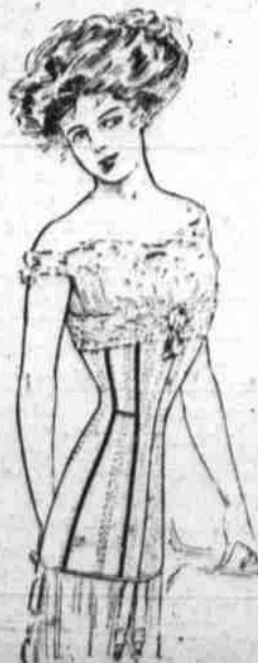
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Vienna, W. Va.—"I feel that I owe the last ten years of my life to Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. Eleven years ago I was a walking shadow. I had been under the doctor's care but got no relief. My husband persuaded me to try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and it worked like a charm. It relieved all my pains and misery. I advise all suffering women to take Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound."—Mrs. EMMA WHEATON, Vienna, W. Va.

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, made from native roots and herbs, contains no narcotics or harmful drugs, and to-day holds the record for the largest number of actual cures of female diseases of any similar medicine in the country, and thousands of voluntary testimonials are on file in the Pinkham laboratory at Lynn, Mass., from women who have been cured from almost every form of female complaints, inflammation, ulceration, displacements, fibroid tumors, irregularities, periodic pains, backache, indigestion and nervous prostration. Every such suffering woman owes it to herself to give Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound a trial.

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## EVENTS BOILED DOWN

### DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN HAPPENINGS SERVED UP IN ATTRACTIVE STYLE.

### NOTHING GOOD GOT AWAY

Everything Important That Could Be Confined to a Small Space is Here Found.

Monday morning a fire was discovered in the L. O. O. F. Hall in Pryor Creek, Ok., and in less than one hour a damage of \$25,000 was sustained. Now that Dallas dog muzzling ordinance has been passed and enrolled and published, Chief of Police Robert L. Cornwall has instructed the men to see to it that dogs running at large on the streets without a muzzle attached shall be duly impounded.

The "ninety-day" laws of the second called session of the Legislature became effective at midnight Monday night and will be laws of the land hereafter until repealed or held invalid, if the last should happen.

The central committee having in charge the earthquake fund announces that all but \$25,000 of the total of \$5,020,000 subscribed, relief for the victims in Southern Italy, has been extended.

Speculating in the stock of the United States Steel Corporation in New York King Edward of England has just cleared more than \$1,000,000 as the harvest of a three months' bullish market for the steel issues.

The annual report of State Labor Commissioner Daugherty will show that the surplus products of Oklahoma for 1904, which exclude all articles that are manufactured, will reach a valuation of \$129,720,555.73.

A sudden official announcement that a public beheading would take place Thursday in the boulevard fronting the State prison, in Paris, created a sensation in that city, which has not seen an execution in fifteen years.

The board of engineers at Washington Wednesday made public its completed report on the improvement of navigation of the upper Red River from Falton, Ark., to the mouth of the Washita River, above Denison.

The tariff bill passed by Congress at Washington this week may have marked down some of the schedules, but it is so marked down bargain for Uncle Sam. At a conservative estimate its enactment cost the United States treasury \$1,000,000.

News has been received in Greenville from Chautauque, N. Y., of the election of Mrs. George Collins of Greenville to the presidency of the Chautauque Parliamentary Club. This organization is composed of the leading club women of the Nation.

Mrs. J. O. Young of Wichita Falls was arrested Saturday in Ardmore for attacking Mrs. Pauline Mills. Mrs. Young drew her revolver, which was discharged when grabbed by both women. Mrs. Young was shot, but not seriously injured.

Otto Voskamp was assassinated Thursday night while on his return home from Columbus. Parties traveling from Sublime, Austin County, came upon his dead body, near the old 'Jama' cemetery, about six miles west of Columbus, on the public road.

Carrying an aggregate appropriation of \$1,100,000, or \$900,000 more than as originally reported, the conference report on the urgent deficiency appropriation bill was adopted by the House Wednesday, in Washington. Bitter opposition was directed against the provisions of the bill respecting the estimate of a customs court and providing for the purchase of automobiles for the Vice President and the Speaker, but all attempts to send the report back to the conference for amendment were defeated.

The Assessor's estimate of Deaton County's tax valuation this year shows approximately \$19,000,000, a small increase of about \$2,000 over last year.

Ten million dollars is the amount which the leaders of the bull movement in the New Orleans cotton market are reported to have cleaned up on the recent rise in the fancy staple.

Nearly every business house and a third of the residences at Rockwood, Tenn., were flooded Tuesday as the result of a cloudburst. The extent of the damage done by the storm can not at this time be estimated.

President Taft issued a statement Thursday subsequent to the signing of the new tariff bill declaring that while the measure is not by any means perfect it is a sincere and honest effort to carry out platform pledges and embodies a real revenue downward.

As a result of anti-trust suits recently brought by Attorney General Steiwer of Mississippi, at Jackson, against the Retail Lumber Dealers' Association of Mississippi and Louisiana, fifteen out of the seventy-three concerns made defendants to the suits have effected compromise.

There is no sign of any disturbance anywhere along the line of the Atchafalaya Railroad, reconstruction of which was begun by the Japanese Government Saturday.

Stockholm today is suffering seriously from a shortage of food, which so far is a most notable result of the labor conflict which reached its acute stages beginning this week. The stock of bread is already almost exhausted and meat is scarce and expensive. Rumors have raised prices and the Argentin today are prohibitive except for persons possessed of ample means.

## THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC

will assemble in Salt Lake August for its thirty-ninth annual encampment.

Two additional deaths and many prostrations were reported Thursday as a result of the terrific heat in Chicago.

Bank clearings for Houston during the month of July show approximately \$35,000,000, an increase of \$20,000,000 over the same month last year.

Good rains, says G. M. Westbrook, who is in Corsicana, have fallen in the Panhandle from Clearmont north and crops and range are flourishing.

Eleven persons were killed and thirty injured Monday by the collision of a passenger train with a freight train at Long Junction, France.

Fire from spontaneous combustion destroyed the barn of J. M. Spain, west of Oklahoma City, causing a loss of \$5,000 to property and live stock Wednesday.

Officially it is reported 182 deaths from bubonic plague and thirty-five from cholera occurred in Amoy, China, during the two weeks ending last Saturday.

Dock Thompson was killed near Apple Springs near Groveton Monday. Thompson was shot twice, once through the head and once through the heart, dying instantly.

The serial rate war is on at St. Louis. Ballooning is now a reorganized mode of transportation in St. Louis and rate experts issued tariff schedules to take effect at once.

Meeting of the American Federation of Catholic Societies began Monday in Carnegie Music Hall in Pittsburgh. Pa., 500 delegates, representing 3,000,000 members, being present.

Charles Holmes was accidentally shot and killed Monday morning near Winfield by Walton Holmes with a shotgun. The top of his head was blown off. They were cousins.

Over 300 members of the Sheriff's association, the State and County Tax Collectors and the State Treasurer's association, gathered together Tuesday in Galveston in their annual convention.

The State Council of Carpenters and Joiners' Union was in session in San Antonio Monday to secure the passage of a law making it an offense to require more than an eight-hour day from union workmen.

Francis William Frigout, who for forty years was connected with the American consulate in London and for the last twenty-two years was Deputy Consul General, died Sunday after a long illness, in London.

Russia's naval program for the next few years, according to plans just completed by the Navy Department, includes the construction of eight battleships, a division of armored cruisers and thirty-six torpedo boats.

Acapulco, Mexico, felt another severe earthquake shock Monday morning, according to reports reaching this city. People were greatly frightened, but there was no loss of life or great property damage.

A Rembrandt painting, priceless in an artistic sense and worth, it is said, more than half a million dollars in cold cash, is the latest addition to the art treasures of Charles P. Taft of Cincinnati, brother of President Taft.

J. T. McDonald, a man 65 years of age, shot and killed J. W. Thompson, his brother-in-law, Mrs. Thompson, his sister, and then turned the revolver to his own temple Wednesday at the Thompson home, near Chickasha.

If a resolution passed by the Arkansas State Farmers' Union Thursday becomes effective there will be no further corners in wheat so far as the farmers of this state are concerned. The resolution calls upon the farmers to plant sufficient corn for their own use and condemn in stinging terms the recent so-called wheat corner. A resolution was also passed demanding that gunners use cotton bagging and creating a commission house to be located in Little Rock to handle the produce of its members.

Details, whereby American bankers are to have a half one-fourth share in the Chinese railroad loan, are rapidly being adjusted and a complete agreement is believed to be in sight.

The President has approved the sentence of dismissal in the case of First Lieut. Frank W. Bell, Twenty-Fifth Infantry, U. S. A., recently tried twice by court-martial in the Philippines on charges of drunkenness.

The American consulate, in Barcelona, or in the affected district during the recent trouble, are said Saturday night the People's Lumber Yard, located in Glenwood, Fort Worth, was totally destroyed by fire.

Two trainmen were killed and three other railroad employees sustained minor injuries when a Frisco yard engine plunged over a twenty-foot embankment near Memphis, Tenn., Saturday.

John Wright, aged 7, son of J. E. Wright, living near Dallas, Ok., was killed by lightning during Sunday night's storm. Mrs. Wright and several other children were injured by the same bolt.

The humidity Thursday in Chicago, according to the Weather Bureau, was even more depressing than the heat itself to the population. Twenty-six deaths last their lives.

An electric car well filled with laborers was struck by a Pennsylvania northbound train at the One Hundred and Thirty-third grade crossing in Chicago and thirty-five persons were injured.

The thirty-sixth annual convention of the County Judges and Commissioners' Association of Texas was convened Thursday in Seymour by Judge James F. Wilson, president.

## TEXAS POSTMASTERS MEET IN WACO

SEVERAL HUNDRED VISITORS ARE WELCOMED TO CITY BY H. H. SHEAR.

### FROM EVERY PART OF STATE

Hall Decorated With Flags and Large Portraits of President Taft and Mr. Hitchcock.

Waco, Aug. 11.—The auditorium of the City Hall was decorated with bunting and National flags, together with large portraits of President William H. Taft and Postmaster General Hitchcock, when the delegates to the eleventh annual convention of the Texas Postmasters' Association and sixth annual convention of the Texas Postmasters' State League began to assemble yesterday morning for a three days' session in this city. When the joint session of the two organizations named was called to order at 9:45 a. m., President David Doole Jr. of Brady, of the Postmasters' association, was greeted by several hundred postmasters and postmistresses, there being representatives from all sections of the State.

Rev. E. E. Ingram delivered the invocation, immediately after which President Doole called to the stand Hon. Sam G. Reid of Oglesby, president of the Postmasters' State League, who in a few well-chosen remarks outlined the great work to be accomplished by such meetings.

### To Wash Bank Notes.

Washington: When the present press of work incident to the new tariff law and the approaching necessity for the making up of estimates is over, the Treasury Department intends to undertake a number of reforms in the paper currency of the country. Not the least of the reforms is the proposition to wash National bank notes, and thus wage a Governmental war on germs.

### Ship and Passengers Lost.

Durban: The British steamer Pandora arrived Tuesday after an uneventful search of eight days' duration of the British steamer Waratah which, with 300 persons on board, has been missing since July 25. The Pandora covered an area of 250 square miles, and her commander is of the opinion that if the Waratah still is afloat he would have sighted her.

