

TEXAS AND TEXANS

BY WILL H. MAYES

Evidences of Prosperity

When public utilities companies, like power and telephone companies, announce preparations for unprecedented expenditures, the announcement may be safely accepted as evidence of unusual prosperity. The Bell Telephone Company is being forced to expend millions of dollars in Texas this year in order to meet the demand for increased telephone service, as much as three-quarters of

a million dollars being required in improvements in some of the largest Texas cities. Power plants are getting equipment to provide almost unlimited power in the manufacturing industries, the Comal Power Company of New Braunfels having arranged to spend \$1,500,000 in doubling the capacity of its electrical power plant there. Gas companies are fighting each other in efforts to get franchises in most of the important,

and in all the accessible towns of the State. Railroads are seeking permits to build lines and extensions into territory heretofore neglected, and are in some cases begging for the right to operate bus lines on the public highways. It all means that great prosperity is foreseen for Texas in 1928 and the succeeding years.

Corporation Success

The principal reason for the success of many large corporations is that they do not go into things blindly, their operations always being based on most careful surveys of the demands of the field in which they operate. The expenditures the utilities companies are to make in Texas this year are after most careful surveys of their fields in minutest detail. They know exactly what business returns may be expected from their investments as it is possible for human knowledge to determine. The improvements have been worked out and discussed in a way that the corporations know just what is needed and why. The small concerns struggling alone are likely to go into things blindly and for that reason so many of them fail.

About all the study some corner grocers have given to the situation before opening their stores has been to find vacant buildings in which to put their stocks. So the failure of such enterprises surprises no one unless it is the unbusiness-like corner grocer. Farms are planted to crops without any regard for market demands, and low prices and failure become inevitable. When Adam was told that he would have to make his living by the sweat of his brow, the meaning was that he would have to put his mind into what he was doing rather than lean too heavily on a beneficent Providence. Some of us have not learned Adam's lesson yet.

Sitting Comfortable

Old age has few terrors for the person who cautiously plans far enough ahead. When I. L. Shireman, of La Porte, began putting out a 10-acre pecan orchard after he was 60 years old, his neighbors were inclined to laugh at him and intimate that he was foolish. He is 83 now, and last year made \$2,500 from his pecan grove. Success came because he saw a demand, had faith in himself, and worked when he could. He cared for the pecan trees and now they are caring for him. Pecan groves yield good returns and come to maturity in good time when they are cultivated as they should be. Like other orchard trees, they will suffer from neglect.

Fruit Shipments Expedited

Texas fruit and vegetable growers have for a long time had heavy losses because of lack of sufficient refrigerator cars. Most of these crops are handled by the Pacific Fruit Express Company, which operates in this State, the general office being in San Francisco. Somewhat naturally when cars are short, Texas suffers more than California. Growers in this State will be glad to know that the express company has contracted for \$6,000,000 worth of new refrigerator cars for 1928 delivery, which will buy 2,000 cars. When it is considered that 38,000 such cars are now available, the additional purchase seems small, but it shows a desire to give better service.

'Tater Industry Lags

E. A. Miller, agronomist at A. & M. College says that Texas sweet potato growers must produce better sweet potatoes and go after out-of-state business or the industry will suffer. Too little attention is being paid to quality. A large part of the crop is grown for home use, and many growers seem to think that anything that looks like a potato is good enough for the homes. Texas is now growing about 8,000,000 bushels of sweet potatoes annually, being fourth among the states in production. It could as well grow five times the quantity by putting more study, more "sweat of the brow" into the industry. Pittsburg, in Camp county, is now the center of Texas sweet potato growing and marketing, and just because it has made a closer study of the crop and its markets.

Better Health Special

Any movement to bring about better health should get the support of the press and the attention of the public. When the Missouri Pacific Railway Company sends its "Health Train" over its lines, starting during January, it should have large crowds at every stop. The train will be equipped with the latest health and sanitary devices, and lectures will be a real "short cut" to health.

Increased Dairy

The trend in agriculture

in a late report from Williamson county, long famous as one of the leading cotton counties of Texas. For a year or two cotton became a rather uncertain crop in Williamson, and farm thought turned to other ways of making money. In 1926 the cream products of the entire county amounted to about \$3,000 a month. They have now reached \$19,000 a month, or more than six times the production of 1926. A cheese factory has been built and will soon be in operation at Round Rock. Milk, butter and cheese bring steady cash receipts to farmers and regular trade to merchants.

Hatchery Chains

The egg hatchery business has won its way to commercial recognition in a large way. It has reached the "chain" link in its progress, and is now being organized like the chain department and grocery stores. Longview has been selected as headquarters for a chain of hatcheries to be operated in East Texas. Frank W. Kazemeyer of Bryan, a large poultry raiser, is heading the movement, starting the first plant at Longview. It is a safe prediction that there will soon be other chains operating in Texas.

El Paso Hatchery

Arrangements have been made to build a hatchery at El Paso with an incubating capacity of 47,000 eggs. The first order, for 5,000 baby chicks to be sent to Torreón, Mexico, has already been received.

DON'T FALL FOR IT

We can sell this vacuum cleaner cheaper, Madam, because our distribution costs are lower than they would be if we sold our merchandise through the local dealer."

This is the explanation the smooth agent often gives for the low price on the inferior article he is offering. Is there any truth in what he says? Not a word of it.

The man who has been called a pioneer in direct or house to house selling says "No" in talking to business men in a recent article published in the "Magazine of Business." House to house selling is fully as costly to the manufacturer, he declares, as merchandising through jobber and dealer channels. It has its functions in the machinery of distribution, and also its decided limitations, he points out.

Its function lies in the marketing of new novelties or commodities requiring more sales effort than the average retailer can devote to any one item among the thousands he carries on his shelves. If the customer must be educated to the uses of the article by demonstration, then the agent is almost necessary. As soon as the general public is familiar with the merchandising, however, the experienced manufacturer distributes it through the regular channels, the last and most important unit of which is the retailer.

The buyer will not purchase in large volume, items of merchandise that are well known and handled by local dealers, for the buyer who purchases from the agent has no opportunity to shop around and compare values.

The man who says this knows more about house to house selling than any other living man. Hence, Mrs. Housewife, when the agent tells you that his firm's system of merchandising permits him to offer better values than you can get from your local dealer, tell him that he is misrepresenting the facts either wilfully or through ignorance, and then go down town and buy it from your local dealer.

THE STRUGGLE FOR SURVIVAL

Like most small towns we as a community, are faced with keen competition from all parts of the country. Almost every little city is working in some way to build itself up commercially or industrially. Many are the attractive offers that every industrial leader receives when he plans to locate a new branch factory.

But only those cities that are alive, on their toes, ruled by a spirit of co-operation that supports an active commercial organization, are going to come out on top in this competitive struggle. Only those communities whose citizens recognize that their personal interests and community interests are identical will prosper or even long survive in the struggle.

