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News From the Capitol.

The house killed the bill exempting cotton factories from state tax for a period of years after a lively debate, in which all agreed that Texas needs factories. The discussion was interesting and strong arguments for and against state aid in industrial enterprises were set forth.

News from Washington indicates that congress will not likely pass an enabling act at this session and of course congressional districts cannot be formed until the basis of representation is fixed by congress.

The house has passed the adjournment proposition up to the senate and the upper house must take the responsibility of keeping the legislature in session after March 11th.

The governor sent three vetoes to the house last week; the daylight closing bill, the wolf bounty bill and the bill providing for paying the traveling expenses of county judges.

The Katy-Texas Central merger was withdrawn by its friends and the crowd of westerners who have been pushing the bill have departed for their homes. This is the last of the railroad consolidation bills now before the legislature.

The congressional district bill introduced in the house throws six congressmen into three districts. A number of congressmen are in the capitol looking after their interest and trying to locate themselves in the new arrangement.

The senate adopted resolutions of respect upon the death of General Cassel, and many members of that body attended the funeral of the noted general.

The university tax bill has passed authorizing a levy of 4 cents which shall be divided between the university and the A. & M. college, the former getting 2.45 and the latter the remainder. This levy will raise approximately \$800,000 per annum.

It now seems impossible to pass the appropriation bill and adjourn March 11th. We must either have a prolonged session of an extra session.

Moore Items.

Rev. Wooster filed his appointment at this place Sunday afternoon.

Mr. D. W. Smith, of Lawton, Oklahoma, was visiting his brother, S. W. Smith, the broom-maker, last week.

Several of the young people of Moore attended the singing convention held at Elbow Saturday and Sunday. They report a nice time. The next convention will be held at Center Point school house.

There was singing at Mr. A. K. Merrick's home Sunday evening.

Prof. Cook was sick the first of this week and his wife taught in his stead.

Rowland Bros., delivered a large order of brooms Wednesday.

Owing to the beautiful weather planting is the order of the day with farmers.

Farms for Rent

I have three farms to rent. Land as good as there is in West Texas; good houses, plenty of water and wood. Each farm conveniently located. See me at once if you want to rent.

Z. R. STEPHENS.

J. H. Wilcox for dressed poultry.

STAG PARTY.

Good Attendance and Much Enthusiasm.

The stag party and get together banquet given under the auspices of the commercial club at the Cole hotel last night was well attended, there being about seventy-five representative business men of the town present. At 8:45 the doors of the spacious dining room were thrown open and the guests were soon seated at three long tables filled with good things to eat, and the way they disappeared was sufficient evidence of the appetites of the diners.

After the first round of the repeat was disposed of the program of the evening was taken up. Geo. H. Sparenberg was master of ceremonies. The first speaker was Wm. Fisher, whose subject was "Railroads." He said he wanted more railroads, in fact was a railroad man.

E. S. Bledsoe was the next speaker, his subject being "Loyalty to the Town," and he handled the subject in an able manner, giving many good thoughts that are worth remembering.

The next speaker was B. Reagan who told about what other towns are doing and some things that Big Springs might do if the people will only be as a unit and pull together in a strong effort to accomplish good for our town.

Fox Stripling made a short but interesting talk about matters that are of vital interest to any growing town and that wants to keep growing. Every citizen of this town wants it to keep growing.

Mr. O'hara, of Soash, being present, was called upon and responded by saying that they are doing things at Soash and expect to keep the good work going.

C. L. Alderman, R. L. Slaughter, James E. Morris, G. D. Lee and Rev. J. W. Bates also made interesting talks.

This concluded the regular program, after which there was some short talks by several of the guests that were not on the program, and some ideas were brought out that will be well for our people to act upon.

Taken altogether it was one of the most enthusiastic gatherings that has been held in our city in some time and it is hoped that much good will result from it.

An opportunity was given to all who wished to become members of the commercial club and 60 names were enrolled in a very short time.

A Nice Present

Do you want a three-sheet wall map, containing the 1910 census of Texas by counties, towns and villages, with portraits of all the governors? One sheet contains a map of the United States and possessions with portraits of the presidents. The other sheet contains a map of the world, portraits of all the rulers of the world and flags of all nations. If you want one of these fine maps free of cost call at this office and we will tell you how to get it.

THE SWINE OR THE FLOWER?
Ah me! I saw a huge and loathsome sty,
Whence a drove of wallowing swine
were barred,
Whose banquet shocked the nostril and the eye;
Then spoke a voice, "Behold the source
of lard!"
I fled, and saw a field that seemed at first
One glistening mass of roses pure and
white,
With dewy buds 'mid dark green foliage
nursed;
And, as I lingered o'er the lovely sight,
The summer breeze, that cooled that
Southern scene,
Whispered, "Behold the source of
COTTOLINE!"

Mrs. H. Clay Read has been quite sick this week from an attack of lagrip.

D. C. Everley Dead.

D. C. Everley, who went to Fort Worth Monday night for medical treatment, died there early yesterday morning. He had been suffering for some time with an affliction of the head and he went to Fort Worth and underwent a surgical operation Tuesday and was thought to be getting along all right for awhile. Mr. Everley came to Big Springs more than twenty-five years ago and has been in the employ of the T. & P. railroad as a locomotive engineer since coming here and by his faithful service and fidelity to his trusts earned the good will and esteem of not only the railroad company but of all who knew him, and his friends will regret to learn of his death.

He was a native of Ohio but had lived in Texas some years before coming to Big Springs. He was a civil war veteran and a member of the local lodge of B. of L. E. Mr. Everley was considered by those who enjoyed his friendship as one of our best citizens and was possessed of some valuable property.

He leaves a wife and two daughters, Mrs. Walter Deats, of Fort Worth, and Mrs. C. W. Jones, of Colorado, besides other relatives to mourn his loss.

The remains reached here this morning and will be laid to rest in Mount Olive cemetery tomorrow afternoon under the auspices of the Masonic fraternity.

Roosevelt to Speak Here.

Geo. H. Sparenberg received word from Hon. Cecil A. Lyon this morning informing him that Col. Theodore Roosevelt, who is to pass through here on the 14th on his way west, will make a short address from the rear platform of the train upon its arrival here at 6:45 p. m., on the above date. Supt. Ward says there will be no movement of trains in the yards during the speaking so that all may hear what is said. Should the train for any cause arrive later than the schedule, arrangements will be put up at the proper place in order that all may see as well as hear the distinguished gentleman.

The man who does is the man who has a fat bank account.

Toilet soap, 10c a cake or 3 cakes for 25c at Biles & Gentry's.

A Mexican child died Wednesday night in the Mexican village north of the railroad shops.

New local view postals—Reagan's.

Dr. Lusk of Toyah is here on a visit to his brother Oscar Lusk.

Reagan wants to supply your drug store wants.

H. L. Rix made a business trip to Dallas this week and while there purchased a new hearse for his firm.

Reagan's Cold Cure, cures—25 cents per box.

G. L. Brown attended the meeting of the Panhandle Livestock Association at Dalhart this week.

If you want money on land see Debenport & Webb.

J. & W. Fisher expect to open their new store in Sweetwater next week with Bernard Fisher as manager.

Try the sarsaparilla that is satisfactory. Reagan's.

Frank Pool's new barn is an ornament to his already pretty in the south part of town.

Onion planting time. Get your sets from Pool Bros.

Look out for J. H. Wilcox and his white mule and get some dressed poultry.

Coahoma News.

The Coahoma commercial club is probably only hibernating.

Dr. A. B. Leach attended district court at Abilene this week.

C. C. Saunders lost twenty head of cows during the recent cold snap.

Elder Downs, a primitive Baptist minister, preached here Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Noble Read are visiting in Big Springs and vicinity this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam McIntosh of Luther, visited relatives near R— Sunday.

W. W. Cook, a skilled mechanic of the T. & P., spent Sunday on his farm three miles north of here.

A. L. Echols and wife have recently returned from a prospecting trip south.

E. B. Gamel, has closed out his mercantile business here and returned to his farm near Vincent.

A large delegation left here Sunday morning to attend district court at Abilene which convened Monday.

J. F. Hollis and family of R— attended services at the primitive Baptist church Sunday at Coahoma.

P. L. Fletcher the hustling manager of the Coahoma telephone company was in Big Springs last week on business for the company.

Mrs. M. C. McIntosh who has spent several several months visiting her son, Sam, and daughter, Mrs. Lela Yell, has returned to her home in Dallas.

W. B. Hood has sold his real estate and insurance business to J. S. McCright and will locate in Roswell, N. M., where he will engage in other business.

Jimmie Hester, a popular employe of the T. & P., who is enjoying a temporary lay off, spent several days here last week with friend.

B. G. Bly and family came in Sunday from Roscoe where they have been on an extended visit with friends and relatives.

Last Friday evening Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Yell delightfully entertained the young folks of their neighborhood at their hospitable home near R—. It was pronounced a very enjoyable affair.

Rev. J. T. Trice preached Sunday at 11 o'clock at the R— Methodist church to a fine congregation. In the afternoon a well attended and interesting song service was conducted by John Smith.

J. M. Winston of Marshall spent several days here last week looking after his real estate interests and incidentally attending district court at Big Springs and Abilene.

Jno. R. Pucket, post master general and ex-chief justice of the peace of Coahoma, chaperoned the crowd from this end of the to Abilene Sunday to attend court.

Deputy Sheriff Haggard subpoenaed a number of new witnesses in the cases of the State vs. Shandra Johnson and Clayton Black, who is now on trial at Abilene, and they left Tuesday for that place.

Everything is lovely and the goose "honks high" down on the farm and the prospect for early greens were never better at this time of the year.

By the time the United States Senate succeeds in providing a permanent resting place for the

remains of John Paul Jones, we will have forgotten that we ever had a drouth out here in West Texas. But, greens or no greens, it is going to cost the American people \$75,000 to finally dispose of the ashes of the distinguished fighter.

District Court.

The following cases have been disposed of in District court.

Meyers and Summers vs. Mm. M. Duncan et al., suit to perfect title to 92 sections of land located in Howard, Martin, Midland, Glasscock, Mitchell counties, judgment by default in favor of plaintiff.

L. R. Taylor vs. J. W. Clark et al., involving title to 2 sections of land in Borden county; trial by jury and verdict in favor of defendants.

Dean Johnson vs. S. B. Johnson, suit for divorce was called for trial Thursday of last week and the court has not made known his decision.

Court adjourned Friday until to-day on account of some of the jurors leaving to attend court at Abilene. There will be one week of court after this and it thought most of the business of the court will be disposed of.

The grand jury met again Wednesday.

Hess' Instant Louse Killer is guaranteed to do the work. Sold by Biles & Gentry.

The fact that your advertisement appears continuously in a reputable newspaper stimulates public confidence. Your shop advances step by step in the estimation of thousands of people who may be months getting round to make their first purchase.

Window glass, all sizes, at Reagan's.

W. E. Chaney of Garden City was here yesterday on his way to Fort Worth to attend the fat stock show and exhibit a pig he had with him. The pig weighs 1001 pounds and is of the Poland China breed and was raised by Mrs. Chaney. West Texas grows hogs as well as many other things and the hogs equal those grown anywhere.

Hosiery that are positively guaranteed cost no more than others, and you always get your money's worth at A. P. McDonald & Company's.

Contractor Rushing is rushing Mr. Lusk's beautiful bungalow on scurry street.

If it's a pair of trousers that fit and hold their shape and color, the Sweet, Orr & Co.'s are the ones. Sold by A. P. McDonald & Co.

R. L. Permitter and Oscar Lusk have rented the Lawson farm seven miles north of town and put in a large crop of cotton.

Men, we have the neck ties to suit all. Four-in-hands from 25 cents to 75 cents in all colors. A. P. McDonald & Co.

C. W. Sink came in Sunday from Iowa. He owns 160 acres of land 7 miles west of Soash in Dawson county and will improve at once.

We have one the best selected stocks of oxfords, strap slippers and pumps ever handled in Big Springs. See our stock. A. P. McDonald & Co.

R. B. Canon visited Soash and Sparenberg Tuesday.

The sanitary fountain—Reagan's.

