

# THE ENTERPRISE.

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## West Texas National Bank

Big Springs, Texas

County Depository Howard County

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We Solicit Your Business on the Same  
Liberal Basis as in the Past

### Will Build New Town.

The chief mechanic of the Soash Land Co. came in the first of the week from Amarillo with plans for a big hotel building to be erected at the new town of Soash which the company have laid out about 22 miles northwest of Big Springs. They are to begin work at once to erect a large hotel and such other buildings as they need. The company will have a string of autos to carry their prospectors from here out to Soash and from there will show them their lands. M. Hiserote, who will have charge of the Big Springs office, arrived yesterday and will get things in readiness to receive their first train of prospectors which will arrive here early in next month.

**FOR SALE**—A new second-hand incubator, 200 egg capacity. A bargain. Address Mrs. J. B. Kerr, Knott, Texas.

Mrs. Mary C. McDaniel, aged 55 years, wife of J. S. McDaniel, died at her home in this place at 5 o'clock yesterday morning of heart failure. She leaves a husband and several children to mourn her loss and to whom the entire community extends sympathy.

Your health is the most important thing to you, and you can only enjoy it by using pure drugs and medicines when you have to use them. We sell only the best. — Arnold - McCamant Drug Co.

### Big Steer Sale.

J. M. Boren, a cattle king of Caney, Kansas, arrived in San Angelo this week, and will likely remain here through the cattle shipping season. He is here with the view of purchasing a big lot of cattle to ship to the Osage country during the coming spring. Last year he bought several thousand head from local stockmen, and since he is back for the same purpose, he is evidently pleased with his past purchases. In fact, he states that he likes to live in San Angelo, even when business does not compel him to stay here.

Mr. Boren, before coming to Angelo, spent a couple of weeks in the Kerrville country. The biggest deal he made while there was the purchase of 10,000 head of steers, three and ups, from Charles Schreiner, at \$25 per head making a total consideration of \$250,000. Mr. Boren will ship the steers to his pasture in the Osage country. — San Angelo Standard.

I have recently put in a first class grist mill three miles east of Big Springs and will grind every Saturday. Bring me your corn and get a high grade of meal. — J. C. Arnett.

Dr. C. I. Holt has sold his home here to Dr. G. S. True of Midlothian and will move to Fort Worth next month. Dr. True will bring his family here in two or three weeks.

### Deals in Dirt.

C. E. Thomas to Brown Alexander, lot 2, block 9, Cole & Strayhorn addition, \$90.

C. D. Read to J. W. Franklin, south half section 23, block 34, township north, \$5,440.

F. B. Blalock to S. J. Horton, an improved place east of town \$875.

R. D. Matthews to D. L. Anderson, 160 acres of land, \$2,560.

J. D. Nowlin to L. S. McDowell, four lots in McDowell Heights addition.

W. T. Blanton to Hattie Crossett, lot 2, block G, Earles addition, \$400, also lot 1 same block, \$10 and other valuable considerations.

D. L. Anderson to R. S. Anderson, 160 acres of land, \$3,500.

M. E. Martin to S. I. Cauble, lot 5, block 12, Brown addition, \$125.

Adolphus Stamps to D. F. Bandy, section 22, block 34, \$12,800.

### Notice.

I have located here permanently for the practice of dentistry and will appreciate a share of your patronage and guarantee perfect satisfaction.

E. O. ELINGTON, Dentist.

### Commissioners Court.

The bids of the different banks for keeping county funds were opened. The West Texas National Bank bid 7 3/4 per cent., and the First State Bank bid 4 1/8 per cent. The contract was awarded to the West Texas National Bank for two years.

Ordered that the report of several juries of view on different roads be accepted.

Petition of E. C. Hill and others for a public road 40 feet wide from Cental Point to the Moore school house, was granted. Several other petitions for roads were heard and granted.

It was ordered that the third Monday in each month be set aside as a date for holding justice court in precinct three.

Court is still in session and may not get through until Saturday.

We have sawed wood on the track at \$5.50 per cord; come see it. Leave your order at the O. K. Restaurant, phone No. 349. 11.

Dressed cat fish once each week at Read's Store and Market.

**T** Hardware  
**H** Implements  
**E** Wind Mills  
**B** Gasoline  
**I** Engines  
**G** Wagons  
Stoves

**Q** U E S T I O N

Can soon be settled by visiting our store and looking through our immense stock of hardware

**Stokes-Hughes Co.**  
Wholesale and Retail

### A Pleasant Surprise

Those who enjoyed the especially prepared dinner at the Stewart Hotel last Sunday will be pleased to know that the management of that popular house has decided to offer another opportunity to the eating public which promises to out class anything yet attempted in the way of a Sunday dinner. The place, Stewart Hotel. Time, Sunday, February 14. Emil Lowe, Mgr.

The little son of Sidney Davis is still quite sick. They have a trained nurse with him now and hope to report him better soon.

Don't be two-faced. Don't you know there is no more despicable character than the man that is two-faced. A man that will act as a friend to another and be drawn into his confidence so that it will give him a better chance to work against him, would do almost any thing. Mind who you take into your confidence and all will be well.

The young peoples' societies of all the churches of town are to give a social evening at the Y. M. C. A. building Friday, February 19th, 8 to 11 p. m.

You surely have noticed the great difference between the man who acts as though he had great nerve, and the man who says nothing. The man who has real nerve is the man that can keep his mouth shut, but who is always there when needed.

### Notice.

Having purchased the coal and wood business from W. B. Allen, together with his good will, we are now anxious to serve our friends with the best coal and wood in the city. We cater after both city and country trade. We will not give you a stick of wood or pound of coal that you do not buy, but we will give you every pound of coal and every stick of wood that you pay for. Get the habit and trade with the old reliable. Yours for business.

STONE & CARPENTER.  
Phones 102 and 440.

A swell grocery store, the new home of Pool Bros., next to Rix & Co.

### Money

Coal and Wood is money. It takes this for us to get it and we are not allowed to touch it until we pay for it, and therefore, we have got to sell for CASH, and all orders for coal or wood in dollar lots will be charged 25 cents drayage extra. Please bear this in mind and pay drivers on delivery.

STONE & CARPENTER.  
ABNEY & WRIGHT.

A. H. Wicks, an attorney and real estate man of Clyde, Ohio, has been here this week prospecting. He is looking out a location for a number of people and is well pleased with our country.

## Groceries for Everybody

We are now in our new store, and are loaded for business  
If to eat, we have it

Car of Cotton Seed Meal and Cake, Oats, Bran, Chops, Alfalfa Hay. Look for our sign. Next door to Rix & Co.

**Pool Bros.**

Wholesale and Retail

Wholesale and Retail

If you want cheap good Embroideries and White at special prices, go to the store that sells **Everything**

**J. & W. FISHER**  
Established 1882

Mail orders wanted. Samples sent on application



THE ENTERPRISE

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BIG SPRINGS, TEXAS

NEWS FROM OVER TEXAS

A. D. Hamock, Sr., the oldest white citizen in Bonham, died Monday. Mr. Hamock was 91 years of age.

A tornado swept over Center at 5:30 Friday morning which destroyed considerable property.

The Texas Bottlers' association will meet in Fort Worth Feb. 16 and the convention will last three days.

Fire at 1:30 Thursday morning destroyed six buildings in Center. Losses are approximated at \$25,000.

Plans are being made for the organization of a bank in Dallas by negroes and for negroes. Capital stock to be \$25,000.

The Methodist Episcopal church, south, has raised funds and will commence erection of a new church in Wichita Falls, which will cost \$30,000.

Sandy C. Haley, aged 54 years, for thirty years one of the most popular traveling salesmen in Texas, died Tuesday, in Sherman, from a second attack of paralysis.

What promises to be a revolution in train dispatching will be inaugurated by the Rock Island. It is proposed to use the telephone instead of telegraph lines.

F. L. Canterbury, a freight conductor on the Trinity and Brazos Valley, was killed Wednesday morning at Irving as a result of falling between two of the cars of his moving train.

Early Friday morning officers at the city hall in Waco discovered that two prisoners had escaped during the night. They were charged with deserting from the United States army.

It is announced by a prominent official of the Texas and Pacific that the management of the road does not contemplate at this time the employment of auditors on passenger trains.

At the present time there are no snagging operations on the Trinity River. The snagging fund has become so small by constant use that it was deemed best to transfer the operations to the Brazos, where the smoke is very heavy at Jacksonville. Reports are vast forest fires are raging, both south and west; also in the extreme eastern portion of Cherokee county, and in the western part of Nacogdoches county.

While citizens of Riverside are discussing ways and means to obtain a trolley car line extension to connect them with Fort Worth and afford rapid transit, an automobile service has already been established.

News of disastrous prairie fires has been received to the effect that the Holt ranch, twelve miles north of Mineral Wells, has been damaged to a great extent which was caused from the high winds.

A contract has been given to M. Hanson of Brownsville for the removal of the life-saving station on Brazos de Santiago island from its present site to a site nearer the pass or the outlet of the bay into the gulf.

Following the overruling of its demurrers by Judge Geo. Calhoun, at Austin, Thursday, the American Book Company abandoned defense, proposed a settlement, which was accepted, paid its fine and withdrew from the State.

At the meeting of the Tarrant County Bar Association Thursday in Fort Worth, to discuss the bill to create another county court, it was agreed by unanimous vote to recommend that the measure be so framed as to give only civil business to the new court and that the present court retain jurisdiction over criminal and probate cases.

A rumor is in circulation in railroad circles and not denied by company officials that the general headquarters of the Missouri, Kansas & Texas telegraph system is to be moved from Sedalia to Denison, Tex., effective March 1.

The Hillsboro Board of Trade has invited competition among the farmers within the trade territory of Hillsboro in the production of improved qualities of corn and has offered a cash premium, one of \$50, for the best acre grown during the present year.

James Wallace, a McLennan county farmer, and his wife died from burns in an accident occurring at their home twelve miles west of Waco Monday.

What may lead to the discovery of coal beds within a mile of Childress has been brought to light by prairie dogs.

The grand jury of Jones county, which has been in session at Anson, in its report to the court, condemns the present courthouse. In its report it states that the building now in use is not safe for the keeping of the county records and urges a new structure.

It is announced in Weatherford on good authority that Martin W. Littleton of New York has undertaken to secure the finances necessary to construct the Fort Worth, Weatherford and Mineral Wells interurban, with every prospect of success.

President Neill of the Farmers' union received a telegram Tuesday from Congressman R. L. Henry, in Washington, announcing that Wednesday, Feb. 24, has been set for the hearing of the anti-futures trading bill introduced by Mr. Henry.

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.

WASHINGTON NEWS.