Think how we all have a personal interest in the activities of our commercial body. When it brings a new business to the city, it brings new customers for some of us, it brings better jobs for others, and it means higher assessed valuations and lower taxes for public improvements, as we all derive benefits. The man who wishes to in-

crease his material wealth and spiritual enjoyment of life, will devote most of his energies to two major activities. First he will look well after his own business, try to make it after his own business, try to make it of all opportunities within reach. Second, he will look well after his own community, the development and growth of which makes possible his own business prosperity.

The fellow who tries the most pools generally catches more fish than the man who uses up a lot of time looking for the good places.

It is not what you say, but what you do, who you say it to, when, that gets the order.

Another way to prove "right" with your employer is to show that you are not right when you are wrong when you are not right.

We have all met men who would like to be big. You know them, I mean, the one who mooches, smokes, gum, etc., and who blocks in the middle of a road to save car fare.

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The Senior Six, outstanding in performance, quality and luxurious appointment, has been created.

Graham Brothers Trucks and Motor Coaches (formerly exclusively Fours) have been supplemented by sixes. Fifty new types have been added. The capacities are broadened to range from one-half ton to two-ton, all resulting in the most complete and capable line of work cars known, and with prices ranging from \$670 to \$4290.

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Charter No. 10871 Reserve District No. 11
REPORT OF CONDITION OF THE

First National Bank

at Spearman, in the State of Texas, at close of business on December 31st, 1927.

RESOURCES

Loans and discounts, including rediscounts, acceptances of other banks and foreign bills of exchange or drafts sold with indorsement of this bank	\$128,966.62	\$128,966.62
Total loans		9.69
Overdrafts, unsecured		184,937.45
Bonds, stocks, securities, etc., owned		5,000.00
Banking House		1.00
Real estate owned other than banking house		21,790.06
Lawful reserve with Federal Reserve Bank		38,563.74
Cash in vault and amount due from national banks		983.94
Checks on other banks in the same city or town as reporting bank	39,547.68	
Total of last two items		380,252.50

LIABILITIES

Capital stock paid in	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 25,000.00
Surplus fund	25,000.00	
Undivided profits	\$ 2,039.29	2,039.29
Less current expenses paid		18,116.21
Cashier's checks outstanding		206,128.83
Individual deposits subject to check		188.78
Certificates of deposit due in less than 30 days (other than for money borrowed)		54,058.73
Other demand deposits		260,356.32
Total of demand deposits (other than bank deposits) subject to reserve		45,740.68
Saving deposits (including time certificates of deposit other than for money borrowed)		4,000.00
Other time deposits		
Total of time deposits subject to reserve	\$ 49,740.68	
TOTAL		\$380,252.50

State of Texas, County of Hansford, ss:

I, C. A. Gibner, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

C. A. GIBNER, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 6th day of January, 1928.

A. R. BORT, Notary Public.

Correct—Attest:

FRED W. BRANDT,
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A. L. WOOD, Director.

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OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE Fidelity Bank of Commerce

at Spearman, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 31st day of December, 1927, published in the Spearman Reporter, a newspaper printed and published at Spearman, State of Texas, on the 12th day of January, 1928.

RESOURCES

Loans and discounts, unobtainably good on collateral security	\$ 32,578.55
Loans secured by real estate, worth at least two-thirds of value	21,106.00
Loans secured by real estate, worth at least two-thirds of value	8,387.50
Bonds, stocks and other securities	6,226.44
Real Estate (Banking House)	6,101.10
Other Real Estate	2,326.30
Furniture and Fixtures	6,500.03
Cash on hand	7,432.90
Due from approved reserve agents	51,764.32
Due from other banks and bankers, subject to demand	142,423.14
TOTAL	142,423.14

GRAND TOTAL

\$142,423.14

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock	\$ 25,000.00
Certified Surplus Fund	25,000.00
Undivided profits, net	486.09
Individual Deposits subject to check	95,000.00
Time Certificates of Deposit	3,965.00
Public Funds on Deposit: City, \$2,087.19; School, \$3,800.58; Total	5,887.77
Cashier's Checks Outstanding	7,057.79
TOTAL	\$142,423.14
GRAND TOTAL	\$142,423.14

STATE OF TEXAS,
County of Hansford:

We, I. E. Cameron, as President, and Fred J. Hoskins, as Cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

I, E. CAMERON, President.
FRED J. HOSKINS, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 6th day of January, A. D. 1928.

(SEAL) DON KEMAN,
Notary Public, R. 1.

Correct—Attest:

WALTER W. WILMET,
A. E. CAMERON,
VERA CAMYBELL

LOST KEYS

A bunch of keys, padlock and door, in leather folder was lost in Spearman the first of the week. Finder will confer a great favor by leaving the same at the Reporter office.

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THE SMALL TOWN

One frequently hears the complaint voiced by the very young members of the community that they are fed up with the small town and that they long to get out into the big world where they could do things and enjoy life to the full.

Only experience can teach that these juvenile hopes and aspirations are in the majority of cases doomed to bitter disappointment in the realization of what the great outside world holds in store. The majority of this juvenile army of longers after life and excitement come to the stage where they would give anything to get back to the simpler pleasures and real friends of the small town only to find that they are carried by a current which renders the backward swim a feat impossible of accomplishment.

Perhaps the restless youngsters are old enough, and big enough, and know enough to care for themselves, but it usually is the case that those who brag about being able to care for themselves are the ones who need the most restraining.

While those who have gone through the experience can sympathize with those who chafe at the confines and restrictions of a "little burg," yet they can assure the young people of today that they have in that "little burg" nearly all the things and nearly all the opportunities which the young folks of a couple of decades ago thought they had to go to the big city to get. Young folks of today have pleasures and opportunities manyfold greater than those which were presented to the young folks of yesterday. In the "little burg" today are all the things that would have made contented the young folks of yesterday.

The girl or boy of today who hasn't an automobile in the family feels that Providence has been very unkind to him. In days not so very long ago the two-horse rig that could be driven with one hand was thought quite sufficient for a Sunday afternoon's pleasure. We didn't get quite so far along the road but the time didn't drag on our hands and the road seemed short enough.

When those now in middle age were young there were no moving

picture theaters and unless they moved out of the "little burg" they had no chance to see a good show, but looking back through the years the little family parties and taffy pulls, almost never heard of now, seem to have been far from unpleasant affairs and to have possessed pleasant features.

We got along pretty well with all our handicaps and there was far more socialability when there were fewer places to go than there is now when even staid folks who were raised under the more prosaic conditions of a couple or three decades ago have been partially carried away by the growing craze for amusement, to be entertained, to be doing something and to be going somewhere.

ACCOUNTS GREATLY EXAGGERATED

A group of local Legionnaires were discussing the care of wounded comrades, adjusted compensation, and various other similar matters, so reports have it. One of the boys with a penchant for oratory rose to his feet extremely indignant and said:

"Buddies, is it possible that we died in vain?"

