

# THE ENTERPRISE.

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BIG SPRINGS, TEXAS, FRIDAY, MARCH 26, 1909.

\$1.50 A YEAR

## West Texas National Bank

Big Springs, Texas

### County Depository Howard County

Officers and Directors

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W. R. Cole, John Roberts, J. D. Birdwell

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

#### Death of Mrs. Flynt.

Mrs. R. B. Flynt died at her home in this City about noon Wednesday after an illness of only a few days with pneumonia. The news of her death came as quite a shock to her friends as she was not considered as being dangerous until a short time before she died.

She was an earnest christian woman who took a deep interest in church and charity work and was always willing to do what she could in either cause. She made friends of all who met her during the time she has lived in Big Springs and will be greatly missed in church and social circles. Mrs. Flynt was born August 12, 1860, at Cedar Point, Missouri, and was married to R. B. Flynt, January 18, 1882, who still survives her. Besides her husband she leaves a grown son, L. LeRoy Flynt, living here, and one brother living in Missouri, to whom the entire town extends the deepest sympathy in their great loss. The funeral will take place Sunday afternoon at three o'clock being delayed waiting the arrival of relatives from Missouri. Interment will be in the Masonic cemetery.

#### A Neat House Cheap.

On south side of east 300 St. Lot 70x150 feet house 3 good rooms, 14x14 feet, two canvassed and papered, one unfinished, good neighbors, city water. Price \$750.00, good terms, R. T. Piner, Big Springs, Texas. Phone 311.

The nicest line of Perfumes in the city at Biles & Gentry.

#### A Nice Little Home.

South Side, has two 14x14 front rooms, hall 8x14, dining room 12x14, kitchen 10x14, built in T shape, lot fenced, has cow shed, buggy shed and a small grain house, east front, city water, good neighborhood. Price \$1150.00, \$650.00 cash balance 1 and 2 years, at 8 per cent, or \$20 a month. R. T. Piner, Big Springs, Texas. Phone 311.

#### Opening Days.

Yesterday and today have been very busy days for the ladies of Big Springs, as they have been opening days for the millinery stores of the town. A great number of ladies were to be seen at all the places. Where things that are dear to feminine hearts are on display. The styles of hats for this season are much prettier than they were last. Not quite so large and better shape, and the trimmings are simply a dream of loveliness.

#### Unlucky Number.

This morning the government inspectors discovered thirteen Chinamen in a sealed box car going east, and landed them in jail to await orders from the government as to their disposition. Chances are they will be sent back to China.

#### Big Cattle Sale.

G. L. Brown sold Tucker & Floyd of Sedan, Kansas, 500 steers, at \$30 per head. Total consideration \$15,000.  
D. W. Christian sold J. J. Wilson of Cedar Vale, Kansas, 400 steers, at \$30 per head. Total consideration, \$12,000.

Shirts of the better grade are sold by A. P. McDonald & Co.

#### Railroad Situation.

The committee appointed to raise the bonus in order to accept the proposition made by Mr. Soash, have been hard at work this week and have succeeded in getting about \$45000 subscribed. This is doing fairly well but is a good way short of the required amount and there is not much time in which to raise the balance of the \$95000 besides depot grounds and right-of-way which will cost something.

Our town has never had a set back but if this opportunity to secure another road is allowed to pass and a road is built out north from Stanton, she will get the very worst kind of a set back. Some of our people seem to think a north road would not benefit us any. Just let one be built north and miss us 20 miles and they will change their minds.

Failure to secure this road now will mean the failure to secure other things our town needs. Good things wont come unless we make an effort to get them.

#### Bought T. & P. Lunch Room.

J. C. Horn has bought the T. & P. Lunch Counter and Dining Hall from T. H. Carter, and invites the public to call on him in his new quarters. His business is to feed people and he can't be kept from it—not even a fire can keep him out of the business long at a time. He now has a nice clean place, large tables, and a lunch counter and both are supplied with the best the market will afford, is prepared by the best cooks in West Texas and is served by courteous waiters, who take pleasure in rendering prompt service to each and every guest. Open at all hours, day and night.

Fish and oysters. Special Sunday dinner every Sunday for only 25 cents.

#### Commercial Club.

The Commercial Club held a meeting at the Court house last night. The attendance was very good but there was nothing taken up except railroad business. The soliciting committee reported that over \$42000 had been subscribed. After some discussion, it was decided for the committee to continue its work.

We want to fill your prescriptions, our service is the best. Biles & Gentry.

# BICYCLES

Every boy and girl will want a new wheel for spring, and we would like you to inspect our large line before you buy. We are showing some exceptionally good values in the very latest models and can save you money on your purchase

All Sizes BICYCLES All Prices

See us for Your Bicycles and Repairs

## Stokes-Hughes Co.

Wholesale and Retail

#### New Laundry in Town.

Branch depot is located at the Armstrong Co's Tailor Shop. We have secured the agency for Big Springs of the Weatherford Steam Laundry and solicit your laundry work on the merit of cleanliness, promptness, good work and courteous treatment. Family and flat work a specialty. We also do everything in the cleaning and pressing line for both ladies and gentlemen. Phone 355 and our wagon will call. The Armstrong Co. Tailors.

R. R. Graham, a nephew of J. R. Wheeler, who lived one and half miles north of Coahoma, died rather suddenly Monday night, at his home. The funeral services and burial occurred at Salem church Tuesday afternoon. Deceased came here a few months ago from Red River county. He leaves a wife and two children.—Coahoma Courier.

#### Card of Thanks.

L. Coffee and wife wish to express their sincere thanks to the good people of Big Springs who kindly assisted them in caring for their little daughter who met her death by accident, and for the expressions of sympathy extended them.

The business men on the west side of Main Street are having concrete crossings put down from the Ward building to the First National Bank. This is a much needed improvement and we would be glad to see others follow the example.

H. Clay Read and wife returned Saturday night from Kentucky where they were called by the serious illness of Mrs. Read's father. He was somewhat improved when they left him.

Rev. A. B. Martin, of Loraine spent Sunday and Monday here.

Russell & Spain put down a well on Del Hatch's place, nine miles northwest of town, and got plenty of water at a depth of 263 feet. Mr. Hatch is to be congratulated upon securing water as he is in what is considered a dry territory.

P. D. Burns came in this morning from Bentonville, Arkansas, and will spend sometime on his ranch sixteen miles south of town.

Try the Posey Music House for anything in Musical instruments.

Robert E. Lowe, the nine year old son of Emil Lowe and wife, died Sunday morning after an illness of several months, and was buried in the Odd Fellows Cemetery Monday afternoon.

