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## EASTLAND COUNTY GRAND JURY MAKES GOOD REPORT

Find A Lot of Things That Need Doing Including Some Preliminary Work by All Justices of the Peace.

## HIGHLY COMMEND NOLLEY AND DUNAM

The grand jury in the eighty-eighth district, at Eastland, completed its work and asked to be discharged. In its final report to Judge E. A. Hill, of this court, it says:

We, the members of the grand jury, having finished our work for the term, ask the privilege of making this our final report, which is as follows:

We have been in session 13 days and have found 48 bills of indictment, 47 felonies and one misdemeanor, after having examined 170 witnesses.

During our session which began early in November, we have inquired into brought to our attention, and after having made these investigations we are of the opinion that law violations in Eastland county are on the decrease yet we believe that there is considerable work to be done before lawlessness has been suppressed and Eastland county placed where it belongs—a clean county where few criminals may be found.

Our attention has been called to the activities of the state rangers in Eastland county and to the criticisms that are being made on account of their presence, and after thoroughly investigating these matters, we are of the opinion that the rangers are needed in this county, and that they should receive the co-operation of the citizens of every section. It is our opinion that the rangers can be of great help to peace officers of the county, suppress should receive the support of all officers of the county. While we commend the rangers for their splendid work, yet we would caution them to confine their actions within the law.

Our investigations has brought out the fact that we still have quite a number of bootleggers and gamblers in Eastland county, and we call the attention of our peace officers to this class of criminals. We believe that when Eastland county has been cleaned of this class that a great forward movement will have been made to suppress lawlessness.

We find that many justices of the peace, judges of the corporation courts, constables and some county officers are not making regular reports as is required by law. We desire to call attention of the court and also the county attorney to this matter and ask that the officers be required to perform their duty in this respect. We recommend that the justices of the peace of Eastland county be more diligent in the discharge of their duties and that they hold courts of inquiry so that it will not be necessary for misdemeanor cases to be presented to the grand jury.

We wish to commend the county attorney, Hon. W. V. Dunsam, for the efficient manner in which he is entering upon the arduous duties of enforcing the laws of Eastland county. We commend the sheriff, Sam Nolley, for the splendid co-operation which he has given us since he has been in the office, and we wish to thank the judge, Hon. E. A. Hill, for the very courteous treatment we have received in his court.

We ask to be discharged. The report is signed by W. O. Russell, foreman.

## A UNIQUE LOSS AND RECOVERY

On last Saturday evening the Gorman Home Refinery suffered a break in their pipe line near the Leon river that caused them to have over 1500 barrels of oil leak out before the break was discovered. The line walker had just passed over the spot where the break occurred and found it all right. When he made his return trip he found the line broke and a stream of oil running into the river. Fortunately the break was at a point where the oil was caught in a pocket and held. The company put a pump on the spot and picked up all the oil and at the time of this writing has the oil pumped back in its tank and the leak repaired. Had the break happened at any other place than in this one spot there is no doubt but that the oil would have been partial, if not a complete loss. This seemingly is a sample of their luck and ought to prove to the most skeptical that theirs is good luck.

## ALL GONE HOME

The Gorman Home Refinery is this week pretty well denuded of its heads as the following have flown the coop for the Christmas holidays: Percy D. Hill has returned to his home in Oklahoma City for a few days. He has been auditing the books and getting their system of accounting in shape for the new run of business. Mr. Hill will return after Christmas and will finish his work here.

W. C. Woodleaf has gone to his home for the holidays also. He is the appraising engineer for the refinery, and is working on the full appraisalment of their physical property.

J. M. Thomas has gone to Vernon for a visit to his family and will be gone for several days.

In addition to these Mr. H. L. Davenport of the stock sales department has gone to his home in Oklahoma City also. He needs the rest that he will get out of this trip for he has been hard at work promoting and planning for some time to put the remainder of the Gorman Home Filling stations in operation. Harry L. is a great boy and one that we all like. We will be glad to see him back after the holidays in fine fettle for the continuing of his work with the Gorman Home.

## A CORRECTION

In last issue of The Progress we made a very serious mistake in one of the advertisements that we want to correct at this time. We made the Continental bank the author of the statement that "The one preventive that covers every financial blunder is Theft." It should have been "Thrift" instead of Theft. That is a mistake that will happen in the best of printing offices, and we hope that our readers will note the correct rendering of their ad and will please turn to it again and get the message of the bank on the subject of "Thrift" and not theft.

Another good point in favor of the cheap car is that nobody will steal it.

## Skeptics



Listen, sis, we're takin' awful chance in expectin' very much for Christmas through a little gas grate chimney like this. Well, say, bub, maybe Santa carries a chimney stretcher with him, huh?

## TEACHERS HEAR GREAT ADDRESS BY WACO MAN

The school teachers of Eastland county convened in regular institute session yesterday morning in the Methodist tabernacle on East Commerce street. About 150 teachers from over the county were in attendance, besides several members of the Eastland faculty were visitors for the day.

Superintendent B. B. Cobb of Waco city schools addressed the institute on the subject, "Training for Citizenship in Public Schools." He mentioned in his opening remarks the great need of more intensive training in citizenship on the part of our schools and pointed out facts and conditions that show that there must be more education in this line. The speaker reviewed the situation during the war, stating that at first it was very difficult to arouse a spirit of real patriotism in this country, which is borne out by the fact that 300,000 of those within the draft age were guilty of evading the draft law during the war, and that although a fine spirit was finally obtained before the war closed, conditions that now exist indicate we are now going backward in the way of patriotism and genuine citizenship.

To show some of the conditions that exist which require immediate attention on the part of the schools in stated that there are within the United States 15,000,000 people of foreign birth, that 5,000,000 of these cannot speak the English language and that 3,000,000 are unnaturalized. Because which these people lived before and after coming to America, their social

and political ideals are very low, and that this condition calls for thorough training in citizenship and Americanism.

To again show the low condition of extent today and to emphasize the need of better training in loyalty, patriotism and citizenship, Mr. Cobb called attention to the fact that present day politicians engage in mud-slinging and trivialities and that there is a general disregard for truth in politics today. He also pointed out the general disregard for laws, the discontent and complaining on the part of citizens about the government, and stated that those who complain the most are those who do the least and have failed in citizenship.

He stated that the teachers of the state are falling short of their duty as citizens unless they do more in the future to instruct in high ideals of patriotism and citizenship. He said that the subject of thrift should have its regular place among the subjects taught in the schools and that pupils should be taught to lay away for a saving 10 cents of every dollar they get. He also stressed the importance of physical training as one of the essentials in equipping for citizenship, and said that we once believed we were the greatest people in the world from a physical standpoint, but that the war proved differently; for 25 per cent of those examined for the army proved unfit. He recommended more attention to playground direction and to vocational training in the public schools.—Eastland Chronicle.