A. G. Troop has been sick for two weeks but is up.

Phone 284-green and ask J. H. Wilcox for dressed poultry.

R. T. Coffee, of Lorraine, was here Saturday.

Reagan has flower seeds.

Notes by Commercial Secretaries.

The factory takes the products of the farms and mines and by changing, either their form or appearance adds to the article, the factory therefore, increases wealth. Build factories and add value to our property.

The proper attention and cultivation of the soil, seed breeding, selection, etc., affords an immense field for agricultural advancement in Texas. Our State Agricultural Department is one of the most efficient and practical in its management of any state in the Union and our Agricultural and Mechanical college is well patronized.

The purpose of a commercial club is to promote the prosperity of a community, and no city or town is up-to-date unless it can boast a live commercial club.

The public free schools of Texas are on a higher plane of efficiency and are enjoying an era of greater prosperity than ever before in their history. The extension and improvement of our rural schools during the past few years is an important step made by our educational system and reflects great credit on the people of this state. The scholastic population of the state on Aug. 31, 1908 was 893,441 and for the scholastic year ending August 31, 1910, was 948,006, making an increase of 55,565, during the past two years.

The construction of good roads will go along ways towards solving the problem of keeping the young men on the farm which is a question that is receiving much attention at this time. It is not hard work that drives the young people from the farm to the city nor is it the allurements of the city that entices them away from the old home down on the farm so much as it is the isolation of farm life that discourages the boy in the rural districts. The building of good roads, besides checking this exodus from the farm to the city will add thousands of dollars to the value of contiguous property and will give quick returns for the money invested.

Popular interest in road building has reached the acute stage in Texas and all sections of the state are vying with each other in the matter of building good roads. Too much credit cannot be given to the commercial clubs of the state for the zeal and intelligence with which they are now grappling with the roadway problem and many clubs are making the good roads departments of their organization the main feature of their work.

Those who feel that swine are not progressive should read the nice things Uncle Sam has to say about the Texas hog in the Federal Agricultural Department Census Report dated February 1, 1911. The reports show that in 1870 Texas stood next to the bottom of the list of states in the value of hogs per head while in 1911 we leave all Southern States behind us and we also excel all states in the Union except three in the per cent of increase in value of hogs per head during that period. In 1870 our hogs were valued by the Federal Agricultural Department at \$2.87 per head and in 1911 at \$7.70 making an increase 373 per cent in value which is a record on hogs that few states in the Union can equal. No other domestic animal can approach the hog in the ratio of increase in value and none can excel him as a revenue producer. The hog enjoys the distinction of being the only animal that can swell a bank account by emptying a swill barrel.

There can be no doubt that the hen deserves all the fame she has received, and all the good newspaper space that is allotted her.

So impressed was the grand jury the other day by the evidence presented as to the evil caused by pistol carrying among the rougher element of the city that it made a special report to Judge Witt urging that the habit be broken up without delay.

They seem to be having fun with the London police. The recent exploit, involving a pitched battle with two alleged anarchist criminals, subjected the "force" to a great deal of more or less caustic criticism.

The National assembly of China has been dissolved after a rather stormy session, during which it came into frequent clashing with the imperial government.

The Kaiser is to be complimented upon the ability of the German navy to raise its submarines when they sink before the crew is suffocated.

Small diamonds are going up in price. This is bad news for the engaged girls of the season, and may strike a note of discord in the harmony of many loving hearts.

Platinum wedding rings are said to be coming into use. Some day there will be celebrations of "platinum weddings," and they will be more or less expensive.

The Baltimore man who recently paid \$125 for a half-dozen eggs undoubtedly took pains to look out for the icy places on the sidewalk while he was carrying them home.

An Atlantic City woman kissed a policeman who restored to her a diamond which she had lost.

AMERICAN TROOPS TO MEXICAN BORDER

HURRY ORDERS ARE SENT TO GULF DEPARTMENT.

ARTILLERY SENT POST HASTE

Twelve Companies to Proceed to Galveston—No Explanation for Movement.

Atlanta, Ga., March 7.—Orders were received from the War Department by Gen. A. L. Mills, commanding the Department of the Gulf, with headquarters in Atlanta.

The orders also authorized the mobilization of a provisional regiment to be made up of twelve companies of Coast Artillery, which will proceed to Galveston, Texas.

San Francisco: Two regiments of infantry—the Thirtieth from Presidio here, under Col. Chubb and the Eighth from Monterey, commanded by Col. Mason—have been ordered to the Mexican border.

TEXAS VITAL STATISTICS

The Stork Nearly Doubles on Grim Reaper.

Austin: The following report of the vital statistics of Texas for January has been prepared:

Birth—Grand total 4,450. Alive: White 3,999, colored 362, Stillborn; White 80, colored 9. Females, White, 1,893, colored 170. No sex given: White 19, colored 8. Twins, thirty-three sets: Males 12, females 13, male and female 8, white 32, colored 1.

Leading Causes of Death—Tuberculosis 281, pneumonia 272, diseases of infancy 176, organic heart diseases 121, diseases of old age 105, typhoid fever 52, cerebral hemorrhage 49, broncho-pneumonia 47, paralysis 44, diphtheria and enteritis under 2 years 43, Bright's disease 42, acute nephritis 40, diphtheria 36, bronchitis 32, homicide 30, suicide 22, pellagra 11.

There were four who had passed the century mark, and a score over 90.

Celeste Suffers \$75,000 Fire Loss.

Celeste: Starting in a restaurant, fire swept through six brick office and store buildings here Monday morning. The loss is estimated at \$75,000. Losses were obtained by the State Bank of Celeste and the Courier newspaper office, Steve Green, R. H. Stevens, P. B. Cochran, Stephens and Norris, Patterson Brothers, J. C. Thompson Burt Porter, Meard and Hickman, Lewis Brothers, Dyer Brothers, G. D. Henslee and S. A. Thomas.

The Peach Outlook Hopeful.

Dallas: Following the recent freeze, H. B. Kooser, general manager of the American Refrigerator Transit Company, sent a box of peach blossoms and buds received from Tyles to Prof. J. C. Whitten, head of the department of horticulture, University of Missouri, for examination. His analysis is encouraging and shows that the East Texas crop is safe so far.

Smothered in a Corn Bin.

Sherman: Alvin Grindstaff, 36 years of age, employed at the Pittman-Harrison Grain Company's plant on East Jones street in the capacity of a sack sewer, died Monday in the corn bin at that plant as the result of being smothered when he sank in the corn near the suction from which the grain was passing out of the bin.

After Two Years Marfa Votes Pro.

Marfa: Local option election held here Monday was one of the most hotly contested elections ever held in Marfa. Results: For prohibition 133, against prohibition 104; majority 29. In the election held two years ago the town went dry by only seven majority.

Nacogdoches County Sawmill Burns.

Nacogdoches: Fire Monday morning partly destroyed Sauer, Whiteman company's saw mill at Caro, twelve miles north, entailing a loss of more than \$100,000. The planer commissary and a portion of the lumber stock were saved. It was one of the finest and largest mills in Texas.

The second strike of the United Express Company's drivers and helpers in New York within a year, called unexpectedly Friday morning, was settled in the afternoon in time for the 1,000 strikers in New York and in Jersey City to earn a portion of their day's pay.

When E. A. Menard, proprietor of the New Murphy Hotel, Taylor, was opening a can of disinfectant for use about the premises a quantity of the poison spurted into his eyes, inflicting serious if not permanent injury.

NEWS FROM OVER TEXAS

The City Council of Snyder recently sold \$44,000 of city waterworks and sewerage bonds at par and accrued interest and a contract was closed with a Houston company to put in a complete system of waterworks and sewerage.

The result of an election held Feb. 25 on the proposition for Cröwell Independent School District to issue bonds for \$20,000 shows 126 votes for the bonds and 5 votes against.

Marion County has purchased mules and machinery to build public roads with. This county will not issue bonds for this purpose as it has the cash for making better roads all over the county.

The new opera house and Woodmen of the World Hall at Cleburne is to have three stories and a basement and is to cost \$50,000. The architects are to have in their plans by March 20.

Rev. Joseph B. Sears, presiding elder of Texarkana district of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, died Monday morning.

Mrs. B. F. Payne, aged sixteen years, was fatally burned at her home in Greenville as the result of a lamp explosion.

W. S. T. Powell, a Texas & Pacific train dispatcher, was shot and killed at Marshall early Sunday morning by a constable, who believed Powell to be a negro, as he knocked at the door at 1:45 o'clock.

Positive assurance is given by P. B. Hansen, manager of the Johns-Manville Company, for Dallas and the Southwest, that the six-story building spoken of some months ago, will be erected. Mr. Hansen stated that definite plans would be prepared by the first of May.

The Kansas City, Mexico & Orient Railway completed the tracklaying to the depot at Mentzon Saturday and at noon the workmen were tendered a dinner at the park, consisting of barbecued West Texas beef and lots of cake and pies furnished by the ladies of the town.

Charles Williams, a white man, aged 83 years, was found dead hanging to a rafter in his barn, three miles south-west of Texarkana Sunday morning. He lived alone, operating a small market garden.

W. J. B. Patterson of Austin, for several years a banker in San Antonio, aged 68, was found dead in the bathtub at his boarding house at an early Sunday morning.

The Cisco Milling Co.'s plant was destroyed by fire Sunday morning. The loss is estimated to be \$13,000; insurance \$8000.

For the purpose of reorganizing the Texas Association of Elks a meeting of Elks will be held in Waco Saturday.

W. H. Becker, residing at Houston, aged about 27 years, was taken to the Houston Infirmary with a bullet wound through his head, which was inflicted with a 45-calibre revolver. Grady Dickey, a brother-in-law of the wounded man, was arrested shortly after the shooting.

The first San Angelo annual Fat Stock Show, which opened Friday, closed Saturday. Promoter Jack Pollock announces that the show will be an annual event.

The Australian swimmer, Longworth, at Sydney, N. S. W., Sunday, covered 121 yards in one minute and five seconds, a new world's record.

James Watterson of Austin has been awarded the contract for the erection of a \$3,093 power house for the city of Georgetown. The building will go up at once.

After a eight days' search, the body of L. S. Faucher, drowned Saturday, Feb. 18, in a fifteen-foot rise in the Concho, near San Angelo, was found in a drift two miles below the place where the man disappeared.

Menard, the county seat of Menard County, had a celebration and was put on the railway map last Saturday. The Frisco extension from Brady has reached that town and the result was a big blow out Saturday consisting of an old-fashioned barbecue and dance at night. Several excursion trains brought in several thousand people.

Winfield has voted to build an \$8000 school house to replace one burned some time ago.

Ore City is a new town being promoted on the new Port Bolivar Railway.

More than 6000 head of farm animals have been entered for competition at the National Feeders and Breeders Show at Fort Worth, March 13 to 18. This is by far the largest number of entries ever made at a Southern Stock Show, and it includes some of the finest cattle, horses and sheep in the country.

John P. Smart, an old-time Texas newspaper man, died at his home in Plainfield, N. J., Saturday morning. He was at the time of his death manager of the New York office of the San Antonio Express, which position he had held for more than ten years.

Corsicana business men have set on foot action looking to the extension of the State railroad from Palestine to that city, a distance of some 60 miles.

The Weatherford fire department will hold a week's carnival beginning March 13.

GOOD NEWS EPITOMIZED

HAPPENINGS OF UNUSUAL INTEREST TO OUR READERS, IN READABLE SHAPE.

BOTH FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC

If It Was of Sufficient Importance You Will Find It Recorded Here.

Dallas is making a war on vagrants.

It now looks like there will be no increase in congressional membership.

Transfers in real estate for Dallas during February reached the sum of \$1,473,825.

Barney Oldfield, retired auto king, has gone to Los Angeles, Cal., where he will open a cafe.

Comanche Indians believe that late Chief Quannah Parker was poisoned, and did not die from natural causes.

J. O. Merchant and Davis S. Neal, of San Antonio, it is said, quarreled over a woman, which led Merchant to fatally shoot Neal.

The program of the Waxahachie Chautauque, to meet July 25 to Aug. 3, has been completed.

John Leonard, a Tennessee contractor for a 6-mile levee along the Brazos, between Old Washington and Chapel Hill. The price is \$41,325.

