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SEVENTEENTH YEAR

Next Big Sales Day On Saturday, December 17th

Decision In County Seat Case Not Expected for Several Weeks

The law suit affecting county matters in Hansford county, entitled Winder vs. King, was heard in supreme court of Texas on Tuesday of this week, but a decision is expected for several weeks. Information comes from F. T. Winder, clerk of the supreme court, to the Reporter in a telegram dated Monday. This is the case which was heard before District Judge J. H. Winder at Miami, where a decision favorable to Spearman was rendered. A case was taken on appeal to the court of civil appeals at Amarillo, where the decision of the lower court was upheld. It was then taken on up to the highest court in the state and was submitted on Tuesday of this week, as above stated. The final decision will not likely be reached before the Christmas holidays.

SEVENTIETH CENTURY STUDY CLUB

The club met at the A. H. Wilcox Saturday afternoon. Mrs. R. Horton led the lesson giving an interesting discussion of the subject, "Benefit of Great Literature to Children." Topics which enlarged upon the lesson made it very applicable were: "Story Telling," discussed by Mrs. S. Snider; "Stories from the Bible," by Mrs. P. A. Lyon; "Culture of Youth," by Mrs. Deion Kirk; "The Next Meeting will be with Fred Hoskins, December 10."

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Miller and the children, Joan and Fred Taylor, have moved to Perryton where they will have their home in the future. Fred was employed at the Shindler Drug Store in that city.

MON BURNING GAS THIS WEEK

The editor of the Herald received a carry-over call to get down to the Star Hardware store Tuesday, at 1:30 p. m., and when he got there he asked what all the excitement was about he was ushered back where a big heater was giving out trouble from the use of natural gas. Bradshaw and his assistants advised that they had the privilege of using the first natural gas ever burned in Guymon, and we guess that is all. Before night, some eighteen twenty homes and business houses had been connected up, and basked in the glow of the beautiful flames of the while that the cold north was doing its worst. Yesterday, the Herald office was heated by the gas and henceforth we have tabooed burning coal and ashes, and chopping kindling. The gas seems to be the finest kind of fuel gas, and the pressure can be gauged to the needs of the city, as there is 450 pounds at the well, and some thirty pounds of pressure is on the big line.—Guymon Herald.

CARD OF THANKS

We desire to extend our sincere thanks to our friends in Spearman and vicinity, who have been so kind to us since the accident at the Thanksgiving Day Football game, in which our boy, Auburn Curtis, suffered a broken leg. This kindness will never be forgotten, and Auburn's injuries are healing nicely. MRS. HOMER ALLEN.

"The Lay of the Hen" School Auditorium Tonight

The four-act poultry play put on by the Poultry Educational Department of the Purina Mills will be staged at the High School Auditorium on Thursday evening of this week, at 7:30. There will be plenty of fun as the play goes along, and it is full of good practical information, beneficial to anyone who keeps poultry. The entertainment is free.

THE VANISHING "CAYUSE"

"The days of the 'cayuse' on the western range seem to be numbered," writes C. L. Harlan, livestock statistician of the United States Department of Agriculture. "Without value as a saddle or work animal, he has some value when converted into chicken meat scrap or dog biscuit and there are a number of plants in the West engaged in slaughtering and processing the carcasses, and carloads of live animals continue to go to the Petaluma, Calif., chicken area. In most states local authorities are now permitted to round up and sell all unclaimed horses, and efforts are being made in many sections to rid the range of these animals."

"Horse prices for all but the best heavy horses and good saddle horses continue at a low level and little interest is shown anywhere in the West in the future of horse production. With the advent of motor trucks and good roads, the picturesque freight outfit with string team and wagons coupled together has practically disappeared and a team and buckboard are as rare in Wyoming as a horse and buggy in Iowa. But no mechanical substitute for the cow pony is as yet forthcoming, so high-heeled boots and 'chaps' are still good form."

FIVE ABOVE ZERO

Everyone thought it was much colder, but the official thermometer registered five above zero at the coldest time Tuesday night. This official thermometer is kept by Fred W. Brandt for the U. S. Department of Agriculture, and Mr. Brandt is known as a Cooperative Observer. Of course a man with a title like that and instruments furnished by the government would give out nothing but accurate information as to weather conditions. So, all this talk about 2 to 6 below is the bunk.

TO MINERAL WELLS

J. R. Collard and Wright Hale left Monday for Mineral Wells where they will remain for several weeks. Wright is suffering from rheumatism, and believes a visit to the Wells will be beneficial. Mr. Collard is looking after business matters and also visiting at the Wells for the benefit of his health. Their many friends sincerely hope that both these worthy citizens return to Spearman much improved.

'POSSUM'S HAIR IS SHORT MILD WINTER IS DUE

This has been a hard year for the weather prophet of the animal kingdom, but the 'possum retains its prognosticative poise.

Jupiter Pluvius double-crossed the ground hog; the early bird is working over time and will surely be late next year, and rana pipiens, ordinary bullfrog, continues to croak of spring, but the 'possum's reputation is still intact, so says Ray O. Weems, state fish and game warden.

And this is because the 'possum did not lose its head at the first nip of winter and choose instead to look about a bit before putting on winter clothes.

Now those who are wise in weather lore point confidently to the 'possum's present summer suit of short hair and predict a mild winter.—Woodard Democrat.

VISITING IN ARKANSAS

Mrs. Walter Davis left Sunday for Hamburg, Arkansas, in response to a telegram stating that her aged father was seriously sick.

Mrs. Davis expects to visit indefinitely with relatives and old friends in her old home town of Hamburg.

ATTENDED C. OF C. MEETING AT DALHART

Jot Horton, president of the Spearman Chamber of Commerce, attended the big annual blowout of the Dalhart Chamber of Commerce, held in that city on Tuesday night of this week. Mr. Horton reports much interest in C. of C. work over that way. He says the meeting he attended was a very interesting one. The ladies of Dalhart took a part and there were visitors from practically every town within a radius of 100 miles. Mr. Horton states that the Dalhart Chamber of Commerce informed him that Dalhart would be at Spearman strong for the Trans-Canadian meeting of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce to be held next year. The exact date of this meeting has not been set. J. E. Biggs of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, accompanied Mr. Horton to Dalhart, and is looking after the affairs of that organization in Tyrone today.

SINGING CONVENTION HAD A GREAT MEETING

Reports from the Hansford County Singing Convention held at Gruver last Sunday indicate that this was one of the greatest meetings ever held by this splendid organization. A sumptuous dinner was served at noon to a large crowd. The attendance was good at the morning meet, but was much better in the afternoon. The next meeting of the convention will be held at Spearman in March, 1928.

DEEP HOLES OFTEN ARE SEVERAL FEET OFF VERTICAL AT BOTTOM

Difficulties encountered in drilling a hole, such as an oil well, straight down into the earth to a distance of a mile or more are indicated in a bulletin just issued by the American Research Foundation.

"Some months ago a California oil company completed a well at a depth of a little more than 6,000 feet," says the bulletin. "A method for surveying the hole, to determine if it had gone straight down, was devised. To the surprise of the owners, it was found that the bottom of the hole was 517 feet off vertical.

"If holes supposed to go straight down twist and bend to this extent, it is apparent that in case of close-up drilling on small pieces of property that the bottom of one company's well may very easily be in some other company's producing sand.

"While the larger companies such as Standard and Sinclair usually control large acreages, there are thousands of small producers operating on small tracts where the 'bent hole' might be a serious problem. And even the largest companies often enter the close-drilled, small-pot areas to fight it out for their share of the oil."

GROWING TOWNS ARE LIKE BOYS

Growing towns are a good deal like growing boys. Some one has to feed them. To make a boy grow you have to give him a lot of good wholesome and nutritious food. Some families think they do not get much personal return, as the boy may not do much for his family, but they have got to get their satisfaction out of producing a real boy. If you only half feed a boy he will only become half grown.