### Hawaiian Strike Broken.

Honolulu: That the prolonged strike of Japanese plantation laborers is a thing of the past is shown by the fact that practically all of the strikers are now seeking re-employment. The soup kitchens at the labor camp here, which was maintained for three months by the Higher Wage Association, has been closed.

### Pay-As-You-Enter Cars.

Dallas: The first pay-as-you-enter car ever used on a street car line in Texas was put in operation Tuesday by the Northern Texas Traction Company on its Dallas-Oak Cliff line. It is declared to be the intention of the company to install other such cars as soon as they can be made ready.

### Proposed Line to Texas.

Little Rock, Ark.: Two preliminary surveys are to be made by the Memphis, Paris and Gulf Railway to find a route for an extension to Texas. One line is to be run by way of Richmond and Clarksville, Tex., to Greenville, and the other via Richmond to Paris, Tex.

### Lump of Salt Kills Man.

New Iberia, La.: Spady Moseley, an engineer of the Avery, La., Rock Salt Company, was fatally injured Tuesday when he was struck by an immense lump of salt, loosened from its position above him.

### Eleven Lives Lost.

Vancouver, B. C.: Eleven lives were lost when Otanagan Hotel at Vancouver, B. C., was burned early Tuesday. The building contained about sixty guests.

### Marine Federal Building.

Washington: Secretary of the Treasury MacTaggart sent a check Tuesday for \$1,000 to the city of Marine and W. A. Abert, to pay for the site for the public building to be erected at Marine.

### Slaps to Use Natural Gas.

Marshall: The Texas and Pacific Railroad slaps have now to use natural gas. By using natural gas the company will save a considerable sum of money, annually in the slaps.

### Fatally Hurt in Fall.

Amerville: E. A. Bell, a farmer with the Panhandle Telegraph and Telephone company, married and aged 27, was fatally injured Tuesday when he fell head first from a lofty pole to the sidewalk, beneath.

### Boy Accidentally Shot.

Wichita: Gordon Lawson, about 14 years of age, son of George Lawson of near Wichita, accidentally and perhaps fatally shot himself with a target rifle Tuesday while hunting on Toward Creek near his home.

## It May Be Your Fate

To have your home burned down tonight. One can never tell what minute such a thing may happen. The question naturally arises, "ARE YOU INSURED?" If not, do you think it would be wise to have an issue a policy at once? It is most decidedly penny wise and pound foolish to be without insurance when the danger of fire is always present, when rain may come at any time. Call on us at our

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- ☑ The news items of the home community.
- ☑ The things in which you are most interested.
- ☑ The births, weddings, deaths of the people you know.
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## Local and Personal

Pipes at Ward's.  
S. C. Coffee of Brownwood was here this week.

Try Lila talcum powder. 25c at Ward's.

Judge G. L. Bogard of Garden City was here yesterday.

You will see the newest things in jewelry at Ward's.

J. W. Neill of Auto was in town Wednesday.

If you want a lot in the new town of Soash, see Bert Ramsey.

Editor Jones of the Borden Citizen was here Tuesday.

\$1 down and \$1 per week buys a lot in Soash. See Bert Ramsey.

Carbon! carbon! carbon!  
Biles & Gentry.

Mrs. Katie Tucker of Haskell is here on a visit to her niece, Mrs. E. H. Happel.

For a complete line of floor paints, varnishes and stains, see Biles & Gentry.

Buy lots in the new town of Soash. \$1.00 down and \$1.00 per week. See Bert Ramsey.

The house of Engineer Wade in Jones Valley was damaged by fire early Tuesday morning.

\$1 down and \$1 per week will buy a town lot in Soash. See Bert Ramsey.

F. M. Bogart of St. Joe, Missouri has accepted a position in the jewelry store of I. H. Park.

Bert Ramsey will sell you a lot in Soash for \$1 down and \$1 per week.

The Missionary Society of the Cumberland Presbyterian church met with Mrs. P. C. Caylar yesterday afternoon.

See H. B. Arnold for anything in sheet metal work, will please you if I can. Am no amateur workman.

The newest and most complete stock of groceries in the city at Jones & McGowen, first door south of McCamant Drug Store.

J. C. Smith came in Sunday from his Terrell county ranch and says that country is not suffering for rain.

Let us write your cotton insurance. The cost is small and the protection is great.

Hartzog & Coffee.

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B. Paschall of Breckenridge visited relatives here this week, and was so well pleased with our town that he invested in property.

We are the Rexall store and carry a full line of Rexall preparations. R. L. McCamant & Co.

Mrs. I. H. Park and Mrs. S. A. Penix left Wednesday morning for Hermleigh where they organized a lodge of the order of Eastern Star.

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Mrs. J. I. Prichard returned the first of the week from Dallas where she was called by illness of her daughter, Mrs. Minter, who is much better.

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Mrs. W. A. Hinds and daughter, of Baird visited here this week and were the guests of Mesdames C. A. Rurrhup and Joe McGowen.

**FIRE INSURANCE.** Let me write your policy.

J. C. Baird.

Little Milton Connell, son of G. W. Connell, happened to a very serious accident Friday morning. Him and another little boy was playing and the little fellow fell spraining his rist and

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Hardware, Glass and Queensware, Wagons, Buggies, Plows, Windmills and water supply materials of all kinds is at our store. We can fit you up with any kind of galvanized sheet iron work from our own shop. :: :: ::

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Harvey L. Rix made a business trip to Colorado the first of the week.

Kresso Dip the best known disinfectant, 35c per pound at Reagan's.

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Mrs. Slaughter and Mrs. Denney of Dallas and Mrs. Anderson of Palestine, daughters of Mrs. S. E. Slayton are here on a visit for the week.

Be sure and take a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy with you when starting on your summer trip. It cannot be obtained on board the trains or steamers.

Changes of water and climate often cause sudden attacks of diarrhoea, and it is best to be prepared. Sold by all druggists.

Blank Chattel Mortgages for sale at this office.

R. L. McCamant returned Friday from Silver City, New Mexico, where he had been to place his brother, W. A. McCamant, in a sanitarium.

See J. D. McDonald in the VanGeison building for new and second-hand goods. We sell, buy and exchange any way, any time, any place to suit the customers. Phone 414.

H. Heckler made this office a pleasant call Saturday and made our purse feel larger by extending his subscription up. Mr. Heckler is one of the enterprising citizens of the Gay Hill community. We are always glad to have our friends make our office when in town.

**WANTED**--Deputies; gentlemen of good address, who desire to increase their income, the best inducements offered to those wanting a first class position. Call on or address Dr. W. F. Larimer, Stewart Hotel.

The Merrick Melon Co. shipped a car of water melons to Pecos and Toyah yesterday. A. H. Merrick went with the car. This is the first shipment they have made this year as their melons are a little late coming in on account of dry weather.

When in need of any kind of fancy sewing, see Miss Fannie Simon, for reasonable prices, at the home Mrs. Sol Dreeben in front of the Episcopal church. 29-41

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# TAFT SIGNS TARIFF BILL AND CONGRESS ADJOURNS

## Senate Passes Conference Report by Vote of 47 to 31 and Then Adopts Resolution Correcting The "Joker"

### THE HOUSE QUICKLY APPROVES THE ENACTMENT

Measure Then Went to the President and the Battle Over Revision, Which Has Been On for More Than Four Months, Is Ended—Amendments Are Voted Down.

- CHRONOLOGY OF THE PAYNE TARIFF LAW.**
- March 4, 1909, President Taft called an extraordinary session of congress to revise the tariff.
  - March 15—Congress convened.
  - March 18—Chairman Payne, of the house ways and means committee introduced a provisional bill.
  - April 10—House passed bill and transmitted it to the senate.
  - April 12—Senate began consideration of the measure.
  - July 8—Senate passed bill with 847 amendments.
  - July 9—Tariff question shifted from both houses of congress and sent to conference committee.
  - July 29—Conference reached agreement, and it was signed and reported to the house.
  - July 31—House adopted conference report and passed bill.
  - August 5—Senate adopted conference report and passed bill.
  - August 6, 1909, new tariff law becomes effective.

House to notify the president of their decision.

**Both Houses Adopt "Joker" Schedule.**

The concurrent resolution making reductions in the leather schedules then was taken up by the senate and adopted unanimously. The resolution was then sent to the house.

Almost every member of the lower body was in his seat and the debate was short. The resolution received an almost unanimous viva voce vote and immediately was sent to President Taft for his signature.

The house shoved the clock ahead and adjourned sine die at 5:38.

**Cannon Reduces Insurgent Chairman.**

Speaker Cannon announced the membership of the committee for the Sixty-first Congress. In the changes of chairman two insurgents were reduced in rank. Cooper, Wisconsin, is succeeded by Olmsted of Pennsylvania as chairman of insular affairs. Gardner of Massachusetts, who is chairman of industrial, arts and occupations, is succeeded by Rodenberg of Illinois.

The house referred the McCumber joint resolution, amending the drawback provision of the tariff bill to the committee on ways and means, where it will sleep until next winter.

**Bailey Says Law Robs Consumers.**

Senator Bailey of Texas made the final speech on the tariff bill on behalf of the Democrats. He ascribed the defeats of the Democracy in 1894 and 1896 to misrepresentations of the Wilson tariff bill.

He declared Aldrich would not deny the average rates of the pending bill were higher than those of the Dingley law. Aldrich did deny it, whereupon Bailey said there was not time to argue out the contradiction, but he would reiterate that the average duties were higher in the Payne-Aldrich bill than in the Dingley law.

In closing Bailey advised the Republicans to suggest to the beneficiaries of the law to reveal in its benefits while they could. "For," he said, "it is the last license the American congress will ever extend to them to rob the American consumers."

By this time, with the clock pointing 10 minutes to the time set for the taking of the vote, the galleries were crowded.

A majority of the spectators were women. Every senator able to be in town was in his seat. Back to the hall representatives and clerks stood in rows four deep.

**Conferees Reduced 110 Articles.**

It was in this impressive setting that Senator Aldrich arose in his seat to make the last argument in favor of the bill which will bear his name, together with that of Chairman Payne of the house ways and means committee. He declared the measure was the most important act that had ever been passed by the American congress.

He regretted the bill would not receive the unanimous approval of the Republicans. He challenged any senator to point out anything in the schedules subject to a protective duty upon which any monopoly had been or could be established. He submitted a statement showing that the senate conferees had reduced senate rates on 110 articles.

Aldrich concluded by saying there had never been a bill so certain to produce prosperity.

**Sherman Orders Vote Called.**

Immediately after the Rhode Island senator sat down Vice President Sherman put the question on the adoption of the conference report and ordered the vote to be called. The vote was 47 to 31.

Then the senate took up consideration of the concurrent resolution changing the rates on boots, shoes and leather. Immediately after the tariff bill vote, Senator Culberson of Texas offered an amendment to place cotton bagging on the free list. It has been made free in the senate bill, he said.

but had been set on the dutiable list in the interests of one of two companies that monopolized the manufacture of bagging in this country.

Aldrich said the proposition for free bagging should remain in the McCumber joint resolution, where it was placed Wednesday. Culberson answered, I knew there was a plot to pass that particular resolution in the senate and kill it in the house. McCumber corroborated this statement.

A motion made by Aldrich to lay the Culberson free bagging amendment on the table was carried, 43-26.

Stone (D.), Missouri, then offered an amendment to place shoes, harness and other leather goods on the free list. This was also laid on the table, 43-23.

**Taft Issues Statement.**

President Taft gave out a statement giving his views of the new tariff act, which he designates officially as the "Payne bill," in accordance with past custom of giving first recognition to the framer of the measure in the house of representatives.