The Progress in this issue comes to its readers wishing them a very happy Christmas and a prosperous and joyous New Year. Our relations have been of the most pleasant character this past year, and we are glad to have been your servant in many things. "He who serves most serves best," is a truism that needs no comment. We have been well served by our old friends and by the host of new ones we have found in Gorman, and we take this moment of thanking them for the things they have done for us in the time we have been with you. We hope that our efforts in the making of a newspaper have been as pleasing to you as they have been enjoyable to us, and that many more pleasant years shall be ours to associate together. Work and trouble are easily forgotten in the many pleasant and kind things said to us about our efforts in giving you a paper. We appreciate them and want to promise you an even better paper this coming year. Time is said to help only two things in the world. One is a lawsuit and the other is whiskey. We have none of either, but we hope that the time we have spent with you here has made us more experienced and will enable us to do you a greater amount of good the coming year. May the happiest Christmas of the many this old world has seen be yours this year.

## POTATO CURING PLANT IS OFFERED LOCAL CITIZENS

Inventors of A Proven Curing System Show Plans to Localities With A Building Proposition.

## MEANS FOR NEW STAPLE FARM CROP

### BIG FOOTBALL GAME

On next Saturday, Christmas day, the Gorman team that so valiantly vanquished the Hico team will tie up with the DeLeon team. The DeLeon folks are promising Gorman a good game and will no doubt have even stronger team than they had during the regular season. They will have a lot of college men to add to the high school stars and will come up here with blood in their eyes. The Gorman team will also be reinforced by the addition of a group of new men and will go in the game with the determination to put up a stiff battle. The friendly rivalry that has always been between these two neighbors ought to bring out all the pep there is in each town and a good game result in the meeting. The locals are this week practicing hard and will have a big bag of tricks up their sleeves. Everybody come out and see the best game that will be played in Gorman in a long time.

There is no doubt but that all DeLeon will be here on Saturday to see the football game. Then why not every person here be there too?

### APPEAL TO CHRISTMAS SPIRIT

To the People of Eastland County Perhaps you know, in a general way, what we are doing, officially for the poor and unfortunate of the county. But for those who do not know I will say:

During this year the Commissioners Court bought 40 acres of land situated between the new and old roads and about a mile and one-half south of the town of Eastland. Upon this ground we have already built one large dormitory consisting of ten bed rooms, two large living rooms that can be opened together and turned into a chapel. This building is equipped with all modern conveniences, is well lighted and ventilated and has in its rooms two closets, or lockers, so that each may have some privacy. It is the plan that two men or two women be assigned to each of these rooms.

Right near this we have another building that is to house the Superintendent in charge. This building has a large kitchen and dining room in which he and all the inmates will use. Has a bath and all modern conveniences and a sick room where the sick can be properly and easily cared for.

There is in course of construction two tubercular cottages and a big barn. These buildings are painted white with a black roof and are just off of the Eastland-Mangum road.

These are at this time unfurnished and for their furnishing we need the following: Twenty beds, complete, preferably single beds, ten small rugs, chairs, tables and some living room furniture for the men's living room and for the women's living room; equipment for the hospital room, gas stoves and equipment for the kitchen, chairs for the dining room and any amount of bedding and good used clothing.

These buildings will be ready for inspection and all of the people of the county are especially invited to come out on Sunday the 19th, that they may see what provisions the commissioners' court have made for the poor, sick and unfortunate.

Especially do we ask all of the good people of the county to contribute of their surplus of the above enumerated articles and would be glad of the women's societies of the churches and the clubs of the towns would take in charge the collection of these articles and notify me that each club will undertake the furnishing of one room and we will send a truck to that town to haul the furnishings in. Eastland county is perfectly able to

On last Monday Messrs. Jones and Emerson of the Perfected Products Curing Company were in Gorman displaying plans for their patented potato curing plant. They have an excellent scheme and having two of the plants in operation they are confident that their system is the best on the market. Their plant at Lindon and at Hughes Springs are both very successful and at the present time they have their process so far perfected that they can not only cure sweet potatoes but onions, cabbage and Irish potatoes also. They are very anxious for Gorman to put one of their plants in and seem assured that it will be a success.

The Progress editor thinks so also. There are a lot of these plants in operation all over the country and they are a success as the usual run of business goes. They have to depend upon the human element for the real success and if run properly will make money for the farmer and the man who owns them. Gorman ought to have one. Our farmers are going to have to get away from the growing of cotton and some of the other staple crops of the past because of their high cost of production and their uncertain market value. Sweet potatoes and smaller crops can be grown in abundance here and it is up to the merchants to prepare a marketing system for them. Just go to any man who produces anything and guarantee him the price and he will produce the needed article. Gorman can produce all the sweet potatoes that a fifty-thousand bushel house will handle. The question is who will put up the money for a twenty-thousand bushel house to prove that it is a success in a small way. The local men must do it and put over the thing as a Gorman enterprise. The promoters of the plants will take some stock and show us how to operate. Why not do it?

### YOUNG MAN HONORED

Gayle Waldrop, the son of W. A. Waldrop, a former citizen of Gorman has been honored by the Southern Methodist University by being placed in charge of the publicity department of the drive for \$1,000,000 endowment of that institution. Young Mr. Waldrop is one of the instructors in Journalism in that institution and is doing a high quality of work as is shown by the paper put out by his class. They recently edited an edition of the school paper, "The Campus" and brought it out as a fine specimen of their work.

buy all of these things necessary, but we believe that the Christmas spirit of the good people of this county is such that they would rather give these things than have them bought with the public funds. You all can recall the story of the young soldier who met the beggar shivering and cold in his rags and taking off his great coat gave it to him and said, "Grandday here is my great coat and I hope it will keep you warm for it will warm me to see you warm." The old man took it and holding it in his hands said: "My young friend, this is indeed a great coat, it has warmed my heart already."

We believe that the hearts of the good people of this county will be warmed when they know they have personally contributed to keeping some sick, some old, some unfortunate ward of this county whom the shifting wheels of circumstances have made a public charge, warm.

The commissioners' court would ask that those societies who have it in their hearts to help would notify me at once what they will undertake to do and where the supplies will be located.

Yours respectfully,  
C. R. Staines, County Judge

## Uncle John's Josh

LOOKS TO ME LIKE THE FELLER WHO WONT BUY CLOTHES TILL PRICES GET 'NORMAL' WILL HAVE TO EMIGRATE TO THE GARDEN OF EDEN





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### THE COMING OF OUR LADY, 1921

The New Year is close at hand. The cartoonists and picture boys generally will represent 1921 as a baby, but we like to forecast it as a WOMAN—we don't say a beautiful woman, because all women are beautiful.

We would like to see '21 typify WOMANHOOD for good and sufficient reasons. One is that the coming year would have no interest whatever in war, or the things of war. This old world has had its complete fill of deadly conflict during the decade just closed and if WOMEN could have their way there'd never be another on this footstool of the Lord.