Bert Ramsey came up from Big Springs yesterday morning to visit his mother, Mrs. E. E. Ramsey, who is quite sick, suffering with pneumonia. We hope to report her better soon.—Midland Reporter.

When in need of Kreso dip you can find it at Biles & Gentry's.

## The Largest Grocery Store

The Second Oldest in Big Springs

Is the place where we are asking you to buy "Things Good to Eat"

Our groceries carry the quality and our prices are always in line. Our Grain Department is complete. Oats, Bran, Chops, Hay, etc., that your stock will eat, Cotton Seed Meal and Cake. Ladies' Market every Saturday.

## POOL BROTHERS

"Smashers of High Prices"

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## Ladies' Spring Suits, Dresses AND WAISTS

Comprises a Superior Assortment of authoritative

Fashions



New Shades

New Styles



## J. & W. FISHER

ESTABLISHED 1882

"The Store That Sells Everything."



**For Colds and Grip—Capudine.**  
The best remedy for Grip and Colds is Hicks' Capudine. Relieves the aching and feverishness. Cures the cold—Headaches also. It's Liquid—Effects Immediately—It's 25 and 50c at Drug Stores.

No man will become a drunkard if he knows how to make a home gun.

Use Allen's Foot-Paste  
Cures itching, sweating feet. Trial package free. A. B. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

It is what it is "cracked up to be," if it is too.



**SICK HEADACHE**  
Positively cured by these Little Pills.  
They also relieve Distress from Dyspepsia, Indigestion and Too Hearty Eating. A perfect remedy for Dizziness, Nausea, Drowsiness, Bad Taste in the Mouth, Coal and Sluggish Bowels, Pains in the Stomach, TORPID LIVER. They regulate the Bowels. Purely Vegetable.

**CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS.**  
Genuine Must Bear Fac-Simile Signature  
REFUSE SUBSTITUTES.

# Women Who Suffer

from woman's ailments are invited to write to the names and addresses here given, for positive proof that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound does cure female ills.

- Tumor Removed.**  
Chicago, Ill.—Mrs. Alvina Springle, 11 Langdon Street.
- Change of Life.**  
South Bend, Ind.—Mrs. Fred Curtis, 2015 E. Lafayette Street.
- Headache.**  
North, Kentucky—Mrs. Lizzie Holland.
- Menstrual Troubles.**  
Worcester, Mass.—Mrs. Dorothy Cold, 117 Southgate Street.
- Organic Displacements.**  
Moorer, Ill.—Mrs. Mary Wood, R.F.D. No. 4.

These women are only a few of thousands of living witnesses of the power of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound to cure female diseases. Not one of these women ever received compensation in any form for the use of their names in this advertisement—but are willing that we should refer to them because of the good they may do other suffering women to prove that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound is a reliable and honest medicine, and that the statements made in our advertisements regarding its merit are the truth and nothing but the truth.

Enjoy delicious...  
**SPEARMINT leaves**  
Wrigley's SPEARMINT leaves the refreshing taste for hours!  
**FINE FOR DIGESTION**

**WRIGLEY'S SPEARMINT PEPSIN GUM**  
The Flavor Lasts—Look for The Spear

**Satisfactory Ending.**  
"How was your speech received at the club?" asked one of Chumley's friends as they walked along the Broadway at Hamersmith. "Why, they congratulated me very heartily. In fact, one of the members came to me and told me that when I sat down he had said to himself it was the best thing I had ever done."—Tit-Bits.

**We Reiterate.**  
That for more than fifteen years Hunt's Cure has been working on the afflicted. Its mission is to cure skin troubles, particularly those of an itching character. Its success is not on account of advertising, but because it surely does the work. One box is guaranteed to cure any case.

**He Objected.**  
"Meeker tells me that he wants handcuffs abolished."  
"Is Meeker interested in criminology?"  
"No; his wife is in the habit of cuffing him on the ear."

**Don't Delay.**  
Save a possible serious spell of fever later on by cleansing your system now of its accumulation of impurities. Simon's Sarsaparilla will do it. It makes fine blood, fine appetite, great strength and grand ambition.

He who is false to duty breaks a thread in the loom, and will find the saw when he may have forgotten the cause.—H. Ward Beecher.

**Red, Weak, Watery, Watery Eyes**  
Relieved by Murine Eye Remedy. Composed by Experienced Physicians. Conforms to Pure Food and Drug Laws. Murine Doesn't Smart; Soothes Eye Pain. Try Murine in Your Eyes. At Drugstore.

The faces of some men look like accidents—and some others look like disasters.

**ONLY ONE "BROMO QUININE"**  
That is LEA'S BROMO QUININE. Look for the signature of E. W. GROVE. Used the World over to Cure a Cold in One Day. See.

What little some men do know isn't any credit to them.

## EVENTS BOILED DOWN

**DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN HAPPENINGS SERVED UP IN ATTRACTIVE STYLE.**

**NOTHING GOOD GOT AWAY**

Everything important That Could Be Confined to a Small Space is Here Found.

### WASHINGTON NEWS.

President Taft, on Monday announced the appointment of Lloyd Bowers of Chicago to be Solicitor General of the United States, filling the vacancy caused by the resignation of Henry Hoyt, who has held this post in the Department of Justice for a number of years.

The Secretary of the Treasury at Washington, says: There is no foundation for the widely circulated report that the payment of over \$50,000,000 of claims against the Government, now due, has been passed by the Treasury for the want of ready cash.

The new tariff bill was introduced Wednesday by representative Payne. It provides for an inheritance tax, increased internal revenue tax on cigarettes, a \$40,000,000 issue of Panama Canal bonds, increased issue of \$150,000,000 in Treasury certificates and imposition of duties on a maximum and minimum basis.

Representative Morris Sheppard of the First Texas District Thursday outdistanced all entries in the great race for the distinction of having introduced the most bills. He dropped fifty-one bills in the hopper at one drop.

That President Taft will probably recommend to Congress in his message in December the passage of an income tax bill, the proceeds of which are to be devoted entirely to waterways improvements, is the assertion made Friday by Representative Stevens of Minnesota after a talk with Mr. Taft.

Undaunted by the fact that there will be no legislation except tariff, and possibly census, at the extra session of Congress, and that no committees are to be appointed for the consideration of bills except Ways and Means, Mileage and Accounts, Congressmen are feeding bills into the Congressional hopper at a rapid rate.

Government officials will soon hear of a plan to utilize airships and aeroplanes for saving life rather than destroying it. This plan, which is now being worked out, contemplates the establishment of experimental aerial stations at some of the Government life-saving stations, with the ultimate view of using aerial craft to aid vessels in distress.