Much the same with towns. They also need a lot of good nutritious food, in the shape of business enterprise, the willingness to work, and public spirit. People get out of a town about what they put into it, just the same with a boy. A lot of folks are always kicking because their towns do not grow fast enough when they have done nothing to feed that town with the effort and spirit that create community growth.—The Freedom Call.

Evidently too many women motorists believe in that old scriptural admonition: "Let not thy right hand know what thy left hand doeth."

Shop early—and late. Then the chances are ten to one that you will forget something and have to come back to town next day to shop some more—early and late.

ATTENDED MASONIC MEETING AT PLEMONS

A number of local masons including R. L. McClellan, P. A. Lyon, Bob Thom, A. H. Word, L. M. Buchner, S. E. Dillow and M. L. McLain, attended a masonic meeting at Plemons on Saturday night of last week. While enroute to Plemons the party came across a family which had just had an automobile wreck. The wind and dust had blinded the driver and he ran the car off an embankment. The local men helped the family out of their difficulty and assisted them in getting on to Stinnett, their destination. Their name is Eaves and they were from Elmwood, Oklahoma, enroute to Stinnett.

WHAT CO-OPERATION ACCOMPLISHED

Forty, fifty or more years ago when our forefathers were busily engaged in the task of transforming a wilderness into the civilized and happy land that is ours today, the spirit of co-operation reigned supreme.

Old timers will often tell you about it, and about how happy they were in those days. When the new settler was ready to erect his house or barn, the neighbors from miles around assembled and made short work of the job. When threshing time came on, all the men in the community banded together and helped each other. We have all heard of husking bees and wood chopping bees. And most of us agree that that was really the golden age of cooperation in this country.

As a result of this spirit and the herldhood of the men who settled this nation, we have passed from a simple pioneer community into a complex modern society within the lifetime of a single man. The amazing progress made in this country is one of the greatest of all phenomena of history.

It took other nations ages to develop high civilization and fine cultures. It took ours but a few generations. We believe that the co-operative spirit that ruled the lives of our forefathers is largely responsible.

This is why the editor feels that there is no limit to what might be accomplished here in Spearman if our citizens would imbibe some of that co-operative spirit that made for the notable accomplishments of our predecessors.

Forget the petty grievance, the prejudice, or envy you hold toward other active citizens in the community. Work ardently with those who are striving to make a better town in which to live; and notable and worthwhile accomplishment will be the result, as it always has been the result of co-operative effort.

FIFTEEN DEAD TOLL OF FOOTBALL IN UNITED STATES

According to the Associated Press the death toll in the ranks of football players in the United States during the 1927 season was set at 15.

Illinois and Texas lead in the fatalities, with three deaths attributed to injuries received by players. Two were reported in Pennsylvania and one each in Kansas, Colorado and Oklahoma, Nebraska, New Jersey, Wisconsin and Michigan.—Miami Chief.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Bids will be received by the trustees of Kimball common school district No. 2, Hansford county, Texas, at Spearman, Texas on Thursday, December 15, 1927, at 2:00 o'clock p. m., for the construction of one brick school house. Plans and specifications may be obtained from C. W. King, county superintendent, Hansford county, Texas. The right is reserved to reject any or all bids. A certified check in the amount of \$50 will be required to be deposited with each bid. The successful bidder will be required to make good and sufficient bond.

52t2. BY THE TRUSTEES, Kimball Common School District No. 2, Hansford county, Texas.

Hemstitching and piecing at my home in west Spearman. Work guaranteed. MRS. J. MALVIN JACKSON.

WILL OPERATE BUSINESSES SEPARATE AND APART

E. C. Womble and S. E. Harbison, who have operated the Womble Hardware Company as a partnership concern for the past several years, have dissolved this partnership, Mr. Womble retaining the hardware and implement lines and Mr. Harbison taking over the furniture and household furnishings. The hardware and implement business will be conducted by Mr. Womble at the same stand, while Mr. Harbison has moved the stock of furniture to the Womble Hardware old stand across the street, on the east side. Mr. Harbison will conduct his business under the name of "Harbison Furniture and Household Furnishings." He is advertising this week a big opening day on Saturday, December 10.

INDISPENSABLE

The greatest conveniences in life often prove of exceeding inconvenience—many things considered indispensable being the cause of numberless trials and tribulations. Of other things than women it is said, "you can't get along without them and you can't get along with them."

Every thoughtful man wants to own his own home and to acquire other real estate for reasons known to all, but for other very good reasons some, who may, do not. Possession of unencumbered real estate invites damage suits, attracts friends in trouble hunting bail and friends in need of money hunting an endorsement for a note, and places the possessor on the sucker list of stock salesmen and contribution collectors. And there are the taxes to meet.

The ways are manifold by which the automobile gives its owner advantages over the non-owner. So many are the uses of the automobile that the average owner is quickly convinced of their indispensability. But the open road is not a path of roses. The way of the motorist is hard—abounding in motor cops, beset with detours and speed traps, obstructed by accident and damage suits, infested with punctures and empty gas tanks, and approached by twelve monthly payments and usury.

And yet, though there be evil seconds in every minute, optimism predominates in this life and pessimism is forbidden by popular edict. Life will be "fair to middlin'" or "tolerable" as long as its advantages counteract the disadvantages and there remain some semblance of equality between the agreeable and disagreeable phases of human existence.

Some politicians ought to be taking part in these long distance flights—they're the greatest gas bags that have ever been invented.

Retail Merchants Association Banquet Was Great Success

CHILDREN SHOULD WRITE TO SANTA CLAUS

It is again time for the good little boys and girls to write a letter to Santa Claus, telling this fine old gentleman what they want him to bring them at Christmas time. Old Santa will bring every good little boy and every good little girl something nice for a Christmas present, but it is much more convenient for the old man if he knows something about what the children want. So send in your letters to Santa at once. We will print every letter, and then Santa won't have such a hard time selecting the gifts. Some of the little boys and girls have never written to Santa, while many others wrote last year, and some are now too old to write. The Reporter has received word that Santa would be here in sixteen more days. Better get your letter ready for next week's paper, but the following week will do. By all means don't forget it.

T. E. Bennett came from Eureka, California, and accepted employment in the Floyd Hays barber shop. Mr. Bennett, like so many others, reports conditions not as good as might be in California.

Spearman will hold another big Sales Day on Saturday, December 17. This matter was definitely decided upon at the meeting of the Retail Merchants Association held on Monday night. The movement for a Trades Day had already been passed on favorably by the Chamber of Commerce. The entire town and community is united on the Trades Day proposition and there is little doubt about its being a great success. The next Trades Day falls on Saturday, but after the first of the year it is possible that these events will be held on Monday instead of Saturday. This matter will be decided definitely later on. But don't forget the big day at Spearman on Saturday, December 17. Farmers should bring in everything they have for sale or trade. The auctioneer will be furnished free of charge. And practically every store in town will have bargains to offer, which will be listed in the advertising columns of the Reporter next week. Trades Day at Spearman is to be made a regular, permanent affair, and the one of December 17, coming just before the Christmas holidays, should be a humdinger. This will be a great time for out-of-town folks to do their Christmas shopping, as well as to buy a supply of staple necessities. Don't forget, Saturday, December 17.

RANEY-CRAWFORD

At ten o'clock on the morning of Sunday, December 4, at the home of the bride's parents in Spearman, was solemnized the marriage of Miss Lura Belle Raney and Mr. R. M. Crawford. Rev. J. H. Richards, pastor of the Spearman Baptist church, performed the ceremony. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Raney, and has a host of friends in this community. Mr. Crawford is a prosperous young farmer-stockman of the west part of the county.

The many friends of these worthy young people wish them all the happiness that can be crowded into a useful life.

PRETTY SHOW WINDOWS

Spearman stores are all dolled up for Christmas these days, and some of them have as pretty show windows as can be found in the large cities. Show windows are not all that Spearman merchants are offering, either. They are carrying smart lines of merchandise of every known brand and description. You are surely making a mistake when you leave Spearman or do not come to Spearman to do your Christmas shopping.

A NEW MARCELL

Try one of my new Perm-Arcells. I am sure you will like them—they last much longer. 52t2p. MRS. N. L. BECK. Phone 145.