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DON'T HURRY

'Don't hurry,' said the examining physician to a nervous patient who came tearing into the office out of breath. He proceeded to lecture:

'The man of large affairs, the physician of ability, the inventor with an idea, and the artist with a dream, these workers do not hurry. Hustle and bustle are characteristic of smaller minds and small activities. The large things of life must be done with thought.'

'Go to an able physician to be examined. With an office full of patients waiting to be examined he will calmly chat with you about your family, about your sports, about a dozen and one things that seem to you irrelevant. However, the physician knows that before he can make any worth-while examination you must be calm and he must be able to see your normal reactions.'

'Go to a photographer. He does not hustle you into a chair, rush to the camera and snap your likeness. No! a good likeness is not made that way. The photographer that is an artist must see you in an unhurried mood. You must forget that you are being photographed, that your visage is to be reproduced for the so-called benefit of your friends. When the photographer hurries it is apparent in the result that no artist did the work.'

'If you have a portrait painted, you must go to the artist in person. Not even a Chase, a Sargent, or a Whistler could make a good portrait of you from a photograph. No! a good portrait requires the unhurried attention of the artist and his subject. Half a dozen settings of an hour or more are essential, so that the artist may become acquainted with the subject in a natural manner.'

'Don't hurry. The big things of life are done with thought. The inventor spends hundreds of hours in thought upon his device. Isaac Watts sat before the fireplace and learned how to put steam to work. Isaac Watts thought. The thinking was the important part of the operation and that was done calmly. Many people sit before the fire without thinking and naturally nothing happens. The essential point is the thinking and there is no such thing as hurry in thought.'

At an early morning hour and old ferryman was awakened by the call of someone wanting to cross the river. He answered, and received the reply, "Yes, suh, boss, I wants to cross the river, but I ain't got no money." The ferryman replied, "Well, it makes damn little difference as to which side of the river you're on if you ain't got no money." This little fable is told to impress upon your mind the importance of investigating a man's credit before soliciting his business.

Like most New Yorkers he thought that all the wonders and worth-while things in the world were located in Manhattan Island. While going through the state of Nebraska on his first trip West of the Alleghenies he struck up an acquaintance with a native of the state and proceeded to bore him with his talk about New York.

At the outskirts of a small town he saw what appeared to be a new factory stack. "What," said he, "is someone starting a factory in this God forsaken country?"

"Oh, no," replied the native, "that's just one of our neighbor's wells. A cyclone turned it inside out."

It is a good thing many employees are on the payroll at invoiced value in the place of their self-estimated worth, else their firms would go bust.

If you figure gasoline, railroad and the value of your time, you that buying away from something of a luxury.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

The State of Texas, To the Sheriff or any Constable of Hansford County—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon The White Truck Line, Inc. by making publication of this Citation once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the nearest county to said Hansford county, to appear at the next regular term of the Justice Court, Precinct No. 4, of Hansford County, to be holden at my office in Gruver, on the 3rd Monday in January, A. D. 1928, the same being the 16th day of January, A. D. 1928, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 27th day of October A. D. 1927, in a suit numbered on the docket of said Court No. 2, wherein J. G. McCintock is plaintiff, and The White Truck Line, Inc., is defendant, and said petition alleging that defendant is indebted to plaintiff in the sum of \$159.64 for hauling on October 6th, 8th and 15, 1926, as shown by itemized account attached to said petition, and plaintiff sues for said debt, damages and cost of suit.

Herein fail not but have before said Court, at its aforesaid regular term, this writ with your return thereon showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand at office in Gruver, Texas.

On this the 20th day of December, A. D. 1927.

W. E. MAUPIN,
Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 4,
2d Hansford County, Texas.

NOTICE OF HEARING

To Appropriate Public Waters of the State of Texas, No. 1137.

Notice is hereby given, to whom concerned, that J. J. Deaner and C. E. Deaner the postoffice address of whom is Okmulgee, Okla. and Spearman, Texas, did on the 21st day of December, A. D. 1927, file their application in the office of the Board of Water Engineers for the State of Texas, in which they apply for a permit to appropriate of the unappropriated waters of the State of Texas, from the Palo Duro creek, a tributary of the Canadian River, in Hansford County, Texas, sufficient water for the irrigation of not to exceed 75 acres of land, said water to be diverted by means of a pumping plant; said pumping plant to be located at a point which bears South 0 deg. 18' East 1725 feet from the Northwest corner of the H. & T. C. Railway Company survey No. 156, Block 46, on the South bank of the Palo Duro Creek in Hansford County, Texas, and is distant in a South-westerly direction from Hansford, Texas, about five miles.

You are hereby further notified that the said J. J. Deaner and C. E. Deaner proposes to install a pumping plant; said pumping plant to consist of a five-inch suction, centrifugal, four inch discharge pump, operated by a 12 horsepower gas engine, having a height of lift of 20 feet, and to divert therewith sufficient water for the irrigation of not to exceed 75 acres of land in Hansford County, Texas, fully described in said application.

A hearing of the application of the said J. J. Deaner and C. E. Deaner will be held by the Board of Water Engineers for the State of Texas, in the office of the Board at Austin, Texas, on January 30th, A. D. 1928, beginning at ten o'clock A. M. at which time and place all parties interested may appear and be heard. Such hearing will be continued from time to time, and from place to place if necessary, until such determination has been made relative to said application as the said Board of Water Engineers may deem right, equitable and proper.

Given under and by virtue of an order of the Board of Water Engineers for the State of Texas, at the office of the said Board, at Austin, Texas, this the 21st day of December, A. D. 1927.

FNO. A. NORRIS,
C. S. CLARK,
A. H. DUNLAP,
Board of Water Engineers.

Attest:
A. W. McDONALD,
Secretary.

Did you ever notice that the fellow who is busy tending to his own business never has to worry about what his competitors are doing?

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\$100 REWARD

I will pay a reward of \$100 for the arrest and conviction of any person for the offense of giving, selling or furnishing in any way, any sort of intoxicating liquor to any school boy or girl in Hansford county. ALVINO RICHARDSON, Sheriff.

TURKEYS FOR SALE

Extra good thoroughbred Giant Bronze turkeys for sale. See Mrs. J. D. Cotter, four miles west of Spearman. 49th.



Dr. Powell, Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat Specialist. Will be in Spearman, at offices of Dr. Cowan, on Wednesday, January 18th. Glasses fitted and tonsils and adenoids removed.

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Greater even than its beauty is the performance of the new Ford car

Millions of people have seen the new Ford since it was first announced on December 2nd and have been delighted with its smart low lines, its sturdy rugged strength, and its beautiful colors.

The art of the master designer is evident not only in the graceful contour of radiator, body and fenders, but in the harmonious relation of all features, so that the car as a whole is extremely pleasing to the eye.