The new American ambassador to Austria will be Richard C. Kereans of St. Louis. The State Department at Washington has cabled to the Austrian government asking if he is persona grata. A reply in the affirmative has been sent.

### DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN NEWS.

Within a year the International Harvester Company of Chicago, manufacturers of harvesting machines, with plants at many American points, will have in operation two European manufacturing establishments, one in France and one in Germany.

One cent postage is provided in a bill which Representative Bennett of New York has introduced in the Senate at Washington. The measure provides beginning Jan. 1, 1910, the rate of postage on all letters mailed in the United States for domestic points, including drop letters, shall be 1c per ounce or fraction.

Ennis is just now getting well started on a campaign of building cement sidewalks. A great deal of this line of improvement has already been made and other citizens have contracted for several hundred feet of walks.

According to a statement issued Thursday in New York by the National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis, more than 20,000 church congregations in the United States, in over 100 different cities, have paid the gospel or the cure of tuberculosis preached to them.

The sum of \$220,000 will be distributed to the Osage Indians next week. Of this sum \$100,000 is the regular quarterly allotment and \$120,000 is a partial distribution of the town lot fund.

In its amended form the House Thursday considered the bill, providing for the taking of the next census. The bill was passed at the last session, but was vetoed by the President because of his objections to the provision which took away from the Civil Service Commission the power of appointment of the clerks.

The Government of Italy has offered a reward of \$2,000 for the apprehension of the murderers of Joseph Petrosino of the New York police department.

Gov. Haskell of Oklahoma has signed the bill that makes available \$10,000 for relief of cyclone, tornado and famine sufferers in Texas and Cimarron Counties, with an additional \$1,000 for persons residing in the southern part of Kiowa and Caddo Counties, and the northern part of Comanche County, who suffered from hailstorms on June 14, 1909.

A bulletin was posted at the Katy shops Thursday at Denison that they would be closed Friday.

Gov. Curry, Monday telegraphed President Taft his resignation as governor of New Mexico.

The fifth annual convention of the Central Texas Dental Society was held in Temple Saturday.

An automobile route from Denton, via Sildell to Decatur, is the latest suggestion which has been advanced. Mayor Woodall of Hillsboro has issued a proclamation designating Tuesday, March 30, as a general cleaning-up day for the city.

The rain which fell in Taylor Friday afternoon was accompanied by a severe windstorm, which did considerable damage in that vicinity.

The Attorney General has approved the \$25,000 issue of Hamlin city water works bonds, and they are now being engraved by a Dallas firm.

The total receipts from "Tag Day" sales last Saturday in Terrell amounted to \$603. This will be used for the benefit of the public library.

An explosion occurred in Reid Mine No. 1 at Adamson, Okla., Tuesday morning. A shot firer named George Petri was killed and the mine set on fire.

President Taft Tuesday sent to the Senate for confirmation the nomination of R. B. Creager, as collector at Brownsville, for the port of Brazos Santiago.

George Thorndike Angell, the "friend of dumb animals" and leader in the humane educational movement in the United States, died in Boston Tuesday, aged 86 years.

It is currently reported in Bridgeport that the final location survey for the Graham-Stamford extension of the Rock Island is completed through Young County.

The J. C. Trees Oil company drilled in an oil well with a 500-barrel capacity on Jeems bayou, northeast of Moorings Port, La., not far from the Texas line, Friday.

Eight miles more of the Katy's new track between Denison and Atoka, Ok., will be open for traffic some time this week, bringing the double track within twelve miles of Denison.

The building for the new city lighting plant in Terrell is being constructed. Machinery for the plant has been ordered and will be put in place as soon as the building is completed.

Buck Stroud of Groesbeck shipped ten cars (250 head) of fat steers to St. Louis Monday. This shipment of steers was fed in this city on cotton seed meal and hulls.

Secretary Arthur F. Francis of the Trans-Mississippi Commercial Congress has issued the official call for the twentieth annual convention to be held in Denver, June 16 to 22 of this year.

Mayor John H. Bonner of Tyler, will attend the next meeting of the Texas Mayors' Association, which meets in San Angelo in July, and while there he will try to secure the 1910 meeting for Tyler.

Dr. John William Jones, who by his historical works and close association with General Robert E. Lee and Gen. Stonewall Jackson, gained the title, "historian of the Confederacy," died Wednesday, in Atlanta, Ga.

Drawings and plans of the world's first airship to be operated by wireless electricity were completed Saturday, and next week construction will begin in the balloon factory of Leo Stevens, in New York.

Special dispatches from Berlin state that the Luka-Anser publishes the report that Count Forgach, the Austro-Hungarian Minister to Serbia, has been assassinated. Nothing of a confirmatory nature is obtainable.

Chairman Martin A. Knapp of the Interstate Commerce Commission and Charles P. Neil, Commissioner of Labor, have been asked to mediate the difference between the Texas and Pacific Railroad Company and its employees who have threatened to go on strike.

In a fire at the Palau mine of the Mexico Coal and Coke Company, located at Memor, State of Coahuila, two Japanese miners were asphyxiated and damage to the amount of approximately \$50,000 was done to the mine.

The further stay of two weeks of the mandates in the three Waters-Pierce Oil cases has been ordered by the United States Supreme Court. The original stay of execution was to have expired Saturday, March 20, and was granted to give the Waters-Pierce Oil Company and Bradley W. Palmer time to file a petition for re-hearing.

Dr. J. H. Eastland, secretary of the Parker-Polo Pinto County Medical Society, is receiving data on the meeting of the Northwest Texas Medical Society, which will convene at Mineral Wells in April.

It is now believed to be a certainty that a conference of the five Presidents of the Central American Republics will be held shortly.

At a meeting of the Commercial Club in Gainesville Friday night, it was decided to accept the proposition of capitalists to build a street railway in this city.

The latest piece of freak legislation, introduced in the Missouri House, is the bill calling for a poker commission, to be named by the Governor. The bill was introduced Saturday. The commission, in the bill, is called a "board of control for poker players."

In view of the assertions made in the British House of Commons that Germany in the spring of 1910 would have seven warships, all of them of the big gun type, the Navy Department introduced the statement that in the autumn 1910 Germany will have one type of such vessels.

**It May Be Your Fate**

To have your house burned down tonight. One can never tell what minute such a thing may happen. The question naturally arises, "ARE YOU INSURED?" If not, do you think it would be wise to have no issue a policy at once? It is most decidedly penny wise and pound foolish to be without insurance when the danger of fire is always present, when ruin may come at any time. Call on us at our

Office in West Texas National Bank  
**Hartzog & Coffee.**

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**THE BEST AT THE ENTERPRISE**

The Best Is None too Good for Our Customers.