ANOTHER BIG
SALES DAY
AT
SPEARMAN

BELIEVING that the people of the Spearman country appreciate and are in favor of holding a big Sales Day in Spearman at least once each month, the business interests of this town have planned another big event.

Saturday, Dec. 17th

Will be the second big Sales Day for Spearman. On that day, as before, the merchants of Spearman will offer good, seasonable merchandise at cost and below cost prices. Watch the Reporter next week for prices.

Also, the farmers and stockmen of the Spearman country are invited to bring in what they have for sale and it will be disposed of at Auction Sale FREE OF CHARGE.

**It is a Sales Day and a Trades
Day Combined**

The following merchants of Spearman have united in making this Sales Day possible. You are invited to visit their places of business on Sales Day, where you will find bargains in merchandise that will interest you.

Thomson 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
R. W. Morton
Kirk & Close Battery & Electrical 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

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



Bring In Anything You May Have For Sale

Someone Wants What You Have--You May Want What the Other Fellow Has For Sale

**FARM AS WELL AS FACTORY
MUST CUT COST PRODUCTION**

The farmer, as well as the manufacturer must cut his cost of production if he wants to make money, it was stated in a recent bulletin of the United States Department of Agriculture.

Modern competition, it continues, necessitates modern methods of business, and the farm problems are just as much a matter for production cost studies as are the problems of modern factory management.

The feeding of live stock for market, agricultural experts agree, has many of the aspects which face the manufacturer of any community. The farmer's live stock represents his outlay of productive machinery. His raw materials are his grains and his feeds. His finished product is his milk, his beef or his pork. And his profit is represented by the margin between the cost of feeding and the keep of the animal as against the selling price of his product.

Linseed meal and other concentrates, Mr. Vrooman, whose name is signed to the bulletin, points out, when fed with roughage such as straw or clover gives twice the food value as the same amount of corn, and while linseed meal and roughage cannot actually be substituted for corn; as a supplement, it can to an appreciable extent be used to cut down his feed bills.

In a series of experiments carried

on by the agricultural experiment station at Wooster, Ohio, C. G. Williams, director, states that he increased the gain in hogs from .75 pounds per day to 1.02 pounds daily and at the same time cut the costs per 100 pounds of grain from \$6.45 to \$6.22 by supplementing his ration of corn, tankage, salt and limestone with linseed meal.

The pigs that were fed linseed meal ate only 406.4 pounds of feed per 100 pounds of gain, whereas hogs on the ration from which linseed meal was eliminated at 421.1 pounds of feed per 100 pounds of gain, a saving of nearly 15 pounds of feed for each 100 pounds of gain, Mr. Williams points out.

Saving in production costs just such as these, agricultural experts explain, are the factors which enable modern manufacturers to earn dividends. The farmer, they say, must learn them if he wants to make money in this modern day of lowered marginal profits.

USE THE PAPERS

Fred E. Erickson, a public utility man, declared in a speech delivered before a group of his colleagues in Milwaukee recently:

"Use more newspaper advertising. The newspapers are universal in their appeal. They are thoroughly read by everyone. The women particularly read the advertisements with as much interest as they read

the news, for advertisements are shopping news, telling the housewife how to make her budget go farther."

You said a mouthful, Mr. Erickson. Every editor knows that his women readers are as interested in the advertisements as in his own exciting news stories and editorials.

Much as we hate to make the admission, we do feel sometimes that our local merchants provide the most interesting news that appears in the columns of the Reporter.

ARE YOU THE MISSING CYLINDER

How exhilarating it is to drive a perfect tuned motor car. What a wonderful feeling of power it gives one to feel that magnificent motor quietly lift one over the hills and the heavy grades ahead.

Likewise how thrilling it is to work in a community in which everything is in perfect adjustment. How elated we become while engaged in any community enterprises when everyone is contributing his share to the job.

On the contrary how exasperating it is to drive your car when a cylinder is sputtering and missing; and how unpleasant it is to try to accomplish anything for the community when some of its citizens absolutely refuse to work with the others. In other words it is as impossible to scale the high hills on the road of progress with a few citizens knock-

ing as it is for a motor car to scale the rocky mountains with one or more missing cylinders.

THROW PICTURES ON CLOUDS

Sky-painting with an electric light-gun is a recent addition to the application of electricity to industry.

The light-gun is made up of a powerful searchlight mounted behind a series of lenses and a slide holder, all encased in a metal housing which looks like a big metal cannon barrel.

The light-gun has been designed to cast an image at long range on a distant cloud bank, where it will be visible for miles around. The arrangement of the lenses makes focusing unnecessary, and by swinging the barrel of the light-gun the image can be shifted.

It is possible, according to engineers, to build a light-gun that will throw an image to a distance of five miles or more.

"Come on now, you dead ones," cried the movie director, "put more life into that death scene."

NOTICE TO LAND OWNERS

To: J. J. Deane, Everett Crume Greene, Walter Beck, N. W. Willard, U. G. Nighswonger, Ted Gales, Nannie S. Patten, L. G. Spillman and Borick Cravens:

You are hereby notified that the undersigned Jury of Freeholders acting under and by virtue of an order of the Commissioners Court of Hansford County, will, on the 10th day of December A. D. 1927, proceed to lay out and survey a road commencing at a point on section line between Sections 56 and 57, on the graded road that parallels the N. T. & S. F. R. R. Co. track, Hansford Co., Block 4T, T. & N. O., commonly known as the Perryton-Spearman road; Thence across said railroad track on section lines a distance of about 5 1/4 miles to the northeast corner of Sec. 17, or the N. W. Cor. Section 18, Elk. 2, Grantee W. C. R. Co., Hansford County Texas, said road terminating at said last mentioned point; and which may run through or along the section lines of certain lands owned by you, and will at the same time assess the damages incidental to the opening of said road, when you may present to us a statement in writing of the damages, if any, claimed by you.

Witness our hands this 14th day of November, A. D. 1927. 4974

P. A. LYON.
FRED. W. BRANDT.
J. R. COX.
J. M. HART.

Having bought out the Collard Produce Company, we will continue business at the same location, and will pay the

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The firm will now be known as

Farmers Produce Co.
Orien James, Mgr.
Phone 31 Spearman

SALESMANSHIP

"Shine your shoes, mister?"

"No time, sonny."

"Well to start the day right I'll do one for nothing."

"All right, go ahead."

"There how does that shoe look, boss?"

"Fine!"

"Well for 15 cents I'll do the other one."

Money talks, especially loud to the man who marries it.

"Jones died and left everything to an orphan's home."

"Did he leave much?"

"Yes, eight children."



Just received new line Black Satin and Metallic Hats in lace effects.

Also new line of silk dresses, special at . \$9.95 to \$15.95 Full Fashioned Chiffon Hose in the new shades . . . \$1.49 New Shoes in Straps, Ties and Pumps. Newest in Black Kid Gloves. Men's fancy silk socks,

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SPEARMAN DRY GOODS COMPANY

The Store of Better Values



The Panhandle's Largest Furniture Store

20 MONTHS TO PAY

Green Bros Co
COMPLETE HOUSE FURNISHING
Amarillo, Texas

Free Demonstration of the Letz Mill

A free demonstration of the Letz Mill Feed Grinder will be conducted in Spearman by the Womble Hardware Company, on

Tuesday, Dec. 13

Everyone is invited to see this demonstration. Experts in this line of machinery will be here to explain the machine in its every detail. Threshed Grain and Bundle Feed of all kinds will be ground. Don't forget the date, and see this wonderful John Deere Feed Grinder in actual operation.

Womble Hardware Company

Hardware—Implements Phone 44—Spearman

SPEARMAN TRUCK LINE

makes regular runs to **Liberal, Kansas**

Leaves Spearman every Monday and Wednesday.

Phone 95

LON KEITH, Owner



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Stinnett, Texas Hutchinson Co.
Jack Allen Ochiltree Co.