The commission form of city control was defeated in Peoria, Ill., by a majority of 735. Gross frauds are charged by the advocates of the commission form.

Announcement that it will be a violation of the Texas Pure Food law to use lead piping in any manner in connection with soda fountains was made in a bulletin issued by State Pure Food Commissioner Abbott.

The State of Texas has collected from four of five express companies doing business in Texas, the sum of \$51,879.83 in occupation taxes for 1910 on gross receipts on exclusively Texas business.

G. Adams, a cement worker at the plant of Texas Portland Cement Co., in West Dallas, last week gave up an arm in the machinery to save his life, the member being torn literally from his body.

Jack Johnson, negro heavyweight, paid a \$100 fine in San Francisco last week for unlawful auto speeding.

Edgar Stripling, chief of police in Danville, Ill., for the past 5 years, was arrested last week as an escaped convict from the Georgia State penitentiary. He killed a man named Cornett, as he claims, for seducing his sister.

Zion City, founded by John Dowie, has, after a receivership and a course through the courts, passed under the control of Wilbur Voliva. There was great rejoicing as the change is looked upon as the beginning of a new era of prosperity for the city.

A shipload of Chinese coolies were dumped into the Pacific Ocean one night last week, according to Immigration Inspector Charles T. Connell, whose men prevented the landing of the contraband cargo at the harbor at Los Angeles. The Chinese were dumped into the sea to prevent proof of the errand of the vessel.

A jubilee over the emancipation of serfs was celebrated throughout Russia Friday. The decree for the total emancipation of 23,000,000 serfs throughout the Empire in two years was issued on March 3, 1861.

Mrs. Erma Dean, a Salvation Army worker of Fort Worth, was knocked down and robbed by two negroes one night last week. Her pocket book containing \$7 was taken. Mrs. Dean was roughly handled by the negroes.

Governor Colquitt Wednesday vetoed the "daylight" bill requiring saloons to remain closed from 7 in the evening until 6 in the morning.

John Mitchell, former president of the United Mine Workers, has resigned from his position as chairman of the trade agreement department of the National Civic Federation.

Elmer Pierce, boiler-maker's helper at the Rock Island shops, at Shawnee, Okla., was fatally scalded by plunging headlong into a vat of boiling hot lye and muriatic acid, used for boiling out engine pumps.

Charles D. Norton, secretary to President Taft, will become vice president of the First National Bank of New York.

The election for the incorporation of Niles, the packing house district of North Fort Worth, resulted in a vote of 33 to 9 in favor of incorporation.

Anton Novodky, a Bohemian farmer living three miles south of Taylor, was kicked in the side by a horse, from the effects of which he died. He is survived by a widow and one child.

The Estacado & Gulf railroad was placed in the hands of a receiver on application of citizens of Roby, Texas.

With world's records broken for low cost and rapidity of construction, the boring of the great five-mile-Elizabeth tunnel, the most important feature of the \$26,000,000 water project of Los Angeles, is completed two years ahead of estimated time.

Henry L. Meyers, Democrat, of Ravalli County, Montana, was elected United States Senator to succeed Senator Carter on the seventy-ninth joint legislative ballot.

The Lamar County Beekeepers' Association held a meeting at Roston Saturday. Besides a good county attendance there were several present from adjoining counties.

Nashville, Tenn., suffered a down town fire Sunday night, entailing a loss of some \$300,000.

The thirteenth case in the outbreak of cholera in Honolulu was reported. Indications are that the disease is widely scattered, the last case appearing in different portions of the city.

A Denver artist painted a cow, and so realistic was his work that he was sent to the penitentiary for 12 months. The cow he painted was not his own and he painted her with a bucket of peroxide, changing her color from a standard brown to screaming red.

In order to accommodate any pumping irrigation project that may be launched in the Roswell section of the Pecos Valley, the Roswell Gas and Electric Company is rebuilding its electric power plant and laying plans for what will eventually be a 5,000 horsepower institution.

The Westland Hotel, a new five-story brick structure costing \$150,000 and of modern design at Wichita Falls, was opened to the public Monday.

The contract for eight brick buildings to be erected at Cross Plains in ninety days was let last Friday. The building are to be 25x90 feet. This will make fifteen brick business houses under construction there.

On the forty-second anniversary of her husband's inauguration as Vice President of the United States, Mrs. Ellen Wade Colfax, widow of the late Schuyler Colfax, died at her home in South Ben, Ind., Saturday morning, aged 73.

Mrs. Jane Beam, said to be the oldest woman in New Jersey, is dead at Patterson in her 103d year.

Work on the construction of the Mukden-Antung Railway, which was stopped by the plague, has been resumed. Chinese workmen have been brought in from the plague districts.

Some 220 street car operatives of Oklahoma City went on a strike Sunday morning, asking recognition of the newly formed union organization of the city.

At the sale of the William A. Woodin collection a \$3 gold piece minted at San Francisco in 1870 was sold to S. H. Chapman, a dealer of Philadelphia, for \$1,450.

Col. Theodore Roosevelt, former United State Chief Executive, is to be a guest of Dallas March 13, and he will at that time be entertained with a dinner at the Oriental Hotel. It is to be a plug hat and dress suit affair, and costs \$10 a plate.

An unidentified man, apparently 65 years of age, died suddenly about 4 o'clock Wednesday afternoon on Pacific avenue, near the Union depot in Dallas.

Work is being rushed on the big canal of the Valley Reservoir Irrigation company, which is to water the lands about Chapin. Five cars of machinery for the pumping plant were unloaded and have been placed.

Amant the reported uprising, the Chinese legation in Washington, says the Chinese legation, absolutely denies the report of recrudescence of the Boxer trouble in Manchuria. As a matter of fact, the country is quiet and peaceful and the people are pursuing their ordinary avocations.

The Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe passenger and freight station burned Friday night at Tecumseh, Okla., the second station within three years. Incendiarism followed robbery of the station, which also included the Wells-Fargo Express Company's office.

A St. Louis Shovel Company is sending each car loads of shovels to Seattle, Wash. The shipment goes by rail to New York, thence by steamer around Cape Horn, several thousand miles further, because freight rates are cheaper by the mixed route than by direct all-rail route.

The charter of the Adair Hospital, of Clarendon, has been filed in the office of Secretary of State. The institution is to be erected, furnished and endowed by Mrs. Cornelia Adair, owner of the famous Adair ranch property in Donley and surrounding counties.

After the contracts were let for a \$100,000 garbage and sewerage plant at El Paso plant a year ago, it was discovered that the site acquired by the city was included in the Chalmers Zone. Another site was purchased, and last week the contracts were signed anew and construction begun.

Mrs. L. B. Rivers, of Dallas, was stricken with apoplexy at 1 o'clock Thursday and died at 10 o'clock at night. Deceased was 70 years old.

H. L. Newman, founder of the American National Bank of El Paso, and one of the largest ranch owners in that section, died at his home Wednesday night, aged 73 years.

Texas Division Sons of the American Revolution, at its meeting in Houston elected W. G. Bell, Austin, president; F. F. Downs, Temple, secretary. The next meeting will be held in Austin.

The Arkansas Senate has passed the Robertson-Hardage "grandfather clause" amendment to the State constitution. The measure now is up to the governor.

February receipts of Dallas post-office totaled \$57,440.83 as against \$56,766.82 for the same month in 1910.

Last Tuesday morning about 10 o'clock, while Mrs. Allen Reeves of Cookville was out of the room, her little 14-month-old child's clothing caught fire and all of its clothes were burned off and the child died about 1:25 o'clock.

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IN HER LINE



Jack—When you play whist, do you not play for money? Edna—No, for kisses. Jack—Ah, how I admire a cheerful loser!

HONEST CONFESION

A Doctor's Talk on Food.

There are no fairer set of men on earth than the doctors, and when they find they have been in error they are usually apt to make honest and manly admission of the fact.

A case in point is that of a practitioner, one of the good old school, who lives in Texas. His plain, unvarnished tale needs no dressing up:

"I had always had an intense prejudice, which I can now see was unwarrantable and unreasonable, against all much advertised foods. Hence, I never read a line of the many 'ads' of Grape-Nuts, nor tasted the food till last winter.

"While in Corpus Christi for my health, and visiting my youngest son, who has four of the ruddiest, healthiest little boys I ever saw, I ate my first dish of Grape-Nuts food for supper with my little grandsons.

"I became exceedingly fond of it and have eaten a package of it every week since, and find it a delicious, refreshing and strengthening food, leaving no ill effects whatever, causing no eruptions (with which I was formerly much troubled), no sense of fullness, nausea, nor distress of stomach in any way.

"There is no other food that agrees with me so well, or sits as lightly or pleasantly upon my stomach as this does.

"I am stronger and more active since I began the use of Grape-Nuts than I have been for 10 years, and am no longer troubled with nausea and indigestion." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

Look in place for the famous little book, "The Road to Wellville."

"There's a Reason."

Every read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are genuine, true, and full of honest advice.

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Poultry Pan-a-ce-a

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Did you know that you could test Dr. Hess' Poultry Pan-a-ce-a the balance of the winter, all spring, in fact until the first day of August, then if you are not satisfied that it has paid and paid big

We will refund every cent you have paid us

It is to make your hens lay, to make your chicks grow fast, healthy and strong, cure gaps and roup. Of course you are expected to keep your poultry free from lice and for that purpose we know of nothing better than Instant Louse Killer. Let us have your order now.

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Local and Personal

Nail files 25c at Ward's.
Onion sets at Pool Bros.

J.H. Wilcox for dressed poultry.

Tablets and pencils at Ward's.

C. C. Carolton, owner of the Garden City Gazette, was here Saturday.

The best spices at Ward's.

J.H. Wilcox for dressed poultry.

Flavoring extracts at Ward's.

Otis Chalk was here Monday from his ranch 16 miles southeast of town.

Newest post cards at Ward's.

Triumph seed potatoes at Pool Bros.

Local view post cards at Ward's.

J. H. O'Brien and Lee Kirkpatrick of Stanton were here Tuesday.

Ginger ale 5c at Ward's.

Onion planting time. Get your onion sets from Pool Bros.

Watches and diamonds at Ward's.

J. E. Morris spent Sunday in Westbrook and occupied the pulpit of Rev. Caughran, who was engaged in a meeting.

Paints, glass and wall paper at Ward's.

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Patronize home industry union tailors only.

J. O. Gibson.

Prof. Geo. Roberts of Vincent was here Monday and arranged to teach the Richland school which he will begin Monday.

Newspapers and magazines at Ward's.

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B. F. O'Brien returned Friday from a trip to Arizona and while there filed on 320 acres of fine land in the San Simon valley.

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Bruce Wilson.

Mrs. Pohka, of Tomah, Wis., cousin of Mrs. D. A. Sandford, arrived Tuesday and will spend a few days at Big Springs.

Special religious services are now being held at the Episcopal church on Wednesdays at 7:30 p. m., and on Fridays at 4:15 p. m.

J. C. Smith and wife and Mrs. A. G. Smith and children, who have been visiting relatives at Waco and Cleburne, came home Saturday.

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John Currie and wife, of Glasscock county, were here Saturday.

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Cold drinks and apple cider at Atkins.

Triumph seed potatoes at Pool Bros.

Mrs. J. W. Cromwell and daughter left Sunday night for a 2 months visit to relatives in Palestine Texas.

Locust blossom toilet water \$1.00 at Ward's.

Nyal's spring sarsaparilla 50c and \$1.00 at Ward's.

Mrs. S. D. Bainbridge, who underwent a surgical operation Saturday, is reported getting along fairly well.

Base ball goods at Reagan's.

Favorite head ache tablets will cure, 25c at Ward's.

P. C. Caylor returned Tuesday from a trip east and while gone attended the Madi Gras in New Orleans.

Willow talcum powder in glass jars, 25c at Ward's.

Here we go to Ward's soda fountain.

Now is the time to have your Panama hat cleaned and reblocked. See Atkins at his confectionery store.

J. E. Morris returned Tuesday from El Paso and brought the children of his brother-in-law, whose wife is in poor health, with him and will keep them here some time.