The president thinks that the attitude of those who are demanding the passage of the anti-Japanese bills pending in the California legislature is "amazingly incorrect."

Under the guise of consideration of the nomination of Dr. W. D. Crum, the negro collector of customs at Charleston, S. C., reappointed by President Roosevelt, the senate, in executive session Monday, discussed the Japanese question.

Another long session over the nomination of William D. Crum, the negro collector of customs at Charleston, S. C., who was reappointed by President Roosevelt, was held by the Senate Friday and no vote was reached.

Another storm cloud has gathered over Congress, because of the President's veto of the census bill, and now again, after having become somewhat calmed, the men on the hill are emitting dire threats of how, in the closing days of his Administration, they are going to rebuke the President.

No single question, nor, indeed, any group of questions, is absorbing the interest and concern of the administration at this moment to the same extent as certain of the phases of the anti-Japanese agitation in California.

By the overwhelming vote of 161 to 90 the house of representatives Tuesday rescinded the action of the house in committee of the whole house and knocked out the appropriation of \$500,000 voted on last Saturday for war balloons.

Next Wednesday is the tentative date set for the house to act on the proposal to regulate the interstate shipments of intoxicating liquors. Consideration of the revision of the penal code then will be resumed and the first subject to come up will be the liquor question.

Mr. Burton Tuesday put his veto on two of the items in the survey part of the rivers and harbors bill which the subcommittee has prepared. Both of these are Texas items. One of them provides for a survey looking to a thirty-foot channel from Sabine Pass to the mouths of the Neches and Sabine rivers, and the other looking to a survey for a thirty-foot channel at Aransas Pass. The first is Mr. Cooper's and the last Mr. Burgess' project.

Declaring that "if the government is to act with full efficiency against criminals it must have some force of secret service agents who can act against criminals anywhere," President Roosevelt, in a statement made public from the white house Wednesday night, emphatically reiterated his opinion regarding the plan to restrict the field of usefulness of the secret service.

As a result of the investigation by the grand jury of the alleged frauds in connection with the scheduling of town lots in Muskogee, seven indictments were returned Wednesday night. The charge against the defendants is conspiracy to defraud the government. The names of those indicted are Gov. Chas. N. Haskell, F. B. Severs, A. Z. English, C. W. Turner, W. T. Hutchings, J. W. Hill and Walter R. Easton.

The Kansas legislature, now in session in Topeka, will pass a bank deposit guaranty law. Gov. W. R. Stubbs, a stockholder in several banks, is personally opposed to such law and in his message to the legislature ignored it.

The nineteenth day closed with the jury still incomplete in the case of the State against Col. Duncan B. Cooper, Robin J. Cooper and John D. Sharpe, charged with the murder of former Senator E. W. Carmack in Nashville, Tenn.

James H. Berry, aged 72, and Elvira C. Pettigould, aged 78, were married in Stillwater, Ark., Friday.

Backed by financiers of France, the Missouri, Oklahoma and Gulf Railroad, which has just been completed between Wagoner and Calvin, will immediately be extended to Denison.

Several dead, a number of others injured and thousands of dollars' worth of property damaged are reported as the result of a tornado which swept through portions of Eastern Arkansas Friday morning.

The taking of testimony in the trial of the American Sugar Refining Company by the government, alleging fraud in weighing shipments during the last six years, was begun Friday before Judge Holt in the United States district court in New York. The amounts of customs duties in arrears sought to be recovered are \$2,124,121.

While shooting at alleged chicken thieves who were making their getaway across the Washington school yard Tuesday, in Oklahoma City, Officer Oury accidentally shot Gladys Meader, aged 14 years, a school girl, through the liver. The wounded child died.

The Southern Pacific Railway Company has just established at Bowman, a few miles from Auburn, Cal., a base from which it will construct improvements to its right of way over the Sierra Nevada mountains, costing \$25,000,000.

One man was killed and three injured at Sour Lake Wednesday by the explosion of a boiler in the plant of the Harscoite Oil Co.

The great battleship Delaware was successfully launched from the yards of her builders at Newport News Sunday. The launching was witnessed by 8000 people.

Gov. Haskell's preliminary hearing on the indictment charging him with conspiracy to defraud the government will take place Monday morning, March 1, at Vinita, Ok.

Mayor George H. Brier of Callman, Ala., wires that seven people are known to have been killed in that county Friday by the tornado which passed over that section of the State.

The old home of Gen. U. S. Grant, on the Gravois road, St. Louis county, has been purchased by August A. Busch, the millionaire brewer, and turned into a model game preserve.

Judge A. M. Carter, 61 years of age, for twenty-five years one of the prominent lawyers of the city, who was a candidate for Justice of the Court of Civil Appeals three years ago, was found dead in a bath tub at the Natatorium bath house in Ft. Worth, Friday.

The city council of Brownsville has under consideration three applications for street car franchises, two by local parties and one from outsiders. Each of the applicants agree to construct at once upon the granting of the franchise an electric railway to cover the entire city.

Resumption of many of the Spanish-American war taxes for the purpose of raising sufficient revenue to run the government is under consideration by the Republican members of the house committee on ways and means, who are engaged in framing the new Payne tariff bill.

Tulsa experienced the costliest fire in its history Thursday when the large plant of the People's Woodworking Company, one of the oldest manufacturing industries in the city, with four dwelling houses adjoining were destroyed by fire. The loss is placed at \$40,000.

An official statement of what has been done by the committee appointed to establish standards for nine grades of cotton was given Thursday in Washington by Secretary Wilson. The committee finished its work Wednesday. Nine grades were decided upon.

The first cargo of Philippine hemp ever brought to the port at New Orleans and the largest cargo that has ever brought to any American port will reach here this week from Manila. The cargo, consisting of 8,000 bales of hemp, will be unloaded immediately and shipped to Chicago.

One of the most interesting measures now pending before the Oklahoma Legislature is a bill which seeks to check reckless marriages among young Indians who have valuable land allotments. In fact, the bill is one to amend the statutes regarding the conveyance of real estate.

The freight war inaugurated by the Boston and Maine's recent slash to meet rates at Baltimore, New Orleans, Galveston and other ports is of far-reaching importance to New England's commerce, and is already having a marked effect upon the port's business.

While hunting on Canyon creek Wednesday, W. A. Palmer of Snyder found a cave which proved to be literally alive with rattlesnakes. Mr. Palmer fired his gun at the writhing, hissing mass of reptiles and killed seven grown rattlesnakes, not one of which had less than ten rattles.

President-elect Taft now has completed the inspection of the entire line of the canal, having traversed the Pacific channel Wednesday. He expressed himself as greatly gratified at the result of the labors of the engineers. Thursday he viewed the entire Culebra cut from the Empire hills.

The Wright brothers, the American aeronauts, have accepted an invitation to come to London during the latter part of March, when they will be given the gold medal of the Aeronautical Society of Great Britain.

The American Clay Producers' association was formed in Augusta, Ga., Monday by the leading clay miners of the south.

Every republic of Central and South America has been asked to send fraternal delegates to join Mexico in her centenary celebration as a republic, to be held in September, 1910.

An idea that he was contemplating retirement from active participation in the management of the railroad and other properties in which he is interested was scouted by George J. Gould of New York, Monday.

It appears that the report to the effect that the division of the Texas and New Orleans railroad would be moved from Jacksonville was an error.

George Ketcherside and John Hughes fought a duel in the main street of Leadwood, Mo., Sunday night, and both were killed.

Parts of Texas and Oklahoma were visited at an early hour Thursday morning by hail, rain, heavy wind and, in some instances, tornadoes, which caused considerable damage, several people being slightly injured.

It has not been determined whether there will be any further investigation into the circumstances of the United States Steel Corporation's absorption of the Tennessee Coal and Iron Co. Some of the members of the subcommittee in Congress feel that the evidence already adduced is sufficient to warrant a verdict.

THAT PANAMA PROJECT

FEARED GOVERNMENT WILL HAVE DIFFICULTY PUSHING CANAL WORK.

COST LARGE SUM OF MONEY

Lock Canal is Found To Be Costly. Some Believe Mistake is Made.

Washington, Feb. 10.—The outbreak in the senate Wednesday on the subject of the Panama Canal may be accepted as the prelude of a larger controversy which will not only involve engineering and political questions, but disclose difficulties in financing the enterprise that have not heretofore been considered. The doubt as to the safety of the Gatun dam has infected the minds of some who formerly were firm in their faith. But what has occasioned most dissatisfaction is the constantly growing estimates of cost. Originally, or three years ago, a majority of this committee were in favor of a sea-level canal. It was the assurance that this type could be more easily made at Panama that caused some of them to transfer their allegiance to the Nicaragua route. When, afterward, they were asked to act contrary to the advice of a majority of the board of consulting engineers and authorize the construction of a lock canal, they were moved chiefly by the argument of economy, and in support of this an estimate of \$139,000,000 was made. The latest estimate is more than twice this amount and the general expectation is that even this will be increased.

Big Blaze at Greenville. Greenville: Starting from an unknown cause and spreading so rapidly that there was no chance to save the building, fire Tuesday completely destroyed the Missouri, Kansas and Texas railroad's creosoting plant located four miles from Greenville on the Mineola branch. The loss, which is estimated at between \$150,000 and \$200,000, includes 100,000 gallons of creosote oil.

Oil Well is Now Geyser. City of Mexico: The famous oil well known as the Dos Bocas, which for months shot a column of flames and smoke into the air for many hundreds of feet, has been converted into a geyser, and fears are entertained that eventually the well, which for so long has furnished such a grand spectacle of the powers of nature, may become an active volcano.

Lubbock: The contract for the road from Plainview to Lubbock, an extension of the Santa Fe, has been signed up between the citizens of Lubbock and the Southwestern Construction company, the road to be completed by Jan. 1, 1910. The contract calls for a bonus of \$50,000, right of way and depot grounds.

Heart Was Dislocated. San Antonio: Alleging his heart was dislocated as a result of being mashed against a car when alighting from his engine, H. G. Richardson Tuesday filed suit against the International and Great Northern for \$40,000 damages. He was formerly an engineer for that road.

Double Tragedy in Hot Springs. Hot Springs, Ark.: A sensation and double tragedy was enacted Tuesday night in one of the palatial private cafe apartments of the Illinois club, when William Garner, a former officer of the city, shot and killed Mrs. Charles Eder and fired a 45-caliber bullet through his own head.

Money in Mattress. Lockport, N. Y.: More than \$50,000 in cash has been found in a mattress on the bed of James Mahar, a Civil war veteran, who died here Sunday. The old soldier who died in his seventy-first year, had been a prisoner at Andersonville during the Civil war and drew a government pension.