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YOU do not take a chance when you are feeding Purina Poultry Chows. When you get your Purina Poultry Chows, we will give you, free, egg record blanks, so you can mark on them the extra eggs you get every day. We want you to check up that way, because you'll never feed anything but Purina Chows once you see what they actually do for you. Start feeding Purina Poultry Chows for those extra eggs now.



R. L. McClellan Grain Co.
GRAIN—COAL—FEED

Phone 109 Elevator Row

CAR LOAD OF Kansas Expansion FLOUR

JUST ARRIVED

Our Holiday Line is arriving, and will be one of the most complete we have ever handled. Your Gifts purchased now will be put away and kept safely until you call for them.



SPECIAL FOR SATURDAY—PETER PAN DRESSES \$2.00

W. L. Russell

Dry Goods and Groceries

PHONE 78

SPEARMAN

Phone 144

For Prompt Attention to Your

Christmas Dry Cleaning Needs

With all the social activities during this season of the year, you may wish some extra prompt service in dry cleaning. To get it PHONE 144 and we will do the rest.



J. F. Lackey Clothing Co.

Gent's Furnishings

Cleaning and Pressing

The SPEARMAN REPORTER

BY
ORAN KELLY

\$2.00 PER YEAR IN ADVANCE

Entered as second class matter November 21, 1919, at the post office at Spearman, Texas, under the act of March 9, 1879.

ADVERTISING RATES:—Flat rate for plates, 35 cents per inch. If composition is required, 5 cents per inch additional.

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

FOR A SUCCESSFUL BASKETBALL TEAM

Now that the football season is over, athletes of Spearman High school have turned their attention to basketball. And loyal friends of the boys and the school will root just as hard for the latter as they did the former. Occasionally a little unpleasantness arises over high school athletics. In a majority of cases this is brought on by a sensation-seeking public, encouraged by business-like promoters. The purpose of high school athletics is to strengthen the minds and bodies of the athletes and to provide a little recreation and pleasure for the entire school. Spearman athletes play football, basketball and base ball for the love of the game and the honor of the school. The honor of the school—get that! Therefore, they play clean. They've never been taught anything else.

Guymon is burning natural gas, and the Guymon Herald announces that there will be no more carrying in coal, carrying out ashes and chopping kindling around that print shop. To those of us who knew Guymon when the Herald was printed on an old G. Washington hand press, this news is read with great pleasure. Guymon is stepping along and so is the Herald. And that reminds us: natural gas for Spearman will be a much cheaper proposition than was natural gas for Guymon, and it is on the way.

Granddad may have been a good buster, but not on the golf links.

The distinction is this: A realist believes what he sees. A visionary is convinced he will eventually see what he believes.

What does a bucket shop proprietor think about when he reads that bank deposits have gone up in the last year?

There are fewer self-made men now than formerly, observes an educator. Also, they've stopped putting boot straps on boots.

JUST A SMALL TOWN MAN

Recently a Chicago jury acquitted a man on trial for murder who had been identified as the killer by eight eye witnesses. He was a so-called "labor racketeer." His occupation, it is said, was extorting money from junk men in the form of union dues.

Before the trial the home of one of the state's important witnesses was bombed, after he had been threatened with trouble if she testified. "I do not care to mark myself and my family for a bomb," was the reason one juror gave for standing for a verdict of acquittal. Another juror who held out for conviction for several hours quietly left town with his family immediately after the trial.

These facts lead us to believe that terrorism and not the law are in control of the courts in America's second city. Incidents such as these indicate that government in our great metropolitan centers is failing in its major function—the protection of the lives of its citizens.

Such incidents bear out the truth of what students of government have long said, namely, that our democracy exhibits its greatest weakness in large cities.

Still there are people right here in this country who are ashamed to admit that they are small town residents.

It may be that government here is not perfect, but it does not live on graft, extortion, ballot-box stuffing, and protection money received from the under-world element.

In view of what goes on in most great cities, the editor of the Reporter is proud to say: "I am a small town man." For we believe that the character of government is a true index of the intelligence of its people.

That old cow, sow and hen story started by the Santa Fe several years ago does not make very interesting reading matter now, and yet it is the best story that can be written about or talked about. The Spearman Chamber of Commerce cannot find a more important work than to continue the good work begun last year: that of shipping good milk stock into this country, and encouraging the poultry industry. Farmers, bankers and business men must unite and work cooperatively for more and better milk cows, more and better hogs, and more and better poultry. This cooperation may be brought about through the efforts of the chamber of commerce.

In the last generation, says a medical writer, man learned to put off death an additional 10 years, thus marking another distinction between death and taxes.

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THE COUNTRY DOCTOR

People who live in the country have automobiles, telephones, electric lights. Many have excellent plumbing systems in their homes. Paved roads which are comfortably traveled in the worst weather extend in all directions. All of this is a great advance on the kerosene lamps and tallow candles, the old horse and buggy, the slowness and uncertainty of mail communication which made rural life truly primitive a generation or two ago.

But the rural life which was so hard in many ways as compared with the rural life of today had one great blessing which country dwellers now lack or are in process of losing. The country doctor, the general practitioner who was everybody's friend and who ably cared for the physical well-being of every member of a wide-flung community, has become very rare and seems near the verge of complete extinction. Medical education nowadays does not prepare many young men to become country doctors or general practitioners. Specialization is the rule of the profession. The specialist commands greater fees and his work is more congenial. Manifestly the country doctor can not be a specialist.

Harry A. Caton, master of the Ohio State Grange, has emphasized the need of preparing men for medical work in the country districts. At the meeting of the National Grange in Cleveland he has urged that the medical profession take some steps to remedy this deficiency and to encourage young men to prepare themselves for this highly necessary work. There are many millions of people in rural communities who are dependent on the country doctor, and there are now increasing hosts of country residents who are medically helpless.

This generation is impressed with the dependence of the cities upon the country, and is doing what it can to make country life agreeable. It has solved many problems, but this very important problem of the vanishing country doctor has been unduly neglected. It would indeed seem that the medical profession ought to contribute a workable solution.

It is not denied by anyone that medical specialization is beneficial. Experts trained along narrow lines and devoting themselves to selected fields undoubtedly do a great deal of good. But, granting the obvious benefit of specialization, there is very great peril in the obscuration of the importance of the general practitioner. In the city as well as in the country the "family doctor" is an institution which we can not afford to lose. In the country the doctor who is prepared to minister to all ailments and who is ready to face any emergency is an absolute necessity for the maintaining of health and contentment. The Grange does well in calling attention to this fact, and is deploring a tendency which is leaving the country districts without medical attention to which they are entitled.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Money talks, especially loud to the man who marries it.

FLEA BEST BET ON CALIFORNIA RANCH

The following letter was received from a Denver Post subscriber now residing in California:

"MY CALIFORNIA"
When I say "My California" I do not mean that I own California. That is, not all of it. I own some of it, but I did not think when I bought it that I was going to own it forever. The fellow who sold it to me said that I could sell it sometime at a profit. But he was a poor prophet.

But I love California as only a "Native Son" of New Hampshire can love it. I love its lakes and rills, its mountains and hills. But best of all I love its soil. These lots I own in Los Angeles—I have an attachment for these lots that I shall never lose. That is, it looks now as if I never should. I just noticed yesterday that the deeds read, "To have and to hold."

But the dream of my life is to sometime settle down in my own little bungalow, on my own little ranch, and there with my own little home brewery, in the golden sunshine and silvery moonlight, to dream the happy hours away, seeing visions of other days and other places. And where can you find more to recall such visions than on a California ranch?

You arise in the morning to the music of a Connecticut alarm clock. You put on your Munsing underwear, mad in Minneapolis, hitch your Boston garters to your Paris socks, button your Baltimore suspenders onto your Detroit overalls, put on your Lynn, Massachusetts, shoes and your Danbury Connecticut, hat and you are up for the day.

You sit down to your Grand Rapids table and eat your Hawaiian pineapple, your Quaker oats and Aunt Jemima flapjacks, swimming in New Orleans molasses.