The statement in part follows:

"I have signed the Payne tariff bill because I believe it to be the result of sincere effort on the part of the Republican party to make a downward revision, and to comply with the promises of the platform as they have been generally understood, and as I interpreted them in the campaign before election.

"This is not a perfect tariff bill, or a complete compliance with the promises made strictly interpreted but a fulfillment free from criticism in respect to a subject matter involving many schedules, and thousands of articles could not be expected. It suffices to say that except with regard to whisky, liquors and wines and in regard to silks and as to some high classes of cottons—all of which may be treated as luxuries and proper subjects of a revenue tariff—there have been very few increases in rates.

"This is not a free trade bill. It was not intended to be. The Republican party did not promise to make a free trade bill.

"It promised to make the rates protective, but to reduce them when they exceeded the difference between the cost of production abroad and here, making allowance for the greater normal profit on active investments here. I believe that while this excess has not been reduced in a number of cases, in a great majority, the rates are such as are necessary to protect American industries, but are low enough in case of abnormal increase of demand, and raising of prices, to permit the possibility of the importation of the foreign article and thus to prevent excessive prices.

"The power granted to the executive under the maximum and minimum clause may be exercised to secure the removal of obstacles which have been interposed by foreign governments in the way of undue and unfair discrimination against American merchandise and products.

"The Philippine tariff section I have struggled to secure for ten years past, and it gratifies me exceedingly by my

signature to give it the effect of law. I am sure it will greatly increase the trade between the two countries, and it will do much to build up the Philippines in a beautiful prosperity.

"The administrative clauses of the bill and the customs court are admirably adapted to secure a more uniform and a more speedy final construction of the meaning of the law.

"The corporation tax is a just and equitable excise measure, which it is hoped will produce a sufficient amount to prevent a deficit and which incidentally will secure valuable statistics and information concerning the many corporations of the country, and will constitute an important step toward that degree of publicity and regulation which the tendency in corporate enterprises in the last twenty years has shown to be necessary."

**No Indications of Hostility.**

Six o'clock was agreed upon by the two houses as the hour for final adjournment. Senators loitered about until the arrival of that hour.

Democrats and Republicans, regular and irregular, formed little social groups with no indication of hostility.

A resolution offered by Mr. Culberson, expressing the appreciation of the senate for the able and impartial manner in which the vice-president had presided over the sessions of that body, was adopted.

In especially happy language Mr. Sherman thanked the senate for the courteous treatment which had been extended toward him at all times. His life in the senate, he said, had been made a continual pleasure by the consideration that had been shown him at all times.

Concluding his remarks, by wishing the senators a happy return to their homes, he declared the extraordinary session of the Sixty-first Congress adjourned "without day."

A burst of applause was accorded the vice-president, as he laid down the gavel of his authority and at 5:58 p. m. two minutes in advance of the time fixed the senate adjourned sine die.

With its members almost exhausted from the heat and arduous labors of the last four months, the house of representatives devoted the last day of the special session to perfecting the tariff bill, and transacting a mass of routine business.

**Cannon Announces Committees.**

Speaker Cannon announced his committee appointments, and they were received with varying degrees of satisfaction.

The concurrent resolution amending the leather schedule of the tariff bill was adopted without a dissenting vote after it had been discussed for little over half an hour. No such good luck, however, befell the McCumber-McLaurin resolution, revising the drawback provision and placing cotton bagging on the free list which had previously been adopted by the senate.

It was but a few minutes before five o'clock when Mr. Payne's resolution fixing 6 p. m. as the hour for adjournment sine die was adopted.

## NEWS FROM OVER TEXAS

Amos Alexander, a negro, living near Ladonia, Tuesday morning shot and fatally wounded his wife.

Between 3,500 and 4,000 people from Smith, Wood and Van Zandt Counties attended the Old Soldiers' Reunion and barbecue at Lindale Thursday.

About \$3,000 will be expended by the Santa Fe Railroad Company for the purpose of beautifying the grounds adjacent to its property in Temple.

A gigantic steel plant will be established in the City of Mexico within the coming year by French and American capital. The initial outlay will be \$50,000.

Monday night the former Constable of the Uvalde precinct, Hulet Bowles, was hit on the head with a brick and Bowles died Wednesday from the wounds.

The most serious residence district fire Denton has ever had entirely consumed three houses Thursday and threatened for a time several surrounding homes. Damage, \$10,000.

The body of Private Willcox, Troop L, Third Cavalry, was found Saturday afternoon in a box car in San Antonio. A pistol was by his side. No cause known. He evidently died instantly.

The Haskell Power, Light and Ice Company has just received two 100-horsepower boilers and a 150-horsepower engine; also a new dynamo. The machinery will be installed at once.

Rain at three Texas points Tuesday was reported by the Southwestern Telegraph and Telephone Company. At Abilene there was a light rain, at Palestine a good rain and at Sherman a light rain.

An election for the issuance of \$20,000 in bonds for a county jail was held in Wichita Falls, Tuesday, and resulted in a decided victory for the advocates for a new and modern jail for Wichita County.

Attorney General's Department at Austin Monday decided an interesting question Monday, holding that where a man incorporates property owners at the time of incorporation are liable for taxes and not those who owned property on the Jan. 1 proceeding.

Northwestern Texas was visited Monday by good rains, which was also the case regarding a wide section of territory in Northern, Eastern, Central and portions of Central Western Texas.

Monday the eleventh annual convention of the Texas Postmasters' Association began in Waco. In connection with it was the meeting of the sixth annual convention of the Postmasters' State League.

The subcommittee of the penitentiary investigation committee in conference with Gov. Campbell in Austin Friday, let a contract to the Corporation Audit Company of Dallas to audit the books of the Texas penitentiary system.

Rains, ranging from light showers in certain sections to a heavy down-pour in other parts of North, Central and West Texas were reported Sunday and late Saturday. In East Texas, too, the precipitation aided the growing crops, and in several instances broke prolonged drouths.

Farmers in the Trinity River bottoms in Texas can learn something to their very great advantage by investigating the work done by farmers in the Kaw River Valley, west of Kansas City, to protect themselves from floods. After having lost three crops in six years because of high water in the Kaw these farmers built levees around their land and paid the cost of the work out of the profits of one crop. Incidentally they increased the value of their land two and three-fold by the investment.

The Ft. Worth City Commission at Friday's session decided to call an election for an issue of \$550,000 in bonds to raise additional money for waterworks, streets and other improvements.

For the past two weeks horses have been dying at an alarming rate in and around Marshall, and so far the disease that carries them has not been determined by any one in a position to know. The veterinary surgeons here are all at sea as to the cause of their deaths, and some believe it is sunstroke.

Hon. John Marshall of Grayson County, Speaker of the last House of Representatives, was Wednesday designated by the Governor to act in place of the Executive on the board to select a site for the location of the West Texas Normal.

That a factory for the making of counterfeit American bills and coins exists in Italy, and that up to date as much as \$1,000,000 has been sent to Mexico, from whence it is gradually finding its way to the United States, is the information received in San Antonio by Government officials.

In response to the city's invitation to visit Fort Worth during his Western tour, President Taft has replied that it will be impossible for him to do so.

One of the most striking features of cotton carnival week in Galveston was seen Thursday night in the complimentary ball given by citizens to visitors at the auditorium. Between 5,000 and 6,000 persons were in attendance. Sheriff, Tax Collectors and Treasurers of many of the counties in the state, with their wives and daughters, mingled with the merry throng.

## "MAKES BETTER RAILROADS."

Western Writer Pays Tribute to Railroad Magnate as Builder-Up of the Country.

Mr. Edward H. Harriman is on a trip to Europe. Ordinarily there would need be nothing added to this announcement beyond an exhortation to Emperor William to chain down his railroads and to other monarchs to put their crowns and other valuables in the safe at night. But Mr. Harriman is going off on a pleasure trip, and so many mean things have been said about him that it will not hurt any to change the tune a moment while he is out of the country and not able to take any advantage of the lapse from the cold attitude of severity that is usually used in mentioning the name of Harriman.

Of all the great railroad men developed in this generation, E. H. Harriman is easily the biggest and the best, says a writer in the Hutchinson (Kan.) Daily News. The head of a railroad company, under the rules of the game, must work for his stockholders, whether it is for the advantage of politicians, shippers or consumers. It is his job to do the best he can for the interests entrusted to his care. Harriman is not only a financier, but he is a builder and an operator. Lucky is the town, city or community that has a Harriman road. He insists on a good roadbed, level track, safe track and the convenience and comfort of the traveler and the shipper. The Harriman roads are noted as the best in the country. When Harriman gets hold of a one-horse or played-out track and right of way he proceeds to put it in first class condition. He does not raise the rates of fares, although his doubtless charges "a plenty," but he insists that enough of the funds go into real improvements to make a railroad. And that is where he stands ahead of a good many others and why Harrimanism is not such a bad thing as some people have been led to think. He makes better railroads, and there is more need for improvement that way than there is in some others which are being discussed. So far as we can see, he believes in giving every interest along his road a fair deal.

He is a public benefactor from that standpoint. He uses his power fairly. He is a great man, and as good or better than the ordinary citizen who looks upon him as the personification of the money power, seeking whom it may devour. He is a strong man in the financial world, but that should not be against him, when the financial world is the object which most of us want to reach. He is a good American and he spends his money on American railroads, not on foreign titles, race horses, old editions or other bad habits. If he is not perfect—and we don't think he is—he is no exception to the rule and is worthy of the praise of his fellow citizens for the good he does and has done.

Laughter a Series of Barks.

Laughing is barking, say the scientists. The neck and head are thrown back while a series of short barks are emitted from the throat. However musical the barks may be, they are barks. The laugh begins with a sudden and violent contraction of the muscles of the chest and abdomen. But instead of opening to let the air pass out of the lungs, the vocal cords approach each other and hold it back. But they are not strong enough to exercise such opposition for more than an instant, and the air, which is under pressure, promptly escapes. As it does so it makes the vocal cords vibrate producing the bark.

This obstruction and liberation of the air expelled from the lungs repeats itself again and again at intervals of a quarter of a second. There are thus in a hearty laugh four barks a second, and if continued, they go on at that rate as long as the air reserve in the lungs holds out. The empty lungs must then fill themselves, and this interval is marked by a quick gasp for breath, after which the barks are renewed. The barks occur in series with gasps for breath at intervals.

When laughter is violent, the entire body participates. The upper part of the trunk bends and straightens itself alternately or ways to right and left. The feet stamp on the floor, while the hands are pressed upon the knees to moderate the painful spasms.

Interviewing the Professor.

"So you don't think Mars would really, even if we did send signals?"

"I am almost convinced that there would be no response," answered Prof. Thinkum, adjusting his glasses.

"Then you don't believe that Mars is inhabited?"

"On the contrary, I think it extremely probable that life similar to our own exists on the sister planet."

"But you can't give those people credit for intelligence equal to ours?"

"Yes, I am inclined to credit them with even greater intelligence than we display. There are many indications that they have a civilization older than ours, in which case they should have too much sense to fool away their time on any such impractical proposition."

The Way He Did It.

Jenkins—Well, sir, I gave it to that man straight. I can tell you. He is twice as big as I am, too, but I told him exactly what I thought of his rascally conduct right to his face, and I called him all the names in the dictionary, and a lot of others as well.

Studds—And didn't he try to hit you, Jenkins?