Taft May Be in Storm. New Orleans: A terrific storm is raging in the Gulf of Mexico and torrential rains fell Tuesday. It is feared the cruisers North Carolina and Montana, on which President-elect William H. Taft and party are being conveyed from Panama to this port, are catching the full force of the hurricane.

Quake Shakes Mexican Town. Mexico City: A special dispatch says that another earthquake occurred in the vicinity of Colima Tuesday. A violent eruption of the volcano followed the quake. The volcano is now covered with ashes and a ridge of lava about a mile long is seen arcing down from one side.

Charges of Cutting Timber. Muskogee: The federal grand jury, which has been in session here for nearly two weeks, was discharged Tuesday, after having made a final report returning twenty-six indictments, charging the cutting of valuable timber on Indian lands.

Political Riot; Nine Killed. City of Mexico: Nine men are reported to have been killed in a political riot in the town of Ejecuta, state of Morelos.

It May Be Your Fate. To have your house 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 ruin may come at any time. Call on us at our Office in West Texas National Bank Hartzog & Coffee.

JOB PRINTING THE BEST AT THE ENTERPRISE The Best Is None too Good for Our Customers.

STONE & CARPENTER THE BUSINESS DRAYMEN If you want your hauling done right, whether it be day or night, phone our office, No. 102, or our residences, Nos. 12 or 326. We Are Agents for The Texas Company If you want the best oil and gasoline ever brought to Big Springs, ask your merchant for it. If you can't get it, phone us.

H. C. WALLACE LUMBER CO. BIG SPRINGS, TEXAS Dealers in Building Material of all Kinds For Good Lumber at Moderate Prices, Give us a call before buying elsewhere The H. C. Wallace Lumber Co.

The Home Steam Laundry In a home institution and should have the patronage of the people of Big Springs. All work called for and delivered free of charge. Satisfaction Guaranteed Give us your Business

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**Local and Personal**

Want to get on?  
Like to be in it?  
Try Friday night, 19th at Y. M. C. A.  
Have you seen Pool Bros. new store?  
Hart Phillips of Lees was here Saturday.  
J. J. Pope, of Toyah, was here Tuesday.  
I'll be on hand February 19th, Y. M. C. A.  
G. T. Walker of Auto was in town Saturday.  
S. J. Compton of Midland was here Monday.  
Rev. J. B. Kerr, of Knott, was in town Tuesday.  
H. J. Larkin of Stanton was in the city yesterday.  
For good fresh pork souse, steak or roast, call 180.  
Call on Pool Bros in their new store, next to Rix & Co.  
R. L. Powell and wife of Coahoma were here Monday.  
I. M. Bennett of Lamesa was here the first of the week.

W. J. Ayers has returned from his purchasing trip north.  
A. H. Crossett of Dawson county was here Monday.  
M. F. Burns of Midland spent Saturday and Sunday here.  
Iron Tonic Pills, a great nerve tonic, at Ward's. 12-1f

To be pleased try the hot drinks served at Reagan's fountain.  
Mrs. W. E. Chaney of Stanton was here the first of the week.  
J. K. Shumake and wife of Dawson county were here Friday.

Take Ward's Pink Blood and Liver Pills, best on earth. 12-1f  
J. B. Miles of Dawson county was here Friday and Saturday.  
Laxative Quinine Cold Tablets, cure colds, at Ward's. 12-1f

Who's who in this old town? Find out at Y. M. C. A. February 19th.  
For Sale.—Boy's saddle, almost new. Inquire at this office or phone 10.  
Keep your grocery account separate. You can do this with Pool Bros.

Perhaps the weather foundry thinks any old kind will do for February.  
Mrs. R. B. Johnson and children of Trent visited relatives here last week.

Two of the best lines of tailoring samples are to be found, at A. P. McDonald & Co.  
Miss Samary Ezzel and Miss Lesta Ervin visited relatives at Coahoma yesterday.

J. C. Horn made a business trip to Midland Tuesday in company with his cousin.  
What's the matter with February 19th at Y. M. C. A.? It's all right. What's all right? Come and see.

Has anybody told you? What? Why about the social at the Y. M. C. A. building on Friday, February 19th.  
Reagan does not care whose blank your prescription is written on, he will fill it correctly and deliver it promptly.

The first annual meeting of the West Texas Horticultural Association will be held at Pecos on February 17 and 18.  
Abney & Wright have bought the J. T. Price dray and transfer line and are now prepared to do all kinds of hauling.

Favorite Headache Tablets are the best, at Ward's. 12-1f  
Local stockmen report cattle in better condition now than for several years at this season. Prices, too, are better than for some time, consequently cattle-men are happy over the present conditions.

**Acme Engineering and Construction Company**

Furnish all kinds of Cement products, make a specialty of sidewalks, cisterns, silos, and are now prepared to furnish concrete brick in any quantity. See their work and yards at the corner of Main and Fourth streets



**THERE'S NO SWEETNESS IN THE TONE**  
when harmony is lacking. A piano without fine tonal quality is worse than none at all. Conversely, all musical delights are situated in such instruments as the BUSH & GERTS Pianos and Organs. If you want to invoke sweet strains, make your selection of a piano or organ at  
**POSEY MUSIC HOUSE**  
Ward Building Big Springs, Texas

Let me be Your Tailor.  
I will build you a suit or pair of trousers by the FIT-U System.—Dreeben, the Clothes Builder.—The Dreeben, 103 Main street.  
V. Van Geison returned yesterday from a visit to Toyah.

The trial of H. Clay Pierce for perjury, is scheduled to begin today at Austin.  
J. B. Young came down from Toyah Monday and is spending the week here.

There's nothing new in men's hats but what is at A. P. McDonald & Co.'s, opposite postoffice.  
Wall paper bargains at Reagan's that will astonish anyone.

R. T. Piner and family now occupy the house recently purchased from W. B. Luck in Kentucky Heights addition.  
The little child of J. C. Baumgarten and wife, that has been quite sick with pneumonia several days, is reported better.

The Howard County Singing convention will hold its next meeting at Vincent on the 20th and 21st of this month.  
Judge James L. Shepherd has appointed B. A. Cox, Jr., of Abilene official court stenographer for the 32nd judicial district.

The school house at Auto was destroyed by fire Thursday night. No insurance. The fire is evidently the work of an incendiary.  
Why pay 25cts for half hose that wear only one week when you can buy the Buster Brown Sox that are guaranteed for the same price at A. P. McDonald & Co.'s, opposite postoffice.

We have received a complete list of the standing committees of the Thirty-first Legislature, issued by the commercial secretaries association.  
What are the young people of Big Springs going to do at the Y. M. C. A. building Friday evening, February 19, hours 8 to 10? Let's go see what this means.

Senator Thomas of Hopkins county has made an open charge that lobbyists infest the state capitol and a committee has been appointed to investigate the matter.  
The West Texas Tile Company of Big Springs, with a capital of \$2,400, has been chartered. The incorporators are E. R., S. D. and M. Bainbridge.

S. A. Hathcock bought ten acres of land from J. S. Cordill yesterday. The land lies at the south end of Main street and is a very valuable piece of property.  
W. R. Cole went to San Angelo last week and brought back an architect with him who will make plans for the construction of a building out of the old court house material.

H. E. Berry returned Wednesday from a purchasing trip to St. Louis.

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# The



# SEVENTH PERSON

BY **BEN McCUTCHEON**

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"I'm with you to the finish, Tommy, and so is my money!" said he.

### SYNOPSIS.

Gerard Chambers, son of a wealthy importer and a student at an eastern college, was awarded a membership in the Cluster of the Gemini, a secret organization, founded by Rodney Graves. The society was exclusive, only seven being admitted. The members were known as "Persons." A meeting was held and each member was awarded the "call of destiny," which amounted to an assignment to test his metal. Chambers was told to pass a period as a sailor and not set foot in North America for a year. Then he was directed to go to Mexico for further instructions which were to assign him to another year's exile, during which time he must make his own living unassisted and keep everything a secret. He gained his father's consent. He also acquired Marylla Bayless, his father's choice for his wife, with the fact that he would be away two years. She left him angrily. Jerry obtained a berth as supercargo on an ocean freighter bound for Urania, South America, loaded with guns for enemies of that government. Chambers was captured and thrown into a dungeon. Marina Boston, adopted daughter of Gen. Barado, ministered to his wounds. Each made a strong impression on the other. Jerry was sentenced to die. Upon grounds of Marina's love, Capt. Filario freed Chambers. All three united with Gen. Barado's rebels. Chambers became a captain. Capt. Filario died of fever. Marina accompanied his body to burial. In a fierce battle with the United States forces, Jerry frustrated an attempt to assassinate Gen. Barado. Marina's funeral party was attacked and she was reported missing. Fandaro, captain of Urania, was captured and a confederacy established. Chambers was made much of. By that time Marina was given up as dead. Jerry was given a big reception by the Uranian public and awarded the Cross of Honor. He then sailed for Havana in order to report to Mexico City for further instructions. Capt. Chambers was lionized aboard the steamer. His son, Senor Lopez, a wealthy Uranian, and his daughter, the ship encountered a terrible storm while Jerry was being fished. The steamer was dashed on the rocks, nearly all on board drowning. Jerry saved himself and Senorita Lopez, by clinging to a mast. The girl's strange actions caused him to expect a belief that she was demented. After a long time on the rocks the party were rescued and conveyed to Havana. Jerry found himself too late to catch a boat for Mexico. He recognized Marina Boston, a passenger of a yacht sailing immediately for Mexico. By a ruse he gained the deck. Chambers was granted the privilege of going to Vera Cruz. He discovered that Marina was being held a prisoner on board, the pretense being that she was demented.

### CHAPTER XVIII.

#### The Tests.

Jerry slept until after four in the morning, when, realizing that he had done practically nothing towards cleaning the engine-room and polishing the metal, he set about with energy and a ravenous appetite to make a reasonably fair showing in case the captain should make an inspection. At seven o'clock he rested. While he was beginning to wonder what kind of a breakfast he would be given, if given any at all, it was announced that the captain awaited him in his office.

"Have you been working?" snapped the officer.

"The engineer can speak better than I, sir," answered Jerry.

The officer went to the engine room with him, and complimented him on the good work done.

"It's worth a breakfast, anyway," said the captain, and a few minutes

later Jerry was eating a piping-hot meal with Mike O'Connor. The order to keep Jerry down below still was effective, and the Cuban who relieved O'Connor made it plain that the order would be implicitly obeyed.

Jerry worked until about 11 o'clock. Occasionally going up the ladder for fresh air. He was standing on the ladder, his head and shoulders above the deck, when the captain and Andre suddenly appeared in view. He knew that he had no chance to get away without being seen. The captain scowled and merely looked at him.

"It's hot down there," Jerry apologized, mopping his forehead with the sleeve of his shirt, "and I just came up to get some fresh air."