Then you go out and put your Concord, New Jersey harness onto your Missouri mule, hitch on to your Moline, Illinois, plow and plow up a couple of acres of land covered with Ohio mortgages.

At noon you dine on Cincinnati ham, cooked in Chicago lard, on a Detroit stove burning Colorado Coal.

And then at night you fill up your "Pride of Detroit" with Mexican gasoline and dash out to the beach and in a Greek restaurant, while smoking a Boston-made cigar, you watch a New York girl dance the Memphis shimmy to the music of a New Orleans jazz band.

And then upon returning home you read a chapter out of a Bible printed in London, England, say a prayer originating in Jerusalem, put on your China silk pajamas, crawl in between your Fall River sheets, to fight all night with the fleas—the only home grown product on the whole darn ranch.

THE MODERN INFLUENCE

The youthful sultan of Morocco refused to keep the harem that he inherited along with his throne. The throne was reupholstered but the harem was sent to the old ladies' home.

HUNTERS TAKE WARNING

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KIMBALL KLIPPINGS
 Mrs. A. H. Frazier visited with Mrs. S. E. Dillow Monday.
 Mrs. A. H. Frazier visited at the Hezz Frazier home Friday.
 J. H. Lackey and son are hauling feed for W. W. Wilmeth.
 Mrs. W. C. Nollner and little Frances Hobbs were shopping and visiting in Spearman Monday.
 W. C. Nollner delivered a load of hogs to Wilmeth and McClellan Friday.

WHY SCHOOLS COST
 In reflecting on increased school costs in recent years consideration should be given to other items besides the decreased purchasing power of the dollar and the increased school enrollment. These and similar items do not tell the whole story. Our schools have become veritable "shock-absorbers" in that they have been forced to assume many activities far remote from the early conception of school functions. They have developed into sensitive instruments recording our social and economic tendencies, accurately reflecting the people's changing habits, tastes and needs. Step by step they have added to their scholastic labors varying functions, a partial enumeration of which will serve to illustrate the part they play in our everyday lives. The schools responded with recreational facilities when these were found necessary as vent for the excess of youthful energy and leisure. When adults courted similar privileges, school community centers came into existence. The moral development of youth being everybody's concern, the schools, therefore, must supply character training, teach ethics and make possible religious instruction. It is emphasized that discipline has disappeared from the home, so the schools are turned to for the fostering of respect for law and order. Where physical warfare is neglected, the school must safeguard health by assuming medical supervision of the pupils; since many shortcomings are traceable to defective teeth, schools must have dental clinics. There is a wide variety of talent amongst pupils, therefore the schools must attempt individual instruction; they must discover and satisfy individual inclinations and interests. This has resulted in the Junior High School. A school of one thousand children touches five hundred homes at their most sensitive point, hence each child must be schooled as if he were the sole object of education. Childhood's personal problems, too, must be confronted, hence the establishment of the Advisory System. Where the homes are reluctant to cooperate with the schools, it has necessitated the establishment of the Visiting or Home Teacher Department. Boys and girls must be prepared for gainful occupations, hence Vocational Training. Girls are seldom taught sewing and cooking in the home, so the school provides a Domestic Art Department. Where boys must be kept close to the farm, Agriculture must be taught. As High School pupils vary in personal choice of college, admission requirements of diverse institutions have to be met. The schools are required not only to give intensive training to prepare pupils for their colleges but at the same time give general training for those planning otherwise. Methods of instruction and subject matter are constantly changing, making it imperative for instructors and school executives to devote a goodly portion of their out-of-school time to study, to keep abreast of these changes. A multiplicity of special weeks have become a part of the school program, such as "Safety First Week," "Fire Prevention Week," "Accident Prevention Week," "Thrift Week," "Clean-up Week," all of which, with many others, are commendable. Yes, our schools have become "shock-absorbers" in the effort to stabilize thought, conduct and action. If this bulging and complex program has increased school costs and become an added burden to the taxpayers, the greater weight has fallen on the school executive and Board of Education. It is not a nine or ten months' job, as popularly supposed; it is a perpetual labor.

Mrs. E. A. Hughes, who has been making her home in Spearman the past several months, accompanied her daughter, Mrs. Hugh Robertson, to her home at Conlin, Texas, Sunday to spend the winter.
 E. N. Nickens and mother, Mrs. H. C. Eberhart, of Strong City, Oklahoma, were in Spearman Monday and Tuesday of this week visiting and attending to business matters.
 Mrs. J. H. Chambers returned home from Amarillo last week where she has been the past few weeks with her son, Arthur, who has been receiving treatment in a sanitarium there. Arthur returned to his home at Carter, Oklahoma, the first of the week.

Anybody ever hear a flapper sing "Home, Sweet Home?"
 Who remembers when a girl with an unattractive face had to let it go at that?
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J. M. Beck spent the weekend at the home of W. C. Nollner, returning to Guymon Tuesday.
 T. C. Harvey and P. M. Chesser were doing business in Spearman Wednesday.
 Eloise Gamble and Mary Nollner visited over night with friends in Spearman Wednesday.
 P. M. Chesser was called Friday to the bedside of his father who lives at Norman, Oklahoma. We hope he finds him greatly improved.
 Roy and Mary Nollner, D. C. and Eloise Gamble and Claude and Milo Gore attended the lyceum in Spearman Wednesday evening.
 A. H. Frazier returned home from Hot Springs, New Mexico, Friday. He has been there for treatment and is much improved.
 November almost slipped away without the usual introductory snow storm, but on the morning of the thirtieth we discovered a light snow had fallen the night before.

Most of this community attended the singing convention at Gruver Sunday. Those who were not there surely missed a treat other than the singing for the good ladies prepared food for a regiment. Lots of good things were eaten and lots were left. Most of the crowd did not come until after dinner. The numbers given by the Men's Chorus of Guymon were greatly enjoyed as was also the readings by Mrs. Burk Foster.

LIEB LIVE WIRES
 S. J. Logan made a business trip to Spearman Tuesday.
 Misses Lila and Evelyn Watters spent the week-end at home.
 W. L. Watters went to Stinnett Monday, attending to business matters.
 Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Hatcher left Monday for a short visit in Fort Worth.
 Miss Obera Gay spent the week-end with her sister Mrs. Moody Womble.
 Brother Addison preached a very interesting sermon Sunday morning. It was well attended.
 Mr. and Mrs. Moody Womble are the proud possessors of a new Buick car.
 Mrs. C. E. Lieb, Clara Forester, and Iris Lieb went to Texhoma Saturday to do some Christmas shopping and while there visited with Mrs. Lieb's and Miss Forester's parents.
 The program at Lieb Friday night, December 2, was put over with very much success. A man from Stratford showed a moving picture after the program, which was well attended. The show was a high class one entitled "God's Law and Man's."
 C. P. Ellis and Lester Howell made a business trip to Guymon and Texhoma Sunday.
 Miss Mildred and Autra Ward spent the weekend visiting with their parents west of town.
 Mr. and Mrs. Bill Richardson and daughter, Miss Hazel, of Texhoma were guests in the home of his sister, Mrs. E. B. Dodson, Sunday.
 Clay and Pope Gibner returned home Saturday from a few days hunting trip in the vicinity of Woodward, Oklahoma.
 Mr. and Mrs. Cap Richardson of Amarillo spent Sunday in the home of their parents, and visited with other friends in Spearman.
 Mr. and Mrs. Paul Thompson returned last week from a visit to Plainview, Eldorado and other south plains towns.
 Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Rogers of the Holt community were in town Monday morning looking after business matters.
 The Reporter is in receipt of instructions from J. R. Gaod to send his Reporter to Wheeler, where he and Mrs. Gaod have established their home and Jim has a nice barber business. While in Spearman Mr. Gaod worked as a barber in the Sid Clark shop.

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"INSIDE" INFORMATION
 To keep a fruit cake in good condition wrap it in waxed or parchment paper after it is entirely cold, and place it in a tight container. Some people like to put in with the cake an apple cut in half or a piece of cheesecloth saturated with cider. Look at the cake from time to time to see that no mold is appearing.