Here is the complete car. Here, at a low price, is everything you want or need in a modern automobile—speed of 55 to 65 miles an hour—40-horsepower engine—acceleration from 5 to 25 miles an hour in 8½ seconds in tests with a Tudor Sedan body and two passengers, and even quicker acceleration in the Roadster, Coupe and Sport Coupe—exceptional hill-climbing qualities—20 to 30 miles per gallon of gasoline, depending on your speed—four-wheel brakes—Houdaille hydraulic shock absorbers—easy-riding transverse, semi-elliptic springs—typical Ford reliability and low up-keep cost. Even a Triplex shatter-proof glass windshield is given you in the new Ford without extra cost.

The new Ford Roadster sells for \$385; the Phaeton for \$395; the Tudor Sedan for \$495; the Coupe for \$495; the Sport Coupe with rumble seat for \$550; and the Fordor Sedan for \$570. (All prices are F. O. B. Detroit.)

Standard equipment includes five steel-spoke wheels, four 30x4.50 balloon tires. Electric windshield wiper, speedometer, gasoline gauge on the instrument panel, dash light, mirror, combination stop and tail light, oil measuring rod, complete tool equipment, theft-proof coincidental steering lock, pressure grease gun lubrication, and Triplex shatter-proof glass windshield.

R. W. Morton

PHONE 45

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SPEARMAN

The SPEARMAN REPORTER

BY
ORAN KELLY

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Reading notices, 10 cents per line. Recognized agent's commission, 15 per cent; cash discount, 2 per cent.

Sewer system under construction, two big brick business houses under construction and others being planned, city hall to be built soon, natural gas by September 1, oil scouts and rock hounds looking over again, more railroad talk, basket ball team are winning—but the big news item of the week is: the wheat crop is holding up good. The Reporter failed to report a big snow this week because the clouds failed to deliver the goods. But the moisture always comes just before it is too late.

John H. Kirby, wealthy Houston lumberman and financier, recently announced the presentation of a large tract of East Texas land to the A. & M. College of Texas as a New Year's gift. The gift has a double significance in that the land, to be not less than a section in extent, is to be used by the Forest Service division of the college in the scientific development of forestry in East Texas while the revenue that may ac-

crue is to be used as a student loan fund to assist worthy students, preferably those who include forestry in their course, through the college. While no immediate revenue may be expected, Mr. Kirby said that in time and under proper development the cut-over land might be expected to yield an annual revenue of \$15,000. The loan fund for students to be established with the income is to be administered by the Association of Former Students. The site of the land has not been determined. Mr. Kirby announced the tract might be selected from any part of the 600,000 acres owned by the Kirby Lumber Company in East Texas, but expressed the hope that suitable tract might be found in Tyler County in the vicinity of Peachtree Village, his boyhood home. Mr. Kirby, in making the gift, said he was indebted to A. K. (Dad) Short, formerly of the Extension Service and now chairman of the conservation and terracing department of the Federal Land Bank of Houston, for suggesting it, especially the student loan fund provision.

Confidence is the backbone of all business. Don't do or say anything that would tend to destroy.

Work will win when wishing won't.

Never hear of a fellow working on a small salary crushing a woman's heart and being sued for breach of promise?

While climbing the ladder of success in business few men ever see the splinters, but take it from me, they feel 'em when they start sliding down.

MISCHIEVOUS BOYS CAUSE A LITTLE CORRESPONDENCE

Perryton, Texas, January 7, 1928.
Mr. Jot Horton, Pres., Chamber of Commerce, Spearman, Texas.
Dear Mr. Horton:

Last evening there were several fellows from Spearman in this city attending a social affair. When they were ready to return home it was found that the ignition wires were cut on several cars and in one case a roller taken from the commutator of one of the cars.

We regret this very much, that visitors to our city had to be put to such inconvenience through the acts of some individuals who ought to be under lock and key.

We wish to assure the citizens of Spearman that what occurred last night will not happen again as ample police protection will be procured to watch the cars of our visitors.

It is requested that this letter be given the desired publicity as we want the Spearman folks to feel that they are welcomed in Perryton and while here will not be put to any inconveniences.

Yours very truly,
W. T. FLEESON,
Secretary-Manager.

Spearman, Texas,
January 9, 1928.

Mr. W. T. Fleeson,
Sec'y—Manager,
Chamber of Commerce,
Perryton, Texas.

Dear Mr. Fleeson:
I am in receipt of your letter dated Jan. 7th, with reference to some inconveniences occasioned by some of our citizens while visiting in your city on the 6th, when their cars were tampered with, and I beg to assure you that your letter and the spirit of cooperation, and friendliness is highly appreciated by our citizens.

I feel sure that our citizens would not place responsibility for these misfortunes upon your citizens, for it is just a case where a few irresponsible individuals have undertaken to do something that does not meet with the approval of the better class of citizens of your city, and our citizens know that your people do not endorse or ratify any such actions, as we have very friendly feelings for your citizens and know that they are among the best in the country.

Again thanking you for your letter, and assuring you that it will be given proper publicity, and that there will be no ill feelings by this unfortunate situation, and with best wishes, I remain,

Yours very truly,
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE,
By President.

OUR POLICY

Frequently subscribers ask: "What is the policy of your paper?" Whenever we hear this, we usually go to some length to outline the ideas and ideals toward which we are striving in the editing and management of the Reporter.

With a political campaign in the offing, and with the new year now just well started, we feel that it may be interesting for us to outline briefly just what we believe should be the policy back of any good community paper.

First and foremost we are for Spearman and Hansford county. We stand ready to support any and every enterprise or project framed for making this a better and more prosperous community. We want to see every local citizen prosper, and we want to continue to do business in a "live town".

In politics we reserve the right to express our honest and carefully con-

sidered opinions. At the same time we recognize the right of the other side to a public expression of its position, and therefore endeavor to make the Reporter an open forum. While we wish to maintain friendly relations with everyone in the community, we are not cowardly enough to suppress our own views to do so.

Our news sections are devoted exclusively to the presentation of fact, and our editorial page to opinion and fact. Our columns are always open to the expression of honest opinions, free from reflections upon personalities.

By maintaining this policy we feel that we can serve best the interests of our subscribers and of all the citizens of our community.

There never was a better piece of advice than, "Don't make customers of your friends, but make friends of your customers."

No man ever missed a train or lost an order by being a little ahead of time.

NOTICE OF EXECUTION SALE

By virtue of an execution issued out of the 31st Judicial District Court of Hansford County, Texas, on a judgment rendered in said court on the 23rd day of October 1925, in favor of S. P. Hughes and against Edna F. Andrews as executrix, and the estate of B. V. Andrews, deceased, No. 301 in said court, I did, on the 10th day of January 1928, at 9 o'clock a. m. levy upon lots 8 and 11 in Block 38; and lots 9, 10, 11 and 12 in Block 50; and lot 4 in Block 10; and lots 6 and 7 in Block 15. All in the original town of Spearman, in Hansford County, Texas. Also levied on the south-east quarter of Section No. 66 in block 4T, T. & N. O. Ry. Co., Hansford County, Texas, except 10 acres in a square out of the southeast corner of said tract.