IT'S ALWAYS BAD

The Best of Backs are Bad When They Ache, and Big Spring People Know It

A bad back is always bad. Bad at night when bedtime comes. Just as bad in the morning. Ever try Doan's Kidney Pills for it? Know they cure backache—cure every kidney ill?

If you don't, some Big Springs people do.

Read a case of it: Theodore Scholz, Big Springs, Texas, says: "Doan's Kidney Pills cured me of a severe attack of kidney trouble after everything else had failed to give me relief. I could do very little work, as the result of a lame and aching back, and the kidney secretions were too frequent in passage, causing me much annoyance, especially at night. Doan's Kidney Pills, procured at J. L. Ward's Drug Store, rid me of my trouble, and I believe they will do the same for other sufferers."

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

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We want your business and will take good care of it, Ward's. The price is the thing.

Miss Ruby Cromwell, who holds a position in the Colorado City school, visited her home in Big Springs last Saturday and Sunday.

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The remains of the infant child of J. W. Phillips and wife, which died on the 8th, were brought here last night from Fort Worth for burial.

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A. F. Henderson of Lone Wolf, Oklahoma, came in Wednesday night and went out to his place thirteen miles northwest of town. He owns one section of land, is having 270 acres of it put in cultivation and will plant some of it in alfalfa if he finds the land in suitable condition for planting.

D. S. Blundell, of Auto, was here Saturday and subscribed for this paper for one year for himself and sends it to his friend, E. L. Jackson, at Acquilla. D. L. Anderson ordered it sent to him one year and to Will Elmore at Preacherville, Ky. These men have the right idea and if more of our people will send papers to those they are interested in getting to come to this country it would not be many years before there would be a family on every quarter section of land.

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For sale by all leading druggists. Price 50 cents per bottle.

Eve or Eva?

The first show that little Willie ever attended was "Uncle Tom's Cabin." When he returned home after the play papa asked him how he liked the show. Willie said it was awful nice.

"Now, Willie, if you will be a good boy, I will take you to one next week," said papa.

Little Willie and papa sat down in the orchestra circle. Willie seemed to enjoy the play very much. When they returned home Willie's mamma asked him how he liked the show? Willie replied, "It was a lot nicer than the first one I went to. What do you think, mamma? All the little Evas had on 'union suits.'—Judge.

SUFFERED FOR YEARS.

Kidney Trouble Caused Terrible Misery.

D. C. Taylor, 705 E. Central Ave., Wichita, Kan., says: "For years I suffered from kidney trouble and was often confined to bed. On one occasion while working the pain was so severe I was helpless and had to be carried into the house. I found no relief and was in terrible shape when I began taking Doan's Kidney Pills. They cured me completely, no sign of kidney trouble having shown itself in years. I have recommended Doan's Kidney Pills to at least one hundred people."

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Shearing Papa.
She—I believe you would rather play poker with father than sit in the parlor with me!

He—No, I wouldn't, darling, but we must have money to get married on.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for Children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. See a bottle.

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The Repentance of Hartz

A TRUE STORY OF THE SECRET SERVICE

By COL. H. C. WHITLEY Former Chief United States Secret Service

It was sometime in the fall of 1899 that a stranger came trudging along the turnpike. He was short and fat. His round red face was covered with a stubby growth of blonde whiskers. He wore a broad flat blue cloth cap and a long brown linen duster a little out of season. A bundle tightly rolled in black oilcloth was strapped to his back. He stopped in the middle of the road. Looking about, his eyes rested upon a weather-beaten sign board upon which had once been painted the picture of a black bear resting upon its haunches. For more than a hundred years this sign board had been swinging to and fro as if beckoning and inviting passersby to enter the little inn that was standing some 15 or 20 feet back from the road. It took Mr. Herman Weisgarber several minutes to decipher the inscription beneath the faded picture. When he had succeeded, as he thought, he muttered audibly, "Dish ish de black. Der black bear van inn, und I shust myself vill walk in mit him."

Bracing up a little and stroking his chin he stepped with a lengthened stride into the little front room that served as an office for the Black Bear Inn. Here he found himself in the presence of a pleasant-faced woman who smiled coquettishly.

He greeted her in his own tongue, in which she replied, and the conversation was now carried on briskly in the German language. It was a burly widow on the one hand and a rascally counterfeiter on the other. He was a long-time rogue, but she was honest and unsuspecting. With her the world was good, with him it was dog eat dog and the devil take the hindmost. The widow Hartz was altogether too unsophisticated to penetrate the dark recesses of the hollow-hearted man that had by chance come suddenly into the affairs of her life. She judged him by her own heart and little dreamed of the misery soon to follow her chance acquaintance with Herman Weisgarber.

Her husband had died about two years before. At this time her heart was centered on her son, a young man nearly twenty years of age. John Hartz, thanks to the training of his father, was honest and industrious. The Black Bear Inn and the little farm adjoining was a sacred inheritance from his paternal grandfather. The inn was now somewhat out of date, but was still doing its part towards furnishing the mother and son a living and a little to lay up for a rainy day. John's father had taught him to stand firmly for the right in all things.

Mr. Weisgarber's gray blue eyes were shining brightly beneath his overhanging brows as he stood explaining to the widow Hartz regarding himself. The word tramp, now so aptly applied to the tie-path tourist, had not been coined in that day and men of his like were little understood. He said he was just out on a pleasure tour and that he traveled on foot as a matter of choice. He was moaning leisurely along that he might better enjoy the lovely scenery and pure mountain air. His words were well chosen and deeply impressive as he cautiously worked his way up to the point of offering to remain for a time and assist in the work about the inn and farm. He had a smooth tongue.

The turn-pike, winding its way along up and down the sides, over and across the Allegheny mountains was then the popular highway for drovers and wagons upon their way to and fro between Eastern Pennsylvania and Pittsburgh. The people along this route were principally Germans. Some of them could neither read nor speak English. They lived mainly on what they produced and had little occasion to spend their money. Almost anything that looked like money would pass. In those days much of the paper money in circulation was of the wild cat kind. Between the counterfeit and genuine issue there was but little choice. One passed from hand to hand almost as readily as the other.

Herman Weisgarber, as he called himself, had for many years been dodging about from place to place making a living by shoving the queer. Under pretence of his inability to understand the English language he was able to deceive the officers and escape arrest. It was always "Nicht-verstehe" with him. "He shust didn't know nothing 'bout baper monies."

To the widow Hartz he appeared a man of honor. She measured his character by her own and could see no farther. Six months had scarcely passed from the time she met him until he became her husband.

When John Hartz came in contact with his step-father he was honest, and had he followed in the footsteps of his own father he would have remained so. It did not take long to prove that he was susceptible and easily drawn into ways that were dark and forbidden. Step by step he was led along and craftily initiated into the mysterious doings of counterfeit-

One day a drover came along the pike with a long string of oxen and stopped at the Black Bear Inn, and engaged a pasture for his cattle over night. The drover was new in that part of the country, and for safety he handed his pocket book, containing several hundred dollars, to John Hartz for safe keeping, in the presence of Weisgarber. Shortly afterwards when the drover was out attending to his cattle, Weisgarber suggested the idea to John of changing the good money in the pocket book for an equal amount of counterfeit that he had on hand. John was easily persuaded. He thought his step-father knew best. In the morning the drover received his pocket book and proceeded to count its contents. He at once saw that the bills were of a different kind than those he had been carrying. He pulled a counterfeit detector from his pocket and examined them. Having satisfied himself that they were bad, he charged John with having substituted them. The accused man's face turned red and he began to stammer, but his step-father who was standing by, came at once to the front and commenced to talk in German to John. Turning to the drover he protested in badly broken English that the young man was honest and hadn't even opened the pocket book. Between the two the drover got a tongue lashing for his accusation that so completely upset him that he was none too sure that he ever had any money. He was now in a bad fix; a long ways from



home with a pocket book full of counterfeit money as his only wherewith to pay his expenses.

After everything had cooled down, Mr. Weisgarber, in a burst of generosity, was good enough to loan the drover one or two hundred dollars to pay his way until he could reach Strasburgh, a little town at the foot of the Three Brother mountains. The drover was silent but not altogether convinced. His money was all right the day before, but he wasn't quite sure it was of the right stamp when he handed it over to the young man for safe keeping. Here was an exemplification of the little difference between the truth and a lie well stuck to. Time rolled on and John Hartz' career in crime became more and more firmly fixed.

One day the sheriff came with a warrant for the "Flying Dutchman," which meant Herman Weisgarber.

"Gott en Himmel! Vot ish dish?" he exclaimed.

A long explanation ensued and the sheriff was greatly puzzled regarding his duty. He was convinced that the accused man was innocent, and he thought it might be a safe thing to leave him at his home and go back to the county seat and report before making the arrest. When he reached there he was told to return at once and bring his man. When he got back to the Black Bear Inn Mr. Weisgarber was out. He had saddled up and rode away and might not return for several days, perhaps never. But the good-natured sheriff didn't see it that way. He would come back again, or he might present himself voluntarily at the sheriff's office.

The mother had now experienced enough to satisfy her that she had made a great mistake and that she was tied to a bad man. Her life became a burden to her. One day she suddenly disappeared. After a long search she was found dead with a rope tightly drawn about her neck hanging to a stout hook in the smoke house. The scene was too much for

John. He now became dazed with fear and excitement. He left the home of his boyhood on foot and made his way to Philadelphia, where he chanced to meet his step-father who was a member of a gang of counterfeiters. John was easily persuaded and he suffered himself to be led along step by step until he was deep in the mire.

Our Civil war had brought a great change in the finances of the country. Wild cat banks had gone out of existence and a new kind of money was in use. There was a great deal of counterfeiting going on and John Hartz was one of the number engaged in it. Like the most of the men of his stamp he was unsuccessful in accumulating wealth.

A counterfeit beer stamp made its appearance in Philadelphia and I found it necessary to visit that city. The night was dark and stormy and it was about the portentous hour of 1:00 a. m. when ghosts are said to stalk abroad in ghastly white array, that four detectives left their comfortable quarters in the hotel with the expectation of making an important arrest. The man they sought was invisible during the day time and a difficult man to encounter at night. He had frequently been heard of but had seldom been seen by the government detectives. When the officers reached the appointed place they scattered and took up their positions where they would attract as little attention as possible. Their mysterious mission had been fully explained; a deal was expected to be pulled off. One of the detectives was rotund of person. He had, through one of the counterfeiting gang, been introduced as a beer dealer who said he was willing to take his chances with bogus stamps, and he had bargained with one of the counterfeiters for five thousand counterfeit lager beer stamps, and was to receive them at a certain hour at a designated place.

When the man put in an appearance to make the delivery he was to be arrested. This individual, owing to the darkness of the night, was unable to see the detectives stationed about, and he walked with his carpet bag in

the slightest information. I had offered him his liberty and \$1,000 in money as an inducement, but he stubbornly refused. He seemed to have deluded himself into the idea that treachery among a gang of criminals was much worse than the unlawful deeds performed by them.

I learned from the prisoner that he had a family. When this was mentioned he shuddered a little. Coming to the conclusion that I could learn nothing from him I was ready to lock him up. Before doing this I suggested the idea of taking him to see his wife and children. Early in the morning I procured a carriage, and after a 20 minutes' drive, we stopped in front of a large tenement house which we entered, ascending the stairs to the second floor.

Knocking at a door on our right we were after some delay admitted by a woman wearing a calico wrapper, and we entered the room which was dark and dismal as a tomb. Two or three broken chairs, a rickety table and a mattress spread upon the floor and covered with ragged quilts, constituted the furnishings. Peeping from beneath the tattered covering I saw the bright eyes and curly heads of two young children.

"Is this your home, Mr. Hartz?" I inquired.

"This is where I stay," he replied. I said at once that I was up against a species of affliction for which I had no ready-made speech of condolence, and I was just a little embarrassed. There was a depth of seriousness in the affair that I had rarely met with. I was confronted with the genuine woes of humanity and at a loss for the moment to know just what to do or say. After deliberating a short time I came to the conclusion that it was best to explain all to his wife. She looked like an intelligent woman and I proceeded to acquaint her with the facts concerning her husband's arrest and the punishment that was sure to follow. I likewise pointed out the door through which he might escape. I demanded a clean breast without reserve. I was to know all the particulars in regard to the conspiracy, and he was to act in good faith and to assist the detectives in plans to capture the engraver and all others connected with the affair; besides, he was, if it became necessary, to go upon the witness stand and testify against his confederates. Counterfeiters as a general thing are treacherous towards one another when in a tight place; it is anything to save themselves. With John Hartz it was different; he preferred to sacrifice himself rather than to give away his confederates.