The captain and the stranger had a moment's whispered conversation, and then the latter said, just as Jerry was starting down the ladder: "No need to bother one of your men, captain, if he can do it just as well."

"I have some work for you to do in half an hour, young man," the captain called out to Jerry. "Report to me forward."

Jerry went below and soon was lost in wondering what he was expected to do. He welcomed the captain's words, however, for he might have an opportunity to see Marina.

The appointment was kept to the minute.

"A mistake has been made in placing the trunks," said the captain, "and I want you to take the one out of No. 2 and put it into No. 3. There is a woman in each room, so announce yourself."

Jerry now felt confident that he was being "tested," and the blood in him ran cold. The captain and Andre followed closely behind him, stopping within a few feet of the door of No. 3, where they could detect the slightest recognition between him and Marina. Jerry did not know which room Marina occupied, but without a moment's hesitation and with a hand steadied by a desperate will, he rapped on the door of No. 2. The strange woman, who was about 40 years of age, immediately appeared.

"The captain has instructed me to take a trunk from this room into the next," said Jerry. She stepped out and joined the two men. He picked up the trunk and carried it to the door of No. 3. Quite as unhesitatingly he knocked, but in the minute that he waited for a response he felt a dizziness that he required his full strength to disguise. The men and the woman were where they could see his face quite as plainly as he could see Marina's, and he felt that their eyes were piercing him to the brain.

As the door slowly opened it seemed to him that every drop of blood in his body was in his face and that his eyes easily betrayed his raging emotions. He did not move a muscle of his face

when Marina looked into his eyes.

"I have been instructed," said he, softly, "to take this trunk into your room."

Marina merely pointed to a corner, where he placed it. He left without looking at her again, and went to the captain.

"Anything else, sir?" he asked.

"Oh, it's all right, all right," he overheard Andre say to the woman, who returned to her room after walking a few steps with him.

"When you have completed your work in the engine room," said the captain, "you may report to me. I may find something for you to do above deck."

Jerry, scarcely able to conceal his tremendous emotions, went back to the engine room. Had he betrayed himself? was a question uppermost in his mind. Surely she had not, and was beyond him to understand how she could have controlled herself at such a moment.

"It wasn't the woman of it," he mused, after his excitement had subsided sufficiently to permit of rational thinking. "She did not blink an eyelash; she did not move a muscle of her face; she did not display the slightest sign of recognition. After all, perhaps she did not recognize me. But she looked me squarely in the eyes, and the light was full upon my face. It's beyond me, a million million miles beyond," and he rubbed his eyes to make sure that he had not been dreaming.

Jerry Chambers did not know that when he looked into Marina's darkened stateroom the night before she had distinguished his features in the bright moonlight that fell full upon them. He did not know that she was sitting in a corner of the room, away from the shaft of light that shot to her floor, where she could not be seen from the deck, when he brought his face down to the hole.

If it was Jerry Chambers in reality and not Jerry Chambers in a dream, she determined to be alive to every possibility, and this preparation accounted for the absolutely fearless recognition of him while the two men and the woman kept her face and his under such close scrutiny.

Jerry thought of a thousand and one things as he sat on a box at the end of the engine room, but he did not grasp at one of them that did not suggest a means for saving Marina. He must see the "little saint of Urania" and talk with her; he must know, if possible, where she was being taken, and he must prepare himself for a fight in case a fight was to come. It occurred that Mike O'Connor might safely be taken into his confidence and that he could be of inestimable service in rescuing the girl.

The hand which gripped a broom in determination seemed to lose its strength as the fire faded from his eyes and his gaze became lost in the shadows straight before him.

"I wonder," he mused, "if she loves me—too!"

Jerry reported to the captain late in the afternoon, and was set to work scrubbing the deck. He did many other things, too, and when the captain said he might go to bed—a cement floor for a bed—he was very tired and greatly disappointed. Not once had he seen Marina, although he had seen the two men and the woman often. Despairing that he might not be able to see and speak with her at all he decided to write her a note and to get it to her if possible. He asked Mike O'Connor for a piece of paper and a pencil. Mike, who had relieved the Cuban, got them for him, and Jerry wrote about a dozen lines.

Towards midnight Mike went on deck to get fresh air for a few minutes, and while he sat near the hatchway he saw Jerry stealing down the deck in shadows which partially hid him. When "Tom Flannery" stopped at the porthole of Marina's stateroom and shot glances about him the engineer became thoroughly aroused to the fact that Jerry was more than he had represented himself to be. Just as the young man was taking the note from his pocket Mike whistled softly. The next instant Jerry was on his hands and knees moving away as swiftly as possible.

Mike arose and walked towards him.

"Tommy."

"Oh, it's you, Mike," smiled Jerry as the engineer touched him on the shoulder.

"Yes, it's me, Tommy Flannery. What was you tryin' to do?"

"Nothing—nothing out of the way, Mike, I swear it," began Jerry. "I was just—"

"You know that woman in No. 3?"

"Well, Mike, what if I do?" said Jerry, deciding to tell him the truth and to acquaint him with all the circumstances. He led the engineer to the end of the boat, where they could not be overheard, and told his story so dramatically that at times the listener showed the most excited interest.

"And, Mike," Jerry finally said in

desperation, "you can help me to rescue her. There's enough of the good old American in you to see that those yellow devils don't get away with her—yes, there's too much of the real old Irish in you to stand by and let them accomplish their fiendish plans."

Mike O'Connor's dancing eyes were on the shimmering wake of the yacht, and Jerry waited long for him to speak.

"You say you don't like this captain and this trip," Jerry went on, "and you told me you were of half a notion to leave the boat at Vera Cruz. Mike, will you help not only me, but that frail little creature in No. 3?"

Mike looked Jerry in the eyes for a moment and then extended a hand with such enthusiasm as only the Irish can display.

"I'm with you to the finish, Tommy!" said he; "and so is my money," he added, patting a bulging inside pocket of his shirt.

"Then we'll see that, whatever may happen, they don't get away with her at the pier in Vera Cruz?"

"We? Why, lad, the boat ain't goin' to the pier this time. A gasoline launch is to await the four half a mile from the landing. The young Cuban downstairs is goin' to take them in, and you're goin' to stay on the boat until he comes back."

Jerry's heart almost froze. For an instant he could not utter a word. Then he blurted:

"What?"

"That's right, Tommy. I heard 'em makin' o' their plans, and they won't even trust an outside engineer to take 'em in."

"Good heavens! Then, neither will you be able to be there when they land!"

"I can't be there, lad."

Jerry was as desperate as any human being could be. He suggested a number of things that Mike only ridiculed as wholly impracticable, until finally he said:

"You are with me, Mike, to the finish?"

"Me 'n' my mad, Tommy."

"Then that Cuban must not go in with that waiting launch. You must take his place!"

"What—what do you mean?" exclaimed Mike, in a loud whisper, his eyes opening wide.

"He must not go in! Some means must be thought of to keep him on this boat. You are the only other on board who knows anything about an engine?"

"Me 'n' the Cuban's all, Tommy."

"Mike, what do they keep in the medicine chest?"

O'Connor instantly understood the significance of the low, slow question.

"You mean—dope?"

"That's it exactly," answered Jerry, decisively.

"Chloroform?"

"Something—anything that will make him too sick to get off this boat."

"Tommy Flannery, you're devilish, you are."

"I'm desperate, Mike; they are the devilish ones. If you can't get the kind of stuff we want, you show me where that chest is, and by all that's good and holy, I'll get it!"

Mike, further aroused by the excitement of the prospective chapter of his long life of adventure, winked an eye, whispering very softly, most assuredly:

"Now, Tommy, lad, you run along to your little perch and sleep in pleasant dreams. Remember, there's a good angel hovering near."

There never was a more honest handshake than that which marked the parting of the two men 15 minutes later.

Just before the fast-falling moon emerged from behind a silver-edged cloud, Jerry was stooping before the porthole of Marina's darkened room. As he reached in with the note he felt a soft kiss on his hand. He waited an instant for a word, but none came.

Jerry did have pleasant dreams that night.

### CHAPTER XIX.

Swimming, Shadowing, Scooping.

Soon after one o'clock in the morning of the 18th the lights in the dosing harbor of Vera Cruz appeared in view. A member of the crew told the excited and desperate Jerry that at the end of another hour the trim little craft would be at anchor half a mile out, and that a launch would take the four passengers in as soon thereafter as possible.

Jerry had not seen O'Connor for several hours, when he was told that the Cuban engineer was "still able to sit up and take nourishment."

"And he isn't down and out!" feverishly asked Jerry.

"I heard him groaning a while ago," significantly smiled the engineer, as he kept on polishing some of the nickel plating on the engine.

"Has the captain said anything to you?"

"Not a word."

"That, good heavens, maybe he doesn't intend to!" half cried the al-



Jerry's Big Fiat Crashed to His Jaw.

most frantic Jerry. While he fretted and moved nervously about, the engineer calmly kept on with his work, making the contrast of the two states of mind all the more pronounced by whistling a lively little Irish air.

Just before the anchor was thrown out the captain approached Jerry and ordered him to go below and awaken the Cuban engineer.

"Back again, I see," smiled Mike, as the white-faced Jerry came up to him.

"The captain wants the Cuban," came from the almost breathless son of the Gemini.

"Go over and wake him up, this," said Mike.

Jerry went into the Cuban's room and violently shook the occupant of the bunk. Groans were the only response. His face was a sun of joy when he came out of the room, but before he could say a word to Mike the captain hurriedly came down the stairs.

"Why doesn't he hurry?" snapped the officer.

"I can't arouse him," said Jerry. "Seems to be sick, the way he groans and moans."

The captain went into the room and redoubled Jerry's efforts to awaken the man. Only more groans came from the engineer, and with a string of oaths that would shock the most hardened senses, the captain called out to Mike:

"What's the matter with this fellow?"

"I don't know," answered Mike. "I heard him groaning a while ago, but guessed he was only havin' mean dreams."

The officer thought hard for a moment and then said to Mike: "You will run the launch in for us. Be ready in 15 minutes." Turning to Jerry, he growled: "There'll not be room for you in the launch. You will wait until daylight." Then he hastened to the deck.

"What shall I do? What shall I do?" cried Jerry, wringing his hands.

"You heard the captain."

"But I must get in—to-night. She may get away from you."

"That, you'll have to make up a load and swim."

"I'll do that! I will, so help—"

"You don't mean that, Tommy," said the surprised Mike, dropping his champagne skin to the floor.

"I mean it if I ever meant a thing in my life. I can drop off and splash in some way. I'll make out for the nearest—"

Tommy Flannery, your life would not be worth the date. It's far enough for an expert in the daytime, and there ain't a man that would attempt it at night.