If 1921 were a WOMAN, the world would see more religion and more of the good things that come out of it. The cynics and Bolsheviks and exploiters of mankind generally may sneer all they like at religion, but God in the form we civilized people know Him, or in some other form, has been a comfort and a high inspiration to untold billions of people in the past and He will be again to untold billions in the future. The earth needs a great revival of religion in 1921.

If our New Year is anything like WOMAN, we will see more co-operation in the real things of life and much more gentleness and human sympathy and love in 1921 than for a generation. The vice of hate has encircled the world and inflicted is wounds on countless hearts. Only human sympathy, kindness and love will heal the deadly hurts that the human race has suffered.

We repeat; let's typify the New Year as a WOMAN.

### THE POOR, NOBLE, DOOMED HORSE

It certainly is too bad about the horse. Men who were experts predicted even as long as 15 years ago that he was doomed, that the automobile would chase him into oblivion.

Then, around about 1910 or 1912, the farmers started to buy automobiles to beat the city man and a little later tractors began to fill the country fields with their hoarse growl. Thus, the end was near, so near that—

Well, so near that the census of 1920 showed TWO MILLION more horses in the United States than the census of 1920—this in the face of the fact that about a million and a half had been shipped out of the country during the war.

Isn't it a horrible pity about the poor, disappearing horse!

Oh, yes; here's another jolt. The 1920 census counted 26,000,000 horses, the greatest number in the history of the United States.

The auto is a good thing and so's the farm tractor, but the farmer must have his horses too. There are various reasons for the survival of the doomed horse, but that's the chief one.

### WHAT THE AMERICAN FARMER WANTS

There is support here and support there for various other planks—planks radical and planks conservative—but we think that on the whole, the following is what the majority of farmers AT THIS TIME want from Congress:

Amendments or interpretation of the anti-trust laws which will make it legal for the farmer to engage in collective marketing.

Strengthening of the Federal Farm Loan System.

Interstate Commerce legislation making compulsory the honest advertising and labeling of woolen fabrics, food and drugs.

Development of inland waterways with ocean outlets.

Enactment of co-operative credit plans to provide funds for farmers.

National control of packers.

Immigration laws which will maintain American standards of citizenship.

Operation of air nitrate plant by government or lease for purpose of providing cheap fertilizer.

The appropriation of funds to permit Department of Agriculture to make studies of cost production of farm products.

Disapproval of any system which denies to the individual the right to work in any place where his industry is needed and at any wage which is satisfactory to him.

George Bailey, paragrapher for the Houston Post, was wise in the selection of his vacation. If we had known the republicans were going to do anything like they did to us, we also now would be taking the rest cure somewhere far from the maddening crowd.

It is proposed that the minimum wage to be paid women in this state shall be \$12 a week. But do you suppose the law-makers will consider that wives, too, are worth that much.

J. B. BRANDON  
DENTIST

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**CHRISTMAS CLUB**



Have every member of your family join Today

The following "tables" explain the different clubs: December you will have \$127.50.

**INCREASING CLUB PLAN**

Put in 1c, 2c, 5c or 10c the first week. INCREASE your deposit 1c, 2c, 5c or 10c each week. In 50 weeks:

1c Club pays \$12.75	5c Club pays \$ 63.75
2c Club pays \$25.50	10c Club pays \$127.50

**EVEN AMOUNT CLUB PLAN**

Put in the SAME AMOUNT each week. In 50 weeks:

25c Club pays \$12.50	\$2.00 Club pays \$100.00
50c Club pays \$25.00	\$5.00 Club pays \$250.00
\$1.00 Club pays \$50.00	\$10.00 Club pays \$500.00
\$20.00 Club pays \$1,000.00	

Join TODAY—Join.

When you have a nice snug sum of money next Christmas you will thank us for giving you a SYSTEM for banking REGULARLY. This will make life a FINANCIAL SUCCESS. Later on you will put BIG AMOUNTS in our bank. The Christmas club makes SAVERS—not spenders. Join TODAY—Join

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DIXON'S KODAK SHOP COMANCHE, TEXAS

IMPOSTERS BUSY WITH TEXAS LAND

Comisioner Robinson Receives Complaints From Several States

AUSTIN, Nov. 29.—Reports that imposters are operating in the north, especially in Ohio, Indiana and Minnesota, claiming to represent Texas in the disposal of public lands, have been received here by J. T. Robinson, Texas land commissioner, who said that "anyone purposing to represent Texas or my office in this matter is a fraud."

At that is necessary to acquire these lands, which will go on the market under competitive bidding on Jan. 3, 1921, is to write the land office for the list and an application blank which will be sent free, according to the commissioner, and to send in a bid with the first payment as provided in instructions. If the price offered is higher than any other offer for the particular piece of land chosen by the bidder, he gets it.

A number of letter and telegrams

received at the land office, the commissioner asserted, indicate that "imposters are intending to deceive people and some of these self-styled agents are charging as high as \$200 per section for the privilege of representing would-be applicants for Texas school lands."

Commissioner Robinson was unable to estimate the amount of land that would be offered in the next sale, as the bulk of it is land upon which payments have been made and which the land commissioner has been instructed to forfeit because of failure of the original purchaser to meet subsequent obligations. However, the commissioner has ruled that the original purchaser has the privilege of redeeming this land by making all payments due before Jan. 3, 1921. More than 2,000,000 acres subject to forfeiture was listed for sale, but this amount has been reduced considerably by redemptions, and the commissioner said that money to redeem land listed as subject to forfeiture is coming in now at the rate of from \$5,000 to \$20,000 per day.

an dit is likely that comparatively a small amount of this land will be left for sale.

Land subject to sale under forfeiture is scattered all over the state, according to the commissioner, who added that some of it is quite valuable and has been valued by the land office at as high as \$40 per acre. In some instances the land of improved farms with buildings upon it is subject to forfeiture, and the commissioner has adopted the policy of allowing the original purchaser every opportunity to redeem these lands.

There is approximately 25,000 acres of land up for first sale. The last real land sale in Texas took place last May when all the big blocks of public land were disposed of.

THE DEMAND FOR COTTON

"The fact that should be emphasized," says the Dallas News in discussing the present cotton situation, "is that for several years the world will make shift to do with much less cotton than it used before the war and the further fact that, therefore, next year's crop may be smaller than any of the last five, and yet be too large for the welfare of its growers."

Is that a fact? We are frank to say that we do not know. Certainly such was not the view of the greatest experts in the world at the last world cotton conference, and while it is a perfectly obvious reply to this to say that none of the experts foresaw the present depression, still we are far from thinking that anything has happened in the meantime to change the general situation. We will not say dogmatically that the world will not use less cotton during "several years" to come, but on the contrary would be interested in seeing the facts and conditions cited upon which such a prediction is based. Our own feeling is that the consumption of cotton will increase, as compared with pre-war years in the immediate future.—Star Telegram.