When the wife was made acquainted with the proposition that had been made to her husband she appealed to him in language that seemed irresistible. He hung his head. There was an expression on his face that was indefinable. A fresh link in misery's chain had now reached his heart. The scene was absolutely painful and I soon saw that he was weakening. A man's character varies in accordance with the position in which he is placed. Criminals are human, like our selves, and if we would learn the dangers lurking in our pathway, we should know how they chance to stumble and fall. Some men are weaker and more prone to vice than others. There is a never-ending battle between right and wrong. I never yet found a man so bad that there was not something in his character upon which to base a hope. I never yet saw a man that was so good as to be free from danger. There is a thread of gold running through the character of the worst of men; the difficulty is to reach it.

The prisoner's eyes fell and were filled with tears. We have no pity for the tears shed by criminals. They are deserved, but they are tears just the same, and sometimes come from a heart unjustly pierced. His wife now approached him and said, "Where is the money to come from to pay the rent for this miserable room we are living in? How am I to obtain food and clothing for our children when you are in the penitentiary?"

Accustomed as I was to scenes of this kind my heart was deeply touched and my hand went almost involuntarily to my pocket. I pulled out a roll of bills. It was the government's money. Peeling off five twenties, I handed them to the woman. "Take this, my good woman, I cannot save your husband, but I will give you something with which to supply your immediate wants. Buy these children some clothes."

I handed her an additional twenty. The counterfeiter and his wife stood looking earnestly into each other's faces. Both seemed well nigh broken-hearted. He stepped towards me as he said: "You are the only decent man I have ever seen in the detective business and I am going to tell you all about it."

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SYNOPSIS.

Lawrence Blakeley, lawyer, goes to Pittsburgh with the forged notes in the Bronson case to get the deposition of John Gilmore, millionaire. A lady requests Blakeley to buy her a Pullman ticket. He gives her lower 11 and retains lower 10. He finds a drunken man in lower 10 and retires in lower 9. He awakens in lower 8 and finds his clothes and bag missing. The man in lower 10 is found murdered. Circumstantial evidence points to both Blakeley and the man who stole his clothes. The train is wrecked and Blakeley is rescued from a burning car by a girl in blue. His arm is broken. The girl proves to be Alison West, his partner's sweetheart. Blakeley returns home and finds he is under surveillance. Moving pictures of the train taken just before the wreck reveal to Blakeley a man leaping from the train with his stolen grip. Investigation proves that the man's name is Sullivan. Mrs. Conway, the woman for whom Blakeley bought a Pullman ticket, tries to make a bargain with him for the forged notes, not knowing that they are missing. Blakeley and an amateur detective investigate the home of Sullivan's sister. From a servant Blakeley learns that Alison West had been there on a visit and Sullivan had been attentive to her. Sullivan is the husband of a daughter of the murdered man. Blakeley's house is ransacked by the police. He learns that the affair between Alison and her partner is off. Alison tells Blakeley about the attention paid her by Sullivan, whom she was on her way to marry when the wreck came. It is planned to give Mrs. Conway the forged notes in exchange for Sullivan. Mrs. Conway kills herself and Bronson, and the ashes of the forged notes are found in the room.

CHAPTER XXX.—Continued.

"When did you find it?" asked the lean detective, bending forward. "In the morning, not long before the wreck."

"Did you ever see it before?" "I am not certain," she replied. "I have seen one very much like it." Her tone was troubled. She glanced at me as if for help, but I was powerless.

"Where?" The detective was watching her closely. "At that moment there came an interruption. The door opened without ceremony, and Johnson ushered in a tall, blonde man, a stranger to all of us. I glanced at Alison; she was pale but composed and scornful. She met the newcomer's eyes full, and, caught unawares, he took a hasty backward step."

"Sit down, Mr. Sullivan," McKnight beamed cordially. "Have a cigar? I beg your pardon, Alison, do you mind this smoke?" "Not at all," she said composedly. Sullivan had had a second to sound his bearings.

"No—no, thanks," he mumbled. "If you will be good enough to explain—" "But that's what you're to do," McKnight said, cheerfully, pulling up a chair. "You've got the most attentive audience you could ask. These two gentlemen are detectives from Pittsburgh, and we are all curious to know the finer details of what happened on the car Ontario two weeks ago, the night your father-in-law was murdered."

"Sullivan gripped the arms of his chair. "We are not prejudiced, either. The gentlemen from Pittsburgh are betting on Mr. Blakeley, over there. Mr. Hotchkiss, the gentleman by the radiator, is ready to place ten to one odds on you. And some of us have still other theories."

"Gentlemen," Sullivan said slowly. "I give you my word of honor that I did not kill Simon Harrington, and that I do not know who did."

"Fiddledee!" cried Hotchkiss, bustling forward. "Why, I can tell you—" But McKnight pushed him firmly into a chair and held him there. "I am ready to plead guilty to the larceny," Sullivan went on. "I took Mr. Blakeley's clothes, I admit. If I can reimburse him in any way for the inconvenience—"

The stout detective was listening with his mouth open. "Do you mean to say," he demanded, "that you got into Mr. Blakeley's berth, as he contends, took his clothes and forged notes, and left the train before the wreck?"

"Yes." "The notes, then?" "I gave them to Bronson yesterday. Much good they did him!" bitterly. We were all silent for a moment. The two detectives were adjusting themselves with difficulty to a new point of view. Sullivan was looking dejectedly at the floor, his hands hanging loose between his knees. I was watching Alison, from where I stood, behind her. I could almost touch the soft hair behind her ear.

"I have no intention of pressing any charge against you," I said with forced civility, for my hands were itching to get at him, "if you will give us a clear account of what happened on the Ontario that night."

Sullivan raised his handsome, haggard head and looked around at me. "I've seen you before, haven't I?" he asked. "Weren't you an uninvited guest at the Laurels a few days—or nights—ago? The cat, you remember, and the rug that slipped?"

The MAN in LOWER TEN
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Johnson Ushered in a Tall Blonde Man, a Stranger to All Of Us.

"Oh, very well," he said with assumed indifference. Hotchkiss just then escaped from Richey's grasp and crossed the room. "Did you ever wear glasses?" he asked eagerly.

"Never," Sullivan glanced with some contempt at mine. "I'd better begin by going back a little," he went on sullenly. "I suppose you know I was married to Ida Harrington about five years ago. She was a good girl, and I thought a lot of her. But her father opposed the marriage—he'd never liked me, and he refused to make any sort of settlement."

"I had thought, of course, that there would be money, and it was a bad day when I found out I'd made a mistake. My sister was wild with disappointment. We were pretty hard up, my sister and I."

"I was watching Alison. Her hands were tightly clasped in her lap, and she was staring out of the window at the cheerless roof below. She had set her lips a little, but that was all. "You understand, of course, that I'm not defending myself," went on the sullen voice. "The day came when old Harrington put us both out of the house at the point of a revolver, and I threatened—I suppose you know that, too—I threatened to kill him."

"My sister and I had hard times after that. We lived on the continent for a while. I was at Monte Carlo and she was in Italy. She met a young lady there, the granddaughter of a steel manufacturer and an heiress, and she sent for me. When I got to Rome the girl was gone. Last winter I was all in—social secretary to an Englishman, a wholesale grocer with a new title, but we had a row, and I came home. I went out to the Heaton boys' ranch in Wyoming, and met Bronson there. He lent me money, and I've been doing his dirty work ever since."

Sullivan got up then and walked slowly forward and back as he talked, his eyes on the faded pattern of the office rug. "If you want to live in hell," he said savagely, "put yourself in another man's power. Bronson got into trouble, forging John Gilmore's name to those notes, and in some way he learned that a man was bringing the papers back to Washington on the Flier. He even learned the number of his berth, and the night before the wreck, just as I was boarding the train, I got a telegram."

Hotchkiss stepped forward once more importantly. "Which read, I think: 'Man with papers in lower ten, car seven. Get them.'"

Sullivan looked at the little man with sulky blue eyes. "It was something like that, anyhow. But it was a nasty business, and it made matters worse that he didn't care that a telegram which must pass through a half dozen hands was more or less incriminating to me."

"Then, to add to the unpleasantness of my position, just after we boarded the train—I was accompanying my sister and this young lady, Miss West—a woman touched me on the sleeve, and I turned to face—my wife!"

"That took away my last bit of nerve. I told my sister, and you can understand she was in a bad way, too. We knew what it meant. Ida had heard that I was going—"

"Go on," she said coldly. "It is too late to shield me. The time to have done that was when I was your guest."

"Well," he went on, his eyes turned carefully away from my face, which must have presented certainly anything but a pleasant sight. "Miss West was going to do me the honor to marry me, and—"

"You scoundrel!" I burst forth, thrusting past Alison West's chair. "You—you infernal cur!"

One of the detectives got up and stood between us. "You must remember, Mr. Blakeley, that you are forcing this story from this man. These details are unpleasant, but important. You were going to marry this young lady," he said, turning to Sullivan, "although you already had a wife living?"

"It was my sister's plan, and I was in a bad way for money. If I could marry, secretly, a wealthy girl and go to Europe, it was unlikely that Ida—that is, Mrs. Sullivan—would hear of it."

"So it was more than a shock to see my wife on the train, and to realize from her face that she knew what was going on. I don't know yet, unless some of the servants—well, never mind that."

"It meant that the whole thing had gone up. Old Harrington had carried a gun for me for years, and the same train wouldn't hold both of us. Of course, I thought that he was in the coach just behind ours."

Hotchkiss was leaning forward now, his eyes narrowed, his thin lips drawn to a lige. "Are you left-handed, Mr. Sullivan?" he asked.

Sullivan stopped in surprise. "No," he said gruffly. "Can't do anything with my left hand." Hotchkiss subsided, crestfallen but alert. "I tore up that cursed telegram, but I was afraid to throw the scraps away. Then I looked around for lower ten. It was almost exactly across—my berth was lower seven, and it was, of course, a bit of exceptional luck for me that the car was number seven."

"Did you tell your sister of the telegram from Bronson?" I asked. "No. It would do no good, and she was in a bad way without that to make her worse."

"Your sister was killed, I think?" The shorter detective took a small package from his pocket and held it in his hand, snapping the rubber band which held it. "Yes, she was killed," Sullivan said soberly. "What I say now can do her no harm."

He stopped to push back the heavy hair which dropped over his forehead, and went on more connectedly. "It was late, after midnight, and we went at once to our berths. I undressed, and then I lay there for an hour, wondering how I was going to get the notes. Some one in lower nine was restless and wide awake, but finally became quiet."



"Finally, however, when things had been quiet for a time, I got up, and after looking along the aisle, I slipped behind the curtains of lower ten. You understand, Mr. Blakeley, that I thought you were in lower ten, with the notes."

I nodded curtly. "I'm not trying to defend myself," he went on. "I was ready to steal the notes—I had to. But murder!"

He wiped his forehead with his handkerchief. "Well, I slipped across and behind the curtains. It was very still. The man in ten didn't move, although my heart was thumping until I thought he would hear it."

"I felt around cautiously. It was perfectly dark, and I came across a bit of chain, about as long as my finger. It seemed a queer thing to find there, and it was sticky, too."

He shuddered, and I could see Alison's hands clenching and unclenching with the strain. "All at once it struck me that the man was strangely silent, and I think I lost my nerve. Anyhow, I drew the curtains open a little, and let the light fall on my hands. They were red, blood-red."

He leaned one hand on the back of the chair, and was silent for a moment, as though he lived over again the awful events of that more than awful night.

The stout detective had let his cigar go out; he was still drawing at it nervously. Richey had picked up a paper-weight and was tossing it from hand to hand; when it slipped and fell to the floor, a startled shudder passed through the room.

"There was something glittering in there," Sullivan resumed; "and on impulse I picked it up. Then I dropped the curtains and stumbled back to my own berth."