Jenkins—No, sir, he didn't. And when he tried to answer back, I just hung up the telephone receiver and walked away.

## Comparison of the Dingley Tariff with the New Law Now Effective

UPWARD.	
Cotton hosiery valued at not more than \$1 per dozen increased from 55 to 70 cents per dozen pairs.	White lead, from 2 1/2 to 2 3/4 cents per pound.
Fancy soaps, from 15 cents per pound to 50 per cent ad valorem.	Common window glass, reduced 1/4 to 1 cent per pound.
Oxalic acid, from free to 2 cents per pound.	Firebrick, from 45 to 35 per cent.
Steel, structural, punched, from 26 to 45 per cent ad valorem.	Iron ore, from 40 to 15 cents per ton.
Razors, general increase.	Pig iron, from \$4 to \$2.50 per ton.
Shingles, from 30 to 50 cents per thousand.	Scrap iron, from \$4 to \$1 per ton.
Hops, from 12 to 16 cents per pound.	Steel rails, from 7-20 to 7-40 of a cent per pound.
Pine apples, from \$7 to \$8 per thousand.	Wire nails, from 1/2 to 4-10 of a cent per pound.
Lemons, from 1 cent to 1 1/4 cents per pound.	Screws, from 4 to 3 cents per pound.
Wines and liquors, 15 per cent.	Cash registers, linotypes, typewriters and all steam engines, from 45 to 30 per cent ad valorem.
Hemp, from 20 to 22 cents per ton.	Lumber, from \$2 to \$1.25 per thousand feet.
High-priced laces, from 60 to 70 per cent.	Oil, free and without any countervailing duty.
Fur clothing, from 55 to 50 per cent.	Print paper, from \$6 to \$2.75 per ton.
Fireworks, from 20 per cent ad valorem to 12 cents per pound.	Works of art more than 20 years old, from 20 per cent to free list.
Jewelry, graded increase on higher-priced articles.	
Pencil leads, slightly.	
Lithographic prints, etc., most classes increased.	
Opium and cocaine, increased 10 cents per ounce.	
Cocoa, increased 5 cents per pound.	
DOWNWARD.	
Coal (bituminous), from 67 to 45 cents per ton.	China ware.
Agricultural implements, from 20 to 15 per cent.	Cotton and cotton cloths, with few exceptions.
Sugar, from 1.95 cents to 1.90 cents.	Wool and woolsens, except tops, yarns and one grade of cheap dress goods.
Salt, from 12 to 11 cents per hundred pounds.	Buttons, vials and decanters.
Carpets and mats, from 5 cents per square yard and 35 per cent ad valorem to 4 cents per square yard and 30 per cent ad valorem.	Crown glass.
Wool tops, yarns and cloths with a cotton warp, reduced 5 per cent.	Cheap laces.
Wood pulp, from 1-12 of a cent per pound to free list.	Watches and clocks.
	Stockings worth more than \$2 per dozen.
	Some grades of lithographic prints.
	Nickel.
	Manufactures of nickel, aluminum, bronze, pewter, platinum, etc.
	Tobacco.
	Live animals.
	Agricultural products, mostly fruits and nuts, fish.
	Collars and cuffs.
	Lace curtains.
	Hats and bonnets.
	Beltous.
	Gloves.

**Girls on Tramping Tour.**

Hodgenville, Ky.—Five young women, who said they had walked from Chicago in two weeks, spent a day here. They tramped out to the Lincoln farm and then to the Mammoth Cave. They are on a four-week tour.

**Andrew Head of Mint.**

Washington.—The president nominated A. Platt Andrew, of Massachusetts, to be director of the mint, to succeed Frank A. Leach, recently resigned.

**Judge Bethea Buried.**

Chicago.—The body of the late Judge Solomon H. Bethea of the United States District Court, was buried at Dixon, Ill., Thursday afternoon, at the side of his wife, who died sixteen years ago.

**Dirigible Flies 217 Miles.**

Berlin, Germany.—The military dirigible balloon Gross H, after an endurance flight of 15 hours and 40 minutes, came to earth at 3 o'clock at Hilles and return, a total distance of 217 miles.

**Married Man Shoots Nice.**

Chicago.—As the result of a quarrel over the girl's refusal to dismiss callers at his request, Miss Sarah Bell is dead with six bullets in her body and Herman Bell, her uncle, is in jail. Bell, who is married, has been in love with the girl 50 years.

**Dyers to Chicago in 1910.**

Philadelphia.—Chicago was named as the next convention city by the National Association of Dyers and Cleaners. Officers were elected and the results will be announced later.

**Ship Telescope West.**

Boston, Mass.—The third largest telescope in the United States is going from Cambridge to the Lowell Observatory at Flagstaff, Ariz. It is 31 feet long, and was designed for the photographing of Mars.

**One Man Killed in Collision.**

Joliet, Ill.—A head-on collision took place at Lemont shortly before midnight between a Santa Fe local and 40 extra. Fireman George Winger of the local was killed and buried in a pile of coal.



# THE LION'S SHARE

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### SYNOPSIS.

The story opens at Harvard where Col. Rupert Winter, U. S. A., visiting, saw the outside of young Mercer. He met Cary Mercer, brother of the dead student. Three years later, in Chicago, in 1903, Col. Winter overheard Cary Mercer apparently planning to kidnap Archie, the colonel's ward, and to gain possession of Aunt Rebecca Winter's millions. A Miss Smith was mentioned apparently as a conspirator. A great financial magnate aboard the train on which Col. Winter was riding, Miss Smith, was Archie. Col. Winter learned that the financial magnate is Edwin S. Keatcham. Winter, aided by Archie, cleverly frustrated a hold-up on the train. He took a great liking to Miss Smith, despite her alleged kidnapping plot. Archie mysteriously disappeared in France. Blood in a nearby room at the hotel caused fears for the boy's life. The lad's voice was heard over the telephone, however, and a minute later a woman's voice—that of Miss Smith. Col. Winter and a detective set out for the empty mansion owned by Arnold, a Harvard graduate. They were met with an explosion within. Mercer appeared. He assured Winter that Archie had returned. The colonel saw a vision of the boy in the supposedly haunted house. It was Miss Janet Smith. Col. Winter to himself admitted that he loved Miss Smith. Mercer told Winter that Archie had overheard plans for a coup and had been kidnapped. One of Mercer's friends on returning the boy to his aunt had been arrested for speeding and when he returned from the police station to his auto the lad was gone. Mercer confessed he was forcibly detaining Keatcham. Mercer told his life story, relating how Keatcham and his secretary, Atkins, had ruined him, the blow killing his wife. Mercer was holding him prisoner in order that he could not get control of a railroad which was the pet project of the father of his college friend, Endicott Tracy. Aunt Rebecca saw Archie in a cab with two men, then he vanished. She followed in an auto into the Chinese district and by the use of a mysterious Chinese jade ornament she secured a promise from an influential Chinaman that the boy would be returned. Archie returned and told his story. Atkins, former secretary to Keatcham, being his second kidnaper. Col. Winter and Tracy returned to the "haunted house." They found Keatcham apparently stabbed to death. Keatcham was dead, however. Cary Mercer appeared on the scene. Winter believing his actions suspicious. The party removed to the Arnold home. They located Atkins' gang. The colonel became temporary secretary to the magnate. A Black Hand letter was received.

### CHAPTER XVI.—Continued.

"I see," said the colonel; "to make sure they don't fizzle the bomb. But he'll have his alibi ready all right. Mr. Keatcham, did they send you a previous letter?"

"Oh, dear no; that's only part of the game; makes a better story. So is using the hotel paper; if it throws suspicion on anybody it would be your party; you see Atkins knew Mercer had a grudge against me as well as him. He was counting on that. I rather wonder that he didn't fix up some proof for you to find."

"By Jove!" cried the colonel; "may-be he did."

"And you didn't find it?"

"Well, you see I was too busy with you; the others must have overlooked it. Hard on Atkins after he took so much trouble, wasn't it?"

"I told you he was too subtle. But it is not wise to underrate him, or bombs either; we must get the woman and those boys out of the house."

"But how? You are not really acquainted with my aunt, Mrs. Rebecca Winter, I take it."

"You think she wouldn't go if there was any chance of danger?"

"You couldn't fire her unless out of a cannon; but she would help get Archie away; Mrs. Melville and Miss Smith—"

"Well—Miss Smith, I am afraid, will not be easy to manage; you see, she knows—"

"Knows? Did you tell her?" asked Col. Winter anxiously.

"Well, not exactly. As the children say, it told itself. There has been a kind of an attempt, already. A box came, marked from a man I know in New York, properly labeled with express company's labels. Miss Smith opened it; I could see her, because she was in the bathroom with the door open. There was another box inside, wrapped in white tissue paper. Very neatly. She examined that box with singular care and then she drew some water in the lavatory basin, half opened the box and put the whole thing in the water. I thought it was time for me and I asked her if it was a bomb. Do you know that girl had sense enough not to try to deceive me? She saw that I had seen every move she had made. She said merely that it was safe under water. It was an ingenious little affair which had an electrical arrangement for touching off a spark when the lid of the box would be lifted."

"Ah, yes. Thoughtful little plan to amuse an invalid by letting him open the box, himself, to see the nice surprises from New York. Very neat indeed. What did you do with the box?"

"Nothing, so far. It only came about an hour ago."

"Do you reckon some of the Black Hands are out on the street, rubbering to see if there are any signs of anything doing?"

"Perhaps; you might let Birdsell keep a watch for anything like that. But they hear, somehow; there is a leak somewhere in our establishment. It is not your aunt; she can hold her tongue as well as use it; the boy, Archie, does not know anything to tell—"

"He wouldn't tell it if he did," interrupted the colonel; and very concisely but with evident pride he gave Archie's experience in the Chinese district.

Keatcham's comment took the listener's breath away; so far ahead was it and so unlike his experience of the man; it was: "Winter, a son like that would be a good deal of a comfort, wouldn't he?"

"Poor little chap!" said Winter. "He hasn't any father to be proud of him—father and mother both dead."

Keatcham eyed Winter thoughtfully a moment, then he said: "You've been married and lost children, your aunt says. That must be hard. But—did you ever read that poem of James Whitcomb Riley's to his friend whose child was dead? It's true what he says—they were better off than he 'who had no child to die.'"

Rupert was looking away from the speaker with the instinctive embarrassment of a man who surprises the deeper feelings of another. He could see out of the window the lovely April garden and Janet Smith amid the almond blossoms. Only her shining black head and her white shoulders and bodice rose above the pink clusterg. She looked up and nodded, seeing him; her face was a little pale, but she was smiling.

"I don't know," he said, "it's hard enough either way for a man."

"I never lost any children"—Keatcham's tone was dry, still, but it had not quite the former desiccated quality—"but I was married, for a little while. If it's as bad to lose your children as it is to lose the hope of having them, it—must be hard. You lost your wife, too?"

"Yes," said Rupert Winter.

At this moment he became conscious that Keatcham was avoiding his gaze in the very manner of his avoiding of Keatcham's a moment ago; and it gave him a bewildering sensation.

"I wanted to marry my wife for seven years before we were married," Keatcham continued in that carefully monotonous voice. "She was the daughter of the superintendent of the mine where I was working. I was only 18 when I first saw her. I was 25 when we were married. She used to give me lessons; she was educated and accomplished. She did more than is easy telling, for me. Of course, her parents were opposed at first because they looked higher for her, but she brought them round by her patience and her sweetness and her faith in me. Six months after we were married, she had an accident which left her a helpless invalid in a wheeled chair, at the best; at the worst, suffering—you've known what it is to see anybody, whom you care for, in horrible pain and trying not to show it when you come near?"