And on the 7th day of February, 1928, being the first Tuesday of said month, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m. on said day at the courthouse door of said county, I will offer for sale and sell at public auction for cash all the right title and interest of the said Edna F. Andrews as executrix of the estate of B. V. Andrews, deceased, and of the estate of B. V. Andrews, deceased, in and to said property.

Dated at Hansford, Texas this 10th day of January 1928.

ALVINO RICHARDSON,

Sheriff of Hansford County, Texas.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

For Tax Assessor
MRS. BESSIE CATOR
For Treasurer
BARNEY SPARKS
For Sheriff and Tax Collector
H. L. WILBANKS

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Is the heart of your car.

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Yes---

We Might Sell at Lower Prices

—if we weren't so jealous of our reputation as a high quality grocery.

—if we gave up the various features of our efficient service. But these are the things that our customers value most highly. Phone your order.

Delivery will be prompt, and the merchandise will be satisfactory.

THERE'S JOY AND SATISFACTION IN PETER'S SHOES AND PHOENIX HOSIERY

W. L. Russell

DAY GOODS AND GROCERIES

PHONE 78 SPEARMAN

FURS!

Highest Market Price Paid For Furs

Honest grading and a square deal always. Animal bait, traps and fur stretchers for sale. See me before you sell your furs. 30 more days fur season.

D. M. Jones

SPEARMAN, TEXAS

29x4:40 Tires as low as \$6.75

When you start out to look for low prices—make this your first and last stop. We have prices to match the lowest—and quality to match the highest. For quality—and assured value—Goodrich Silvertowns. They're giving more mileage—more smooth-riding comfort—more sturdy strength—longer life than ever before.



And for low price, the newest product of the Goodrich factories—Signal Cords! Radio Cords and Balloons! No need to "shop around"—we have the tire you need.

JIMMY DAVIS

GOODRICH SILVERTOWNS
WEST SPEARMAN PHONE 107
CHAMPLIN OILS AND GAS

ANNOUNCING The Goodyear Line

OF TIRES AND TUBES along with the New BIGGER and BETTER Chevrolet.

JUST THREE WORDS ABOUT TIRES—

Highest Quality—Goodyears!
Real Service—Goodyears!
Low Price—Goodyears!

Just received a big shipment of tires.

BUY GOODYEARS NOW!

McClellan Chevrolet Co.

Goodyear Tires Holt Combines

Making Spearman a City of Greater Opportunity

We are committed to a program of work to help make Spearman a city of real opportunity for every citizen.

No radical departure from the past is planned—just a more intense application of principles that have guided us for years.

We want to see our community prosper. We want to see the financial status of every farmer, every merchant, and every individual in this territory improve.

First National Bank

Spearman, Texas

A Good Place To Trade----

We believe in honesty in advertising.

We believe in honest merchandising.

OUR POLICY IS:—To give real values at the lowest possible price.

For Real Values See our Saturday Specials

PROMPT DELIVERY SERVICE

Spearman Equity Exchange

The Better You Know Us, the Better You'll Like Us

On Elevator Row Spearman



"It's All Fixed Now!"

When your car leaves our shop, you can bet that it's tires are in tip-top running condition, and you won't receive an exorbitant bill either.

Our standard is such that we're satisfied with nothing short of perfection. Our vulcanizing equipment stands ready to make good our boast. Try us and see!

Jackson Tire Shop

ELEVATOR ROW SPEARMAN

Just Received

A new line of Janet Walker and Jane Clay dresses, also ladies' spring hats in the latest shapes and colors.

Our Anniversary Sale Lasts Through January

Spearman Dry Goods Co.

The Store of Better Values
EAST SIDE MAIN SPEARMAN





HEY! LISTEN

Business Interests of Spearman
ANNOUNCING
THIRD

Big Sales Day

at SPEARMAN

Monday, Jan. 23rd

Spearman Business Interests are determined that the people of this trade territory shall have advantage of every bargain that can be offered in legitimate merchandising. Therefore the "Trades Day" plan will be continued.

The next big Trades Day will be held on Monday, January 23. January is a month of Sales, anyway, and Spearman Merchants intend to make it a record-breaker in the way of values offered. Therefore, don't miss this

Sale of the Season's Greatest Values

Farmers and Stockmen

are invited to bring in what they have for sale on that day. All property will be sold at Auction Sale and there will be no Auctioneer's charges. Remember it is a combined Trades Day and Sales Day. Make arrangements to come in. You will be well pleased with the day.

The following business firms of Spearman are interested in making this day a success. Call on any one or all of them, talk over your business affairs, and be in line every time an opportunity presents itself, to help make Spearman and the Spearman country a better place in which to live.

Sid Clark Barber Shop
Thomason Brothers
R. L. McClellan Grain Company
Harbison Furniture & Home Furnishings
N. L. Beck Motor Company
Smith's Variety Store
First National Bank
Fidelity Bank of Commerce
Palace Cafe
Raney & Hazlewood
R. & S. Bakery
City Cafe
Kirk & Close Battery & Electrical Shop
Lyric Theater
Farmer's Produce

Floyd Hays Barber Shop
J. F. Lackey Clothing Company
Spearman Hardware
Star Market
McLain & McLain
Spearman Dry Goods Company
P. M. Maize & Company
Burrans Brothers
Postoffice Confectionery
Panhandle Lumber Company
W. L. Russell
Spearman Motor Company
White House Lumber Company
Rex Theater
Snider Produce

Palace Barber Shop
Jimmy Davis Service Station
Tulsa Rig, Reel and Mfg. Co.
Womble Hardware Company
Faus Meat Market
McClellan Chevrolet Company
Spearman Equity Exchange
Equity Filling Station
Jackson Tire Shop
Scott Brothers
Pickering Lumber Company
School House Grocery
Douglas Grain Company
Spearman Produce

Watch the Reporter for Trades Day Bargains

THE LESSON OF FRANKLIN

The anniversary of Benjamin Franklin's birthday, is, quite appropriately, also, one day of National Thrift Week.

We say quite appropriately because of all the many virtues possessed by Franklin none of them is more worthy of emulation by the people of this day and generation than the practice of thrift—a practice which enabled him to start as a poverty stricken tramp printer and end his days as one of the wealthiest and most influential men of his time.

One might properly ask, "What is thrift?" and "Why do they start a campaign to try to persuade me to start a bank account, own my own home, make a budget, carry life insurance, pay my bills and make a will?" These are fair questions and here is a fair answer:

"Thrift is vision. Vision is thrift." At times the idea of starting a bank account or taking out life insurance or buying your own home, or making budgets, or wills, occurs to all of us, but, with our usual human frailty and procrastination, we lack that quality of decision and determination to crystallize the idea into concrete action.

Therefore, a number of nationally prominent men and women have banded themselves together to concentrate the minds of Americans on the things we ought to do—things that we owe to ourselves and to our relatives to do—and for the next seven days they will preach the gospel of thrift, which is the gospel of good sense, so as to focus our attention on our plain duty.