"There is one man!" cried the desperate Jerry.

"Do you really mean to try it?"

"I do."

"Then grab off one of those preservers over there. It'll keep you afloat in case your legs give out, anyway."

Jerry took a cork preserver from a hook and hid it near the ladder, returning immediately to Mike, who was preparing to report to the captain.

"I'll keep my eye on them as long as I can, Tommy," said Mike, as he took Jerry's trembling hand. "If you ever get in, wait for me at the far end of the pier, no matter how long I am gone. And God help you!"

Before Jerry could give expression to his jumbled thoughts Mike O'Connor was moving briskly towards the stairs. Jerry then fastened the preserver to the top of the ladder. When he reached the forward part of the deck he was surprised to find that Marina and the strange woman already had gone down the side of the boat to the launch, and Mike was just stepping into the little boat. A minute or so later the launch was moving off in the darkness.

Jerry started away from the captain so abruptly and with such apparent excitement that the officer called him to halt.

"You seem to me in a great hurry to reach shore," said the captain.

"My poor brother, my poor brother!" wailed Jerry. "If there only had been room in that launch I could have—"

"Your poor brother must wait still morning," said the captain, very determinedly.

Jerry, utterly unable to control himself, sagged to get away, and his actions thoroughly aroused the officer's suspicions. He succeeded in breaking loose, and immediately started madly towards the stern, the other in hot pursuit. Just as he reached the end of the cabin the infuriated captain threw his arms around him and brought his hands to his throat in an attempt to strangle him into submission. By an almost superhuman effort Jerry broke away from the tight grip and hurled himself at the other with the ferocity of a maddened beast. The two grappled for a minute, the officer trying to cry out for help, and then fell to the deck. The officer was a big, powerful man, but he was no match for the desperate Jerry, who, after they had rolled over and over several times, succeeded in freeing himself. He was on his feet only an instant before the other, but the advantage gained was sufficient. Before the captain could protect himself Jerry's big fist crashed to his jaw and he sank to the deck unconscious.

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**Why It's a Homely Beast.**  
Augustus Thomas, the playwright, told in a recent speech of a hunting trip he had taken in the south. They were after coons and possums, but the only trail the dogs struck was one which made them put their tails between their legs and turn for home.

"Just what does a polecat look like?"  
Mr. Thomas asked one of his negro guides.

"A polecat, boss? Why, a polecat's women like a kitten, only prettier. Yes, a polecat's a heap prettier'n a kitten, ain't it, Sam?" he said turning to another negro for corroboration.

"Well," he replied, scratching his wool, "it's always been mah contention dat handsome's is as handsome does."—Atlanta Journal.

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# LAWMAKERS DISAGREE

**FOUR SENATORS WHO WERE ABSENT MONDAY VOTE "NO."**

## SENATOR THOMAS' CHARGE

**Senate Discusses Bagging Factory For The State Penitentiary.**

Austin: Four of the senators who were absent Monday when roll call was taken on the question as to whether they have been improperly approached or intimidated by lobbyists were present Tuesday and added their names to those who voted no Monday. They were Real, Harper, Welner and Kelle. Terrill of Bowie and Palus are still absent.

These four senators sent up the following: "Not being present Monday when the vote was taken on the resolution in which the senate is accused of being intimidated and harassed by lobbyists, we desire to have our names recorded as voting 'no.'"

Senator Sturgeon, who is chairman of the committee to make an investigation of the charges of Senator Thomas, said Tuesday that he favors an open meeting, that the senate resolve itself into a committee of the whole and have everything in open meeting. The committee is to meet this afternoon and decide on rules governing the investigation.

The senate spent the entire morning session in discussing a bill for the establishment of a bagging factory at the penitentiary with pending amendments. The bill was finally recommitted and will come up again for consideration Friday.

Austin: Senator Thomas causes something of a sensation by declaring that he has been lobbied with. His remarks upon subject are resented by other senators. Senate killed Representative McCallum's bill providing for free state documents for public libraries. Engrossed the ash-pan bill. Senate committee reports adversely the anti-Sunday excursion bill.

House employs more stenographers to keep up with voluminous correspondence. Passed finally the house joint resolution to amend constitution validating independent school district bonds; also house safety appliance bill, also house bill reducing loan company fees, also house deficiency bill, also bill reducing circus tax, also labor bureau bill. Several bills were engrossed, among them the bill prohibiting railroads from sending equipment out of state for repairs.

Both houses thanked Houston. Substitution was not mentioned in either house.

### Deposits Guaranty Bill.

Austin: That the propaganda for the insurance of bank deposits has borne fruit is evidenced by the changed attitude of bankers who formerly challenged the idea as being fundamentally wrong, and who insisted that nothing of the sort was necessary. Bankers who have appeared before the committees of the Texas legislature opposing the guaranty bills now admit in effect that the fundamental idea is correct, but pronounce the proposed application of same as unsound. The differences now seem to be as to details.

**Mrs. Kennedy Entertains.**  
Austin: Mrs. A. M. Kennedy received in the suite of the speaker from 3:30 to 6 o'clock Thursday afternoon the wives of members of the legislature, its attaches and members of the press corps. About 100 ladies attended, among them being Miss Ann Russell, who had come to the Capitol in response to an invitation of the house to address that body.

### Establish Cotton Mill.

Austin: The bill by Mr. Davis and others providing for the establishment by the state of a cotton mill for the manufacture of cotton bagging, rope, twine, etc., to be worked by convicts and entirely segregated from the iron foundry and other penitentiary establishments, was considered by the house committee on penitentiaries.

The bill, with the appropriation reduced by amendment from \$150,000 to \$120,000, was passed favorably.

### Compulsory Education.

Austin: After the disposition of the submission question in the house, as is elsewhere reported, the bill by Mr. Ridgeway providing for compulsory education was considered. Amendments by the author making the age of compulsory education 7 to 14 and eliminating the provision for aid to indigent children were adopted.

### Tuberculosis Sanitarium.

Austin: The sub-committee of the house committee on state asylums Friday decided to recommend the bill providing for a state tuberculosis sanitarium favorably.

### Bill Restricting Saloons.

The bill by Mr. Hamilton of Childress allowing city councils statutory power in restricting saloons to certain portions of an incorporated city or town, was given a favorable report by the house committee on liquor traffic Thursday.

### Nine-Jury Bill.

Austin: An unfavorable report on the nine-jury bill by Mr. Gaines was made by the house committee on reforms and civil and criminal procedure.

### Deficiency Appropriation Bill.

Austin: The deficiency appropriation bill of the house committee on appropriations was agreed upon by the committee at a late hour Tuesday night, and as soon as Clerk Marsh can prepare a substitute embracing amendments adopted Tuesday night, the measure will be reported to the house. The deficiency bill carries with it an aggregate appropriation of \$78,099.70. The opinion of the committee, freely expressed, is that had the senate passed the appropriation bill as it came from the house in the Thirtieth legislature, the heavy deficiency appropriation now needed to tide certain departments of the state government over until Sept. 1, would be very small indeed.

### In the Senate.

Austin: In the hearing regarding race track matters in Texas, to lay a predicate for the arguments, Senator Senter moved that the clerk should read the measure which would be offered upon the part of the fair associations and breeders as a substitute for the Mayfield and Meachum and the Robertson bills, and this was done. This substitute prohibits all betting on racing except through the use of the pari-mutuel machine upon the day of the race and within the enclosure; prohibits pool rooms and Sunday racing; establishes a racing commission, to be appointed by the governor; empowers this commission to grant or refuse licenses for races in connection with fairs, and to regulate the dates for same, and prohibits racing for over fifteen days in the year within any county of the state, with certain exceptions.

### Burglary Capital Felony.

Austin: The bill by Mr. Robertson of Bell, making burglary of a private residence at night a capital felony, got through the house Monday, after an eloquent and forceful appeal by the author.

Mr. Robertson declares that hanging is none too good for a brute who will break into a house at night, scaring women to death, although he may not lay hands on them.

In his opinion, the women and children should receive consideration ahead of property.

### Experimental Station.

Austin: Senate committee on agriculture considered the three bills providing for additional experimental stations, one by Mr. Mayfield to locate it in the Twenty-seventh senatorial district, one by Mr. Bryan to place two in the Panhandle and west of the ninety-eighth meridian and another by Mr. Hudspeth to place one in El Paso and one in Tom Green county. After a brief discussion, replete with humor, the Hudspeth bill was reported favorably, followed by the others, leaving the senate to decide how many new stations will be created and where located.

### Betting on Horse Races.

Austin: Driving double, senate committee on judiciary No. 2 and house committee on criminal jurisprudence Tuesday, in two heats of four hours each, made the record for endurance on the Thirty-first legislature's track, in conducting a public hearing on the bills to prohibit betting on horse races.

### Bill on Station Names Amended.

Austin: Senate committee on internal improvements reported favorably with amendments Senator Ward's bill, requiring railroads to observe the names of stations as given such places by the United States postoffice department.

### New Senate Bills.

Among the bills introduced in the senate Tuesday were:

By Perkins—Authorizing newspapers to make contracts with railroads for exchange of advertising space for passenger transportation. This is an entirely new bill.

By Kelle—Providing that all tax suits brought by the state, county or city shall be brought within four years after such taxes have been delinquent.

By Hudspeth—Fixing the salary of the district attorney at \$15 per day for 123 days in the year, not including \$500 a year allowed by law.

By Greer—Prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors by prescriptions, except that one prescription house shall be allowed for every local option district, having 5,000 population.

By Watson—Authorizing the state board of education to purchase common school district bonds in addition to other bonds for the school fund.

By Willis—To amend the constitution for the establishment of a Confederate Women's Home.

Austin: Bills were introduced in the senate Monday as follows:

By Mr. Senter—A bill changing the jurisdiction of corporation courts in cities having populations of more than 25,000 persons, conferring upon them concurrent jurisdiction in criminal cases with the county court. Acceptance of this enlarged jurisdiction is not made obligatory under the bill; it is optional with the city authorities.

By Mr. Hudspeth: Protecting trees and shrubbery on inclosed lands, where they are valuable as fuel or otherwise, and fixing a fine of from \$10 to \$500 for violations.

By Mr. Hudspeth (by request): Providing that where the accrued liabilities of any fraternal beneficiary association exceed the assets, the concern shall be deemed insolvent, prohibited from doing business and its affairs closed.

By Mr. Peeler: A road law for Lampasas county. Reported favorably.



## CUPID, His Day

THEY were the neatest ladies on the entire street, Miss Lucinda Berry and her sister Alice, and they subsisted meagerly on a small pension that had been their late father's.

In the same block lived the richest, slouchiest and most irritable bachelor in the city.

When a unexpected mildness set in, Miss Alice turned the hose on her sidewalk to wash away the ashes.