"I have," said Winter; "merry hell, isn't it?"

"I have seen that expression," said Keatcham; "I never recognized its peculiar appropriateness before. Yes, it is that. Yet, Winter, those two years she lived afterwards were the happiest of my whole life. She said, the last night she was with me, that they had been the happiest of hers."

"I don't wonder you didn't marry again," said Winter.

"You would not wonder if you had known Helen. She always understood. Of course, now, at 61, I could buy a pretty, innocent young girl who would do as her parents bade her, and cry her eyes out before the wedding, or a handsome and brilliant society woman with plenty of matrimonial experience—but I don't want them. I should have to explain myself to them; I don't know how to explain myself; you see I can't half do it—"

"I reckon I understand a little."

"I guess you do. You are different, too. Well, let's get down to business, think you some way of getting the women out of the house; and get your sleuths after Atkins. It's 'we get him, or he gets us!'"

The amateur secretary assented and prepared to go, for the valet was at the door, ready to relieve him; but opposite Keatcham, he paused a second, made a pretense of hunting for his hat, picked it up in his left hand and held it out in his right hand, saying: "Well, take care of yourself."

Keatcham nodded; he shook the hand with a good firm pressure. "Much obliged, Winter," said he.

"Well," meditated the soldier as he went his way, "I never did think to take that financial buccaner by the hand; but—it wasn't the buccaner, it was the real Edwin Keatcham."

### CHAPTER XVII.

In Which the Puzzle Falls into Place.

While the colonel was trying to decipher his tragical puzzle, while Edwin Keatcham was busied with plans that affected empire and incidentally wars to save and extinguish some human lives, while Janet Smith had her own troubles, while Mrs. Rebecca Winter enjoyed a game more exciting and deadly than Penelope's Web, Mrs. Mellicent Winter and the younger people found the days full of joyous business. The household had fallen into normal ways of living. Although the secret patrol watched every rod of approach to the house, the espial was so unobtrusive that guests came and went, tradesmen rattled over the driveway; the policemen, themselves, slumbered by day and loitered majes-



It Was a Strange Man's Voice.

tically by night without the Casa Fuerte portals, never suspecting.

Millicent, encouraged by Arnold, had had Mrs. Wigglesworth and two errand daughters, whose husbands were state regents for Melville's university, to luncheon and to dinner; the versatile Kito donning a chauffeur's livery and motoring them back to the city in the limousine, on both occasions; all of which redounded to Millicent's own proper glory and state.

Indeed, about this time, Millicent was in high good humor with her world. Even Janet Smith was no longer politely obliterated as "the nurse," but became "our dear Miss Janet;" and was presented with two of Mrs. Melville's last year's Christmas gifts which she could not contrive to use; therefore carried about for general decorative generosity. One was a sage-green linen handkerchief case, quite fresh, on which was etched, in brown silk, the humorous inscription: "Wipe me, but do not swipe me!" The other was a white celluloid brush-broom holder bedecked with azure forget-me-nots enfaming a complicated monogram which might just as well stand for J. B. B. S. (Janet Byrd Brandon Smith) as for M. S. W. (Millicent Sears Winter) or any other alphabetical herd. These unpretending but (considering their source) distinguished gifts she bestowed in the kindest manner. Janet was no doubt grateful; she embroidered half a dozen luncheon napkins with Mrs. Melville's monogram and crest, in sign thereof; and very prettily, she being a skillful needle-woman. On her part, Mrs. Melville was so pleased that she remarked to her brother-in-law, shortly after, that she believed Cousin Angela's sisters hadn't been just to Miss Smith; she was a nice girl; and if she married (which was quite possible, inasmuch as Mrs. Melville, archly, she meant to give a tea in her honor.

"Now, that's right decent of you, Millicent," cried the colonel; and he smiled gratefully after Mrs. Melville's beautifully fitted back. Yet a scant five minutes before he had been pursuing that same charming back through the garden terraces, in a most brotherly frame, resolved to give his sister-in-law a "warning with a fog-horn." The cause of said "warning" was his discovery of her acquaintance with Atkins. For days a bit of information had been blustering in his mind. It came from the girl at the telegraph office at the Palace, not in a bee-line, but indirectly, through her chum, the girl who booked the theater tickets. It could not be analyzed properly because the telegraph girl was gone to southern California. But before she went she told the theater girl that the lady who received Mr. Makers' wires was one of Mrs. Winter's party! This bit of information was like a live coal underfoot in the colonel's mind; whenever he trod on it in his mental excursions he jumped.

"Who else but Janet?" he demanded. But by degrees he became first doubtful, then daring. He had Birdsell fetch the telegraph girl back to San Francisco. A ten minutes in-

terview assured him that it was his brother's wife who had called for Mr. Makers' messages, armed with Mr. Makers' order.

Aunt Rebecca was not nearly so vehement as he when he told her. She listened to his angry criticism with a lurking smile and a little shrug of her shoulders.

"Of course she has butted in, as you tersely express it, in the language of this mannerly generation; Millicent always butts in. How did she get acquainted with this unpleasant, assassinating, poor white trash? My dear child, she didn't probably; he made an acquaintance with her. He pumped her and lied to her. We know he wanted to find out Mr. Keatcham's abode; he may have got his clew from her; she knew young Arnold had been to see him. There's no telling. I only know that in the interest of keeping a roof over our heads and having our heads whole instead of in pieces from explosives, I butted in a few days ago when somebody wanted Mrs. Melville Winter on the telephone. I answered it. The person asked if I was Mrs. Melville Winter; it was a strange man's voice. I don't believe in Christian Science or theosophy or physics, but I do believe I felt in my bones that here was an occasion to be canny rather than conscientious. You know I can talk like Millicent—or anybody else; so I intoned through the telephone in her sickening Anglican accents, 'Do you want Mrs. Melville Winter or Aunt Rebecca, Madam Winter?' I hate to be called Madam Winter, and she knows it, but Millicent is catty, you know, and she always calls me Madam Winter behind my back. The fellow fell into the trap at once—recognized the voice, I dare say, and announced that it was Mr. Makers; Mr. Atkins, who had left for Japan, had not been able to pay his respects and say good-by; but he had left with him an embroidered Chinese kimono for Prof. Winter, whom he had admired so much; and if it wouldn't be too much trouble for her to pay a visit to her friend—one of those women she had to lunch on, who's at the St. Francis—he would like to show her several left by Mr. Atkins, for her to select one. Then in the most casual way, he asked after Mr. Keatcham's health. I believed he was improving; had had a very good night. I fancy it didn't please him, but he made a good pretense. Then he went off into remarks about its being such a pity Mr. Atkins had left Mr. Keatcham; but he was so conscientious, a southern gentleman I knew; yet he really thought a great deal still of Keatcham, who had many fine qualities; only on account of the unfortunate differences—Atkins was so proud and sensitive; he was anxious to hear, but not for the world would he have any one know that he had inquired; so would I be very careful not to let any one know he had asked. Of course I would be; I promised effusively; and said I quite understood. I think I do, too."

"They are keeping tabs on us through Millicent," fumed the colonel. "I dare say she gave it away that Arnold was

visiting Keatcham at the hotel; and it wouldn't take Atkins long to piece out a good deal more, especially if his spy overheard Tracy's 'phone. Well, I shall warn Millicent—with a fog-horn!"

The way he warned Millicent has been related. But from Millicent he deflected to another subject—the impulse of confession being strong upon him. He fringed his mind about the stains on Cary Mercer's cuffs; and, when at last he sought Millicent he was in his soul praising his aunt for a wise old woman. After justice was dispensed by his miscomprehension of Millicent's words, he took out his cigarette case and began pacing the garden walks, smoking and humming a little Spanish love song, far older than the statehood of California.

The words belonged to the air which he had whistled a weary week ago. Young Tracy came along, and caught up the air, although he was innocent of Spanish; he had his mandolin on his arm; he proffered it to the colonel.

"Miss Janet has been singing coon songs to his nibs, who is really getting almost human," he observed affably; "well, a little patience and interest will reveal new possibilities of the Fireless Stove! In man or metal. Shall we get under his nibs' window and give him the 'Bedouin Love Song' and 'I Picked Me a Lemon in the Garden of Love' and the Sextette from 'Lucia' and other choice selections? He seemed to be sitting up and taking notice! Let's lift him above the sordid thoughts of Wall street and his plans for busting other financiers."

The soldier gave this periffage no answer; his own thoughts were far from gay. He stood drinking in the beauty of the April night. The air was wonderfully hushed and clear; and the play of the moonlight on the great heliotrope bushes and the rose-trees, which dangled their clusters of yellow and white over the stone parapets of the balconies, tinted the leafage and flickered delicately over the tracery of shadow on the gray walls. Not a cloud flecked the vast aerial landscape—only stars beyond stars, through unfathomable depths of dim violet, and beneath the stars a pale moon swimming low in the heavens; one could see it between the spandrels of the arches spanning the colonnade.

Aunt Rebecca in black lace and jewels was tilting with the world in general and Millicent Winter in particular; she displayed her most cynical mood. She had demolished democracy; had planted herself firmly on the basic doctrine that the virtues cultivated by slavery far outnumber its inseparable vices; and that most people, if not all, need a master; had been picturesquely and inaccurately eloquent on the subject of dynamite (which she pronounced the logical fourth dimension of liberty, fraternity and equality); had put the yellow rich where they belonged; and the red anarchists mainly under the sod; and she had abolished the Fourth of July to the last sputter of fire-cracker; thence by easy transitions she had extolled American art (which American patrons were too ignorant to appreciate), deplored American music ("The trouble isn't that it is canned," says she, "but that it was spoiled before they canned it!"), and was now driving a chariot of fire through American literature; as for the academics, they never said what they thought, but only what they thought they ought to think; and they always mistook anemia for refinement, as another school mistook yelling and perspiring for vigor.

Just as Winter modestly entered the arena, no less a personage than Henry James was under the wheels. Janet Smith had modestly confessed to believing him a consummate artist; and Millicent in an ortund voice declared that he went deep, deep down into the mysteries of life.

"I don't envy her; he ought to get down deep," returned Aunt Rebecca in her gentlest, softest utterance; "he's always boring."

Mrs. Melville's suppressed agitation made her stave creak.

"Do you really think that James is not a great artist?" she breathed.

"I think he is not worth while."

"Wow!" cried Tracy. "Oh, I say—"

"Aunt Rebecca; you cannot mean—" this was Mrs. Melville, choking with horror.

"His style," repeated the unmoved iconoclast, "his style has the remains of great beauty; all his separate phrases, if you wish, are gems; and he is a literary lapidary; but his sentences are so subtle, so complex, so intricately compounded, and so discursive that I get a pain in the back of my neck before I find out what he may mean; and then—I don't agree with him! Now is it worth while to put in so much hard reading only to be irritated?"

"I beg pardon," Winter interposed, with masculine pusillanimity evading takes sides in the question at issue, "I thought we were going to have some music; why don't you boys give us some college songs? Here is a mandolin."

Aunt Rebecca's still luminous eyes

went from the speaker to Janet Smith in the corner. She said something about hearing the music better from the other side of the balcony. Now (as Mrs. Mellicent very truly explained) there was not a ha'penny-worth's difference in favor of one side over the other; but she followed in the wake of her imperious aunt.

The colonel drew nearer to Janet Smith; in order to sink his voice he found it necessary to sit on a pile of cushions at her feet.