"Where you wiped your hands on the bed clothing and stuck the dirk into the pillow," Hotchkiss was seeing his carefully built structure crumbling to pieces, and he looked chagrined. "I suppose I did—I'm not very clear about what happened then. But when I ralled a little I saw a Russia leather wallet lying in the aisle almost at my feet, and, like a fool, I stuck it, with the bit of chain, into my bag."

"I sat there, shivering, for what seemed hours. It was still perfectly quiet, except for some one snoring. I thought that would drive me crazy."

"The more I thought of it the worse things looked. The telegram was the first thing against me—it would put the police on my track at once, when it was discovered that the man in lower ten had been killed."

"Then I remembered the notes, and I took out the wallet and opened it."

He stopped for a minute, as if the recalling of the next occurrence was almost beyond him. "I took out the wallet," he said simply, "and, opening it, held it to the light. In gilt letters was the name, Simon Harrington."

The detectives were leaning forward now, their eyes on his face. "Things seemed to whirl around for a while. I sat there almost paralyzed, wondering what this new development meant for me."

"Do you believe me now?" He looked around at us defiantly. "I am telling the absolute truth, and not one of you believes me."

"My wife, I knew, would swear I had killed her father; nobody would be likely to believe the truth."

"After a bit the man in lower nine got up and walked along the aisle toward the smoking compartment. I heard him go, and, leaning from my berth, watched him out of sight."

"It was then I got the idea of changing berths with him, getting his clothes, and leaving the train. I give you my word I had no idea of throwing suspicion on him."

Alison looked scornfully incredulous, but I felt that the man was telling the truth. "I changed the numbers of the berths, and it worked well. I got into the other man's berth, and he came back to mine. The rest was easy. I dressed in his clothes—luckily, they fitted—and jumped the train not far from Baltimore, just before the wreck."

"There is something else you must clear up," I said. "Why did you try to telephone me from M—, and why did you change your mind about the message?"

He looked astounded. "You knew I was at M—?" he stammered. "Yes, we traced you. What about the message?"

"Well, it was this way; of course, I did not know your name, Mr. Blakeley. The telegram said: 'Man with papers in lower ten, car seven,' and after I had made what I considered my escape, I began to think I had left the man in my berth in a bad way."

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If you don't have, you buy fruit and berries from your more enterprising neighbor, or your family is deprived of these necessary articles of diet. Figure it up and see if even half a crop of your own each year isn't cheaper and better than to do without.

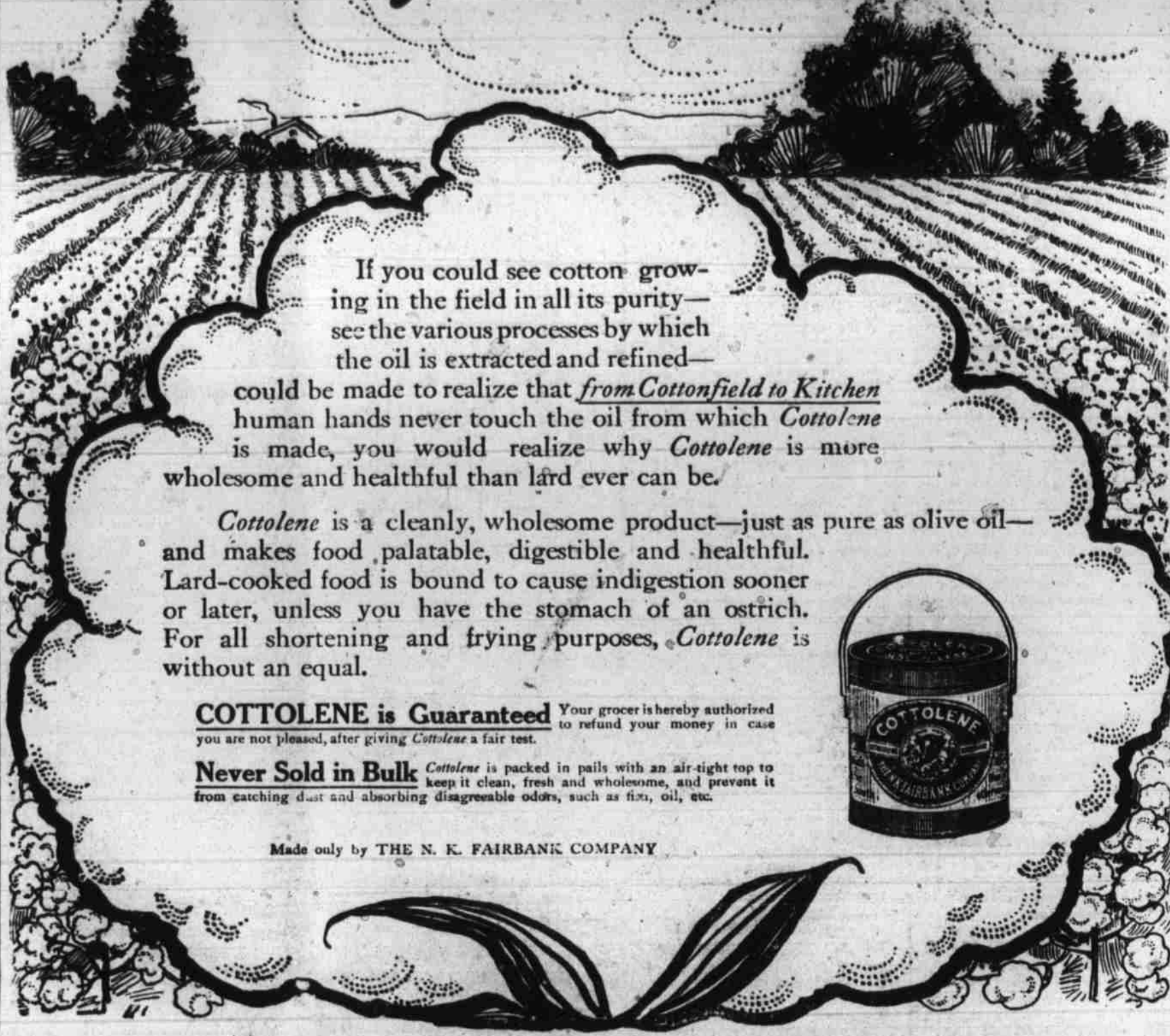
If a newspaper says something which steps on a man's foot a little, that man will perhaps go around to the office and give the editor —. Now the proper thing to do would be to give thanks just about three times a day for what the editor knew but wouldn't tell.

An unusually pleasant meeting of the Mission Society of the Christian church was held at the home of Mrs. J. D. Birdwell Monday afternoon, the subject being "Children's Work." An enjoyable feature of the program was music by Miss Anabell Birdwell. At an appropriate time dainty refreshments were served.

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A dentist is a man who pulls people's teeth. A lawyer is a man who pulls people's legs. The question is, "which pulls the hardest?" Those who have had experience with the dentist say nothing worse than that, while those who have had experience with the lawyer say, never hire a lawyer until it is very necessary and you can't possibly keep from it.

At a meeting of the "Loyal Workers" class of the Christian Bible school, held Sunday afternoon, it was decided to build a class room for the use of this large class and it will be ready for use next Sunday. The necessity for this extra room is caused by the increased membership of the school which is getting too large for the church.

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Mrs. Mary E. Jones, who came here recently from Arkansas for the benefit of her health, died about 11:30 Friday night of tuberculosis. The remains were embalmed by J. A. Grix and shipped Saturday night to Jonesboro, Arkansas, near which place they will be buried.

Matinee at the Lyric Theater from 3 to 5:30 p. m. tomorrow.

Whitley brothers, who have been living in the Gay Hill country have rented 150 acres of land 7 miles northwest of town from Zack Stephens and will farm it this year. 100 acres to be put in cotton.

Report of the Condition OF THE West Texas National Bank Charter No. 6665

The West Texas National Bank, at Big Springs, in the State of Texas, at the close of business, March 7, 1911.

RESOURCES:	
Loans and Discounts	\$171,893 32
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	2,500 34
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	50,000 00
Premiums on U. S. Bonds	1,000 00
Furniture and fixtures	2,902 65
Other real estate owned	12,947 42
Due from National Banks (not reserve agents)	9,175 68
Due from State and Private Banks and Bankers, Trust Companies and Savings Banks	167 29
Due from approved reserve agents	45,129 98
Notes of other Nat'l Banks	20,250 00
Fractional paper currency, notes and cents	35 00
Legal Money Reserve in Bank, viz:	
Special	\$ 9,084 25
Legal tender notes	10,084 25
Redemption Fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent of circulation)	2,500 00
Total	\$328,586 93

LIABILITIES	
Capital stock paid in	\$50,000 00
Surplus fund	50,000 00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	22,896 06
Nat'l Bank notes outstanding	50,000 00
Due to other Nat'l Banks	153 84
Due to State and Private Banks and Bankers	10,231 54
Due to Trust Companies & Savings Banks	1,234 62
Individual deposits subject to check	144,061 87
Cashier's Cks Outstanding	9 00
Total	\$328,586 93

STATE OF TEXAS, County of Howard, I, E. D. Matthews, cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

E. D. MATTHEWS, Cashier.
W. B. GOLS, BURTON BROWN, J. J. HAIR } Directors.

Solid gold jewelry at Ward's.

W. T. Johnson, of Sparenberg, was here yesterday and said that everybody is feeling good up there and the farmers are well up with their work. He expects to begin planting his feed crop Monday.

1911 wall paper at Ward's.
Ribbon Lane Syrup.
We have pure ribbon cane syrup in 3 and 5 gallon jackets, and in 10 gallon kegs and half barrels. Try it if you want a first-class article.

POOL BROTHERS.
Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets invariably bring relief to women suffering from chronic constipation, headache, biliousness, dizziness, sallowness of the skin and dyspepsia. Sold by Biles & Gentry.

For kidney trouble and aching back take Ward's Kidney Pills 50c the box.

I. D. Maxwell sold a house and two lots on south Nolan street to S. N. Young Tuesday for \$1800.

Will cure a cold Ward's Laxative Quinine Cold Tablets, 25c at Ward's.

Rev. Pinkney Hawkins return last week from a visit to his daughter in Kansas.

Quite a number of Howard co. people attended court at Abilene this week as witness in the cases growing out of the seoting at Coahoma last summer.

SEE

the place to get the most articles for your cash is at the store east of the court house.

Witter Springs Water

A MEDICINE FROM THE MOUNTAINS

The most powerful mineral known, and famous for its miraculous cures of diseases of the

STOMACH LIVER KIDNEYS BLADDER INTESTINES SKIN AND BLOOD

Bottled at Witter Springs, Lake county, California, with its life and curative properties unimpaired. Witter Water cures by cleansing the whole system of its impurities, and at the same time healing the diseased parts by its miraculous curative powers.

R. L. McCAMANT, DRUGGIST
EXCLUSIVE AGENTS IN BIG SPRINGS

WARD'S KIDNEY PILLS

Old people suffer most from kidney troubles—their kidneys have done the most work. That is why many of the best friends of

WARD'S KIDNEY PILLS

are those who are advanced in years. We sell many to old people and always with entire satisfaction. If your kidneys are bothering you, buy a 50 cent box of

WARD'S KIDNEY PILLS

AND PROVE THEIR STERLING VALUE

J. L. Ward Jewelry & Drug Co.

"THE PRICE IS THE THING."

Farmers' Educational and Co-Operative Union of America

Matters of Special Moment to the Progressive Agriculturist

Two families may live side by side for years and yet be far from being real neighbors.

Corporations and trusts today control most of the legislation because of organized effort.

Study to produce results; the best results with the least labor is what we are all striving for.

At a barn raising the man who greets the loudest generally lifts the heaviest and eats the most.

The man who owns a two-year-old mule that is not harness broken has much to learn about horses.

The farmer who dresses like a tramp is sadly out of place among well-respecting men these days.

If we had to live our lives over again the chances are we would make different kinds of fools of ourselves.

It is more difficult to hold an office in the Farmers' union than in any other organization, those who know say.

See yourself up as others do and you will probably find that you are not such a big pumpkin as you thought you were.

No man living can live easier than the farmer, and no one can become independent quicker by the exercise of industry, good judgment and economy.