All night long, however, the wind rose, and the fourteenth of February dawned bitter cold, and the water used for washing off the ashes froze.

Miss Lucinda was in the kitchen sifting ashes to resprinkle the pavement, when she heard her sister shriek "Lucinda rushed to open the front door, and saw Alice on her knees in the street supporting the husky shoulders of Williams, who was shouting lustily: 'This is your work! Nice, isn't it? Always knew your confounded deafness would cost me my life.'"

Alice could only sob in reply. "I'll sue you for this, all right," he bellowed.

By this time Lucinda had approached, and now spoke authoritatively: "Well, it is plain you must be carried into your house and a doctor sent for at once." Beckoning to the bachelor's man servant, who hovered near, she instructed him how to assist the injured man without causing unnecessary pain.

When Williams had been laid on a disordered bed, Miss Lucinda made him as comfortable as possible before the arrival of the doctor. The berry girls set to work preparing bandages. The doctor came, set the arm, ex-

pressed approval of all that had been done, and left.

Williams heard this commendation of the maiden sisters, and after some thought said:

"If you bring me through without crippling me, I will let you off as lightly as possible."

This unexpected generosity overjoyed the ladies. They took their regular turns, and the negro servant rued the day when they invaded his slovenly kingdom. Though the injured bachelor could not know of all the changes taking place, still he felt the influence of orderly domesticity.

They really enjoyed the nursing, and their patient particularly appreciated having Miss Alice near, for her touch was delightfully soft. So, even when the physician came, it was Miss Alice who bandaged the arm after it was dressed.

When he was to be round again it was difficult to break an acquired habit, so it happened that Mr. Williams went over morning and evening for Miss Alice to attend to his arm.

One morning he did not come; instead the servant appeared with a note for Miss Alice, who read, it with alarm:

"I shall call this evening to sue for my damages. If it is not rendered me, I am afraid I must proceed to extreme measures."

Miss Alice cried the better part of the day after the receipt of the note, and Miss Lucinda for once was not practical, so cried some also.

At seven that evening the door bell rang and Miss Lucinda admitted Mr. Williams and showed him into the parlor where Alice sat openly weeping.

"Take a seat," she whispered. He sat down facing her, and took her limp hand.

"Bless my soul," he cried; "what's the matter?"  
"Nothing," she exclaimed, and burst into sobs.

"I wish you'd cry for me," said the bachelor huskily.

"Oh," she moaned, "we can't pay those damages, Mr. Williams!"  
"Well, if you can't," said he, "can you do something else? Can you accept the worn-out old valentine that was thrown at your gate about a month ago? Not worth picking up, perhaps, old-fashioned and full of flaws, but a most loving valentine."

With her cheek against the bandaged arm, Miss Alice cried some more—but there were smiles shining through.



### The Saint's Day in Scotland

It seems to have been a custom in Scotland to choose one's valentine. If Sir Walter Scott is to be trusted in his account of the wooing of the Fair Maid of Perth and Hal of the Wynd, the novel. The always amusing and ubiquitous Pepps, in his diary, which neglects nothing under the sun apparently, mentions St. Valentine's day and its customs in several places, and gives an amusing account of his wife, fearing to open her eyes on St. Valentine's day while the painters and decorators were at work in her room, lest she should see one of those unsuitable persons first instead of a more comely valentine.

Whatever the origin of the custom, it has given rise to many quaint and pretty fancies, and both poets and lovers have employed the legend and the saint to good purpose. The sending of letters and the more or less tawdry cut paper valentines, which the children of the last generation were so familiar with, undoubtedly gave rise to the modern fashion of Christmas cards in this country, and in England, which has grown to such astonishing, not to say alarming, proportions, and the comic valentine, that hideous and dreadful creation, is presumably one of the evils resulting from the custom. However this may be, it is exceedingly agreeable to receive a gift of flowers, or fruit, or a dainty book upon this midwinter festival, and if it take the form of a more useful present there is a distinct authority for sending even these, as one of the oldest customs consisted in sending a veil of tissue or gauze to the fortunate valentine selected to be the recipient of the attention

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Thirty years of unparalleled success confirms the power of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound to cure female diseases. The great volume of unsolicited testimony constantly pouring in proves conclusively that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound is a remarkable remedy for those distressing feminine ills from which so many women suffer.

**Pardonable Crime.**  
"If I were to kiss you now, would you have me arrested?"  
"What would be the use? Any jury would acquit you."

**For Colds and Grip—Capudine.**  
The best remedy for Grip and Colds is Hicky's Capudine. Relieves the aching and feverishness. Cures the old-Headaches also. Its Liquid-Effects immediately—10, 25 and 50c at Drug Stores.

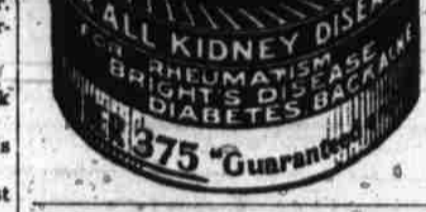
What a friendly old world this would be if we all loved our neighbors as we love ourselves!

Lewis' Single Binder straight \$5. You pay 10c for cigars not so good. Your dealer or Lewis' Factory, Peoria, Ill.

The finger-of-fate is one that is almost every pie.

Use Allen's Foot-Powder. Cures itching, sweating feet. See trial package free. A. B. Gimstead, La Roy, N. Y.

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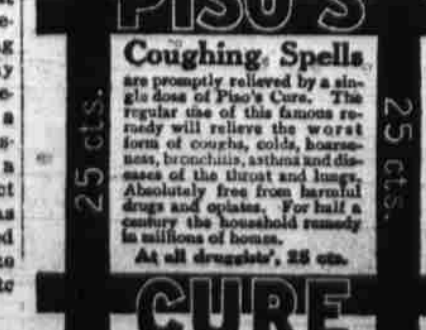


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Axle Grease to close out, per box only  
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Saddle Oil to be closed out at per quart  
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## THE ENTERPRISE

W. V. ERVIN, Editor.  
Big Springs, Texas

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### G. C. Cauble Talks of West Texas Conditions

Down in the part of West Texas where G. C. Cauble lives, in the Big Springs district, things are moving, and everybody is farming and making money. Ten years ago Mr. Cauble went from the eastern part of the state out to the place where he now lives and invested in several thousand acres of cheap land. He has sold off enough to pay for all he bought and still has about 5,700 acres left. He is farming; raising horses and mules, and doing well. Last year Mr. Cauble raised over 100 head of mules, and he sold brood mares during 1908 to the amount of \$14,000. He had 1,200 acres of sod land broken out on his ranch this winter, and has built 6 good tenant houses on it. Cotton and all kinds of small grains, also kafir corn and other forage feeds, are raised there. Mr. Cauble has 10,000 bushels of grain in his granaries. He has on feed at the cotton mills at Guthrie, Ok., 600

heavy steers which are about ready to market, and at Sweetwater 400 head. Yesterday he brought in 5 carloads of meafed steers. "There is not a more prosperous country than ours," said he. "We are turning our attention to farming very fast and find that it pays well. Kafir corn in endless quantities is being raised now in that part of the state. The most of it is crushed and shipped out of the country. What we keep back for our own feeding is also crushed. We feed it in that form to everything on the farm. I am feeding 106 head of 1 and 2-year-old mules. It makes one of the best feeds that can be found. Kafir corn is a never failing crop, and the grain can be used in feeding anything we have on the ranch. I now have a baru on my ranch that cost \$2,500. It pays to build good farm buildings."—Kansas City Drivers Telegram, February 5th.

The number of prescriptions we filled last year—nearly seven thousand—our first year in Big Springs, shows that the people know where they can get their prescriptions filled accurately and promptly.—Arnold - McCamant Drug Co.

Pool Bros. invite you to call at their new store, next to Rix & Co.

## Report of the Condition OF THE West Texas National Bank Charter No. 6668

The West Texas National Bank, at Big Springs, in the State of Texas, at the close of business, Feb. 5, 1908.

RESOURCES:	
Loans and Discounts	\$196,768 50
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	4,990 21
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	60,000 00
Premiums on U. S. Bonds	1,000 00
Banking house furniture and fixtures	2,465 00
Other real estate owned	11,348 70
Due from National Banks (not reserve agents)	507 46
Due from approved reserve agents	119,786 05
Checks and other cash items	202 86
Notes of other Nat'l Banks	1,720 00
Fractional paper currency, nickels and cents	113 35
Lawful Money Reserve in Bank, viz:	
Specie	\$ 9,938 25
Legal tender notes	19,358 00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treas. (5 p. c. of circulation)	2,500 00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$420,106 47</b>
LIABILITIES:	
Capital stock paid in	\$ 50,000 00
Surplus fund	40,000 00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	4,731 25
Nat'l Bank notes outstanding	50,000 00
Due to other Nat'l Banks	3,245 87
Due to State Banks & B'ks	25,181 21
Individual deposits subject to check	246,899 59
Cashier's Cks Outstanding	78 55
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$420,106 47</b>

STATE OF TEXAS, County of Howard, ss. I, J. W. Shell, cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. J. W. SHELL, Cashier. CORRECT—Attest: R. D. MATTHEWS, WILL P. EDWARDS, J. D. BIRDWELL, } Directors.

Our line of cigars is as good as can be found in the city. It includes many of the leading and popular brands. When you want a smoke try us.—Arnold - McCamant Drug Co.

An accomplished young lady of Phoenix, Arizona, was engaged to marry a wealthy mining man at Denver, who had helped to have her educated, started with her mother to Denver for the wedding. But while on the way she stopped over and married a fiddler from Texas. She was right. A Texas fiddler is to be preferred to a rich Colorado mine owner any day.—Mineola Monitor.

When you buy jewelry you should always consider quality above everything. We stand behind everything we sell. A well selected and up-to-date line always in stock.—Arnold - McCamant Drug Co.

Lee Abrams of Calvert is here and has rented one room of the Sparenberw building in which he will open a restaurant as soon as it is finished. Mr. Abrams is an experienced restaurant man and comes to our town well recommended as a business man.

FREE—Information about killing prairie dogs; also the ingredients at Reagan's Drug Store.

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Your credit is good for thirty days; don't ask for any longer, good people

First class canned goods. If it's not good we want it back. The best souce. Pure pope. Fresh meats of all kinds. Dressed cat fish once each week at

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Druggists and Jewelers

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### The Big Stall Wagon Yard

Just east of Burton-Lingo. Come in and put your team up with the and you will be treated in a way that you will be sure to come back. I also handle flour and meal, buy and sell all kinds of feed stuff.

**E. E. WILLIAMSON** Phone 368

### Be Kind to Your Kidneys

Working every moment, day and night, filtering out the poisonous waste products from the blood—is it any wonder the kidneys get tired and unable to do their work?