Throughout National Thrift Week you will find the bankers, insurance men, real estate dealers and others whose advice you will need ready and willing to be of unusual service to you. And—don't forget that friend

wife is one of the greatest little financiers in all this world, and that she can give you a tremendous lift when it comes to making up the family budget.

THAT POOR OLD MAN HICKMAN

That touching, pathetic telegram from the elder Hickman in El Paso to his son in Pendleton, Oregon, last week, certainly hit a tender spot in us. What a shame that a bright clean looking young man should bring such humiliating disgrace upon a father who did nothing more than desert his boy when a little fellow of a few years of age, as well as a spouse and five other children, to run off with the wife of another man! Couldn't such a boy know that he would just naturally break such a father's heart? Think of the load of shame and grief it threw upon this old man's shoulders after having spent all the years the father has in giving the son no more attention than he would a jack rabbit on the plains! Will children never, never learn that they should honor and love their parents, no matter how sorry some of the skunks may be? We think it is high time that something be done about the matter, not anything in particular, just so something is done! Why not turn the kid loose and hang the old man for his part in the boy's life and actions?—Liberal News.

Every time we get on our car somebody steps in our face.

It is strange, but when a man sows his wild oats he just raises Cain.

It's time to make a resolution to keep your resolutions.

Some men never read the Bible—because they didn't write it.

LEGAL RELICS

A self-confessed murderer was recently released from the Illinois state penitentiary where he was supposedly serving a life term because these words were omitted from the court records: "And the defendant persisted in his plea of guilty."

A robber was released in another state because the indictment alleged that the act was committed against a "Wesley Duke," the trial records showed it to be one "J. W. Duke," and through oversight no evidence was introduced showing that these two were one and the same man.

In these and hundreds of other similar cases there was no question of fact about the guilt of the accused. Trivial technicalities, and the prosecutor's failure to conform to antiquated phraseology as required by archaic laws have turned thousands of criminals loose upon society.

And still there are people who are puzzled over the present crime wave.

The cause of excessive crime in this country is maddening sentimentality for the criminal, needless delays in administration of law, and medieval

legal formalities that have no place in a modern society. Justice is armed with a sword while her enemies carry machine guns. She is restricted in her movements by red tape, that we the sovereign people alone can cut by acting through our chosen representatives.

Too often we blame court officers. Sometimes they are at fault, but even more often they are prevented from acting rapidly because of the antiquated laws under which they operate.

Let us demand of our lawmakers that they modernize the ancient machinery of justice which has "just grown." Then let us demand quicker action from our prosecuting attorneys and courts. We believe that if given proper machinery the officers will cause this crime wave to recede within the next few years.

Some people seek to acquire greatness by imitating the mistakes made by great men.

Many a man keeps his nose to the grindstone so he can turn it up at the bill collectors.

AND HE CERTAINLY WAS RIGHT

It is rumored that when one of our local teachers decided to learn horsemanship she made arrangements with a riding academy to teach her some of the fundamentals.

"And is it true," she asked her tutor on the first morning, "that long riding before one is experienced is apt to give one a headache?"

"Oh no, Madam," he answered, "quite the reverse—quite the reverse."

BUT WHAT SPEED ARTIST WILL OPERATE IT?

Dear Editor: This is indeed an age of wonders. Some day someone is going to invent a movie camera with such a rapid shutter that it will catch a view of the Prince of Wales seated on a horse.

Duko.

"The only way to prevent cracks and breaks in the front of the car," advises one of our local garage men, "is to put the alcohol in the radiator, not in the driver."

THE FINEST GENTLEMAN WHO EVER CUT A THROAT

Our local barbers believe in advertising but they say that it is hard to advertise a business such as theirs. So here's a suggestion. This ad was taken from an English language paper published in India:

"Mahommedsman, hair-cutter and clean shaver. Gentlemen's throats cut with very sharp razors, with great care and skill. No irritating feelings afterward. A trial solicited."

BUT WAS IT A DIS-AGREEABLE JOB?

One of our citizens says that since he got his new car he doesn't have to walk to the bank every morning to make a deposit. "I suppose you ride," we asked him. "No," came the answer, "don't make any."

Somewhere there is a community where all the merchants who advocate buying at home follow the same good advice themselves.

for Economical Transportation
Again CHEVROLET
-the Greatest Sensation of America's Greatest Industry

Again, Chevrolet has created an automobile so far beyond all expectations in the low-price field that it constitutes the greatest achievement of America's greatest industry.

Built on a 4-inch longer wheelbase—offering numerous improvements in performance, beauty and safety—the Bigger and Better Chevrolet marks a spectacular epoch in the development of luxurious transportation at low cost.

The engine is of improved valve-in-head design with alloy "invar strut" pistons . . . hydro-laminated camshaft gears . . . mushroom type valve tappets . . . AC oil filter . . . AC air cleaner and a new crankcase breathing system.

Throughout the entire car similar

advancements are represented—from the four-inch longer wheelbase and the new semi-elliptic shock absorber springs—84% of the wheelbase, to the marvelously beautiful new Fisher bodies in new Duco colors.

Come in and drive this great new car. Drive it through traffic—and get the thrill of its daring pick-up . . . the smooth, certain action of its non-locking four-wheel brakes! Drive it on the open road—and test every point in the speed range for smoothness and roadability! Try it on the hills—and learn the true meaning of Chevrolet power!

Do that—and you will agree with thousands of others that here is the world's most luxurious low-priced automobile.

Every feature of advanced design demanded in the finest cars now offered in the New Chevrolet! Read this partial list.

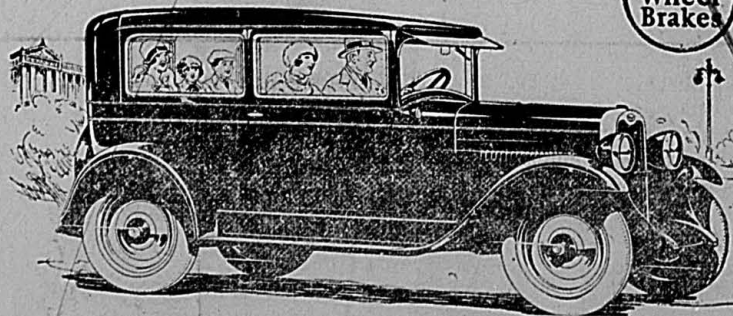
- Improved valve-in-head motor.
- New stronger frame 4" longer wheelbase 107".
- New four-wheel brakes.
- The most advanced control cooling system.
- New alloy "invar strut" pistons.
- New instrument panel indirectly lighted.
- New ball bearing worm and gear steering.
- Semi-elliptic shock absorber springs; 84 per cent of wheelbase.
- Safety gasoline tank at rear.
- Larger balloon tires 30" x 4.50".
- New streamline bodies by Fisher.
- New Duco colors.
- Theft-proof steering and ignition lock.
- A. C. oil filter.
- A. C. air cleaner.
- Single-plate dry disc-clutch.
- New crankcase breathing system.
- New two port exhaust.
- Heavy one-piece full-crown fenders.
- Alemite pressure lubrication.
- Vacuum tank fuel supply.
- Improved Delco-Remy distributor ignition.
- Combination tail and stop light.
- Large 17" steering wheel with spark and throttle levers located on top.
- Rear view mirror.