**Your Stationery**

Is your silent representative. If you sell fine goods that are up-to-date in style and of superior quality it ought to be reflected in your printing. We produce the kind that you need and will not feel ashamed to have represent you. That is the only kind it pays to send out. Send your orders to this office.

**FACTS**

- The news items of the home community.
- The things in which you are most interested.
- The births, weddings, deaths of the people you know.
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**H. C. WALLACE LUMBER CO.**  
BIG SPRINGS, TEXAS

Dealers in Building Material of all Kinds  
For Good Lumber at Moderate Prices, Give us a call before buying elsewhere

**The H. C. Wallace Lumber Co.**

**The Home Steam Laundry**

Is a home institution and should have the patronage of the people of Big Springs. All work called for and delivered free of charge.

Satisfaction Guaranteed Give us your Business

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Attorney-at-Law and Notary Public

Will Practice in All Courts  
Residence 1 and 2 Ward Bldg.  
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Office Over First National Bank, in Big Springs, Tex.

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DENTIST.

Crooks and Bridge work a Specialty.  
Office over Fisher Bros. Store.  
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**The Good Hand**

Balls in Service.  
Station 1024, cor. of Commercial 4076  
March 31st 11:00AM, one of (Imp. March 7:00P.  
My sons are of the best strains.  
**FRANK GOOD**  
Dentist, Big Springs, Texas

**CITY CHILI PARLOR**  
Chili, Sausages, Cakes and  
and also Tackles every  
**M. GONZALES**

**..FAME..**

Is not achieved by doing things as well as others. We have for years the old order of things and devised a photographic system so high that the rest of our kind...  
This is a photograph a vigorous, definite style and character that brings success to the maker.  
That's why we guarantee our work to please you.

**M. D. WILLIS, Photographer**

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**WHEN YOU WANT**



## AGAIN READY FOR BUSINESS

Jones & McGowen have opened up for business in the building first door east of Coffee & Huckeba where they will be glad to meet their customers. They also wish to thank the people for the liberal patronage given them in the past and respectfully solicit a continuance of same at their new stand

**JONES & MCGOWEN**  
The People That Want Your Business



**HIGH SCORING** White-Plymouth Rocks, standard bred. Lady 19 and the 200 hen won first and second prize at Fort Worth, and also won \$50 prize at Hillsboro. White Prince 11, a year old cockerel of White Prince, the 200 bird. A limited number of settings this season; \$5.00 per 15. Phone 133-3r. **MRS. FATTIE SANDERS,** One Mile East of Town.

**COMING** THE BEST ONE  
THERE IS **Blondin's Big Show**  
UNDER CANVAS  
**AT BIG, SPRINGS**  
**Wednesday, March 31**

In the New Scenic Production  
**The Cowboy, Indian and the Lady**  
With Bett's Military Band and Superb Orchestra  
Largest and Best of all Tent Shows  
Two Special Cars Parade at Noon  
Performance at Night Only

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You are safe in bringing your prescription to us to be compounded. The man who fills it knows the dose and general uses of every drug in it. A large stock constantly renewed insures getting fresh, active medicines at saving prices.

Bring us your prescriptions, no matter who your doctor is.

THE PRICE IS THE THING

**WARD.**

### Local and Personal

Easter novelties and postals at Reagan's.

D. P. Strayhorn of Snyder was here Saturday.

Wall paper and paints to your liking at Reagan's.

W. C. Shifflett of Sparenberg was in town Tuesday.

Take Ward's Pink Blood and Liver Pills, best on earth. 12-1f

For sheet music and musical instruments go to Posey Music House. 21-1f.

Wm and Joye Fisher attended the meeting of the Scottish Rite Masons at Dallas.

Wear the Nettleton shoe and you will have the best. A. P. McDonald & Co.

P. M. Watt, manager of the Western Telephone Co., at Roscoe, was here Wednesday.

Jones & McGowen again ready for business first door east of Coffee & Huckeba.

A full line of all kind of musical instruments, sheet music at Posey Music House. 21-1f.

Dr. I. E. Smith of weatherford, eye, ear, nose and throat specialist, is here and will remain until tomorrow night.

Let Reagan fill your prescriptions. He will do it right and deliver it promptly.

J. B. Winn of Cay Hill was in town yesterday and paid his respect to The Enterprise in a substantial way.

Why not buy the best shoes, The Nettleton, they look better and last longer. A. P. McDonald & Co.

Visit the Easter Sale given by the L. A. Ladies of the Christian Church, 1st 2nd and 3rd of April. At Bonners' New Store.

The little son of J. P. Johnson, who has been suffering with a severe attack of pneumonia, is improving.

We sell the celebrated Bush and Gertz pianos and organs.—Posey Music House. 21-1f

B. H. Baird of Roscoe was here Monday the guest of his brother, Dr. J. C. Baird and family.

S. A. Hartman was in town Wednesday. He handed us \$1.50 and said let The Enterprise keep coming.

Dr. Aronson of El Paso, expert optician, is here and will remain until the 30th. He can be seen at Biles & Gentry's drug store.

We are stocking up with a complete assortment of fresh drugs and would appreciate a share of your patronage. Biles & Gentry.

W. P. Bonner had his spring opening Wednesday night and a large crowd were out to see the display of new and up-to-now spring goods.

You take no risk when you buy clothes from us, the cloth is guaranteed all wool and we guarantee them to fit you perfectly. A. P. McDonald & Co.

J. P. Green left Sunday night for Corpus Christi in answer to a message telling him that his son-in-law, Robert Schurbert, was very ill.

Yesterday was Wm Cook's 70th birthday and he celebrated it by having a number of his friends eat a barbecue supper with him. May he enjoy many returns of his natal day.

T. E. Cathey returned Wednesday from a visit to Lamesa. He says a big rain fell there Tuesday afternoon and extended as far south as Roscoe but not so heavy as at Lamesa.

There will be services at the Christian church Sunday morning at 11 and in the evening at 7:45. Subject for the morning; "Thought." Evening; "Home. You are cordially invited to attend. E. S. Bledsoe, Pastor.

Blondin's Big Show in "The Cowboy Indian and the Lady," positively the largest and best of stage shows under canvas traveling. Don't miss going. At Big Springs Wednesday March 31.

One gallon of carbon for one dollar at Reagan's.

Favorite Headache Tablets are the best, at Ward's. 12-1f

E. P. Turner, general passenger and ticket agent of the T. & P. was here Wednesday?

Jones & McGowen again ready for business first door east of Coffee & Huckeba.