The Good Citizen

He is the man who believes that his home town has everything beaten on the map.

He brags about the schools, is proud of the churches and loves his neighbors.

He trades at home, contributes to the Red Cross and drops in at the Chamber of Commerce occasionally to let the boys know that he is with all the progressive movements.

He is an advocate of paved streets

and fine country roads.

He smiles whenever the ladies call to solicit funds for putting down a new rug at the parsonage, to buy some widow a load of stove wood, or make Santa Clause visit the orphan.

He says that the postmaster is efficient, brags about the service the 'hello' girls give an devn wants the gas company to have a square dal.

He reads the papers and pays for them, endures the home talent play without a murmur and stops his car to give you a ride when you are going his way.

Our town is blessed with thousands of this kind of folks; that is why we like it. Citizenship of such quality is an asset bigger than gold and we possess it to the extent of being rich as the fabled Peruvian kings. Let every man do his part towards keeping the light of good fellowship burning. It helps to strengthen the heart and soul of the community, and after all what de sit profit us to build maerially and neglect these things?

THE KNOCKER'S PRAYER

Lord please don't let this town grow I've been here forthirty years and during that time I've fought every public improvement; I've knocked every thing and everbody; no firm or individual has ever established a business here without my doing all I could to put them out of business. I've lied about hem and I would have stolen from them if I had the courage. I've done all I could to keep the town from growing and never spoken a good word for it. I've knocked hard and often. I've put ashes on the childrens slide and I've made the cops stop the boys from playing ball on my vacant lot. Whenever I saw any one prospering or enjoying themselves I've stared a reform to kill the business or spoil the fun. I dont want the folks to stay in own and I will do all I can by rule and ordinance to drive hem anway. It pains me O Lord to see that in spite of my knocking to is beginning to grow. Some day I fear I will be called upon to put down side walks in front of my property and who knows but what I may have to keep up

Law enactment is with the legisla-ture or with congress; law enforcement is with the country, a fact that seems to have been overlooked both at Washington and Austin—Wact Times-Herald. If the country fails or refuses to enforce, what then? If local authorities are powerless to enforce, what then?

AN APPROPRIATE CHRISTMAS GIFT

Young folks, here is a Christmas present you can get if you will put the matter squarely up to your parents. down, for this is the best proposition thing that will win your independence, give you an insurance policy against poverty with the premium paid for life. It is a scholarship in the Tyler Commercial College of Tyler, Texas, America's largest school of Book-keeping, Business Training, Short-hand, Cotton Classing, Telegraphy, Business Finance—the school that not only prepares its students in a very efficient manner for the best positions in the largest business offices, but secures these positions for them.

The cost of a life scholarship in a course of Bookkeeping is \$5.00, Short-hand, \$65.00, or the two \$110.00, Telegraphy \$65.00, Cotton Classing \$65, Business Finance \$5. Board and room is from \$18 to \$20 per month, payable monthly. The average time for completing our Shorthand course is three and one half months, our Telegraphy five months, Bookkeeping months, our Bookkeeping and Short-hand combined, five months. Figure up your cost of board and tuition and you will be surprised to find out how little it will cost you to obtain a cash producing education that you can use for a life time. It will be a Christmas present that you will always appreciate, because you will never cease using it.

It is something of everyday need. If you or your parents, as the case may be, haven't the cash to pay for the entire course we have a not plan and we also have a loan fund in connection with our Endowment Association that may be participated in. The old saying is quite true, "Where there's a will there's a way." If you do what thousands of others are doing and take a correspondence course until work.

See about this Christmas gift. Take it up and discuss it seriously. You can enroll at once; we will not close the door for the holidays. Convince your parents you are determined to be a success, and that to achieve a success in business you must get a business training.

Write for our large catalogue, it is your parents of the importance of our suggestions.

Name..... Address..... Tyler Commercial College, Tyuer, Tex.

For Sale—Two young cows, fresh. M. Scales. 44-4tc

I Extend To You YULETIDE GREETINGS

And desire to express my sincere appreciation for the patronage you have bestowed upon me during the past year. I trust that the services rendered you have been pleasant and entirely satisfactory and wish for you one and all A MERRY CHRISTMAS with the hope that the NEW YEAR will come in brim full of happiness and prosperity.

The celebrations incident to Christmas and New Year's always increase the FIRE HAZARD. A policy in one of my companies will relieve the worry, and give the protection that nothing else affords. Attend to the matter this week.

B. E. McGLAMERY

FARM LOANS GENERAL INSURANCE COLLECTIONS

MAY OLD



be able to express to you our apprecianion for all your patronage of the past year and in this hour of Christmas bring to you the joy that should be yours, joining up a Merry Christmas with a

Happy New Year

We hope to merit an even larger share of your business the coming year, and assure you that we are as ready as ever to give continuous service, good goods and real values.

Higginbotham Bros. & Company Gorman, Texas



Mr. and Mrs. H. E. C. Morague will spend the holidays in Cross Plains where they have relatives.

Paul Stevens was in Gatesville on Sunday.

R. B. Gilbert was in Fort Worth the first of the week attending to business matters for the Gorman Home Refinery where is the general superintendent.

C. B. Hering was this week in Mexia where he is visiting friends and spending a part of the holidays.

Miss Clara Hutchings has returned from Estilline, Texas, for a visit to home folks during the holidays. She has charge of the primary department in the public schools of that place and is reporting to her friends a very good year's work.

G. L. Gano, field manager of the Imperial Refining Co., has this week moved his headquarters from Ranger to Gorman and will be in active charge of their operations in this part of the field. He is here primarily because he is looking after the products of the Gorman Refinery which were purchased by his concern. He will live here in Gorman for some time.

J. C. Buckles of the Imperial Refinery Co., who has been here for some time overseeing a lot of construction work on their loading rack north of town returned to his home in Fort Worth. The Imperial has now leased the loading rack of the Prairie Company and is using it in loading the products of the Gorman Home Refinery.

John Kimball has returned from his duties in the college at Meridian and is now home for the holidays.

METHODIST CHURCH Sunday School at 9:45, B. E. McGlamery, Supt.

Preaching at 11:00 a. m. and 7:00 p. m., by the pastor.

Epworth League at 6:00 p. m. W. T. Lynn, President.

Morning subject: "Glad Tidings of Great Joy."

Evening subject: "His Own Place."

Prayer meeting every Wednesday at 7:00 p. m.

A cordial invitation is extended to every one to attend all our services. Come to church and get right with God. You may say what you please but a genuine case of the OLD TIME CHRISTIAN RELIGION will cure the worst old pessimist or socialist in town.