"Did you know Mercer will be back to-night?" he began, a long way from his ultimate object. He noticed that leaning back in the shadow her ready smile had dropped from her face, which looked tired. "I want to tell you a little story about Mercer," he continued; "may I? It won't take long."

He was aware, and it gave him a twinge of pain to see it, that she sat up a little straighter, like one on guard; and oh, how tired her face was and how sweet! He told her of all his suspicions of her brother-in-law; of the blood-stains and the changing of clothes; she did not interrupt him by a question, hardly by a motion, until he told of the conversation with Keatcham and the note signed "The Black Hand." At this her eyes lighted; she exclaimed impetuously: "Cary Mercer never did send that letter!" She drew a deep intake of breath. "I don't believe he touched Mr. Keatcham!"

"Neither do I," said the colonel, "but wait!" He went on to the theater girl's report of the receiver of the telegrams. Her hands, which clasped her knees, fell apart; her lips parted and closed firmly.

"Did I think it was you?" said he. "Why, yes, I confess I did fear it might be and that you might be trying to shield Atkins."

"I!" she exclaimed hotly; "that detestable villain!"

"Isn't he?" cried the colonel. "But—well, I couldn't tell how he might strike a lady," he ended lamely.

"I reckon he would strike a lady if she were silly enough to marry him and he got tired of her. He is the kind of man who will persecute a girl to marry him, follow her around and importune her and flatter her and then, if he should prevail, never forgive her for the bother she has given him. Oh, I never did like him; I'm afraid of him—awfully."

"Not you?"—the colonel's voice was cheerful, as if he had not shivered over his own foreboding vision. "I've seen you in action already, you know."

"Not fighting bombs. I hate bombs. There are so many pieces to hit you. You can't run away."

"Well, you'll find them not so bad; besides, you did fight one this very morning, and you were cool as peppermint!"

"That was quite different; I had time to think, and the danger was more to me than to any one else; but to think of Mrs. Winter and Archie and y— all of you; that scares me."

"Now, don't let it get on your nerves," he soothed—of course it is necessary to take a girl's hand to soothe her when she is frightened. But Miss Smith calmly released her hand, only reddening a little; and she laughed. "Where—where were we at?" she asked in her unconscious southern phraseology.

"Somewhere around Atkins, I think," said the colonel; he laughed in his turn—he found it easy to laugh, now that he knew how she felt toward Atkins. "You see, after I talked with Keatcham I couldn't make anything but Atkins out of the whole business. But there were those stained cuffs and his changing his clothes—"

"Yes," said she.

"How explain? There was only one explanation; that was, that perhaps Mercer had discovered Keatcham before we did, unconsciously spotted his cuffs, been alarmed by our approach and hidden, lest it should be the murderers returning. He might have wanted a chance to draw his revolver. Say he did that way, he might foolishly pretend to enter for the first time. If he made that mistake and then discovered the condition of his cuffs and the spots on his knee, what would be his natural first impulse? Why, to change them, trusting that they hadn't been noticed. Maybe, then, he would wash them out—"

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

ALL HIS FAULT.

An old lady who was in the habit of declaring, after the occurrence of an unusual event, that she had predicted it, was one day very nicely sold by her worthy spouse, who, like many others we have heard of, had got tired of her eternal "I told you so!" Rushing into the house breathless with excitement, he dropped into his chair, elevated his hands, and exclaimed: "Oh, wife, wife! What—what—what do you think? The old brindle cow has gone and eaten up our grindstone!"

The old lady was ready, and hardly waiting to hear the last word, she broke out at the top of her lungs: "I told you so, you old fool! I told you so! You always would let it stan' out o' doors!"



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Fair grounds at Dallas.

Three hundred Texas post-  
masters attended the state con-  
vention of that organization at  
Waco this week.

The locating board of the West  
Texas Normal will start on their  
tour of inspection next Monday.  
Will Big Springs be ready for  
them? Better clean up a little.

If you are interested in having  
the West Texas Normal School  
located in Big Springs, get to  
work and help clean up the  
town. A clean town always  
makes a good impression upon  
strangers.

We often wonder where the  
man will go when he dies who  
lives in a community and never  
helps in any way the enterprises  
for the upbuilding of the com-  
munity. He is so mean the  
devil wouldn't have him and so  
out of tune that he couldn't sing  
in the heavenly choir if he should  
manage to get up there.—Ex.

The locating board of the  
Texas feeding station, will meet  
at Stamford on August 25th. In  
all there are five stations to be  
located; one in the rice belt, one  
in the black land belt, a third in  
a live stock center for feeding  
purposes, a fourth west of the  
98th meridian and the fifth as  
near the center of the Rio Grande  
center as practicable.

In the beginning God created  
the heavens and the earth, the  
advertiser—which was all good.  
The next day it snowed and he  
created the man who does not  
believe in advertising and an-  
other who does not take the home  
paper. And then the devil got  
into the molding room and creat-  
ed the man who takes the paper  
for several years and fails to pay  
for it. After he had completed  
that sorry job and having a few  
lumps left, he created the excuse  
of a man who settles his sub-  
scription by instructing the post-  
master to mark his paper "refus-  
ed."—Exchange.

Some of the railroads of Louis-  
iana are offering to haul free of  
charge all material used in im-  
proving public highways of the  
state. Good roads mean increas-  
ed tonnage for the railroads,  
just as they mean increased busi-  
ness and prosperity, for man in  
every walk of life. Barring  
steel and iron bridge material,  
there lies dormant almost in  
sight of every road in Texas all  
that is needed to convert them  
into the best highways. Cents  
spent on improvement of the  
public roads means dollars saved  
to those who use them, but the  
people are slow to awaken to  
this fact.—Abilene Reporter.

Some of our exchanges are a  
little sarcastic because other pa-  
pers are advising their readers  
to swat the fly, but this same  
journal devotes just as much  
space boosting the already fa-  
mous "blue hen" and her by-  
products. The "blue hen" will  
be with us always, but the fly  
will migrate this winter, and are  
liable to take an indifferent edi-  
tor or two with them.—Brown-  
field Herald.

Look here now, Stricklin, you  
can say what you please about  
the fly but you want to look a  
little out what you say about the  
"old blue hen." She is the idol  
of our poetic nature and we will  
defend her and all of her prog-  
ny to the last ditch. Take warn-

ing and don't throw any stones  
at the old "blue hen" because  
we won't stand it.—Stanton Re-  
porter.

Now we all know Bro. Moore  
has kind of a hankering for the  
"old blue hen" about meal time  
and we would not be surprised  
to hear of him going into the  
chicken business soon. Give us  
an invite.

When a man wants to go  
somewhere driving two or more  
horses he hitches them all one  
way; if he didn't, he'd never  
get to his destination. So it is  
with the people of a town: they  
must all face one way and pull  
together, or they will never do  
anything worth while. Harmony  
is the word.—Timpson Times.

What is the queer noise we  
hear on our streets; it must be  
the hooting of the Owls. Last  
Tuesday night in the K. of P.  
Hall they led 24 victims through  
the dark and mysteries of owlism.  
All we can hear from those that  
were there are praises for this  
mysterious order. If you are  
wise pin the Owls.

Monday was designated as  
"clean-up" day by Mayor Lee,  
but was only observed by a few  
and what they did can hardly be  
told now. If people prefer to  
live in filth we don't see any  
remedy for it.

Watches, Watches at Ward's.

Public Meeting I. O. O. F.

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Texas, Grand Master of I. O. O.  
F. of Texas will visit Big  
Springs Tuesday 17th instant  
and will deliver an address on  
principle of Odd Fellowship in  
the district court room at 8:00  
o'clock p. m. Every body in-  
vited.

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sey.

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18 miles north of town, all smooth  
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cash, balance 1, 2, 3 and 4 years.  
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T. H. Johnson showed us some  
vegetables yesterday that were  
grown at his place three miles  
south of town that would be  
classed as good anywhere. He  
had a cucumber that weighed  
two and one-fourth pounds, some  
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ing her mother at Vineyard,  
Texas. Bro. Rogers says it is  
fine bathing and doing your  
own cooking, but we notice that  
he says he is going down the  
road next week.

The degree team of Howard  
Camp W. O. W. and quite a  
number of members attended the  
West Texas Log Rolling Associ-  
ation at Cisco Tuesday and  
Wednesday, and say it was the  
best meeting the association has  
ever held.

If you want to get a choice lot  
in the new town of Soash now is  
the time to buy. See Bert Ram-  
sey.

If you want to buy lots in the  
new town of Soash, now is the  
time to buy. See Bert Ramsey.

At a regular meeting of the  
Order of Owls Tuesday night  
twenty-four members were  
initiated and then are quite a  
number of candidates for the  
next regular meeting next Tues-  
day night. The order seems to  
be gaining in popularity.

You may fool some of the peo-  
ple all the time, and all of the  
people some of the time, but you  
CANNOT fool all the people all the  
time. Just so with your adver-  
tising; advertise and tell the  
people what you have. Let them  
come into your store and find  
that you have it; don't be "just  
out," but anyway have a few  
more left. When you don't tell  
the people what you have while  
your competitors do can you  
blame the people for trading  
where they know they can get  
what they want?

Town lots at \$1 down and \$1  
per week is the way you can buy  
them in Soash. See Bert Ram-  
sey.

There are some people in our  
town who think there are two  
sides to every question—their  
side and the wrong side.

Latest scarf pins at Ward's.

**Sox! Sox! Sox!**

Here's where we tickle  
your feet and keep  
them "inside" for six  
months, because we  
guarantee six pairs of  
sox to last that long.  
They are only 25c a  
pair.

**A. P. McDonal & Co.**

Gent's Furnishers.



# THE ENTERPRISE

W. V. BEVIL, Pub.

BIG SPRINGS, TEXAS

## DISLIKED EAGLE AS SYMBOL

Bird's Adoption as the National Emblem Was Decidedly Unpopular at First.

Gaillard Hunt, chief of the division of manuscripts, has just completed a historical sketch of the great seal of the United States, the sketch telling of the various stages of development through which the seal went before the one now in use was first adopted.

When the continental congress made the obverse of the great seal the national arms it intended that the device should pass into common use among the people, as the flag had done, and like the flag, the arms at first met with general approval, which soon gave place to an acceptance of it as an emblem of the power and sovereignty of the United States, which placed it above criticism.

Not all the fathers of the republic, however, were pleased with the selection of the eagle as the national emblem. When the badge of the order of the society of Cincinnati was made in France, in 1874, it was objected to by some because the displayed eagle resembled a turkey.

"For my part," wrote Benjamin Franklin, January 26, 1784, to his daughter, "I wish the bald eagle had not been chosen as the representative of our country. He is a bird of bad moral character; he does not get his living honestly. You may have seen him perched on some dead tree, where, too lazy to fish for himself, he watches the labor of the fishing hawk, and then when that diligent bird has at length taken a fish and is bearing it to his nest for the support of his mate and her young ones, the bald eagle pursues him and takes it from him."

"With all this injustice he is never in good case, but, like those among men who live by sharpening and robbing, he is generally poor, and very lousy. Besides, he is a rank coward. The little king bird, not bigger than a sparrow, attacks him boldly and drives him out of the district."