SURPRISING HER
 A farmer brought some produce to the city and sold it. Thought he, "I will surprise my wife." So he bought a suit of clothes, a hat, and a pair of shoes and put them under the back seat of his wagon. On his way home he stopped at the river, and taking off his old clothes, threw them in the water. Then he looked under the seat for his new outfit. It was gone. Finally, he got into the wagon and said, "Giddap, Maude, we'll surprise her anyhow."

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The Story of New Ford One Of Remarkable Achievement

DETROIT, Dec. 2.—Six months ago Henry Ford announced the coming production of "a new Ford car, superior in design and performance to any now available in the low-priced, light-car field." Today the new car was shown for the first time outside the Ford organization, to a group of newspaper men and correspondents, at the Dearborn laboratories of the Ford Motor Company.

What the correspondents saw was an automobile as now as the forecasts had represented it to be. They saw bodies with beauty of line and color, and with every accessory that has come to be associated with cars of a much higher price class. They saw performance that would compare favorably with almost any automobile of the day—speed, pick-up, flexibility, power. What they did not see, however, was the six months of preparation back of that car, which in magnitude and accomplishment is unique in world industry.

When Mr. Ford announced to the public that he was to introduce a new car he had not only conceived this car, but it was already well on the way to materialization. In the years that the Model T had been produced many inventions, ideas, and improvements had presented themselves which did not fit in the scheme of the Model T. And many of these things were retained, against the day when new ideas of automotive efficiency would pave the way for a new car. The formal announcement, last May, was principally significant because it marked the end of production of the Model T as a complete unit.

Cessation of production of the Model T, did, however, turn the full force of the vast organization of the Ford company to the problem of creating and producing a new car, with the exception of that part of the facilities necessary for production of Model T replacement parts. This meant opportunity for the reconstruction of not one plant, but many. Thirty-three assembly plants in the United States, the Ford Motor Company of Canada, and twelve plants in foreign countries had to be considered. A great problem still, the fountain-head of the parts to feed the branch plants had to be rebuilt almost from the ground—the great Ford industries at Highland Park, at Fordson, and along the River Rouge.

Impressive figures almost without end could be quoted to illustrate the magnitude of this task. There have been estimates that the job cost as high as \$250,000,000 to accomplish. This figure is too high—how much so Ford officials will not say. But it was a staggering total of millions, unquestionably.

Strange as it may seem, however, Henry Ford did not figure in terms of millions. He was building a new car—a car which would be as much of an improvement of his day, as the Model T was back in 1908. Engineers took certain basic principles and built around them a new car. When it was completed it was very close to the car that Mr. Ford had visualized. It was then that Mr. Ford gave voice to a statement that has been frequently quoted since: "I will represent the public."

Even his engineers did not sense the full significance of this simple statement at the time. The plants were being re-tooled. Re-tooling an automobile plant designed to produce thousands of automobiles in a day is no simple matter. Giant machines weighing many tons and costing thousands of dollars had to be designed and built. Countless thousands of smaller tools and precision instruments had to be manufactured. Orders were placed with machinery manufacturers for many of these machines. Others were built in the Ford plants. But Mr. Ford was "representing the public." A small change meant the reconstruction of great machines which required four months to build. But if this change meant a slightly greater gasoline mileage, or a trifle more of acceleration in traffic, the machine was rebuilt. And so the story went. Mr. Ford stated again and again that he was not building a model to meet a specific date or a predetermined price. His aim was fixed on an automobile that would be as revolutionary in 1927 as the Model T was in 1908.

These are some of the reasons, in the opinion of members of the Ford organization, why cost figures of the transition from the Model T to the Model A mean little. In the final analysis, they say, most of this expense will be absorbed in greater production and higher plant efficiency. The maximum production in the days of the Model T was 5,400 per

day. The reconstructed Ford industries will have a capacity even greater than that. This will not be reached for some time, but the capacity is there, to be approached as market demands indicate.

Mr. Ford has stated that the coal and iron mines, the glass plant and other "feeder" industries of the Ford Motor Company exact no profit—that the only source of profit is the Ford car. But these "feeder" industries have been enlarged and strengthened during the period of transition.

The assembly line at the Fordson plant is creeping slowly as compared with the normal production, but each day sees increasing speed. Back of that assembly line, in the units where the parts are made which feed the assembly, a more impressive idea of what has taken place in the Ford industries may be had.

Working limits which would do credit to some of the finest automobiles of today are being imposed in many departments. Variations of more than ten-thousandths of an inch are not permitted in many parts. The speed that characterized production of the Model T is being attained, but it is speed with almost uncanny accuracy. Henry Ford is demonstrating that his mass-production methods can be applied to the manufacture of any type of car, without sacrificing the mechanical accuracy which is essential to maximum performance of the finished automobile.

He is demonstrating something else, at which engineers are marveling—he is utilizing methods which had been pronounced impractical. Electrical welding of essential parts, such as the rear-end assembly, is being employed, with a consequent strengthening of the car, and elimination of sources of noise and trouble. Spun steel forgings are being used in a way that is new to the automotive industry. New features of four-cylinder motor design have resulted in greater power and flexibility than had been anticipated. And so the story goes—a story of new methods, revolutionary principles of manufacture, of design.

This is some of the background of the new Ford car which is to be encountered by those who dig into the story of the happenings of the last six months. It is a story which will be many more months in unfolding, as the American and foreign assembly plants swing into line for the production of complete cars.

TAKING UNFAIR ADVANTAGE NEVER PAYS

Fortunate indeed is the club or organization or town which does not have that individual who will take an unethical advantage.

On the school ground he is the lad that will always be found in the shove for the inside track. He is the fellow whom the referee on the foot ball field must watch for constant off-side plays. On the cinder track tryouts he does his best to get off just a second ahead of the gun. Later when he plays golf, he is the bird who seeks a better lie, claiming a wagon wheel or horse hoof has left an unnatural depression.

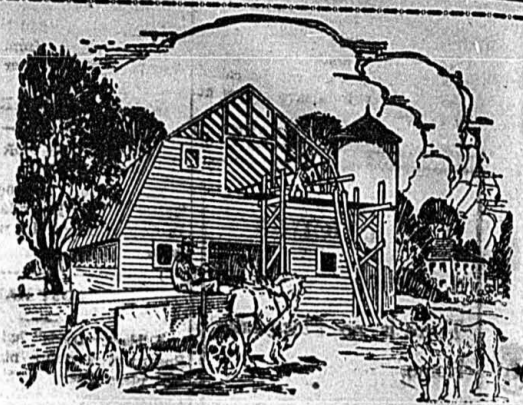
In politics or business or professional life, he can never be counted on to carry through with associates or competitors. When they plan to do something as an association or as a community they always look to him to pull something that is just a little off form, and he seldom disappoints them. Naturally he is unpopular with his contemporaries and competitors for his unethical actions pique them, but they are seldom hurt a great deal by his unfairness, for the public these days is just a little quicker than ever before to spot unfairness and to reason that if a man is unfair in his competition, he will bear close watching in his dealings with customers and clients.

Taking unfair advantage never pays permanently.

HOG CHOLERA CONTROL

Hog cholera is still a persistent and annoying disease, but its control is on a practical basis. The increasing use of concentrated, clear serum promises to be an important help in controlling the disease. In addition to its other desirable qualities, clear serum keeps for about three years as compared with two years for the ordinary whole-bloom serum, which is an advantage in storing the product for use in emergency outbreaks.

Chicago politicians have started some new agitation for a subway in spite of the fact that the city has a pretty large underworld as it is.



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I have taken over the line of Furniture and Household Furnishings formerly carried in stock by the Womble Hardware Company and will give this part of the business my personal attention. The stock will now be found in the Womble Hardware old stand, east side lower Main, Spearman, where I invite all my friends to call and inspect the newest arrivals in the several lines carried.

Saturday, Dec. 10

Will be opening day at this new, exclusive Furniture Store. Be sure to call on us that day. Furniture and Household Furnishings make splendid Christmas Gifts. Buy them on Opening Day, Saturday, December 10.