R. B. HOOPER, Pastor.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM by Gorman Music Club

Methodist Church Dec. 27, at 7:30

- Chorus—"Joy to the World".... Club
- Invocation..... Bro Nelson
- Piano Solo..... Mrs. Pitts
- Chorus—"Little Town of Bethlehem"..... Club..
- Paper—"Music"..... Mrs. Holmesly
- Male Quartette—Messrs. Collie, Curry, McMahan, Morrow.
- Xmas Sermonette, Miss Effie Grave
- Reading..... Mrs. J. J. Hardy
- Piano Duet—Miss Eppler and Mrs. Scales
- Vocal Duet—Mrs. Shaw and Mrs. Cavert.
- Benediction..... Bro. Nelson

Tokio, Dec 17.—Japan expects to be independent of steel imports. A method has been discovered for utilizing volcanic iron sand for the manufacture of high grade steel. This sand is considered adequate for home supply.

SPIRITS OF NITRE IS NOW USED FOR "HOOCH"

Bucyrus, O., Dec. 18.—Here's a new one:

A local devotee at the shrine of the "kick-a-mule" visited a drug store. He asked for a quart of spirits of nitre, explaining he had "nine children, all ill with kidney trouble."

It developed that, through a simple process, the purchaser removed the nitre, leaving a concoction of alcohol which, taken internally, will show the imbiber three moons where there should be but one.

Spirits of nitre contain about 80 per cent of alcohol.

Self-determination applies to everything but baseball. Judge Landis is to be supreme arbiter of that. Still, there was a certain amount of self-determination in appointing him arbiter.

THE STATE OF TEXAS, County of Eastland.

By virtue of an order of sale issued by the Hon. Clerk of the County Court of Eastland County, Texas, on the 15th day of November, 1920, in the case of the Farmers State Bank & Trust Company of Gorman, Texas, vs. L. C. Farnham, No. 2362, and to me as constable directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell, within the hours prescribed by law, for constable sales, on the 5th day of January, 1921, at Gorman, in Eastland county, the following described property, to-wit:

One six-cylinder Paige Roadster Automobile, model 1918, Engine No. 61212, License No. 31760.

Said property to be sold to satisfy judgment against L. C. Farnham, amounting to \$730.00, with interest thereon from October 20th, 1920, at the rate of ten per cent per annum, and cost of suit.

Given under my hand this 20th day of December, A. D. 1920.

AARON BRYANT, Constable Precinct No. 5, Eastland County, Texas.

Notary Public Farm Loans

Life Insurance Fire and Tornado Insurance

JUST TO Remind You

that any of your business entrusted to me receives my personal attention.

If by my knowledge that I have gained through years of experience I can be of any service to you in Insurance matters do not hesitate to call upon me.

Better protect your property from fire loss now. The next four months are the worst dreaded by fire insurance companies and the losses this year are increased over previous records.

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The "Exide" Starting and Lighting Battery

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Take advantage of our free service.

Exide Battery Station



ECZEMA advertisement with illustration of a man's face and text: "Money back without question if HENRY'S Salve fails in the treatment of ITCH, ECZEMA, RINGWORM, TETTER or other itching skin diseases. Try a 75 cent box at our risk."

W.R. PICKERING LUMBER CO. advertisement with text: "SERVICE FIRST QUALITY ALWAYS" and "LUMBER, BUILDING MATERIAL & HOUSE PAINTS".

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Christmas Greeting

We gladly embrace this opportunity to wish a Merry and Joyous Christmas To all our customers employes and friends

Toombs Drug Store

Our Appreciation

The special charm of Christmas is in the assurance it brings that we live in the memory of our friends.

We trust we have left no stone unturned toward making this

Your Merriest Christmas

And we thank you for all you've done for us.

Earp-Glass Music Co.

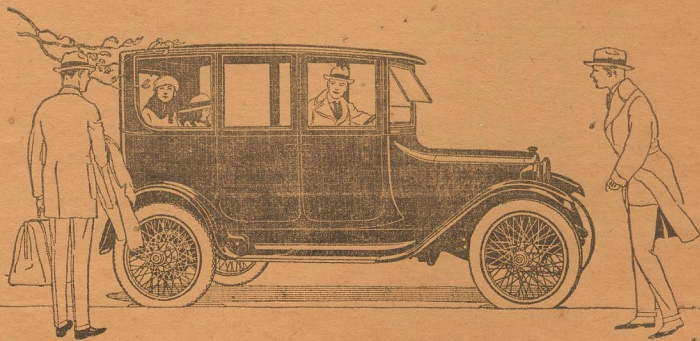


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It attracts especially those who are inclined to look for beauty combined with comfort and economy.

This is evidenced by the astonishing number of women who own and drive Dodge Brothers 4 Door Sedan.

The gasoline consumption is unusually low The tire mileage is unusually high



Townsend Motor Company

After the Sunday School teacher had finished reading the lesson which told how Pharaoh made Joseph's brothers rulers over many cattle, she said "Now, Willie Moore, can you tell me what Pharaoh did for Joseph's brothers?" "Yes'm," Williet answered, "he made cowboys of 'em."





'Tis Christmas Time—that Bright and Happy Season when all the World looks Beautiful.

We're printing this to let you know that Our Best Wishes are added to those you have already received, and we trust this will be the Jolliest Christmas that you have ever known, and at the same time we bring to you our heartiest wishes, that the New Year will be a source of pleasure, profit and general good times to all of you.

Garner-Alvis Gompany

THE CLUB

The "Don't Bother Me Club," is the oldest club in existence. Don't bother me is the answer spoken by parents to children since the beginning of time, and it means that they refuse to give knowledge to them at that particular moment, when it would be most eagerly received. To say to your child, "don't bother me now," may bother your child for many years to come.

But still the club holds good and has more members than any other club in existence for no one wants to be bothered with anyone's affairs and some extremists won't be bothered with their own. "I can't be bothered" is another phrase that we hear over and over again. It starts with the heads of families and the leaders of nations. It goes from the manager on down to the superintendent inspector, foreman to the working man. Every business suffers because some one refuses to be bothered. "I can't be bothered" starts with lazy indifference at the top and ends indifferent at the bottom. Every man thinks his problems all important, that all should sympathize with him, but the average man refuses to interest himself in the problems that comes up from below. Hence waste, lack of direction, and thousands of life's inconveniences that might be avoided. Every man is striving to climb on his own hook and won't be bothered with the other fellow.—Lorraine Leader.

See that football game Saturday at Gorman park. It will be a humdinger and worth the money

League Meets

Epworth League program for Dec. 26, 1920:  
 Leader—Mrs. Turner Collic.  
 Subject: "What shall we do with our Sundays?"  
 Neh. 13: 15-22; Mark 3: 1-5; Rev. 1:1-10.  
 Song: prayer.  
 History of the Sabbath Day: J. Frank Sparks.  
 Piano solo: Ruth Conner.  
 "What privileges may we enjoy without breaking the Sabbath?" B. M. Collic.  
 Violin solo: Jeanette Collins.  
 "What does Sunday mean to you?" Clyde Nichols.  
 The Epworth League is planning on giving a serenade Xmas night. All of the young people of Gorman are cordially invited to join us at the church at 7:30 p. m.