Then trouble begins, and kidney troubles are serious. They do not get well without treatment. The tendency is always from bad to worse.

Be kind to your kidneys. Give them help by taking Ward's Kidney Pills, even if no kidney trouble is noticed, for it will benefit them, tone up and strengthen them. 50c per box at Ward's.

F. M. Coffee was arrested Sunday on a complaint charging him with burning the school house at Auto. He waived an examining trial Monday and was placed under a \$1000 bond to await the action of the grand jury.

Let Reagan figure with on your paint and paper bill. He saves you money.

## L. B. Westermann

### Contractor and Builder

When you get ready to build anything anywhere at any time let me make your estimates. My reputation for low cost, perfect construction and prompt completion of work has earned for me most of the contracts in this section of the country

I Build Anything of Any Sort of Material and it is ready for you on the time specified, too. Let me make your figures.... Call, telephone or write me

**L. B. WESTERMANN**  
Big Springs, Texas

A bill has been passed by the lower house of the Texas legislature making burglary of a private residence at night a capital felony. That's just the kind of law to handle such gentry. Every time one is caught he should be hung.

Can you tell me where I am going and who I am? Yes you are going to the social at Y. M. C. A. building on the 19th, and they will tell you who you are.

J. W. D. Ferminier of Coahoma was in town Wednesday.



# Farmers Educational Co-Operative Union of America

## THE FARMERS' BOY.

In Many Instances He Has a Mita-taken Idea of City Life.

The great trouble with country boys is that they are not aware of the circumstances under which the city boy is compelled to live and work if he has to earn his living by the sweat of his brow. The idea held up to the country boy is to go to town and get a nice, easy, soft snap, such as So-and-so has. How many of them do it? Not one in a thousand. Far more go there to find work in some close, stagnant mill, to sweat amid the fumes of steam or tobacco smoke, or perhaps in some iron mill or foundry, surrounded by the curses of their fellow men, toil out a weary day of eleven or thirteen hours and after the day is over go home—and to such a home! Up some little back street in a tenement built of brick and named a house more than likely our workman has his home, there to pass away the weary hours of the night amid the heat and stagnation of probably a filthy street only a few feet wide, hot, close and dirty. In any large city on some sultry night one may see the workmen and their families in these little narrow city streets, stretched about the steps and pavements in all conditions. These are not slums either, but fairly respectable neighborhoods.

To such a condition of life, many of our country boys have gone, and many more are today preparing to go. Fat pay and big pay envelopes! Not in these times. If our city laborer averages \$12 a week he is a lucky man. Tens of thousands get less rather than more. Country boy, before you make the change, in the name of that country you have been taught to hold in reverence, look and do not leap if you understand farming there are just as many chances on the land to be worked out as there are in the city.

This is a great country, and if you do not like the kind of farming you are working at there are many others. If you belong to a family that follows the grind, grind system of all work and no play, when you reach your majority and start for yourself follow out an easier system. Do not condemn country life just because you have been unfortunate enough to be brought up in the home of a man who knows nothing but grind. Do not overlook the fact that if such a man was your boss in the city he would grind your life away. Long, long before you were twenty-one years old you would be occupying some six feet of green turf, where at last you would not hear the dreaded call and curse of the boss.

Country life may not be and probably is not what many would like to color it; but, all things being equal, it is far preferable to city life. That is just where it comes in. City life is never compared with country life on an equal plane. Remember that if you must work in the country for a living you will have to work in the city for one, too, and if you possess the ability in yourself to rise above the ordinary workmen in the city that same ability will carve out a home for you in the country. Look before you leap, consider all things, and if you are sure you can better yourself in the city, go; if not, stay on the old farm.

### Facts Concerning Cost of Production.

That the average Oklahoma cotton planter makes a profit of nearly \$10 per acre on his cotton crop is shown by the statistical data in the biennial report of the Oklahoma state board of agriculture, which has just been placed in the hands of the printer. The figures on the cost of producing cotton are furnished by F. W. Gist, special agent of the United States Department of Agriculture, and published by special permission of Secretary Wilson. The figures on cotton production in detail are as follows: Cost of preparation of land per acre, \$1.40; cost of planting per acre, \$65; cost of cultivating, \$3.38; cost of picking, \$6.53; cost of ginning, etc., \$2.57; total cost per acre, \$13.25; receipts per acre for lint and seed, \$21.76; profit, \$8.51. From the profit is to be deducted the rental value of the land, which is shown to be \$3, \$5.40, or 50 cents per acre, according to whether cash rental or part of the crop is paid, 30 cents being the average rental paid on school lands. The average yield per acre is shown to be 484 pounds of seed cotton, the cost per pound, 1.15 cents, and the receipts per pound, 3.47 cents, giving an average profit of 1.32 cents per pound. The yield of lint from seed is shown to be 31.76 per cent.

### Build Up the Soil.

The manure product from a single cow, according to figures of the Department of Agriculture, ranged in value from \$26 to \$40 a year. The corresponding figures for horse manure are not presented, but it is presumed that the value would be equally great, if not greater, since horse manure is heating and if kept from being used has an additional value beyond its own fertility in causing bacterial fermentation and rotting of bedding and other waste material.

### CROP ROTATION.

Crop rotation, says the Royalton Banner, may be defined as a systematic succession of the three general classes of farm crops, namely, grain crops, grass crops and cultivated crops in such a way as to provide large yields of grain, pasture and forage needed on the farm at the least expense of labor and fertility.

Rotation systems must be adapted to each farm or class of farms and to the particular condition of each farm. With a knowledge of what it is desired to accomplish by rotation, namely, an improvement in the condition of the soil and a corresponding increase in the net income per acre it is easily possible, knowing the character of the farm, the climate, the line of farming desired and the tastes of the farmer to plan a systematic rotation for that farm which will give the desired result. The essentials of a good rotation are that the net yields in money value per acre be maintained or increased that the land be kept in good physical condition, and free from weeds. Grass crops must be grown on barnyard manure applied, or both, to keep up the supply of vegetable matter. A cultivated crop occasionally and good tillage are necessary to kill out weeds and help put the soil in good tith. These things are naturally brought about by alternating the three classes of crops—that is, one or more grass crops should appear on each field every four to eight years.

### Corn or other cultivated crops and manure should appear one or more years in the time grain may be grown.

### Easy to Raise Tomato Plants.

It is only by raising your own plants from seed that you are always absolutely sure of the variety you will have. In case you buy your plants, you cannot always depend upon the reliability of the person from whom you buy, and you may not get the variety of tomatoes you desire.

It is not difficult to raise plants from seed. Anyone who has had experience with house plants can grow good tomato plants. A sufficient number for any ordinary garden can be started by sowing seed in a shallow box, or a large flower pot containing good, rich soil, putting the seed about one-quarter inch deep. Place the box or pot in a sunny window in the house. Care should be taken that the soil does not become too dry, but not water enough to make the soil soggy. When the plants are about an inch high, there is a constant tendency for the tops to turn towards the sun. It is therefore well to turn the box occasionally to insure good, straight-grown plants.

### Small Farming That Pays.

Ranch days are drawing to a close everywhere east of the Missouri and are numbered between the Missouri and the Rock Mountains. Many a man found failure in the section farm and success on 80 acres. Towards smaller farms is the trend of today's farming, and as the years roll on and the people flock in, the farms will become smaller and smaller, the people more contented and the wealth more equally distributed.

There are many ways of making the small farm profitable today. As a person has a fancy, so may he almost choose his work. If he likes dairying, he can succeed on the small farm with good dairy cows. If he likes fruit growing, he can find localities where much can usually be secured from few acres. The grain raiser has learned that fewer acres better cultivated bring in greater net profits than a large acreage half-farmed and abused. There never were better chances for the small farm.

### Rice Growing is Profitable.

Rice (threshing has been going on in Texas for the last two months and is now practically finished. The crop is confined to the upper gulf coast region, and is comparatively a new industry. It is conservatively estimated that the rice yield in Texas this year is approximately 2,000,000 sacks. Each sack contains four bushels. The price per sack early in the season was \$2.75, but it has since dropped to \$3.25. The United States production of rice last year was insufficient to meet the home demand, and 1,500,000 sacks had to be imported. It is said that the average cost of production is a little more than \$1 a sack. This leaves a nice margin of profit ranging from \$40 to \$60 per acre for the planter.

The timber supply of the United States is fast fading away. Every working day sees the cutting of 100,000 acres of our forests, perhaps 30,000,000 acres per year, and we have less than 700,000,000 acres in all. The future timber supply, particularly hard wood timber, will be the one greatest economic problem of the next generation will be called upon to solve.

### Poultry Pointers.

One gobble to ten turkey hens is enough. Do not keep too many. Keeping the houses perfectly clean and cheery, so that good health may be maintained and that lice may be discouraged in making their headquarters about the premises. If you commence to pick the feathers immediately after killing the bird, you will find that they will pull many times easier than they do if you leave them even for a little while.

### ONE KIDNEY GONE

But Cured After Doctors Said There Was No Hope.

Sylvanus O. Verrill, Milford, Me., says: "Five years ago a bad injury paralyzed me and affected my kidneys. My back hurt me terribly, and the urine was badly disordered. Doctors said my right kidney was practically dead. They said I could never walk again. I read of Doan's Kidney Pills and began using them. One box made me stronger and freer from pain. I kept on using them and in three months was able to get out on crutches, and the kidneys were acting better. I improved rapidly, discarded the crutches and to the wonder of my friends was soon completely cured."

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### FROM A RECENT NOVEL.



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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 to 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." Foster Drug & Chem. Corp., Sole Props., Boston.

### Helping Him On.

The Gallant—May I kiss the tips of your little white fingers?

The Debutante—Of course, silly! But mind you don't rub any of the rouge off my lips.

### Deafness Cannot Be Cured

by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by restoring the inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a running sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and the tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever. Nothing can be done for deafness caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surface.

### Well, Do They?

"Papa." "Yes, Willie." "Papa, when the cannibals eat a man do they save his Adam's apple for dessert?"

### 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 *Dr. J. C. Watson* In Use For Over 30 Years.

### The Kind You Have Always Bought.

A good son is a good brother, good husband, good father, good kinsman, good friend, good neighbor and good citizen.—Chinese proverb.

### Don't It Jer You?

To have a cough that you can't leave off—even when you go to bed? Put it away for good by using Simon's Cough Syrup. It heals inflammation of the throat and lungs—gives you rest and peaceful sleep.

### On the spot where the first white settlers of Seattle first set foot, Alki Point, has been built the South Alki Congregational church.