J. T. Johnson, manager of the Western Windmill Co., at Colorado, was here yesterday.

W. J. Ayers returned Wednesday night from a visit to Mineral Wells.

E. G. Bow, of Bells, Texas, an expert soda fountain man, is now in charge of the fount at J. L. Ward's.

B. and P. Class Program

Sunday, March 28—7:00-2:30 p. m.

Leader—Otto Schaefer.

Song

Prayer.

Subject;—Temperance Lesson Prov. 23:29-35.

Song.

The woes of intemperance;—By Miss Mable Bordman.

Why total abstinence is the only safe course;—By Archie Cole.

The value of pledge signing;—Mrs. R. E. McCain.

Duett;—By Miss Blanche Sistrunk and Miss Ina Wilkes.

Select reading;—By W. S. Kannon.

Questions;—By Mrs. R. E. McCain.

Song.

Benediction.

Fire, Lightning, Cyclone, Plate Glass, Automobile and Livestock Insurance. See

R. T. PINER,

Big Springs, Texas. 23-2t.

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We have a strong body of all home stockholders whose responsibility give absolute security to depositors. Leave your valuable papers in our large, roomy fire-proof vault; it's for your convenience

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C. E. BELL, BARNARD FISHER

Our patrons receive every courtesy and accommodation within the range of conservative banking.

### Land Bargain

For sale, 4 sections of land in Dawson county; 90 per cent agricultural, two houses, plenty of water, all fenced, small farm. Price \$8.00 bonus; \$1.00 to state. For terms call at this office.

Try Reagan's receipt for killing prairie dogs—never fails. Free.

If you have not met the railroad committee and given your subscription to the bonus, call at either one of the banks and sign up for all you are able to give. If we fail to secure the road that is now offered us it will hurt you.

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We are too busy this week to write an ad, but will find time to supply your wants in hardware, etc. if you will let us know them. In fact, we are always ready to show you through our immense stock and to quote you our prices, which are the very lowest in town

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Eupion Oil has stood the test and has been considered the highest standard grade of oil in Texas for over fifty-two years and still holds the lead in the oil field. It is the only non-explosive oil that is sold—barring none.

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NEWS FROM OVER TEXAS

Scrutinize the Maxims. A busy clergyman declared recently that the way he got through his work was by violating most of the precepts...

The extraordinary and practical success that has attended the work of well-endowed government-supported institutions for the scientific study of disease and the systematic test of new methods...

Some of the devices by which ignorance tries to deceive intelligence are amusing. The largest coal field in the United States is that which extends from Casper and Douglas, Wyo., northward to the Canadian line.

Herculaneum lies under the modern villages of Portici and Resina. In attempting to excavate the buried city, the Italian government is encountering the problem of the property rights of the people who live on the modern level.

A scientist has made a calculation about the time it will take to fill the world with all the people it will hold. The present population of the globe is supposed to be about 1,467,000,000.

Alfonso of Spain is a fine young man. Fly he gets these slightly spells!

Dave Filtschick of Hallettsville, Tex., aged 73, fell between some cars at Loeb, Wednesday morning, and was instantly killed.

Mrs. Elizabeth Payne, of Waxahachie, celebrated her one-hundredth anniversary. She was born in Indiana and came to Waxahachie thirty-five years ago.

Sergeant Cortes, the leader of the 'insurrectionists in Cuba, and his whole band, surrendered Thursday to the civil authorities of Remedios, in Santa Clara Province.

The City Council of Dublin met in regular session Wednesday night and appropriated the sum of \$990 from the general fund for the purchase of a new chemical wagon.

The City Commissioner of Denison has ordered 100 thirty-two-candle-power electric lights placed on the streets at once in addition to the arc lights already in service.

Fire at 2 o'clock Thursday morning in Texarkana partially destroyed the Beech Street Baptist Church with practically all its furnishings, causing a loss of about \$25,000.

A move is on foot to construct a concrete bridge across Bushy Creek, near Terrell, in connection with the mile of model road now being constructed under Government supervision.

An average speed of twenty-three miles an hour over muddy roads, through rain and several stops for supplies, is the record made by W. H. Bachler, a cattleman of San Angelo, from Dallas to San Angelo in his new automobile purchased in Dallas Thursday.

Dr. A. E. Flowers, secretary of the Texas Thoroughbred Association, said Friday that the spring racing dates have not yet been decided upon. The horsemen, he says, are trying to arrange for the opening of the circuit at San Antonio instead of at Beaumont, as had been announced.

The work of renumbering every residence and business house in McKinney, in accordance with the new city directory recently gotten out, has begun. After this is completed new street signs will be placed, using the same system in vogue in Dallas and other cities.

Assistant Attorney General Sluder, in Austin Friday, finished the compilation of forms for the issuance of drainage bonds as authorized by a recent law. No such bonds have ever been issued in Texas, and Assistant Sluder has found his task laborious.

Collector of Customs Dewe, of San Antonio, has a suggestion for the establishment of a tuberculosis sanitarium. He recommends the United States Government and the State of Texas unite in the purchase of 50,000 acres in the Devil's River Canon in Val Verde County for a National Park of the Southwest and for the establishment of a tuberculosis sanitarium.

Organization of every school district of Texas into an association, the purpose of which shall be the promotion of good roads work, the fostering of educational enterprises, the training of the youth along lines that will best benefit them for future work on the farm and other helpful projects will be the object of a movement to be launched by Superintendent T. B. Costain of the Department of Education.

A light frost was noted in many exposed places in and about Dallas Monday morning. During the latter part of the night the wind died down, and as it was clear, everything was favorable to the frost, though the thermometer was not much below 33 or 40.

The indications are that the Government of Cuba is not in a fair way to crush promptly the incipient revolution which broke out in the province of Santa Clara Monday night. At a meeting of Albert Sidney Johnston Camp, United Confederate Veterans, resolutions were adopted expressive of appreciation of the kindly feeling expressed by President William H. Taft toward the people of the South, and inviting him to visit Paris as the guest of Albert Sidney Johnston Camp when he comes to Texas.

The Frisco has made Brownwood a proposition whereby it will beautify the grounds to the east of and adjoining their passenger station by making same a flower garden, provided the city will give free water.

Two firemen were painfully, but not seriously, burned while fighting fire which destroyed the lumber yard of the Boynton-Tims Lumber Company, the Crouch-Pool company's grain elevator and nine residences, causing a loss of about \$60,000, in Ft. Worth, Thursday.

The executive committee of the Catholic Raisers' Association met at association headquarters in Ft. Worth Thursday to organize for the year. Fort Worth was selected as the next place of meeting.

Dallas credit men will make a strong bid for the 1910 convention of the National Credit Men's Association, and in their efforts in that behalf they will have the hearty co-operation of the Fort Worth Credit Men's Association, and the Dallas Chamber of Commerce.