The Farmers' union needs its strongest and best fighter to the front these days. The shirkers should be turned over to the women to make drudges out of.

We have more respect for the farmer who puts a stone in the butter jar or conceals the wormy apples in the middle of the barrel than the man who poisons the children's food with chemicals.

Cut out the 20 per cent. middleman and send your butter and eggs and other produce direct to your customers in town. Two dollars worth of postal cards will give you a start in the business.

NEW ERA IN GOOD FARMING

Next Step Forward Must Be to Organize Business of Farm Upon Basis of Highest Efficiency.

The past sixty years has witnessed a wonderful advance in all lines of agriculture. During this time the binder, the gang plow, the traction engine, the perfected grain drill, all have appeared on the scene. Practically the whole list of farm machinery has been reshaped, or brought into being. He who recalls the great changes of even the last thirty years will need little by way of proof of this statement. The farmer has been getting together his working kit of tools. Some of these, as the binder, have been long in coming to their proper efficiency, says Farm, Stock and Home. Today this phase of development is nearly complete. In this part of the world there is little vacant land, although much of the land under private ownership is idle. The standardization of tools and machinery can go little farther. Most of the "improvements" of the day are mere self-pampering, and give little or no increase in efficiency. The pioneer farmer and the pioneer machine came in and will depart together.

The next step forward must be to organize the business of the farm upon the basis of highest possible efficiency. This means that the individual farm must be looked at as a whole, and its future planned as carefully as is the location and equipment of a factory. Soil and markets will be given first consideration in the establishment of the factory-farm. The buildings will be made to fit into a general plan, and the machinery and power equipment will likewise be carefully considered, that there may be no waste capital, and that every dollar invested may return as steady an income as possible.

Another phase of the coming farm life will be community industry. In the breeders' associations and other co-operative societies we have the beginnings of the system. If farming is to be placed permanently on its feet as a paying business we must expand and develop this vague groping after help into the close-knit co-operative community. The waste due to cross-hauling among neighbors only the neighborhood itself can eliminate. It is no argument against co-operation that it has heretofore shown but small results. The time for it was not ripe. The time is now here when the farmer can well afford to put his own farm upon a thoroughly organized basis, and can afford to become a member of the larger community unit. In fact he cannot afford longer to do otherwise.

Real Producers.

Farmers are the only real producers. If they ever take their proper place in the industrial world they must first think, must unite in solving some of the problems that confront the property of agriculture. The middleman who cuts a large slice from the share of both producer and consumer, will not then have the lion's share.

WHY FARMERS SHOULD JOIN

Farmers' Union Does Not Only Benefit Members of Organization, Alike, But Aids Outsider.

As the old year is now gone and the new one has come, we hope to see a general move in every local to make the new year a more successful one than the past. While we are proud of the success that has been accomplished by the union in the past, we realize that more can be done in the future. If every member will attend and quit grumbling about something that was done when he was not there, writes Don McDonald, in the Co-Operator. The union should be a place of education, as well as a place of business, and if every member receives the benefit of it they should attend as regularly as possible; they should grasp every opportunity that presents itself to elevate the laboring class of people.

Now we realize that this has been a hard year on all the farming class of people. Crops were short over a large portion of the state, and financial means are short with the most of the laboring class of people, but the farmers should not fail to realize that it is important that they strive to advance the interest of the Farmers' union. It has raised the farmers of Texas millions of dollars. It does not only benefit the members of the union, but every farmer alike. We often hear some of the members raise a kick and object to the outsider receiving any benefit, but it is impossible to benefit one farmer by raising the price of farm produce without benefitting all alike, and I believe that when the outsider sees that the union has come to stay, that the most of them will come in and help out in the fight. We should sympathize with the country farmer. He lives in the country and is in less touch with everyday developments. It is this class of people that the politician continues to influence, whose minds they can more easily poison. It will require further educational work among this class of people before they will realize that it is to their interest to become a part of our organization. When they understand that their interest is with the organization, they will become a part of it, and nothing can change their views or make them feel that the world is against them. This is what the Farmers' union should have in mind, and carry out through their work. The amount of money the farmer receives depending upon good rains or limited production through long droughts, determine whether they can educate their children and whether their wives and children can have one suit of clothes or not, or a winter pair of shoes. It is strange to me that every farmer can not realize that it would be to his benefit to help raise the laboring class of people to a higher level than they now attain. Every member of the Farmers' union stands equally responsible for the success or failure in carrying out the work for which the Farmers' union was created, and the outsider stands responsible for not making an effort to lift himself and let the organized part carry all the burdens.

GROWTH OF FARMERS' UNION

From 50,000 Members Six Years Ago Organization Has Increased to More Than 300,000.

Six years ago the Farmers' Union had only 50,000 members; today it has more than 300,000. Six years ago it had no gins; now there are 6,000. Six years ago it had no cotton warehouses; now it has 2,000. It had no fruit packing plants; it now owns 500. It had no representatives in the cotton markets of the world; now it has a representative in every one. It had no financial standing in the banks; it has now twenty strong banks of its own and a financial standing in every banking center of America and Europe. It had no system of selling or handling cotton and was without direct connections; today it has its connections and customers in the majority of the milling centers of the world, to which it ships direct. Six years ago it was at the mercy of the grocery trust; today it has thousands of stores under its own control.—Labor Advocate.

TRAIN-FARM SCHOOLS LIKED

Texas Railroads Will Make Them Permanent Feature of Industrial Departments of Roads.

The agricultural demonstration trains sent out by railroads during the last two winters have been so well received by the farmers and have borne such excellent fruit in the increased production that the roads have decided to make them a permanent feature of the industrial departments, says a Fort Worth dispatch to the St. Louis Post-Dispatch. Expert lecturers and farmers accompany the trains to tell the farmers how to grow the special crop under consideration. Sometimes it is hogs, other times wheat, and so on. Farm experts in state and federal service often accompany these trains.

It is expected that other railroads will adopt the practice of sending out these trains, depending upon increased freight from greater crops for remuneration.

Weekly Rest.

Don't do anything on the Sabbath that can be done on the day before. This is your day to rest and you will profit by doing it.

HEAD SWAM COULDN'T SLEEP

Mrs. Fannin, of Lizzie, Who Used to Be Dizzy, Takes Cardui and Is Now Able to Keep Busy.

Lizzie, Ky.—"For the last nine years," writes Mrs. Maud Fannin, of this place, "I suffered with womanly troubles. My head swam, and I had dizzy spells. I could not sit up all day at a time, and I could not rest at night. I had given up all hopes of getting well.

Until I began the Cardui treatment, I never found any medicine that would help me. Now, I can go all day and never get wearied. I can sleep well, and I feel like a different person. I praise your medicine to all, for I think it is the best on earth."

All ailing women need Cardui, as a gentle, refreshing tonic, and beneficial, curative medicine, especially adapted to their peculiar ailments.

For fifty years, Cardui has been relieving pain and distress caused by womanly troubles, so it will surely help you.

It goes to the spot, reaches the trouble, relieves the symptoms and drives away the cause.

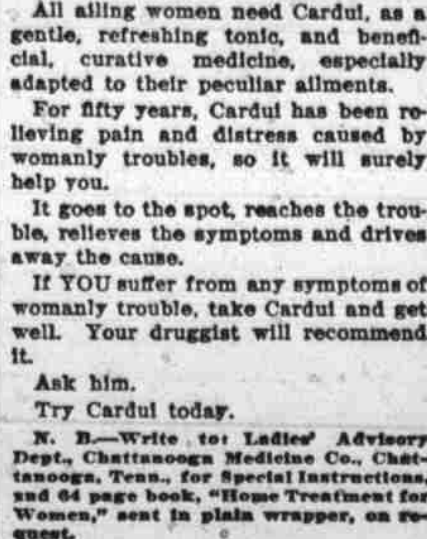
If YOU suffer from any symptoms of womanly trouble, take Cardui and get well. Your druggist will recommend it.

Ask him.

Try Cardui today.

N. E.—Write to: Ladies' Advisory Dept., Chattanooga Medicine Co., Chattanooga, Tenn., for Special Instructions, and 64 page book, "Home Treatment for Women," sent in plain wrapper, on request.

A FASHION PUZZLE.



This is merely two ladies of fashion endeavoring to identify each other.

HEAD SOLID MASS OF HUMOR

"I think the Cuticura Remedies are the best remedies for eczema I have ever heard of. My mother had a child who had a rash on his head when it was real young. Doctor called it baby rash. He gave us medicine, but it did no good. In a few days the head was a solid mass; a running sore. It was awful, the child cried continually. We had to hold him and watch him to keep him from scratching the sore. His suffering was dreadful. At last we remembered Cuticura Remedies. We got a dollar bottle of Cuticura Resolvent, a box of Cuticura Ointment, and a bar of Cuticura Soap. We gave the Resolvent as directed, washed the head with the Cuticura Soap, and applied the Cuticura Ointment. We had not used half before the child's head was clear and free from eczema, and it has never come back again. His head was healthy and he had a beautiful head of hair. I think the Cuticura Ointment very good for the hair. It makes the hair grow and prevents falling hair." (Signed) Mrs. Francis Linn, Plain City, Utah, Sept. 19, 1910. Send to the Potter Drug & Chem. Corp., Boston, Mass., for free Cuticura Book on the treatment of skin and scalp troubles.

A Cautious Answer.

"Now, Johnny," said the geography teacher, "what is the capital of Portugal?"

"I dunno 'em Miss Flanders," said Johnny, "but from what I hear tell of the extravagance of the late king they ain't much left."—Harper's Weekly.

A Significant Selection.

"That was a mighty inconsiderate brass band that serenaded me on election night," remarked the defeated member of congress.

"What was the trouble?"

"It didn't play anything but 'Home, Sweet Home.'"

LADIES CAN WEAR SIKONS

one size smaller after using Allen's Foot-Ease, the antiseptic powder to be shaken into the shoes. It makes tight or new shoes feel easy. Returns substitutes. For free trial package, address Allen B. Oimsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

The test of whether you are educated is, can you do what you ought, when you ought, whether you want to do it or not?—Herbert Spencer.

Sore Throat is no trifling ailment. It will sometimes carry infection to the entire system through the food you eat. Hamlin's Wizard Oil cures Sore Throat.

Common sense in an uncommon degree is what the world calls wisdom.—Coleridge.

For constipation, biliousness, liver disturbances and diseases resulting from impure blood, take Garfield's.


Some women are good to look at, but bad to be tied to.

FRENCH BEAN COFFEE, 1 CENT A POUND

It will grow in your own garden. Ripening here in Wisconsin in 90 days. Splendid health coffee and costing to grow about one cent a pound. A great rarity; a healthful drink.

Send us today 15 cents in stamps and we will mail you package above coffee seed with full directions and our mammoth seed and plant catalog free. Or send us 31 cents and we add 10 packages elegant flower and unsurpassable vegetable seeds, sufficient to grow bushels of vegetables and flowers. Or make your remittance 40 cents and we add to all of above 10 packages of wonderful farm seed specialties and novelties. John A. Salzer Seed Co., 152 S. 8th St., La Crosse, Wis.

NO STOP.



Ticket Collector—We don't stop here, sir.

Montague Swank (who has just given up a ticket)—Stop where?

Ticket Collector—At the pawnbroker's.

THE YOUNG BRIDE'S FIRST DISCOVERY

Their wedding tour had ended, and they entered their new home to settle down to what they hoped to be one long uninterrupted blissful honeymoon.

But, alas! the young bride's troubles soon began, when she tried to reduce the cost of living with cheap big cake baking powder.

She soon discovered that all she got was a lot for her money, and it was not all baking powder, for the bulk of it was cheap materials which had no leavening power. Such powders will not make light, wholesome food. And because of the absence of leavening gas, it requires from two or three times as much to raise cakes or biscuits as it does of Calumet Baking Powder.

Thus, eventually, the actual cost to you of cheap baking powders, is more than Calumet would be.

Cheap baking powders often leave the bread bleached and acid, sometimes yellow and alkaline, and often unpalatable. They are not always of uniform strength and quality.

Now the bride buys Calumet—the perfectly wholesome baking powder, moderate in price, and always uniform and reliable. Calumet keeps indefinitely, makes cooking easy, and is certainly the most economical after all.