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THE MARCEL WAVE GOES UP

"That's a nice haircut you've got, Harry," said the boss to his stenographer. "I see you've had the back of your neck shaved and bought yourself a new marcel wave."

"Do you like it? Say, marcel waves have gone up. A dollar and a quarter for this one cost me."

"Dollar and a quarter? That's a cost of 25 per cent, isn't it?"

"I should say it was, and then some. They used to be half a dollar. When they went to seventy-five, then a dollar, and now they're a dollar and a quarter. I could get a haircut from the swiftest hairdresser in town for the price of a good lunch at the five and ten a year or two ago, but no more!"

"Let's see, didn't I hear you kicking because street car fares have gone up a cent?"

"No sir. I get more for my money in the street car than I do from the hotblack. It's the cost of looking pretty that is fattening my wallet."

AS MEN MAKE PLANS FOR NEW TESTING LABORATORY

Definite proof that the public is vitally interested in the safety, efficiency and durability of their gas appliances is seen in the announcement of the American Gas Association of plans to erect a new and larger testing laboratory at Cleveland, Ohio. For more than two years the association's laboratory has tested and approved gas appliances, marking them with a Blue Star Label those that meet requirements established by interested U. S. Government bureaus and gas specialists.

Since the establishment of the laboratory more than 6,400 types of appliances have been tested and approved according to R. M. Conner, director of the laboratory. This im-

posing list guarantees the interest of the entire gas industry in the safe and efficient use of its product, and also makes it possible for the public actually to accept the approval seal as the hallmark of gas appliance construction and operation, in his opinion.

FEEDING THE DAIRY COW

The dairy cow's feed requirements can best be supplied in winter by means of hay, silage, roots, and grain. Properly cured legume hays, such as alfalfa, clover, vetches, soy beans, cowpeas, are well suited for feeding to dairy cows, as they are high in both protein and assimilable minerals and are also very palatable. Silage and stored root crops supply succulent roughage feeds during the period when no green grass is available. They are of special value in keeping the cow's digestive system in good working order and in stimulating the milk flow. Corn, oats, barley and kafir are examples of farm-grown grains commonly used for feeding dairy cows. All of these grains should be ground before feeding.

Judging by appearances, we imagine that no politician is going to sneer about the silk stocking vote today.

Scheduled Seven Times to Hang Lives to Tell of Roaring Days

FRESNO, Calif.—"Diamond-field Jack" Davis, who lives on his Spring Mountain mining claim in Nevada, is not a superstitious man. A front seat at gold stampedes and opera bouffee revolutions in Central America has taken away his faith in rabbits feet and his awe of black cats.

But this survivor of old gun-fighting days of the West does believe in seven as his lucky number.

7 times Diamondfield Jack, who got his name in the hard stone regions of South Africa, has heard an Idaho judge set the time and place of his hanging. Seven times he was taken back to his cell and there listened to the ring of hammers on his gallows while, outside the barred door the death watch stood guard.

Then after seven years of jail life while his attorneys fought to save him, he stepped into the sunshine a free man by act of Governor Hunt.

Now near the end of the long trail, Diamondfield Jack has no regrets, he says, over fortunes which might have been his or glory lost. His one lament is over the wearing of false teeth. Those nature gave him were shot out in a lobar war in Butte, Mont., in 1914—merely an incident in a perilous career.

Davis was born in Lynchburg, Va., in 1862, the son of George Davis of the Confederate army's black horse cavalry. When a youth he went to Abilene, Kans., with a herd of Texas cattle. He was in Deadwood, S. D., in the gold boom days. Gold and land stampedes that claimed his interest included the Cherokee strip opening in Oklahoma, the Montant basin boom, Tonapah and Goldfield, Nev.

As a dash of pepper to the salt of his life he participated in Mexican and Central American revolutions under Felix Diaz, Castro of Venezuela, and Reyes of Columbia.

The legal battle he waged for life in Idaho was almost unparalleled. After his seventh court defeat, hope failed him. Then two men confessed to killing the two sheep men for whose death Davis had been convicted. Governor Hunt sent an eleventh hour reprieve. Davis still retains the rope that was to have hanged him, with its seven hitches and a knot.

UNSUNG HERO OF PUBLIC SERVICE IS METER READER

Among the unsung heroes whose footsteps echo daily in all nooks and corners of the cities of Texas is that faithful band of meter readers to whom is assigned one of the most important tasks of an important industry.

These men are in a position to win and maintain the good will of thou-

sands of customers of public utility companies, says the Texas Public Service Information Bureau.

Through storm and sunshine the meter reader goes on his daily rounds. Keeping clean shoes in muddy weather, latching gates that often have no latches, and listening to the music of barking dogs are part of his daily life.

The meter readers have continuous daily contact with the customers of the public utility companies. To the customers the meter reader represents the company and as they judge him so shall the company be judged. Public good will is a priceless asset in the company's business, and much of the public good will toward public service companies in Texas can be attributed to well trained meter readers.

Salt and other seasonings draw out meat juices and mask the flavor. When broiling steaks and chops at home, sprinkle salt on them just before serving. Large roasts may be salted when about half done.

Do you get as much use as possible out of your sewing machine attachments? Practically 90 per cent of all women replying to a questionnaire on sewing have machines, but about 40 per cent failed to answer the question on attachments, which might signify that a large number of these women did not use them. The hemmer was most used by those who replied in the affirmative.

All pork and pork products should be thoroughly cooked, not only on the outside but entirely through, to present the possibility of their causing the disease known as trichinosis. Have pork chops cut medium thick and after browning them on the outside, cook slowly and longer than other chops. Make sausage meat into flat cakes rather than "balls," which are thicker in the center, and then they will cook evenly throughout. Sear a pork roast at a high temperature to retain the meat juices, and then lower the heat and cook at a moderate temperature until all pinkness at the center has disappeared. Ham and other cured pork products also require thorough cooking.

Have you made the triple test?

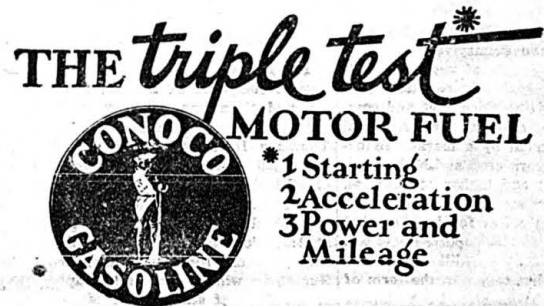
GASOLINE must do more than one thing well if it's to be classified as *good* gasoline. If it gives you only extra-quick starting but is slow on the get-away and lacks power, it's a very wasteful fuel.

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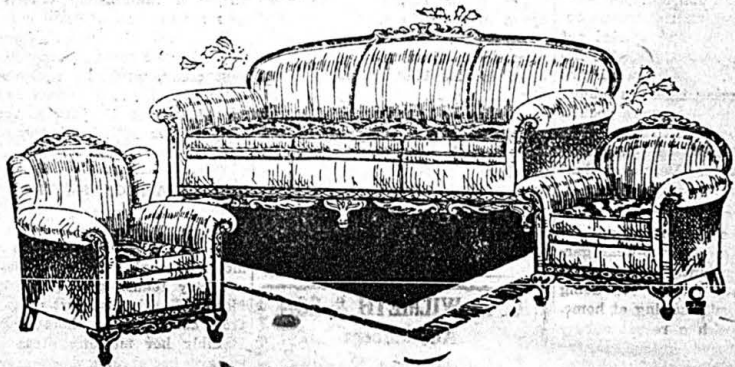
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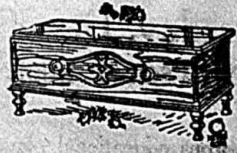


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YOU'LL PAY HIGH FOR BACON IN FIVE YEARS

Uncle Sam spent ten million dollar last year in an effort not to eradicate but merely to retard the advance of an imported plant pest, the European corn borer. This insect is a grub which feeds on the inside of a corn stalk or of any other plant with a stem large enough to accommodate the beast. Wherever it takes a firm foothold, there the successful cultivation of corn becomes temporarily impossible after a few years because the rapidly multiplying borer takes too heavy a toll. Since 1920 the corn borer has advanced from the Atlantic seaboard to Indiana. Though the ten million dollar campaign retarded the advance of the borer, new infestations were discovered in 410 townships scattered through Ohio, Michigan, Indiana, New York and Pennsylvania.