ONE KILLED; FOUR HURT

ROUNDHOUSE OF RAILROAD SCENE OF FATALITY—ORPHANAGE IS WRECKED.

TORNADO SWEEPS LAREDO

Estimated Financial Loss \$75,000—Telegraph and Telephone Poles Swept Down.

Laredo, Tex., March 24.—A wind and rain tornado of some proportions struck this vicinity Tuesday night at 7:30 o'clock. The round house of the Mexican National Railroad was demolished, one person killed and four others injured; the orphanage of the Sisters of Guadalupe, situated on Loma Vista Heights, was completely demolished, but the little waif occupants escaped the falling walls and were rescued by willing hands from the debris. The estimated financial loss is \$75,000, though the storm lasted only fifteen minutes. Telegraph and telephone poles were swept down and wires north are all out of commission. The storm was felt as far south as La Jarita on the National Railroad.

Colleges for Young Farmers. Little Rock: The Senate Tuesday passed the Bellamy bill, providing for the appropriation of \$150,000 for the establishment of four agricultural colleges in Arkansas. The bill has already passed the House and it is understood, will be signed by the Governor, who advocated four agricultural schools in his message. The bill was endorsed by the Arkansas Farmers' Union.

Heavy Wind at Corsicana. Corsicana: A very heavy wind and rain visited Corsicana early Tuesday night. Fears are entertained that damage was done over the country. The telephone service is badly crippled from lightning, and it is hard to get connections. In town no damage has been reported further than the tearing of the tin roof from the opera house, the roof being blown into the street. No one was hurt.

Taft Replies to Texas Camp. Paris: A letter has been received by Albert Sidney Johnston Camp, U. S. C. V., from the secretary of President Taft, acknowledging receipt of the invitation to come to Paris and be its guest when he visits Texas. The letter states that the President does not contemplate visiting Texas in the near future.

Artesian Well Spouts Forty Feet. Corpus Christi: That Corpus Christi is in the artesian belt has been demonstrated by the bringing in of a well eight miles west of the city that rises forty feet above the surface and flows at the rate of more than 200 gallons per minute. The well is about 700 feet deep and the water of excellent character.

To Ship Strawberries. Tyler: From reports received from growers within a radius of ten miles of Tyler, strawberries will be ready for shipment in large quantities between the 5th and 10th of April. The crop gives promise of extra quality and size, while the yield, by reason of increased acreage, will probably be a third larger than last season.

Santa Fe-Making Survey. Paris: The surveying party, which was in camp last week at the mouth of Kiamalla, on Red River, surveying a line south in the direction of Clarksville, stated that the Santa Fe was having the survey made to run from Daingerfield to Tulsa, Okla.

Quarantine Against Mexico. Austin: State Health Officer Brumby Tuesday received a telegram from State Quarantine Officer Florence at Galveston, conveying information that the United States Marine Hospital Service had imposed quarantine against Mexico, beginning April 1.

Want Santa Fe Extension. Weatherford: The Jacksboro Board of Trade is in communication with the Board of Trade of Cleburne and the Commercial Club of this city regarding the proposed Santa Fe extension to the northwest out of Weatherford. The Jacksboro people are very anxious to co-operate in the matter.

Tag Day at Athens. Athens: Saturday was Tag Day in Athens. Handsome matrons and pretty maidens tagged submissive men throughout the day and received something over \$135 as a reward for their interest and energy. This money is to be used in beautifying the cemetery.

Kidnaped Boy Returns. Cleveland, Ohio: Little Willie Whitela, who has caused the police of the entire country endless worry since he was kidnaped from school in Sharon last Thursday, was returned to his father at the Hobenlinden hotel here Tuesday night at 3:30 o'clock.

Gas Field is Enlarged. Henrietta: Two more gas wells have been brought in at Henrietta within the last three days.

PROBABLE ENDING OF DREAM. Nevertheless, Editor Believes it Portends Some Good Luck.

The dream of an unknown Kansas editor: She was dressed in green, and a serpent of old gold and with red eyes encircled her arm. Her hair was very black and loose. Her eyes, black and deep, seemed to search me through and looked up from the palm she had been reading.

Will it be a railroad collision or a hotel fire? we inquired. "I cannot say," she said, "but it will be so sudden as to be painless." Just then we awoke, because somebody was punching us in the ribs and saying: "Get on your side of the bed and let me have my share of the quilts."

My six year old daughter had the dreadful disease called hives for two months. She became affected by playing with children who had it. By scratching she caused large sores which were irritating. Her body was a complete sore but it was worse on her arms and back. We employed a physician who left medicine but it did not help her and I tried several remedies but without avail.

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TURN ABOUT FAIR PLAY. But Somehow Mrs. Newlywed Couldn't See the Point.

A young friend of mine, a jolly, convivial sort of a chap, got married recently, and at the end of the first week, upon receiving his salary of \$20, he went home, gave his wife \$13, and kept two for himself.

Of course, she thought that was lovely, but to her astonishment at the end of the second week he handed her only two dollars, keeping \$20 for himself.

Doctor Monk—Did those mustard plasters that I left seem to relieve the pains in your chest to any considerable degree?

Every Woman Will Be Interested. If you have pains in the back, Urinary, Bladder or Kidney trouble, and want a certain, pleasant herb cure for woman's ailments, try Mother Gray's AUSTRALIAN SOAP. It is a safe and never-failing regulator. At all Druggists or by mail to Mrs. Mother Gray Co., Le Roy, N. Y.

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SACKACHE IS KIDNEYACHE. Usually There Are Other Troubles to Prove It.

Pain in the back is pain in the kidneys, in most cases, and it points to the need of a special remedy to relieve and cure the congestion or inflammation of the kidneys that is interfering with their work and causing that pain that makes you say: "Oh, my back!"

Thompson Watkins, professional nurse, 420 N. 23rd St., Parsons, Kans., says: "For some time I was annoyed with sharp twinges across the small of my back and irregular passages of the kidney secretions. Since using Doan's Kidney Pills I am free from these troubles."

Pleading Out the Prayer. Of curious prayers a writer says: "I have heard a layman utter this petition during the prayer: 'O, Lord, be thou with us in our upbittings an our downings'—a variant of the text in the psalms. 'Thou knowest my downings and mine upbittings. A minister occasionally introduced a Latin sentence into his prayer, and forthwith proceeded to translate it. Another minister in his early days experienced considerable difficulty with the long prayer before the sermon. In nonconformist churches this usually occupies a quarter of an hour, but long before this period had been reached he was wound up. On one occasion, while in this dilemma, he started his hearers with the words: 'And now, O Lord, I will relate unto thee a little anecdote!'"