### Green Old Age.

One of the inmates of an old woman's home near Vienna is Frau Katharina, who is now in her one hundred and eleventh year. She was married at 20, lived happily with her husband for 70 years and reared her ten children, according to her own words, "in the fear of the Lord." Her husband was a tailor, who received 50 kreutzers—about 24 cents—a day. In speaking of a visit to this remarkable woman a writer in a Vienna paper says: "Tears came into the venerable woman's eyes when she spoke of her husband, who died 20 years ago, but the cloud soon passed away and was replaced by smiles. Her cap, the ruche about her neck, her whole toilet was so tidy that one could see that the desire to look her best was still strong in the old woman. She does not read, but delights in walking in the garden, and selects as associates only women who can play cards, which is her chief delight."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

### A Bad Style for Pickpockets.

The difficulty in reaching the Parisian feminine pocket has been recognized judicially. A thief was charged with picking a lady's pocket in the crowd which watched the Chateaufort funeral. His attorney pleaded extenuating circumstances, contrasting the vast wealth of the dead merchant and the poverty of the accused, and also the fact that there had been found on the latter only a pair of glasses, a few coppers and three handkerchiefs. If he had been an experienced criminal, asked the lawyer, wouldn't he have had much more spoil in his possession, considering the unusually large crowd of women?

A policeman, more familiar with the fashions of the day, explained that Paris ladies wear pockets in their petticoats, rendering the operation of pickpockets decidedly difficult. The judge being a married man, recognized the point and immediately found the accused guilty.

### Walking.

He who uses his legs is thereby enabled to use his eyes. Nature in all moods is the companion of him who walks. A network of sun and shadow, or a mass of muddy pools, lies before his feet. His cheek feels the impact of kindly breezes or harsher rain. The head in the road lures him onward and fills him with peaceful conjecture. A pleasant comrade at his side seems not amiss to most, though Hazlitt and Stevenson cast their voices against it, declaring that the full flavor of a walking tour is best gained by solitude. Stevenson better analyzes moods, but Hazlitt is the more lyric. He was among the first of Anglo-Saxon blood to sing the open road.

### Pride in One's House.

House pride is a thing of recent growth; at any rate, it is a thing of recent and widespread revival. The rich burghers of the past who employed great artists to paint the interiors of their rooms, to perpetuate their glowing carpets, their shining glass, their tapestries, their china and their chairs, were, doubtless, house proud. But the cult of the house was confined to a small number, while nowadays it is becoming universal. We all worship at the same shrine.—London Spectator.

## AN EASY WAY.

How to Cure Kidney Troubles Easily and Quickly.

It is needless to suffer the tortures of an aching back, the misery of backaches, rheumatic pains, urinary disorders, or risk the danger of diabetes or Bright's disease. The cure is easy. Treat the cause—the kidneys—with Doan's Kidney Pills. H. Mayne, Market St., Paris, Tenn., says: "Weak kidneys made my back stiff and lame. The urine was cloudy and irregular and I had to get up many times at night. I lost energy, became weak and could not work. Doan's Kidney Pills removed all the trouble and restored my health and strength."

Remember the name—Doan's. Sold by all dealers. 50 cents a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

## WHAT HE FOUND HARD.



"Hit suitably must be hard, Sambo, to have de reputation foah chicken stealin' wot you've got!"

"Yass, chile, but chickens is so scarce nowadays, dat de hardest part is tryin' ter live up ter dat reputation!"

Only Cure for Consumption. With the present rapid growth of the anti-tuberculosis movement the number of so-called "cures" for consumption is being increased almost daily. Hundreds of quack "doctors," "professors" and "institutes" are advertising that they can cure consumption for small amounts, with the result that thousands of dupes are yearly cheated out of their lives as well as their money. Besides these, "cures" and medicines of all sorts, numbering now several hundred, are sold for the deception of the public.

The National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis brands all these institutes, doctors, professors and cures as frauds and deceptions. The only cure for consumption is fresh air, rest and wholesome food.

### Pleasant for Mr. Bennett.

William S. Bennett, a representative from New York city, went to address a political meeting in his district one night, when he was much younger than he is now.

"The chairman," said Bennett, "was a very literal person. He looked at the gallery, where one woman was sitting, and said: 'Lady and gentlemen, this is a most momentous campaign. There are grave issues to be discussed. Later we will hear from our best speakers, but, for the present, we will listen to Mr. Bennett.'"

### Died in Good Company.

A clergyman, who was not averse to an occasional glass, hired an Irishman to clean out his cellar. The Irishman began his work. He brought forth a lot of empty whisky bottles, and as he lifted each one looked through it at the sun. The preacher, who was walking on the lawn, saw him and said: "They are all dead ones, Pat." "They are?" said Pat. "Well, there is one good thing about it—they all had the minister with them when they were dying."—Tid-Bits.

### ON FOOD

The Right Foundation of Health.

Proper food is the foundation of health. People can eat improper food for a time until there is a sudden collapse of the digestive organs, then all kinds of trouble follows.

The proper way out of the difficulty is to shift to the pure, scientific food, Grape-Nuts, for it rebuilds from the foundation up. A New Hampshire woman says:

"Last summer I was suddenly taken with indigestion and severe stomach trouble and could not eat food without great pain; my stomach was so sore I could hardly move about. This kept up until I was so miserable life was not worth living.

"Then a friend finally, after much argument, induced me to quit my former diet and try Grape-Nuts.

"Although I had but little faith I commenced to use it, and great was my surprise to find that I could eat it without the usual pain and distress in my stomach.

"So I kept on using Grape-Nuts and soon a marked improvement was shown, for my stomach was performing its regular work in a normal way without pain or distress.

"Very soon the yellow coating disappeared from my tongue, the dull, heavy feeling in my head disappeared, and my mind felt light and clear; the languid, tired feeling left, and altogether I felt as if I had been rebuilt. Strength and weight came back rapidly and I went back to my work with renewed ambition.

"To-day I am a new woman in mind as well as body, and I owe it all to this natural food, Grape-Nuts."

"There's a Reason." Look in pigs for the famous little book, "The Road to Wellville." Ever read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are genuine, true, and full of human interest.

## AS STRAIGHT MEN SEE HIM.

The Dead-Beat is Probably the Most Despised Creature That Walks the Earth.

No man is wholly free from sin, but so many lesser evils are tolerated that a man should hesitate long before becoming a dead-beat. Criminals are despised and abhorred, but to the dead-beat all that is coming, as well as the contempt of his fellow men. There is something at once so mean and so little in taking advantage of the confidence which comes with friendship that the hand of every man is turned against a dead-beat as soon as his reputation is well established. The dead-beat may fondly imagine he is living easy and making money without work, and, of course, he takes no account of the confidence he violates and the hardships he inflicts on others. But, that aside, he really has a harder time than the man who is honest and fair. He is compelled to move a good deal, and peace of mind he knows not. Like other types of crooks, he doesn't prosper, and his finish is more unpleasant than the beginning.—Acheson Globe.

## CHILD HAD SIXTY BOILS.

And Suffered Annually with a Red Scald-Like Humor on Her Head.

Troubles Cured by Cuticura.

"When my little Vivian was about six months old her head broke out in boils. She had about sixty in all and I used Cuticura Soap and Cuticura Ointment which cured her entirely. Some time later a humor broke out behind her ears and spread up on her head until it was nearly half covered. The humor looked like a scald, very red with a sticky, clear fluid coming from it. This occurred every spring. I always used Cuticura Soap and Ointment which never failed to heal it up. The last time it broke out it became so bad that I was discouraged. But I continued the use of Cuticura Soap, Ointment and Resolvent until she was well and has never been troubled in the last two years. Mrs. M. A. Schwerin, 674 Spring Wells Ave., Detroit, Mich., Feb. 24, 1908."—Dexter Drug & Chem. Corp., Sole Props., Boston.

### A Sunday Sermon.

One must accept life as it is. It gives us great happiness if we are wise enough to see it, and it balances the scales by sending great sorrows, too.

But that is life. If you would make the world brighter try to forget your hurts, dry your eyes and turn to help those who need the pressure of a friendly hand, the encouragement of a smiling look.

Sorrows and troubles of all kinds should teach one a great lesson—the lesson of universal kindness.—New York Times.

Laundry work at home would be much more satisfactory if the right Starch were used. In order to get the desired stiffness, it is usually necessary to use so much starch that the beauty and fineness of the fabric is hidden behind a paste of varying thickness, which not only destroys the appearance, but also affects the wearing quality of the goods. This trouble can be entirely overcome by using Defiance Starch, as it can be applied much more thinly because of its greater strength than other makes.

### Praises American Woman.

Alfred East says that American women, like American machines, need but little man power. The American woman, he says, is the most charming woman in the world, therefore she is the most charming. Our excellent educational system, he thinks, is responsible for the fact that American women are such "good fellows."

### Rough on Rats, unbeatable exterminator

Rough on Hen Lice, Nest Powder, 25c. Rough on Bedbugs, Powder or Liquid, 25c. Rough on Fleas, Powder or Liquid, 25c. Rough on Roaches, Pow'd, 15c. Liquid, 25c. Rough on Moth and Ants, Powder, 25c. Rough on Squeakers, agreeable touse, 25c. E. S. Wells, Chemist, Jersey City, N. J.

### A Trying Time.

Judge—Why did you strike this man? Prisoner—What would you do, Judge, if you kept a grocery store and a man came in and asked if he could take a moving picture of your cheese?—Harper's Weekly.

### Important to Mothers.

Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA a safe and sure remedy for infants and children, and see that it bears the Signature of *Wm. A. Parke* Is Use For Over 30 Years. The Kind You Have Always Bought.

### Expert Opinion.

First Bird—Seen the airship? Second Bird—Yes; they will have to get a mighty strong telegraph wire to sit on.

### For Colds and Grip—Capudine.

The best remedy for Grip and Colds is Hicks' Capudine. Relieves the aching and feverishness. Cures the cold—Headaches also. It's Liquid—Effects immediately—10, 25 and 50c at Drug Stores.

If a man never told a lie it's because no young mother ever asked him what he thought of her baby.

Resinol is Appreciated and Highly Recommended by Intelligent People in All Parts of the World.

I highly recommend Resinol Ointment to all persons who are troubled with skin eruptions of any kind. I have found these preparations most useful and efficacious in many cases. M. F. Ryan, Bedford Sq., London.

The Worm Turned. The clerk in the shoe store was tired. The day was insufferably hot. The customer who was trying to catch a train was clamorous. Goaded to desperation the hard-driven clerk expostulated.

"No, we don't have a salesman for each customer. This ain't no Chinese Sunday school."

Starch, like everything else, is being constantly improved, the patent Starches put on the market 25 years ago are very different and inferior to those of the present day. In the latest discovery—Defiance Starch—all injurious chemicals are omitted, while the addition of another ingredient, invented by us, gives to the Starch a strength and smoothness never approached by other brands.

A Parting in High Life. "What were the terms of the divorce?" "She keeps the poodle."

For Headache Try Hicks' Capudine. Whether from Colds, Heat, Stomach or Nervous troubles, the aches are speedily relieved by Capudine. It's Liquid—pleasant to take—Effects immediately. 10, 25 and 50c at Drug Stores.

If a girl can pass her thirtieth birthday without detection she begins to think the dates in the family record may have been slightly mixed.

Cured at Once. So say all who take Dr. Biggers' Huckleberry cordial for Dysentery, Diarrhea and Children Teething. At Druggists 25c and 50c.