GRAVES-TOWNSEND

Last Saturday afternoon at Comanche, Texas, occurred the marriage of Azro E. Townsend of Gorman and Miss Ola Graves of Gustine, Texas. groom is the youngest son of F. W. Townsend of Gorman and the bride is the daughter of Judge Graves of Gustine. They will make their home in Gorman where the groom is conducting a large farm. The officiating minister was Rev. Melton, pastor of the Baptist church at Comanche.

live cheaper, but a man out in West Texas who declares that it will make fine beer with a kick to it and we expect the market will be bulled out of quor in the court room at Martinsburg, which is a new one.

HEROISM STILL LIVES

A galant rescue effort marked the sinking of the Weymouth motor-trawler Seagull while attempting to make West Bay Harbor, Bridgport, Dorset. The Seagull was driven by heavy seas on to a stone pier and sank immediately.  
 Three persons were in the boat: Jack Nophoyer, part owner; Richard Benbow Price, engineering contractor, of Bath; and the latter's 12-year-old boy. Although the seas were breaking over both piers, Capt. J. Roper, of the Dorset Territorials, and son of a the rescue and released the boy who was entangled in the wreckage. He swam with him to the pier, where he lost hold of him, but a mountainous wave carried the boy to the level of the pier, where he was pulled to safety. The coroner complimented Capt. Roper on his gallantry.—London Mail.

WANDERING ARM EXONERATED

Denver.—Placing one's arm around a girl doesn't "necessarily constitute misconduct," according to a ruling by the state board of education in the case of Frank M. Draper, 28, former Draper was charged with having put his arm around several of his pupils. The board exonerated Draper and offered him his job back. But Draper who has been employed as a motor-man on a street car since he lost his old position, refused the offer.

We have heard of all kinds of cases in court, but old West Virginia comes to the front with the report of a local officer having found two cases of liquor in the court room at Martinsburg, which is a new one.



POSTED  
 The Shugart-Mann place located 8 miles north of Gorman, is posted, and any person caught hunting or hauling wood from same will be prosecuted. 42-4tc. O. O. Mann.

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Greeting

We extend to our patrons and friends Season's, Greetings. We appreciate the patronage accorded us during 1920. It is our greatest desire and pleasure to always please those who trust and honor us with their business. Again wishing you all Christmas joys and A Happy New Year.

SUTTON BROS.

At Puett's

You can get a Big Saving on your Christmas Candies, Stationary, and all other goods by buying now, for they are going at

25 PER CENT DISCOUNT

on all these items

PUETT'S DRUG STORE

A Merry Xmas

Is extended to you and yours by the Gorman Home Refinery

We feel that at this time of the year when every one is filled with the spirit of the hour that we should also express our appreciation of the splendid way we have been helped by our friends in Gorman and the surrounding country. You have truly been an inspiration to us and a help in our hours of labor, and from the bottom of our hearts we are grateful to you and yours.

Our success is now assured by the recent deals we have consummated, and we want to assure you that we will ever be on the job to make this an institution that will be worthy of your support and interest.

We look for a great year with great things ahead, and we intend to work with that in view. We need your co-operation to make our plans a success, and we feel that you will give us that help that only can come from our constituency and friends at the place of our greatest interest. Gorman will help us, we know; and in the days to come will see us grow as we should into a great Refining Institution.

We are for Gorman.

And have shown it by investing our money here. It is up to you to be for Gorman also. Show a lot of the proper pride in your town and back her enterprises and in a short time we will have a city we can all be proud of, and one that will be a power in the life of this part of the state.

Gorman Home Refinery



HIGHER IDEA IN CHIVALRY

Love of Today Is the Man Who Can Make Little Sacrifices for His Adored One.

When the feminists prepare a primer for the propagation of the new idea in chivalry Sir Walter Raleigh will not be shown spreading a red velvet cape before the queen with hair and temper to match. He will be depicted robed in a bungalow apron, washing the dishes for a spouse not recorded in history, but who must be injected into the scene to offset the pernicious Elizabethan stuff.

Wonderful lovers are fine in romantic fiction, but when it comes to life in a Harlem flat or a Greenwich village studio, Mary Fisher Torrance, magazine writer, humorist, suffrage leader and Barnard graduate, roots for the husband who breaks down traditional labor leagues and performs the nocturnal china ablutions, says the Sun and New York Herald.

"Any right-minded man who marries a college girl or a woman in the professions knows that she cannot enthrone over scouring the kitchen sink any more than he could, and that she can get no more inspiration than he can from cleaning the gas range.

"It is just dirty, grubby, disagreeable work, and when sometimes in these days of servant rebellion help cannot be procured at any price it behooves the husband to pitch in and go 50-50 by getting the pesky little routine tasks out of the way as soon as possible," said Mrs. Torrance.

"To me the higher expression of chivalry is a man's performance of the dull, disagreeable chores, which every one of us wants to shirk, but which he does to save a woman from doing them. And it is the better class, educated, cultivated man who is the first to do those things for his wife when she is without help."

TIMES CHANGING IN CHINA

"Gentlemen" of That Ancient Country Evidently Have Revised Their Opinion About Labor.

A sign of the times from China. At Canton Christian college there are Chinese gentlemen—"gentlemen," says a writer in Asia, "of a class that formerly considered work with the hands degrading"—taking care of and studying a model herd of water-buffaloes. If they were capable of such an emotion the situation would probably surprise the water-buffaloes, for long as water-buffaloes have been a commonplace factor in Chinese agriculture, and their wide horns and clumsy figures almost inevitable in a southern China landscape, they have never before been "studied" in an agricultural school, to say nothing of being studied by gentlemen.

But the Chinese gentlemen of the present, or at any rate some of them, are interested in the future of China, and as that future must necessarily be agricultural, these particular gentlemen are interested in improving the water-buffalo. His temper is probably acceptable enough as it is, for, although cross with strangers, the water-buffalo is gentle with those he knows. A small boy, sitting on his back and sometimes playing a flute, controls him easily, and whoever has seen the creature dragging plow or harrow through the swampy rice fields will probably agree that "water-buffalo" is a proper name for him.—Christian Science Monitor.

Gas From Straw.

A gas derived from the destructive distillation of straw is being produced on a small scale at the experimental farm of the United States Department of Agriculture at Arlington, Va., says the Journal of Industrial and Engineering Chemistry in a recent article.

This gas has been used for motor fuel, for cooking and illuminating purposes, but its commercial value has not yet been determined. The office of development work of the bureau of chemistry is now making a series of tests upon it.