Try Murine Eye Remedy For Red, Weak, Watery Eyes. Compounded by Experienced Physicians. Conforms to the Pure Food and Drug Law. Murine Doesn't Smart. Soothes Eye Pain. Try Murine for Your Eyes.

Occasionally a woman goes to church for the purpose of ascertaining how many of her neighbors don't.

### FILES CURED IN 6 TO 14 DAYS.

PAIN DISEASES 14 guaranteed to cure any case of itching, blind, bleeding or protruding Piles in 14 to 21 days.

One poor turn deserves another—from the organ grinder's viewpoint.

Mrs. Winch's Soothing Syrup. For children teething, soothes the gums, reduces inflammation, always cures wind colic. See a bottle.

You can not learn to be a dramatic critic by reading the Acts.

### MIX FOR RHEUMATISM

The following is a never-failing recipe for rheumatism. To one-half pint of good whiskey add one ounce syrup sarsaparilla and one ounce Tetter's compound, which can be procured of any druggist. Take in teaspoonful doses before each meal and before retiring.

### Indian Philosophy.

Quannah Parker, a Comanche chief, recently visited an Ice plant in an Oklahoma town. He was much interested in everything pertaining to the plant. After he had been shown throughout the building, he remarked: "White man smart. White man heap smart. White man smarter than God. God make ice in winter; white man make ice in summer."—Jud.

### It Will Stay There

"In my family medicine chest no remedy is permitted to remain unless it proves beyond a doubt 'he beat to be obtained for its particular purpose. For treating all manner of skin troubles, such as Eczema, Tetter, Ringworm, etc., Hunt's Cure has held its place for many years. I have failed to find a surer remedy. It cures itching instantly." R. M. SWANN, Franklin, La.

### His Pleasant Visit.

"Why are you whipping that child so?" asked a man of a German who was belaboring a boy of ten. "That's none of your business," replied the German. "Besides, I have a right to whip him. He is my sister's child, who is here for his pleasure."

### Catarrh and Headache

Mrs. Z. E. Goforth, 2119 Holly Street, Kansas City, writes: "After using a simple bottle and two 25c bottles of Hunt's Lightning Oil, I am almost well of Catarrh. It stops my headache. It is the best medicine I ever saw, and I just can't keep house without it." She is right.

### Clear Deduction.

"The private detective who was shadowing the great financier hit upon a certain way of making him show his hand."

### "What did he do?"

"He disguised himself as a manicurist."—Baltimore American.

### Every Woman Will Be Interested.

If you have pains in the back, Urinary, Bladder or Kidney trouble, and want a certain, pleasant herb cure for women's ills, try Mother Gray's AUSTRALIAN LEMF. It is a safe and never-failing regulator. At all Druggists or by mail \$1.00. Sample package FREE. Address, The Mother Gray Co., Le Roy, N. Y.

### Removing a Blot.

"Mister," inquired the tramp, "would you please contribute a dollar to help beautify your town?" "What's the idea?" "For a dollar I'll move on to the next town."

### 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. 25, 50 and 60c at Drug Stores.

### The chronic borrower depends for spending money on his friends, and says:

"Why if they didn't lend it, the chumps would only go and spend it."

### A good honest remedy for Rheumatism, Neuralgia and Sore Throat is Hamlin's Wizard Oil. Nothing will so quickly drive out all pain and inflammation.

### You can judge a man better by the company he keeps than you can by the relatives of his wife that he has to keep.

### The Herb laxative, Garfield Tea, aids Nature in maintaining the general well-being of the body; it corrects constipation, purifies the blood, brings health.

### The first time a girl is engaged she imagines that she is as important as the heroine in a novel.

### For Coughs, Asthma and Lung Troubles, use "Brown's Bronchial Troches."

centa a box. Samples sent free by John I. Brown & Son, Boston, Mass.

### ONLY ONE "BROMO QUININE" THAT IS LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE.

Look for the signature of E. W. GROVE. Used the World over to Cure a Cold in One Day.

### Even a wise man occasionally has time for the silly chatter of a pretty girl.

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### SALZER SEED CO., Box W, La Crosse, Wis.

## Why Suffer?

Are you one of the thousands of women who suffer from female ailments? If so, don't be discouraged, go to your druggist and get a bottle of Wine of Cardui. On the wrapper are full directions for use.

During the last half century, Cardui has been established in thousands of homes, as a safe remedy for pain which only women endure. It is reliable, contains no harmful ingredients and can be depended on in almost any case.

# Take CARDUI

## It Will Help You

Mrs. Charles Bragg, of Sweetser, Ind., tried Cardui. She writes: "Tongue cannot tell how much Cardui has done for me. Before I began taking Cardui I could not do a day's work. I would work awhile and lie down. I shall always give praise to your medicine." Try Cardui.

**AT ALL DRUG STORES**

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**CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS.** Positively cured by these Little Pills. They also relieve Dizziness, Indigestion and Too Hearty Eating. A perfect remedy for Bile, Nausea, Drowsiness, Bad Taste in the Mouth, Coated Tongue, Pain in the Side, TORPID LIVER. They regulate the Bowels. Purely Vegetable.

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Prof. Munyon has just issued a Magazine, Almanac, which will be sent free to any person who addresses The Munyon Company, Philadelphia.

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Look for the spear. The flavor lasts.

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Color more bright and faster colors than any other dye. One 10c package colors all fibers. They dye in cold water better than any other dye. You can dye and guarantee without ripping apart. Write for free booklet—How to Dye, Bleach and Mix Colors. **MORROE DRUG CO., Quincy, Illinois.**

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You will find a beautiful assortment of new SILKS, BELTS, COLLARS, EMBROIDERIES, LACES, etc. Come in and make your selections before our stock is broken. We will take great pleasure in showing you the prettiest collection of novelties that was ever brought to Big Springs, Texas

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### Bible Class Organized.

A Bible class was organized at the Y. M. C. A. hall Tuesday night with ten members. E. S. Bledsoe, pastor of the Christian church, was elected teacher. All men who want to know more about the teachings of the Bible are invited to join this class which meets Tuesday night.

J. O. Gibson, the tailor, in the front basement of the Ward building, makes a specialty of cleaning and pressing clothing.

Both the district and county courts convene here Monday and everybody about the court house has been busy getting ready for them. A force of men are at work putting the new furniture up and when it is all put in place Howard county will have one of the best furnished and most convenient Temples of Justice to be found in West Texas.

### Cattle Sales

E. B. Gillian sold G. Franks, of Council Grove, Kansas, 160 three-year-old steers at \$30 per head.

G. L. Brown and D. W. Christian sold Dan McCuningham 500 cows at private terms this week. They are to be delivered in April and will be shipped to Kansas.

If you want one of those beautiful lots at Carlsbad, New Mexico while they are cheap, see Miss Ezzell at the Enterprise office for price and terms.

We notice that some of our East Texas exchanges are advising the farmers not to mortgage their crops as they may want to hold their cotton for a better price next fall. Good advice. Don't tie your stuff up with mortgages and you can do as you please with it.

### Y. M. C. A. Lyceum Course.

Mr. Hal Merton will appear Monday night, February 15th, as the fifth number on the Y. M. C. A. Lyceum Course. To those desiring a popular entertainment of the highest class; a strong attraction that will please in every sense of the word, one in which skill and humor, together with refinement are pre-eminent, we take pleasure in presenting an original Medley of Mysteries by Hal Merton, magician, ventriloquist and entertainer, whose superb and marvelous feats in the art of deception have never failed to charm and fascinate his audience. A most attractive feature of the entertainment is the flow of humorous remarks accompanying each experiment. He may well be termed a popular conjurer, for he is just serious enough for the thoughtful, humorous enough for the laughter-loving, refined enough for the fashionable, and mysterious enough to please old and young alike.

Single admission will be fifty cents.

Reserve seats at Ward's Drug Store Monday.

For anything in men's wear call and see our stock. We have the goods. A. P. McDonald & Co.

Mrs. Flora Penix, Grand Eather O. E. S. of Texas, paid Lamesa Chapter an official visit at their regular meeting Thursday night. The beautiful work of the order was exemplified in a very creditable manner after which lovely refreshments were served. The Grand officer being presented with a cut glass bon bon dish in behalf of the Chapter. At a late hour all departed for their homes after spending a very delightful evening.—Dawson County News.

### SEE

J. D. McDonald for new and second hand goods, and a guaranteed high-grade sewing machine for one-half what others get for them. Phone 414.

Mr. and Mrs. Coburg left last night for Big Springs, their future home. Mr. Coburg is running out of Big Springs on the T. & P. west, and that location suits them best. B. B. Cauble left last night for his home at Big Springs. Mr. Cauble has been in a local sanitarium for a broken limb sustained while loading cattle.—Taylor county News.

Sweet, Orr & Co.'s overalls, work pants, dress pants and shirts are now sold by A. P. McDonald & Co., opposite postoffice.

The Baird Star says: "Nearly every town along the T. & P. is having a new depot built except Baird." Include Big Springs in the exception and say that it has the shabbiest depot of any town along the T. & P.

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

G. W. Cornell and son of Lake Village, Arkansas, who were on their way to California, stopped off here a couple of days and bought 320 acres of land from A. H. Cressett of Dawson county. Mr. Cornell will make his home on the land.

### Orphans For Texas.

We have received the following letter from the Sisters of Charity Foundling Home in New York City:

Dear Respected Editor:—In the name of our fatherless little ones, we appeal to your charitable heart to inform the members of your community through the columns of your paper that we now have 1700 bright, healthy children, between the ages of two and four years, for whom we desire to find homes in Texas.

Those who open their doors and take one of these darlings to their hearts will never regret it, as we know by experience that God fills such homes with material blessings, as well as happiness, to say nothing of the eternal reward which is promised to "he that shall receive one such little one in my name". (Matthew XVIII-5).

Children will be sent neatly dressed to their new homes, free of expense, and will be taken back at any time up to the age of fifteen, if found unsatisfactory.

As a party of children will leave for Texas early in March, it is desirable that parties willing to take one should make application at once to their pastor, or by mail to Joseph C. Butler, post-office, Houston, Texas.

Sisters of Charity.

Ladies' misses' and children's Oxfords. New stock at A. P. McDonald & Co.'s, opposite post-office.

Mrs. H. V. Fowler left Tuesday for a two weeks visit at Big Springs.—Carbon News

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T. M. Lightfoot, real estate dealer, living in the southeastern part of Big Springs, Tex., says: "I do not see why anyone should suffer with backache and kidney trouble when Doan's Kidney Pills will cure them. They relieved me of a sharp shooting pain in the small of the back which would come on me after sitting for any length of time when I started to get up or stoop over. They also corrected the kidney secretions, which were far too frequent in their action. I believe Doan's Kidney Pills to be the best kidney medicine I ever used and shall always recommend them as such."

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