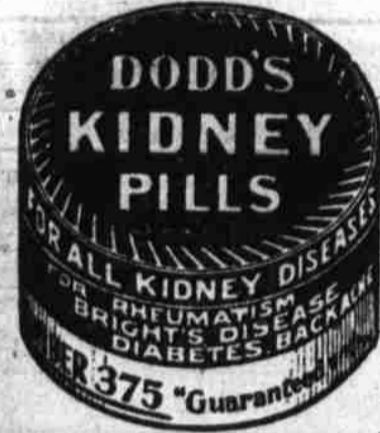
Faith. Faith makes us, and not we it; and faith makes its own forms.—Emerson.

Sore throat is no trifling ailment. It will sometimes carry infection to the entire system through the food that is eaten. Hamlin's Wizard Oil is a sure, quick cure.

When you hear a girl speak of a young man as being a girl—well, you can draw your own conclusions.

PERRY DAVIN FAINKILLER is the best, safest and surest remedy for cramps, colic and diarrhea. As a liniment for wounds and sprains it is unequalled. 5c, 25c and 50c.

A malicious truth may do more harm than an innocent lie. Lewis' Single Binder straight 5c—Many smokers prefer them to 10c cigars. Too often when the heart is willing the purse is weak.



## SICK HEADACHE

Positively cured by these Little Pills.

They also relieve Distress from Dyspepsia, Indigestion and Too Hearty Eating. A perfect remedy for Dizziness, Nausea, Drowsiness, Bad Taste in the Mouth, Coated Tongue, Pain in the Side, TORPID LIVER. They regulate the Bowels. Purely Vegetable. SMALL PILL. SMALL DOSE. SMALL PRICE.

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REFUSE SUBSTITUTES.

## Constipation

"For over nine years I suffered with chronic constipation and during this time I had to take an injection of warm-water once every 24 hours before I could have an action on my bowels. Happily I tried Castoria, and today I am a well man. During the nine years before I used Castoria I suffered untold misery with internal piles. Thanks to you, I am free from all that this morning. You can use this in behalf of suffering humanity. B. F. Fisher, Rosnoke, Ill.

Pleasant, Palatable, Potent, Taste Good. Do Good. Never Sickens, Weakens or Grips. 25c, 50c. Never sold in bulk. The genuine tablet stamped C.C.C. Guaranteed to cure or your money back. 500

Chicken-hearted people are always ready to hatch up an excuse. Lewis' Single Binder made of extra quality tobacco, costs more than other 5c cigars. Tell the dealer you want them.

Occasionally women try to reform a man by winning him.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup. For children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c a bottle. An easy beginning doesn't always justify the finish.

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## The Overland "The Car that Sells at Sight"

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HONEST JOHN,  
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# You Look Prematurely Old

Because of those ugly, grizzly, gray hairs. Use "LA CREOLE" HAIR RESTORER. PRICE, \$1.00, retail.



# NEW GOODS

Almost every freight and express is bringing us something new.

## THE NEW GINGHAMS and Percals for Fall

Are here in rich and more beautiful patterns and colors than ever before. This is the month to buy these goods and make up for the children's early fall school dresses while our assortment is so complete we want you to see it. These are in the rich dark reds, blues, grays, tans, and pretty black and whites, in the neat stripes and plaids; a style and shade to please every little girl.

Vt 10c and 12 1-2c per yard.

## New Dress Shirts For Men

In fine rich patterns, the "Monarch" and "E. & W." Shirts nothing as good for \$1.00

Then the beautiful new "Cluette" Shirts at \$1.50 to \$2.00

## Berry & Devenport,

The One-Price Cash Store.

214 Main Street.

## B. J. CAMPBELL

Has opened a Wood and Coal Yard on the north side of the railroad, he will also handle feed, and will appreciate a portion of the public patronage.

PHONE 463 BIG SPRINGS, TEXAS

# LAND BARGAIN FOR SALE!

9 sections of land in Howard county, 16 miles from Big Springs, good improvements, plenty of water, about 80 per cent agricultural land, near school house and postoffice. Will sell cheap and take part pay in black land farm. What have you? For particulars call at

## THIS OFFICE

### Morita Musings.

I thought I heard some one say, "Where is Morita?" We are neither dead nor sleeping. In fact, life in our "city" is such a hustling busy one that we do not often find time to communicate with the world outside.

The Morita Literary Society met Saturday night in spite of the stormy prospect of the weather, and a short, though interesting program was rendered.

Mrs. John Wright is ill at the present but with this exception, our community is enjoying fair health.

We are having a good Sunday School. Although it is small in number, just now, it is by no means weak, and we hope it will grow.

The Sunday night prayer meetings are well attended, and a good interest in the work is shown.

No, we have not had any rain yet, we have watched several clouds pass over and have had several light sand storms.

Perhaps if James Whitcomb Riley had lived in this part of the country at this time, instead of writing:

"All the world is full of roses,  
All the roses full of dew,  
And the dew is full of love,  
For you, and you, and you."

He would have written:  
"All the world is full of sadness,  
All the sadness full of pain,  
And the pain is caused by longing  
For a little bit of rain."

But do not think that the citizens of Morita are grieving and complaining about their misfortunes. Instead, every one has a smile and a cheerful word for his neighbor. The little shade of sadness one may detect on their faces is more on account of sympathy for those who are dependent than for themselves.

Some of our people have been visiting other counties with a view to changing their location, but most of them have seen their mistake and returned.

Red Wing.

Mollie Bailey Show Here 17th.

One of as popular and clean little shows as on the road today will be here on the 17th in that of Mollie Bailey. This show has been here several times before and always found a greeting audience. We feel sure that they will receive with considerable enthusiasm on this trip. The hand bills are out announcing the date.

### Specialist.

I treat all diseases of Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat, also have glasses and pay special attention to fitting them. Have visited Big Springs for nine years. Consultation free. Big Springs Aug. 20th and remain 10 days.

Office, McCamant Drug Co.  
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### REACHING THE SPOT.

It Can Be Done, So Scores of Big Springs Citizens Say.

To cure an aching back,  
The pains of rheumatism,  
The tired-out feelings,  
You must reach the spot—get at the cause.

In most cases 'tis the kidneys.

Doan's kidney Pills are for the kidneys.

S. P. Daily living in the northern part of Big Springs, says: "It is nearly two years since I first used Doan's Kidney Pills. I was suffering with rheumatism at the time and found that two boxes of Doan's Kidney Pills did me a lot of good. Sometime in the winter I commenced to have attacks of backache and a constant dull soreness across the kidneys. I at once thought about Doan's Kidney Pills and going to J. L. Ward's drug store procured a supply. After using one box the misery in my back disappeared and has not returned since I have recommended Doan's Kidney Pills to several of my neighbors and shall continue to do so.

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cts. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agent for the United States.

Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

New post cards, magazines and periodicals at Reagan's drug store.

### A Marriage Ceremony.

In the northwest part of our country there lives a well known Irish magistrate, a man of liberal education and full quota of genuine wit, says an exchange. A short time ago Jim and Bet, a colored pair, called upon the squire to be united for better or worse. The squire having been notified of their coming, prepared and actually used the following ceremony:

"Jim, will you take Bet,  
Without any regret,  
To love and cherish,  
Till one of you perish,  
And is laid under the sod,  
So help you God?"

After being answered in the affirmative by Jim, the squire turned to Bet and said:

"Bet, will you take Jim,  
And clinch to him,  
Both out and in,  
Through thick and thin,  
Holding him to your heart,  
Till death do you part?"

Bet acquiesced by a modest bow of the head, and now the happy pair was dismissed as follows:

"Through life's alternate joy and strife,  
I now pronounce you man and wife.

Go up life's hill 'till you get to the level,

And salute your bride, you black, rusty devil."

—The Painting Trade News.  
The Arkansas J. P. does it this way:

"Stand up; jine hands; hitched!—Five dollars please."

Fresh Ramers Chocolates at Biles & Gentry.

Eyes examined free. A. H. Mahon, Oph. D., permanently located. Office over McCamant's drug store.

### Baptist Church.

Sunday School 9:45 a. m.

Preaching service 11 a. m.

Subject the Light of the World."

Junior Union 3:00 p. m. at Mrs. S. H. Morrison's.

Senior B. Y. P. U. 4:00 p. m.

Preaching service 8:00 p. m.

Subject, "What will I do with Jesus."

Prayer meeting Wednesday night.

The pastor will leave Monday morning for Fort Worth, Dallas and Vineyard, for a two weeks vacation. Let all come praying for a good service and bring some unconverted one with you.

Wilson C. Rogers, Pastor.

If you want a lot in the new town of Soash see Bert Ramsey.

Order of Owls Proves Popular.

Dr. W. F. Larimer, who is registered at the Stewart Hotel is organizing an order which is proving a great hit among those devoted to lodges. He is organizing a lodge in Big Springs to be known as the Order of Owls, an order full of fun and mystery.

Recruits are being obtained and an abundance of pleasure is in store for all who look into the mysteries of Owlism.

If you get caught in the Owl trap there is but one way to get a release and that is to become a member of the order.

Dr. Larimer will be glad to explain all details as to the O. O. O. It would be a good idea to be one of the large class going in as charter members.

\$1 down and \$1 a week is easy payments. Buy a lot in Soash. Bert Ramsey will sell it to you.

Phone 276 or come to 407 Johnson street for pianos, organs, all kinds of musical goods and piano tuning, also Dr. Adam's Quick Relief for rheumatism, neuralgia and many other ills; and the Chain reference Bible, the best now on the market, or see A. J. Adams, special salesman, anywhere you can. 42-3m

## The Medicine You Take

Whatever medicine you get at this store is exactly right. If you could see how your medicine is prepared here, the care that we give every prescription that comes into our store, if you had the professional training to appreciate the quality in all the drugs used and the skill used in preparing, you would never think of going elsewhere for even your simplest drug store wants.

People who deal here never have any doubts about the medicine they get.

## BILES & GENTRY, Druggists

Letter to R. D. Matthews.

Big Springs, Texas.

Dear Sir: Twelve words state the fact:

Every job painted Devos takes less gallons than of any other paint.

If any one doubts this statement he may paint half his job Devos, the other half any paint he likes.

If Devos half doesn't take less gal one, no pay.

Yours truly,

F. W. DEVOS & CO

P. S. Biles & Gentry, sell our paint.

The latest drinks served properly at Reagan's fountain.

W. S. Cooper has gone to Fisher county on a visit for a few days.

I will meet you at Ward's Soda Fountain.

Dr. E. E. Wilson of Garden City was here Tuesday.

Bert Ramsey will sell you a lot in Soash for \$1 down and \$1 per week.

For better service, see Jones & McGowan, first door south of McCamant Drug Store.

W. J. Ayers left Saturday night for St. Louis where he will buy goods for Ayers & Hance Company.

We are prepared to fill your doctor's prescriptions with the choicest drugs.

Biles & Gentry.

M. G. Cooper and wife left Wednesday morning for Columbia, South Carolina, on a two months visit to friends and relatives.

If your liver is sluggish and out of tone, and you feel dull, bilious, constipated, take a dose of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets tonight before retiring and you will feel all right in the morning. Sold by all druggists.

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Subscribe at once at the office of this paper.

Just received a large shipment of Hess poultry powder, stock food and insect destroyer at Biles & Gentry.

The two year and ten months old daughter of John Reed and wife died Sunday night of congestion. The parents have the sympathy of their friends in their time of sorrow.

Services at Christain Church.

Sunday school at 9:45 a. m.

Preaching at 11:00 a. m., and 8:15 p. m.

Junior Christian Endeavor at 4:00 p. m.

Senior Christian Endeavor at 8:15 p. m.

Prayer meeting every Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.

E. S. Bledsoe, Pastor.

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