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh that Contain Mercury. An ointment will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on medical advice from reliable physicians, as the danger they will do is too great to be run. You can possibly derive some benefit from Catarrh Ointment, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood. It is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood. It is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood.

Flery Courtesy. In a Canadian town a few days ago a dry goods firm was burned out in the morning. In the afternoon a competing firm inserted the following advertisement in a local paper: "We desire to extend our sympathy to our respected competitors in their loss by fire and to express the hope that their affairs may soon be so adjusted as to enable them to continue business without undue loss of time."

And it Was Overruled. Judge Hoar and Gen. Butler were opponents in a case of a new trial. Gen. Butler quoted: "Eye for eye, skin for skin, tooth for tooth, yea, all that a man hath, will be given for his life." To which Judge Hoar replied: "Yea, the devil quoted that once before in a motion for a new trial."

Why She Shut Down. "A charming gentleman, about four years old, used to pass my house every day on his way to kindergarten," said a lady, "and in course of time I made his acquaintance and gave a penny to him each morning when we parted. Eventually his mother requested me not to give any more money to him. The next morning I did not present the usual penny. He did not seem to notice the omission. The succeeding day, when the penny was not given to him he said nothing. But on the morning of the third day, when the penny was not forthcoming, he sidled up to me and whispered: 'What's the matter. Ain't your husband working?'"

Quaint Oath Taken in Court. What is regarded as the quietest oath still in use is that taken by the high court judges in the Isle of Man, the terms of which are as follows: "By this book and the contents thereof, and by the wonderful works that God hath miraculously wrought in the heaven above and the earth beneath in six days and six nights, I do swear that I will, without respect of favor or friendship, loss or gain, consanguinity or affinity, envy or malice, execute the laws of this Isle justly between party and party as indifferently as the herring backbone doth lie in the midst of the fish. So help me God, and the contents of this book."

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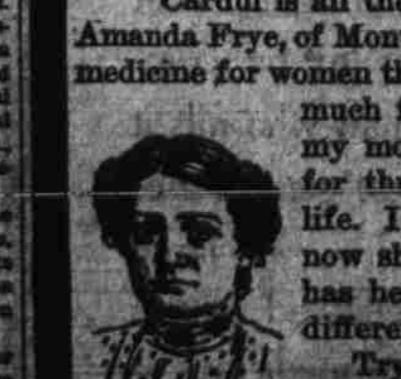
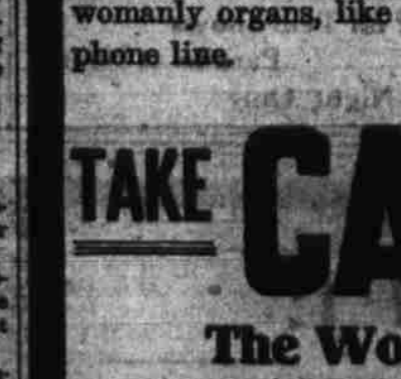
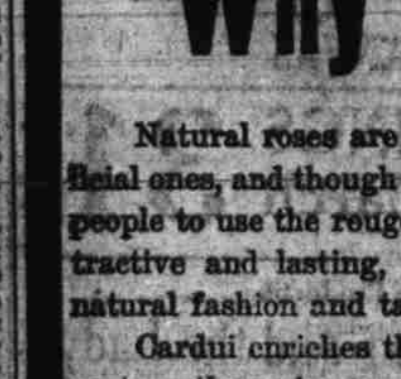
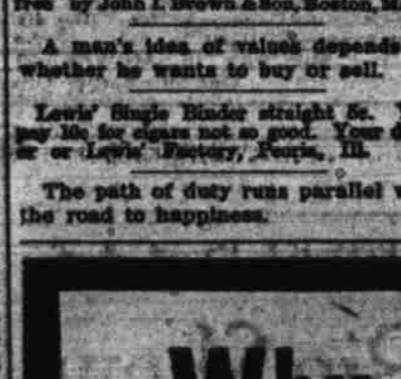
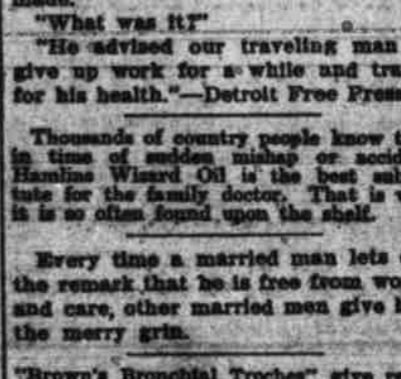
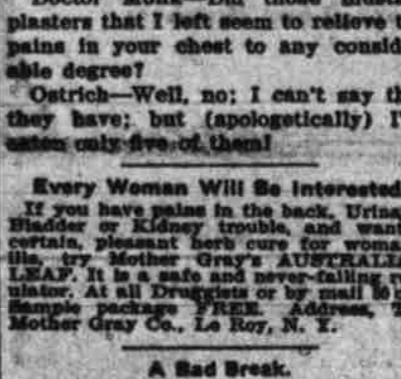
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# The SEVENTH PERSON

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## SYNOPSIS.

Gerard Chambers, son of a wealthy importer and a student at an eastern college, was awarded a membership in the Gemini, a secret organization, founded by Rodney Graves. The society was exclusive, only seven being admitted. The members were known as Ravens. A meeting was held and each member was awarded the "call of destiny." Chambers was told to pass to North America for a year. Then he was to be assigned to another year's work. He must make his own living unaided, and keep everything a secret. Jerry, as supercargo on an ocean freighter, bound for Uruguay, South America, was bound for enemies of that government, was captured and thrown into a dungeon. Marina Bostos, adopted daughter of Gen. Bostos, ministered to his wounds. Each made a strong impression on the other. Jerry was sentenced to die. Capt. Pilars freed Chambers. All three united with Gen. Barado's rebels. Chambers being made a captain. Capt. Pilars died of fever. Marina accompanied his body to the mountains. Jerry frustrated an attempt to assassinate Gen. Barado. Marina was reported missing and thought dead. Pansara, captain of Uruguay, was captured and a confederacy established. Jerry recognized Marina Bostos, a prisoner on a ship. By a ruse he gained the aid of Marina. The American engineer promised aid. The plotters took Marina into Vera Cruz security. Jerry following. He hurried to Mexico City, leaving the engineer in the chase. Chambers received society's orders to proceed to Escalon, Mexico. The engineer, trained the refugees to Jimenez. At Escalon Jerry received orders to search for a lost gold mine. He and Mike camped in the mountains. They discovered an old hermit calling himself Jose, who gave them a partial knowledge of the lost mine. Their efforts were unsuccessful. Mike sent the village for provisions and returning he found Chambers delirious with fever. He nursed him back to health. By guile one of the plotters they found Marina in a cave after overcoming all of the abductors. Marina and Jerry confessed their love for each other. The plotters were turned over to the authorities. Jerry, being still compelled by his orders to search for the lost mine, returned to the mountains, leaving the hermit. Mike refused to accompany him. After days of searching Jerry, his preparations to depart made, stumbled on the lost mine. He departed for El Paso, Texas. At El Paso Chambers received new orders and met Marina.