Prices Reduced

- The Roadster . . . \$495
- The Touring . . . \$495
- The Coach . . . \$585
- The Coupe . . . \$595
- The Four-Door Sedan . . . \$675
- The Sport Cabriolet . . . \$665
- The Imperial Landau . . . \$715
- Utility Truck (Chassis Only) . . . \$495
- Light Delivery (Chassis Only) . . . \$375

All Prices f. o. b. Flint, Michigan



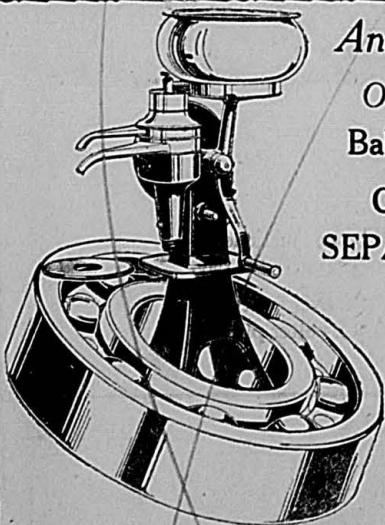
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Spearman, Texas

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Let us figure with you on building material. We can help you.

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HARRY BOWEN, Local Manager
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beautiful black-japanned, ball-bearing cream separator for every dairying need. Six sizes, capacities 350 to 1500 pounds of milk per hour—"for one cow or a hundred." Hand, belted and electric.

The New McCormick-Deering

As local McCormick-Deering dealers we are proud to announce this distinctly new line of cream separators.

Every one of the six sizes of the New McCormick-Deering now has high-grade ball bearings at all high-speed points.

To make the machine as durable and pleasing as it is possible to achieve, the celebrated process of exterior finishing called japanning has been employed in the New McCormick-Deering. You will certainly admire the hard, brilliant, mirror-like lustre produced by many coats of japan finish requiring eighteen hours of baking at high temperatures.

These are features of easy running, durability, and beauty. The New McCormick-Deering has many other features and details of design that combine to make it a most attractive and thoroughly efficient cream separating machine.

Let the machine prove itself before your eyes, and before you buy. We will gladly give you a complete demonstration without obligation on your farm or at our store.

Spearman Hardware

MCCORMICK-DEERING LINES

QUALITY AT LOW COST

POLITICAL

Dallas, Texas,
January 9, 1928.
Editor of The Reporter.

Sir:
Week I wrote you that I was up to Dallas to ask Tom Love whether for the McAdoo dry runs in Texas, and I wanted to know what he was going to do about it with boom. I found that he was going to nip it before its boom by load.

Now, by consulting the calendar, Atticus Webb puts out our precinct conventions on May 5, to select delegates to the county conventions meet the following Tuesday. County conventions pick delegates to the state convention, which delegates to the national convention.

Tom says if any one of those delegates is for Al Smith it is a bad vote. Sounds pretty strong to me. I asked him if he meant that way. He said he did, because he knew the people of Texas who are opposed to the things which stand for. And Tom will stop with Al, either. He is in Jim Reed and Governor

Ritchie of Maryland, or anybody else who doesn't believe as he and Atticus Webb do on the liquor question.

Now, Tom has got the machinery all oiled for beating Al in Texas. I'll tell you and show you what he's planning to use.

Senator Love wants every dry democrat in Texas, and especially the women, to attend that precinct convention on the night of May 5. He wants them to vote solidly against any delegate that leans toward Smith, Reed or Ritchie. Then, to sew it up, he wants each precinct convention to adopt this resolution:

"Resolved, that we believe the success of the proposal to align the democratic party with the liquor forces of the nation would render certain its defeat in 1928 and seriously hazard its continued existence as a moral force in national affairs, and we hereby instruct the delegates from this precinct in the county convention to vote for resolutions which will conclusively bind the delegates from Texas to the national convention to vote, as a unit, first, last and all the time, against the nomination of Senator Reed of Missouri, Governor Al Smith of New York, Governor Ritchie of Maryland or any other candidate known to be out of sympathy with the thorough and efficient enforcement of our liquor laws, both by the federal and state governments, in full compliance with the provisions of the constitution of the United States."

Now, Mr. Editor, a lot of your readers likely will clip that resolution out of your paper, so as to be ready for that night of May 5. If they are against Al Smith they will

be there to fight for the resolution. These precinct conventions will be the most important of their kind ever held in the recent history of Texas. If Al Smith can get the 40 votes from Texas he will stand a good chance of nomination and election. If they are cast against him it may make a difference of election or defeat for somebody. So I'll bet there'll be more at this coming precinct convention than ever were at one before.

And if the Texas crowd blocks Smith and puts up a dry and wins they will be sitting pretty, but if Smith should win anyway there will not be any three Texans in his cabinet, like Wilson had.

Heretofore, Mr. Editor, we average Texas citizens haven't gotten much excitement out of a presidential election year, but it's going to be different this year. This Al Smith business is going to extend into some of our state races.

You know, Senator Love is a candidate for lieutenant governor. I asked him what effect his opposition to Smith might have on his race.

"I don't care," he told me, "I'd rather be right than be lieutenant governor."

Now, Tom is pretty smart. He figures that Texas is against liquor and against Smith, so if he can get a reputation for fighting Al it will help him in his race. I don't mean he isn't sincerely opposed to Al, because he is.

Two years ago Tom ran for the state senate up here in Dallas county on a platform of opposition to the Fergusons, and he beat John Davis, a fine senator, who was also opposed to the Fergusons, but who wasn't so awful bitter.

Then take Governor Moody. Dan says he is against Al, and if anybody comes out against Dan that's for the New York governor it will be an issue in the governor's race.

Now, I've given you some of what Tom thinks about Al. Here's a little on the other side. Charley Francis of Wichita Falls is chairman of an organization formed to work for an un instructed delegation that would be friendly to Al. The people in this organization believe that Smith is the only democrat who has a chance to win. They believe his statement last week ought to satisfy any prohibitionist that he will enforce all laws.

These people in this organization want an un instructed delegation whose weight can be thrown wherever it is needed, whether for Smith or somebody else. Then if they hold the balance of power that nominates a winner Texas will be sitting pretty again. They must want to pick 40 good men and women and trust their judgment.

THOMAS JEFFERSON BROWN.

helping to carry cross through periods of drought."

"INSUFFICIENT COLLATERAL"

A pleasing young lady called at a local bank recently and inquired: "I want to open an account?"

"Yes, Madam," the clerk answered, "and how much would you like to deposit?"