Fifty pounds of straw will produce about 300 cubic feet of gas, and the problem of liquefying or condensing the gas in order to enable it to be used practically as a motor fuel is now in process of solution.

Several valuable by-products are obtained during the manufacture of the gas.

Doctors for Bees.

When a honey bee staggers around holding his head and staring despondently into space he may be suffering from influenza, dementia precox or any one of a dozen other physical and mental disorders. At any rate he needs quick medical attention. He is getting it in the honey-producing regions of Manitoba, Canada. Bee experts say that the province will pour a river of honey on the world's pancakes this year and that the big production is due almost entirely to the elimination of bee diseases. Last year's average of approximately 65 pounds to the hive is expected to be materially increased by the hundreds of large apiaries scattered throughout the province.—Brooklyn Eagle.

Accidents Late in the Day.

Dr. E. Guth of Berlin proves by statistics in the Zentralblatt fuer Gewerbehygiene, that accidents occur more frequently in the last working hours, being also of a more serious nature. Considering this increase in accidents, and the decrease in work done during the last working hours, he concludes that not only workmen, but also employers have interest in reducing the number of working hours.

HERE'S NEW FREAK IN ART

Painter Said to Be "Doing" the Faces of His Patrons in Green Color.

I understand that an artist has swept all the other idols of the art world into the gutter. He has provided the many people who depend for social success on the gush of the pseudo-enthusiast with a new lease of life, says a writer in London Sketch.

It seems easier to attain a success of this sort in the picture world than in music or literature. All have their Bunthornes, of course, but studios and picture galleries are stuffed with esthetic shams.

This man hit upon a very simple notion. He painted the faces of his portraits green. Nobody in this world, so far as I know, ever yet painted portraits of living people with green faces. Why not? Were they afraid the subjects might not like it? But they had merely to choose the right subjects. Did they suppose there would be no public for pictures with green faces? Well, there is now, at any rate.

"People stand in front wondering what they are all about."

This reminds me of a young woman who protested that the only author she could "stand" was Henry James. To "stand" and to "understand," you see, are very different things. This class of enthusiast does not want to understand. They love to wonder what it is all about, like a small child peering at the works of a watch. You would not expect a baby to discuss the merits of a watch.

LET THEM START IN EARLY

Here's a Writer Who Advocates Having the Children Select Their Vocations When Young.

We heard the other day of a child who had begun to write poetry at the age of five. It must be quite a shock to the parents to realize so soon that their hope and pride will never have to worry over an income tax blank.

On the other hand, finding out the truth early in life will save them many disappointments and considerable expense. They can begin at once to save money by sending the child to the barber's.

The child ought to be very easy to amuse. Give it a piece of paper and a pencil, and let it rave. For if a child begins to be a poet at the age of five, it stanza reason that the child will go, from bad to worse. There is nothing that parents can do with a born poet but admit it.

In some respects it would be an advantage to the human race if all children indicated their future career at the age of five. There would be fewer plumbers trying to play the piano, and fewer ribbon clerks trying to win lawsuits.

A child who, at five, smashes everything in sight ought to be trained for Wall street, and one that seemed inclined to swallow everything should make a good congressman.—Chicago Herald and Examiner.

Cheap Building Material.

The making of houses chiefly from slate waste, as proposed by north Wales builders, is an experiment of much interest. The waste has been accumulating in quarries for three centuries, and is adapted for use in paints, putty, bricks, blocks, slabs, tiles, flooring, mortar, rubber and molded products, but hitherto the cost of manufacture seems to have kept it from competition with other materials. Tried for roads, the slate has proved too dirty in wet weather. It is suggested as a promising binder in granite masonry; and bricks made from it have been found very strong and as resistant to water absorption as other bricks. Good drain pipes have been made from slate dust. For cement the ground waste is claimed to be especially good, and near the quarries a mastic of slate dust and oil has been used often for repairing leaky roofs. This mixture, when it sets, is said to be harder and more durable than the natural slate rock.

Uncle Sam's Tallest Eastern Mountain

Many people believe that Mount Washington, in New Hampshire, is the highest mountain in the eastern part of the United States. Mount Washington stands 6,293 feet above sea level, according to the United States geological survey, but many peaks in the southern Appalachians are several hundred feet higher than New Hampshire's famous mountain.

The highest mountain in the Appalachian system—the highest point in the United States east of the Rockies—is Mount Mitchell, in North Carolina, which stands at an elevation of 6,711 feet.

The highest mountain in Tennessee, Mount Guyot, stands 6,636 feet above sea level.—Geological Survey Bulletin.

Porcelain of Great Value.

Remarkable properties are claimed for a new porcelain. A special glass expands and contracts in exactly the same degree as the mass of porcelain, and chemical and other vessels made from the material not only endure great heat but are not fractured by sudden changes of temperature. It is even possible to fuse holes in the new porcelain, using an oxyhydrogen blow pipe, without causing cracking. The material, moreover, can be worked like glass, and different pieces can be fused together, or a porcelain tube or handle can be fused to a dish. The blow-pipe softened mass can be blown like glass into bulbs or other forms not hitherto produced with material of this kind.

The KITCHEN CABINET

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Yesterday is dead—forget it. Tomorrow does not exist—don't worry. Today is here—use it.—Von Bocklin.

SEASONABLE GOOD THINGS

A delicious dessert which will delight the children or even the grown-ups is:

**Steved Figs, Lemon Jelly and Custard.**—Pour boiling water over a pound of figs, and let boil rapidly until tender; add one-fourth of a cupful of sugar and let simmer a few minutes to form a sirup. Set aside to chill. For the jelly soften one-fourth of a two-ounce package of gelatine in one-fourth of a cupful of cold water and dissolve in three-fourths of a cupful of boiling water; add half a cupful of sugar and two-thirds of a cupful of lemon juice. A package of lemon jelly will do away with the above work, if it is at hand. Pour into a dish to make a sheet about three-fourths of an inch thick. When chilled and set, cut in cubes. Set the figs and sirup in individual dishes, arrange the cubes of jelly around the figs and pour a custard over all.

**Ribbon Cake.**—Cream one scant cupful of butter; add gradually two and one-third cupfuls of flour with four and one-half teaspoonfuls of sugar, and four eggs one after the other without beating; sift four cupfuls of flour with four and one-half teaspoonfuls of baking powder; add to the first mixture, alternately with one cupful of milk. Bake two-thirds of the mixture in two layer cake pans. Add the following to the rest of the cake mixture: One cupful each of nut meats and raisins, one-half cupful each of currants, citron and cherries (the fruit is minced and the nutmeats broken in bits); add two tablespoonfuls each of molasses and cocoa, one-half teaspoonful of cinnamon and one-fourth teaspoonful of cloves. Put the layers together with fruit jelly, cover with boiled frosting and decorate with halves of walnut meats.