Within a couple of years the borer will undoubtedly penetrate into the heart of the Corn Belt and completely cover it later. Its spread will be accompanied by a marked reduction of the corn crop and higher production cost and higher corn prices. These higher corn prices will in turn mean higher prices for hogs so that the ravages of this imported pest will show themselves on millions of American breakfast tables in the form of high-priced bacon and even higher priced ham.

Again we say: Write your Congressman and tell him that you want the plant quarantine regulations retained in full force and carried out to the letter no matter what the importers may say. The imported corn borer in one spring took ten million dollars out of the taxpayers pocket. Not counting the losses this European immigrant inflicted on individual American Farmers.—December Sunset.

Although the opportunities for buying attractive ready-to-wear garments are constantly increasing, a large number of women are doing much of the family sewing at home. In connection with a recent survey of the present trends in home sewing a surprising number said that they sewed because they enjoyed doing so, and not especially because they expected to save money.

At the Churches

UNION CHURCH

Brother Robert Girouard was with us last Sunday and Sunday night, preaching two wonderful sermons fraught with power and wisdom from Him that giveth liberally, and upbraideth not, to those who ask.

We are sure you will be glad to know that he will preach again at the Union Church Christmas morning and night. Like Isaiah he brings messages of "True worship" and "Right living."

Our young people will have charge of the Christmas exercises for Christmas eve, and are already at work on a program. You are all invited to come, not only to the Christmas program, but to all our services, of which Sunday school and prayer-meeting are not of least importance. We have come to think of them as coaling stations out in the sea of life.

BAPTIST

Sunday was a good day; large crowds at both services, and two additions to the church at the night service. We have been here hardly three months, yet there has been 23 additions to the church since we came, and there is at least that many more Baptist who hold membership in some other place. These should come into the fellowship of this church. Next Sunday at the 11 o'clock service the pastor will preach to the old people. If you know of any who have no way of attending this service, will you not see that they have a chance to come.

Sunday school at 10 a. m.; B. Y. P. U. at 6 p. m.; preaching at 7 p. m. Come with us we will do thee good.

PASTOR.

MISSIONARY SOCIETY

The fourth zone meeting of this district composed of Booker, Perryton and Spearman will convene at the Methodist Church in Spearman, Thursday December 8th, at 11:15 a. m. All members are specially urged to be present.

The local society will meet with Mrs. Murl Jackson on December 14 at 2:30 o'clock p.m. instead of December 7th as formerly announced. Our study will be the sixth chapter of the book of study, "Our Moslem Women."

The Baptist Ladies' T. E. L. class has a membership of 21. We are putting on a contest which is very interesting. Every lady not now enlisted in this kind of work, is invited to join us.

College girls are taking up boxing. They wrestle, also, but it is called dancing.

The reformer should be patient with us. After all, the world's wickedness keeps him in a job.

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SEVEN MILLION MOVE EACH YEAR IN UNITED STATES

Approximately 6,910,000 persons in the United States change their place of residence each year, the moving rush taking place twice a year and consuming but ten days, according to a report of the convention of the American Gas Association.

This information is based on orders filed with gas companies serving the large cities, says the Texas Public Service Information Bureau.

Total cost of moving is placed at \$96,650,000. Of this amount \$29,550,000 goes to moving men, figuring \$25 for a van; \$65,280,000 for new furnishings and domestic appliances, figuring \$40 for a family; \$5,910,000 for plumbers and fitters, and a similar amount for meals purchased while the process of moving is under way.

Contrary to popular opinion more people move in May than in October. The cost to public utility companies in employing additional help in the bookkeeping and meter-reading departments to execute orders for turning service off and on is estimated at \$3,000,000 a year.

DOUBLE PENALTY FOR "GUN-TOTIN" CRIMINALS

There is a lot of talk about how to reduce the crime wave and one of the first suggestions is to prohibit the ownership of firearms.

This would remove protection which the private citizen has against burglary, robbery and assault, but it would not bother him at all to go a step further and procure arms contrary to the law, smuggled in from other sources.

The fact that the private citizen could not lawfully buy arms would make the work of the thug just that much easier.

The logical way to reduce crime is to assure speedy punishment, also to provide that the use of a gun or any other form of concealed weapon in committing a crime should demand an increased sentence, with no possibility of probation or suspended sentence.

The average American citizen enjoys target practice and he enjoys hunting. It is healthy sport and recreation. Why should he be prohibited the use of a gun on the theory that this will prevent the use of guns by criminals? Why not make the penalty doubly severe on the criminal using a gun, instead of penalizing a law-abiding citizen who uses a gun for legitimate purposes?

To prohibit the manufacture and sale of small arms in order to prevent crime, would be equivalent to prohibiting the manufacture and sale of automobiles to prevent reckless drivers from inflicting injury on the public.

DEAR OLD MOTHER

She may not be dashing as Pola Negri or Lillian Gish in some recent movie triumph. Probably she cannot play tennis, golf or skate like Marion K. who has just come home from college for a short vacation. Possibly her morning dress is the same as her evening gown, especially on work days when her interest in her family's welfare prevents her from thinking anything about the eight hour working day. But don't speak of her without showing due respect, for she's your mother.

She may not discuss behaviorism or other "isms" with you in the evening, but her common sense has kept your foolish ideas from causing trouble many times. She may not know all about the latest novels, because she has been too busy smoothing out the way of life for you. Her memory is no good—when it comes to recalling the foolish mistakes you have made.

She is your truest friend and your best adviser.

If she is going to have a daughter-in-law with as fine a character as her own, you will have to do some careful picking young man. There aren't very many like her in the entire world.

Currency, it is reported, will be made smaller and tougher—tougher to get, perhaps.

"Green is soothing," say eye specialists. Yes, particularly the long green in your own pocket.

One of the best sign posts directing one to success in life reads: "Keep your mind open and your mouth shut."

Planks in some political platforms must be made of slippery elm, we overheard one of our local citizens remark the other day.

Before you buy speculative stock, investigate thoroughly. Ask your banker about it, think it over for a few days, and then don't buy.

WHERE DID WE GET THIS HARD TIMES IDEA?

There is more money on deposit in the member banks of the Eleventh Federal Reserve District now than ever before in their history, it is officially announced. We have been talking about recession and about this and that. But the fact remains that the money is here. The average resident of this district can write his check for a larger figure than ever before.

The Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas ascribes much of this prosperity to the fact that the farmers have diversified and that they have tilled their cotton well. To this must be added almost ideal harvest weather over a large part of Texas since cotton picking began on a large scale. But this judgment that Texas farmers are learning their lesson in farming under the guidance of their own experience is worthy of attention. It has trickled in a little faster than it trickled out to pay cotton pickers, ginning fees, grocery bills and so on. It has not come easily. Maybe it won't come easily. Maybe it won't go this time for down-payments on musical instruments and riding attachments to farm implements. Maybe prudence will dictate that a part of it is to stay in the bank to finance another year on a cash basis. Maybe it will introduce Texas farming in a small way to the significance of having liquid capital available for the time of need.

This is no year for a big "killing" for the farmer. He is the less likely to spend heedlessly the surplus that is his. Some day he will learn to put some of his investment funds into the 4 to 6 per cent securities of approved stability instead of always putting them into down payment on more land. The "more land" ambition plus the part payment obligation will always be a snare for the easy-going farming man. Staying in debt on a narrow margin is a poor approach to a bad year. And a man who goes in deeply at the end of a good year is simply looking for trouble. The figures show for this district that the money is in the bank. The situation is distinctly better on the farm. And the town man won't suffer.—Dallas News.

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