"Who said anything about depositing. I said open an account. I now have one with practically any store in town."

Dear Editor: In these days of boyish bobs, mannish coats, pickers, etc., it's often hard to tell the boys from the girls. But I've discovered the way now. When I see one whose sex is doubtful, I just walk right up, and say: "Well old man, we are you,—say here's a rare story I heard since I saw you last." Well if it blushes at the end of that story I know it's a boy.

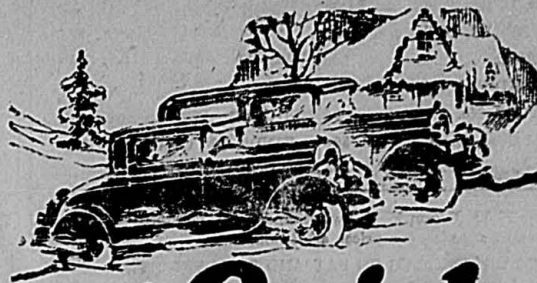
Stewed at.

The boss is always glad to see the fellow back from his vacation who is glad to get back.

There are a lot of fellows waiting to take the man's job who says "it can't be done," or "they can't be sold."

Never mind the business outlook. Be on the lookout for business.

The fellow with steady habits and a steady tongue always has a steady job.



A Quick Start—
then all the benefits of High Compression

IN terms of you and your car, Winter Conoco Ethyl Gasoline means a quick start in the coldest weather, more powerful and flexible operation, less gear shifting, faster pickup, practically no vibration and a minimum of wear and tear.

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The best market for real estate, for investment, is NOW. Take advantage of it before the spring building season opens. Property values are now at figures presenting an unusual opportunity for both investor and home builders.

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ACCIDENTS—cannot all be prevented.
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A. F. BARKLEY, President

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WHEAT STRAW TOO VALUABLE TO BURN

"The real value of wheat straw is not what it is worth on the market or for feeding livestock, but what it is worth in the form of fertility and humus, when returned to the soil," says H. M. Bainer, Director, Southwestern Wheat Improvement Association. Continuing he says, "Much of our farm land is deficient in humus and fertility and every pound of wheat straw or stubble that is burned makes this condition worse."

"Analysis of cultivated soils in the Southwest indicate that as much as one-third of the original nitrogen and one-half of the original organic matter has already been lost. Experimental data indicate that an average wheat crop removes from each acre of soil approximately 20 pounds of nitrogen, 8 pounds of phosphoric acid and 10 pounds of potash. To replace this fertility, in the form of a commercial fertilizer, would cost something like \$4.50 an acre. The fertility represented in returning the straw to the soil is probably worth \$1.00 an acre, but the greatest value will come from the humus it will add.

"For best results, each crop of straw should be worked into the soil right away but if this cannot be done, it should be rotted and returned to the soil in the form of manure later. The harvester-thresher has solved the straw problem and it has been fairly well solved by the header. Bundle straw should be stacked in feed lots, where the feeding and tramping by the stock will assist in converting it into manure. Such straw as cannot be handled through feed lots or spread over the fields should be piled into out-of-the-way places, with lots of surface exposure, where it can remain until rotted and is ready to be hauled out as manure.

"A soil that is deficient in humus is also deficient in fertility. Humus adds life to the soil, it prevents puddling, cracking, baking and blowing. Humus improves the physical condition of the soil, making it mellow, friable and easier to cultivate. It also assists in holding moisture, thus

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At the Churches

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Our building was moved on to our lots last week and we were able to have services there Sunday. We will have services each night this week and over next Sunday.

The building is being entirely overhauled and will make a very pleasant and attractive meeting place. It is planned to use it for the time being for church purposes and later for the parsonage.

Come over to the services. Mr. Hendricks and helpers are giving us some fine music. Mrs. Smith sings with her brother and Mrs. Meyers presides at the piano. Remember, Sunday School at 10:00 Sunday.

JASPER BOGUE
District Superintendent.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

The Woman's Missionary Union of the Baptist church met Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Will Howell. As this was the last meeting that Mrs. Howell expects to attend

before leaving for her new home in Shamrock, the ladies gave her a handkerchief shower. She received many pretty gifts, and was pleased with the remembrance. The ladies planned a dinner on Trades Day, January 23. The next meeting will be held with Mrs. R. L. Baley on Wednesday afternoon, January 16.

B. Y. P. U.

New officers of this organization have been elected as follows:

President Lillie Hazelwood
Vice President Mae Raney
Sec.-Treasurer Marguerite Holton
Group Captain No. 1, Harrell Collard
Group Captain No. 2 Iola Gaye
Choister Aaron Gill

With these new officers installed and with this the beginning of a new year we hope to accomplish a great work.

The program for Sunday evening is as follows:

Subject—Making and Giving Money.
Leader—Harrell Collard.
It is Right to Make Money—Lillie Hazelwood.
Parable of the Pounds—Paul Gill.
God Expects Us to Give—Sibyl

Baley, Special Music
How to Come to Work and Worship
—Aaron C.
God, Not Ourselves, Owns All—
Frances N.
If We Love Will Give—Cleo Gill.
Come hear this program and we will feel as if of your coming again.
Meeting 7:30 o'clock promptly.
PRESIDENT.

MISSNARY SOCIETY

The Missnary Society of the First Methodist church, Spearman, met with s. A. F. Barkley on Wednesday afternoon, January 11. Twenty members were present and all were pleasantly and profitably entertained. The lesson, conducted by Mrs. Baley, was an interesting review of "Moslem Women." The society will meet on Wednesday afternoon January 18, at 3:30 p. m., with Mr. J. H. Buchanan. A miscellaneous program will be rendered at this meeting. Each member will give something that will be of especial interest to the society.

RHEUMATISM

While in France with the American army I obtained a noted French prescription for the treatment of Rheumatism and Neuritis. I have given this to thousands with wonderful results. The prescription cost me nothing. I ask nothing for it. I will mail it if you will send me your address. A postal will bring it. Write today.

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Of course your boss doesn't run his business right. Probably he would fire you if he did.

Nothing is improved by anger except the arch of a cat's back.

Tombstones are cold and cheerless. Yet they always have a good word for everyone under them.

A smile on the face of some salespeople often reminds me of the top layer of apples in a box, or berries in a basket.

Never lose the respect of those you are employed by, or those you are working with, by asking for an advance or a loan.

The bill collector who rings a bell while standing on a door mat bearing the word "Welcome," feels he is above lying.

When the boss asks you what you think about a matter, tell him what you think, and not what you think he thinks.

Auto speedsters, like the hurry-up salesmen, often land in the ditch. This would be just retribution were it not for the fact that they often injure others by their foolish haste.

Always be courteous in the face of discourtesy.

Many manufacturing concerns' greatest profits come from by-products. Employee, your by-product is your idle time. What profit are you getting out of it?

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Men's 1-buckle, black Jersey Ball Band Arctics, the \$2.50 grade. Sizes 6 to 12.

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