Rebelle.

Mrs. Richquick—John, I want you to buy a new parlor suit.

Mr. Richquick—Maria, I've been agreeable enough so far to get different clothes for morning, noon, afternoon and night, but I'm concerned if I'll change 'em every time I go into a different room."

TO DRIVE OUT MALARIA AND BUILD UP THE SYSTEM AND BRING OVER THE SYSTEM.

Take the Old Standard GENUINE BASTARD'S CHILL TONIC. You know what you are taking. The formula is plainly printed on every bottle, showing it is simply Quinine and Iron in a tasteless form. The Quinine drives out the malarial and the Iron builds up the system. Sold by all dealers for 50 cents. Price 75 cents.

A Way of Getting Even.

Hewitt—When I asked the old man for his daughter's hand he walked all over me.

Jewett—Can't you have him arrested for violation of the traffic regulations?

Taylor's Cherokee Remedy of Sweet Gum and Mullen is Nature's great remedy—Cures Coughs, Colds, Croup and Whooping Cough and all throat and lung troubles. At druggists, 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle.

Scoundrel's Last Refuge.

Patriotism is the last refuge of a scoundrel.—Johnson.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY

Take LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE TABLETS. Instant relief—money if it fails to cure. 25c. GENUINE signature is on each box. See.

Modesty is to merit as shades to figures in a picture; giving it strength and beauty.—Bruyere.

Remedies are Needed

Were we perfect, which we are not, medicines would not often be needed. But since our systems have become weakened, impaired and broken down through indiscretions which have gone on from the early ages, through countless generations, remedies are needed to aid Nature in correcting our inherited and otherwise acquired weaknesses. To reach the seat of stomach weakness and consequent digestive troubles, there is nothing so good as Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, a glyceric compound, extracted from native medicinal roots—sold for over forty years with great satisfaction to all users. For Weak Stomach, Biliousness, Liver Complaint, Pain in the Stomach after eating, Heartburn, Bad Breath, Bleaching of food, Chronic Diarrhea and other intestinal Derangements, the "Discovery" is a time-proven and most efficient remedy.

The genuine has on its outside wrapper the Signature

You can't afford to accept a secret nostrum as a substitute for this non-alcoholic, medicine of known composition, not even though the urgent dealer may thereby make a little bigger profit.

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets regulate and invigorate stomach, liver and bowels. Sugar-coated, tiny granules, easy to take so candy.

Give a girl a present, and she will not worry about the future.

FILES CURED IN 6 TO 14 DAYS

Your druggist will refund money if FRAZIER'S PLEASANT PELLETS fail to cure any case of itching, blood, bleeding or Protruding Piles in 6 to 14 days. See.

A mind content both crown and kingdom is.—Robert Greene.

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W. L. Douglas shoes cost more to make than ordinary shoes, because higher grade leathers are used and selected with greater care. These are the reasons why W. L. Douglas shoes are guaranteed to hold their shape, look and fit better and wear longer than any other shoes you can buy.

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The genuine have W. L. Douglas name and the retail price stamped on the bottom, which guarantees full value and protects the wearer against high prices and inferior shoes. REFUSE SUBSTITUTES CLAIMED TO BE "JUST AS GOOD".

If your dealer cannot supply you with the genuine W. L. Douglas shoes, write for Mail Order Catalog. Shows and direct from factory to wearer, all classes of shoes. W. L. Douglas, 145 Spark St., Brockton, Mass. \$2.00, \$2.50 & \$3.00

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ABSOLUTELY FREE

If Frazier's Diatemper Cure falls as a cure in any case of Diatemper, Epistaxis, Influenza, Coughs, Colds and all affections of the Nose and Throat, ask for your money back. Safe for Mares, Stallions and Colts. No bad after effects. Write for Free Horse Booklet. \$1.00 bottle contains three times the quantity of the 50 cent size. Sold by all druggists, or prepaid from BINKLEY MEDICAL COMPANY, Dep't A, NAPPANEE, IND.

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Vegetable Preparation for Assimilating the Food and Regulating the Stomachs and Bowels of

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These cleaners lighten housework, improve the sanitary condition and cleanliness of the home. Necessary to good housekeeping.

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Big Springs, the County Seat of Howard county, being a division point on the T. & P. railroad, 270 west of Ft. Worth and 330 east of El Paso. Having an altitude of 2300 feet. A happy medium, neither too cold or hot. The T. & P. railroad company have located their shops here at a cost of half million dollars, with pay roll of over \$40,000 per month; a \$50,000 ice factory and bottling works, two gins, \$20,000 electric light and power plant, the best telephone system in the country and equal to any city in the state; an abundant supply of the finest water in Texas, furnished by the Big Springs Water Co.; one of the best equipped Steam Laundry in the west; \$24,000 High School and two \$10,000 Ward school buildings; \$12,000 City Hall, \$40,000 Court House, \$20,000 fire-proof jail and \$20,000 Y. M. C. A. and the T. & P. has just completed a \$50,000 depot, and all the religious denominations have nice, comfortable houses of worship, the Baptists have just completed a \$20,000 brick church and the Catholics have now under construction a brick church to cost about \$16,000. The Masons have one of the finest halls in the state and other orders have flourishing lodges, besides her mercantile and banking institutes which are unexcelled. In our three banks there is on deposit about one million dollars. Besides all of these good things, we are surrounded by one of the best all-purpose countries on earth, farming, stock farming, horses, cattle, mules, hogs, sheep and poultry. There has never been known such a thing as an epidemic of disease among stock in this part of Texas.

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18 miles northeast from Big Springs and 10 miles north from Coahoma, 150 acres in cultivation, 3 room house, barn, lots and well, mill and also 2 room house, sheds, lots, all fenced in. convent pastures, more than 75 per cent as fine sandy catclaw and mesquite valley land, balance good grass, lots of big mesquite for wood and pasture. Price \$5500.

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The G. C. Cauble ranch, adjoins the town, more than 1200 acres in fine state of cultivation, \$20,000 worth of improvements, 90 per cent smooth, first class firm red and black sandy soil, abundance of fine water, mesquite wood, school on the ranch, land is worth 30 per acre but it can be bought at the present time for \$20 per acre, for terms apply to G. C. Cauble or R. Canon & Co.

Let us know what you have to trade, we may be able to get you just what you are looking for. Tell us your troubles.

Two lots 100x212 feet in Cole & Strayhorn addition close to good well. Price \$150 for one or \$250 for both.

40 acres in Roswell, N. M. two flowing artesian wells, all good land, for sale or exchange for Texas property.

For rent, farm 5 miles northeast of town, 125 acres in cultivation, good 5 room house, well and windmill, tank and barn. Will rent for 150.00 or part of crop.

You can get this paper for a short time for \$1.00 a year

We have any size farm from 13 acres up to 1300 acres that we can sell now at a very low price.

Some Exchange Propositions No. 2.

No. 1, 907 acres 9 m. st. from Graham, Young county, Texas, on public road, close to school and church, and a mile from gin and post-office and store. One-half good tillable land, the other half good grass land; abundance of good water, has about 1500 pecan trees. One 5 room house and one 3 room house, on this tract of land. One field of 75 acres and one of 50 acres, both in good state of cultivation; this land is mixed mesquite and post oak land. This land can be traded clear of debt, but there is \$1700 that can be assumed. Will trade for good land here. Price \$20 per acre.

No. 2, 160 acres 10 miles northeast of Floydada, Floyd county, good 5-room house, well and windmill, barn, etc., 80 acres in cultivation, balance fenced in pasture, all tillable, smooth level plains land, 2 miles from school and church, 95 cents due state on long time at 3 per cent interest. Price \$22.50 per acre. \$15.00 cash or trade balance assume in 8 equal annual payments, dated Feb. 2, due Feb. 2, 1912, 1913, 1914, 1915, 1916, 1917, 1918, 1919, 9 per cent inter. Will trade for land or town property. What have you?

No. 3, 75 lots in the College Addition to Floydada all nice smooth lots, and close in to trade for land or Big Springs property. This is good property and adjoins one of the best schools in the state and the terminus of the railroad and county seat.

No. 4, N. E. 1-4 sec. 11, blk. 34, top. 1, N. Howard county 12 miles northwest Big Springs, Texas, 80 acres in cultivation, 2 room house, fenced, big stock cistern, 150 bbl. cistern at house, all smooth red sandy land \$900 against land 3 years at 8 per cent interest. Price \$15 per acre. Also one house, two big rooms and two side rooms, corner lot in Earl's Addition to Big Springs, handy for shop men, price \$900, clear. Also one 3-room house and two lots in Jones Valley Addition on Stanton road, high ground, across street from the Shumway property. Price \$800, clear. Want to trade part or all of this property for small farm near Coahoma.

No. 9, 1330 acres Kaufman county, well improved, 8 sets houses, 700 acres in cultivation, balance open prairie, to trade for western land. Price \$50 per

acre; clear. Also 795 acres Ellis county, all agricultural land, part heavy timber, 325 acres in cultivation, houses, etc. Price \$50 per acre; clear. What have you to offer?

No. 13, One-half section of all good lever red mesquite sandy loam land, 18 miles northeast from Big Springs, 120 acres in cultivation, house well, etc. \$2800 against it; price \$20 per acre. Would trade his equity as first payment on small Dallas county farm and give back notes against the land bought.

No. 14, fine section of land in Terry county, to trade or sell. Want a good auto, prefer 2-cylinder Buick, but will consider any standard make. Price of land \$7 per acre; clear.

No. 15, good section of land in El Paso county to trade for auto. This school land bought \$1 per acre, proved up. Would make an even trade.

No. 16, 114 acres Ellis county, 100 acres in cultivation, 5-room house, etc. \$4500, mortgage; price \$75 per acre.

No. 19, 6 sections in solid body school land in El Paso county, 35 miles east from El Paso, and 15 miles from the railroad, all smooth but about 200 acres

proved up. \$1.25 to state 3 per cent interest. 2-room house and two tanks, and in the watered district where water can be had by drilling. \$250 bonus; will trade for farm, no incumbrance except state debt.

No. 17, who wants to trade for fine Fort Worth property, modern 8 room residence, close in, all modern conveniences, \$6500. Also 6-room house, nearly half acre, \$1800. 4 room house and 4 lots in Glenwood Addition, \$2250. 51 feet north Main street. \$1500. New 4-room house, \$750. 84 acres heavy timber land, Tarrant county, \$20 per acre. 154 acres Cherokee county, 60 acres in cultivation, no house, \$15. Will trade all or part.

No. 20, 640 acres 6 miles west from Big Springs, Texas, on railroad, three-fourths agricultural land, balance good grass land, shallow water, mesquite timber, no improvements. \$4500 against the land on long time at 6 per cent, and 8 per cent on part. Price \$12.50 per acre trade for anything worth the money. One year ago this land sold for \$15 per acre.

No. 25, 17850 acres fine agricultural land in Bailey county, good improvements, well and mills, two artesian wells only 80 feet deep, price \$16.50 per acre, one half in trade or cash, balance on or before 40 years, 5 per cent interest. Each 174 acres will carry its own in-

debtedness; a good colonization proposition. Will trade 4428 acres or more in body, or 17850 acres in solid body. Will trade our equity for anything worth the money.

No. 26, Who wants trade for a nice home in Clifton, Texas? Nice 5 room house nicely located; \$1000; trade for land.

No. 27, 11 sections of land in solid body two houses, plenty of water, good farm, fenced and cross fenced, 75 per cent tillable, balance fine grass land, in Borden county, 6 miles from the county seat. Price \$12.50 per acre; clear. Will trade for improved black land worth the money.

No. 28, 1280 acres adjoining the station of Iatan on T. & P. railroad, 100 acres in cultivation, 5-room house, two porches, arranged for 4 rooms up stairs and stairs put in, new house, fenced and cross fenced, tanks for water and cisterns at house, \$6000 against this land in loan company, runs 10 years from Jan. 1, 1912, at 8 per cent interest. Price \$12.50 per acre. Will trade for eastern farm or city property and assume some difference.

No. 29, Nice 5 room residence in McDowell Heights Addition to Big Springs, good porch and barn, etc. Price \$1000; will trade for small farm in this county of about equal value.

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