**How to Cook Pork Chops.**—Arrange the chops in a heavy iron frying pan with just water enough in the pan to cover the bottom; steam and cook uncovered until the water is evaporated, then brown, season and serve. The chops will be well done, well seasoned and not dry.

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A Marvel.  
A real strong man  
Is Oswald Bung,  
He's strong enough  
To hold his tongue.

Atta Boy!

"I lost in Wall street," said Bill Beal.  
"And I'll throw no more coin away;  
"I'll buy a hay press and I'll deal  
"In good Consolidated Hay."

Massachusetts is the chief backer clauset's house of representatives on Dec. 9 wrote the 2.75s beer and wine bill into the general law and sent it to the senate for consideration before it goes to Governor Coolidge for his approval or veto. Coolidge is an 18th amendment governor. He is certain to veto the 2.75 beer and wine bill. In days of old South Carolina was the home of the state rights Americans. Now Massachusetts is the in- that the tail wags the dog?



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To Our Friends and Patrons:—

Once more we are in the midst of the Season of Santa Claus, Good Cheer and such like—and we want to take this opportunity to wish you A Merry, Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year.

We are always glad when Christmas Time comes 'round. It gives us an opportunity to present the good wishes we've been storing up for 364 days, and to say "thank you" for the many favors you have bestowed upon us throughout the year.

We have tried mighty hard to merit your good-will and confidence, and are sincerely grateful for your patronage. With the coming of another year we look forward to again numbering you as a friend and customer.

So here's hoping this will be the most Joyous and Happy Christmas you have ever spent—and our sincerest wish will not come true unless 1921 brings Happiness to you.

Cordially yours,

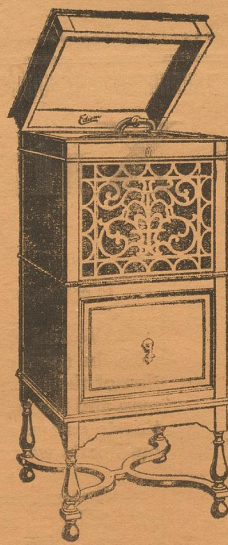
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We could tell you that almost four million music critics of several hundred representative American newspapers have publicly acknowledged their inability to distinguish between instrumental performances or the voices of living artists and the New Edison's Re-Creation of them when heard side by side. Over fifty Edison artists (great singers and instrumentalists) have participated in tests which have convinced these music lovers and critics that the New Edison is truly "The Phonograph with a Soul"

Hear and be Convinced

We could write entire pages about music's Re-Creation in an effort to convince you that no other sound-producing invention can possibly compare with the New Edison, but one sweet note of the voice of Anna Case singing "Depuis le jour" or one ripple of melody from the bow of Albert Spalding playing the "Meditation from Thais" would convince you as no printed words ever could.

We could tell you that The New Edison has a GENUINE DIAMOND stylus reproducer (no needles to change). We could tell you that Edison Re-Creations are almost unwearable and unbreakable. We could tell you many other remarkable things about the New Edison and Edison Re-Creations, but the New Edison itself can tell you far better in its music-language just what we are trying to impress upon you here—that it is an instrument by means of which Thomas A. Edison has given to the world a new art—Music's Re-Creation.

You owe it to your love of music to visit our store and acquaint yourself with Music's Re-Creation.

Beskow & Thomson  
Gorman, Texas



**MICKIE, THE PRINTER'S DEVIL**

By Charles Sughroe  
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*He Shocks an Inquisitive Visitor*



FROM ONE POCKET TO THE OTHER



Some folks have not yet learned that putting money in the bank is NOT spending it. Because they haven't got their hand on it—they feel as though they are losing something.

Putting money in the bank—is just transferring it from one pocket to another—a safer one, too, where it grows

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**First National Bank**

**Uncle Walt's Story**  
Walt Mason

HUMOR OF BOYS

"MY next door neighbor has a boy who is going to get into trouble if he doesn't reform," said the retired merchant. "He's always playing idiotic tricks on me, and I'm getting tired of it. This morning, as I was leaving home, I found my front gate nailed shut, and I had to climb over it, and nearly broke my back doing it."

"I wouldn't give three cents for a boy who didn't play tricks," replied the hotel-keeper. "I expect you were as giddy as the rest of them when you were young. Whenever a boy puts up a job on me, and I feel myself getting mad, I recall some of my own exploits when I was a lad, and that enables me to forget my troubles."

"I was looking through an ancient album last evening, and saw the pictures of a lot of people who fell off the earth many years ago. They were venerable men and women in my schooldays, and I had played tricks on every one of them; not with malice aforethought, but just because a kid must have his fun."

There was a picture of old Aunt Betsy, who used to come to our house once in a while, on a visit, and as soon as she came she took charge of everything. She knew how to do things better than anybody else, and she was always criticising my mother's methods. Whenever mother started to do anything, Aunt Betsy would take the job out of her hands, saying she would show the right way to do it.

"I had heard somewhere that if you put a drop or two of acetic acid in a gallon of cream, that cream will never make butter. I had a great memory for such facts, and kept them on file where they would be useful. One morning mother said she would have to churn, and she got things ready. I knew that as soon as she started Aunt Betsy would want to show her how it should be done, so when I had a chance, I dropped some of the acid into the churn, which was one of those old upright affairs, with a dasher that you worked up and down until the butter came.

"Mother seated herself on a stool and began churning, and then Aunt Betsy came along, and said that while she was a modest and unassuming woman, she did claim to know a little more about churning than anybody of her weight in that part of the country. 'Let me do it, my dear,' said she, 'and I'll have butter in seven minutes by the clock.' So she took hold of the dasher and began slapping away with it. She worked and worked, and the sweat began rolling down her face, and every once in a while she'd lift the lid of the churn to see what ailed the doggone cream, and then she'd pour in some cold water, and then some hot water, and the more she wrestled away, the less sign of butter was there.

"She whanged away at that ding-busted churn for two hours and couldn't get results, and she was so mad and disgusted over it she wanted to pack her trunk and go back home. Mother saw me rolling around in the yard all doubled up with un-holy mirth, and she realized at once, by deductive reasoning, that I was responsible, and the licking I got that evening took the edge off my sense of humor for three weeks.

"Another time, Uncle James was visiting us. He used to sit in a rustic chair under an apple tree and doze, after dinner. He had a bald head, and his hat always slid off after he had snored a few times. One day I sneaked up behind him with a feather and began tickling his head. He'd slap his dome of thought and cuss a little, and then doze again, when I would get busy with the feather. That went on for quite a while, and I was having the time of my life. I never heard any language more highly colored than Uncle James put up.

"My mother heard him saying things, and came to the door and asked him what was the matter, and he said a ding-donged lopsided fly was chewing his scalp off. He had chased it away three million times, but it al-



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