## CHAPTER XXIX.—Continued.

"Well, Marina, I'll tell you. You see, there are some things in connection with this business affair of mine that I shall not be able to clear up at the moment. This afternoon, as much as I regret it must be sacrificed to matters in connection with it. Yes, yes, I know you are disappointed," he went on quickly, smoothing his hair, "but you wouldn't have me get so far and then leave it undone, would you? Of course, you wouldn't. I knew you'd say 'no,' and—"

"I have not said 'no,' Jerry, dear. I want you to—"

"Now, little girl, you must be reasonable. In this cigar offensive to you? I should have thrown it away before I entered."

"You know I love the smoke of a cigar," said she, "but that has nothing to do with the proposed ride. Jerry, dear, can't you put off that business until to-morrow?"

Just then there was a rapping at the door. Marina responded, taking a pitcher of cold water from a bellboy.

"Oh, Jerry," said Marina, "father has gone to the barber's, and he has all the money with him. Will you give this boy a piggy? He has been so prompt and attentive."

"Why, certainly," said Jerry, and he fumbled in his pocket. If there ever was a man quick of thought Jerry Chambers was that man at this moment. Pretending to have a difficult time finding money, he succeeded in opening his knife and cutting a hole in his pocket. "Great Scott!" he exclaimed, "I have lost all my change! See, Marina, see?" he went on excitedly, exhibiting the hole in his pocket. Then to the boy: "I'll see you later, boy."

They heard slow footfalls in the hallway.

"Well, well!" exclaimed Gen. Bostos, entering and extending his hand to Jerry. "We were afraid you would not be back in time to start promptly on our sight-seeing tour. The carriage is waiting for us now."

"I just thought of something tremendously important," Jerry stammered, "and I'll run along and tell Mike—that is, I'll see that Mike doesn't—I'll see you later!" He was gone, the door closing sharply after him.

Before the general or Marina could recover from their bewilderment he was half way down a flight of stairs.

Mike O'Connor, lighting a fresh cigar, was waiting for him.

"Have another," said he, proffering the second his cigar.

"Thanks," said Jerry, pocketing the gift. "When are you people going to San Diego?"

"We leave when all of us are people gone? Why, all of us are going in a chartered car—all for our 'loneliness'—to-morrow morning."

and I'll drift along later. Why, I wouldn't have you lose a day up there on the beautiful coast for a good many thousand dollars—no, sir, not for the San Dimas gold mine. Really, Mike, you hurt my feelings when you—"

"Say," began Mike, a picture of mingled interest, doubt and surprise, "what in the devil are you up to, anyway? What's gettin' through you? You are gettin' to be more 'n' more of a Chinese rebus every day."

"Yes, I know, Mike, and— Have you a match?"

"Your cigar's lit," and Mike fairly roared with laughter. "But," and he started towards the stairs with a determined look in his face, "we shall see about this, sir. General Bostos may have a word or so to say."

After Mike had disappeared from view, Jerry's brain began to work with lightning rapidity. He paced across the floor, his head lowered, and then moved briskly towards the door.

"I'll do it—I'll have to do it!" he said to himself. "It will raise thunder, but I can't help it. Damn a Gemini's luck, anyway!" and he slammed the screendoor behind him with a bang.

When Mike and the general entered the rotunda arm Jerry Chambers was leaning against a building in an alley half a block away re-reading these instructions:

"Again have ye performed well, faithful one of the Gemini; but ye have not yet earned an enduring right to your priceless Personality. To the best of your ability ye shall do as now directed:

"Beginning at two o'clock in the afternoon of the nineteenth of September, 1906, ye shall become as a vagrant, as, as a penniless, roving tramp is, for six months, or until two o'clock in the afternoon of the nineteenth day of March, 1907, ye shall not possess money of any denomination; ye must earn only your food, your lodging, and your clothing. Nor shall ye be compelled to work; ye may beg as the beggar begs, but ye may beg only for food, for lodging, or for clothing."

"Within four hours after ye receive these instructions ye shall be beyond the corporate limits of the City of El Paso. It is the command of all Gemini that ye travel, in whatsoever manner ye may choose, in Portland, Oregon, and ye must not pay railroad fare. The six months specified shall be spent in the Pacific Coast States of the American Union—California, Washington and Oregon. Should ye at any time within this period be taken ill or otherwise become incapacitated, ye shall become an object of public charity."

"Promptly at two o'clock in the afternoon of the nineteenth day of March, 1907, ye shall inquire at the office of the Hotel Florida, in the City of Los Angeles, California, for an envelope addressed to Rodney Graves. The contents of this envelope will give ye further instructions."

"May the spirit of Rodney Graves guide ye well, and the love and profound admiration of all Gemini keep your spirits and courage high."

## CHAPTER XXX.

### The Tramp.

Jerry Chambers, the penniless tramp, reached the western corporate limits of El Paso a few minutes before four o'clock that afternoon. He felt the vagabond from the tips of his toes to the crown of his head. He felt more than this—he felt the coward, the criminal. He knew that Marina Bostos was the ever more precious to him than now?—was suffering, and that he was the sole and direct cause of her suffering. He knew that Gen. Fernandez Bostos and Mike O'Connor were worrying over his absence, and that the three would carry heavy hearts with them to San Diego. He was not giving much thought to what might happen to himself, and his despair was so pronounced that he cared but little what fate had in store for him.

"Capt. Jerry Chambers, right-hand man to the president of a republic, possessor of a nation's greatest expression of gratitude and honor; son of a multi-millionaire, discoverer of a gold mine, owner of the heart of the best woman in all the world—a tramp, and outcast!" he mused, as he sat beside the dusty road a few feet beyond a post that marked the western end of the city. "I am a fairly respectable-looking tramp now, but these new clothes will be nice and clean in a few hours, I don't think."

He lay at the roadside, dreaming and pondering, until the lights began to twinkle in the city. Then, with a heart as heavy as a burden as portal ever bore, he trudged across a field to a railroad track a mile or so away. He walked along the track for several miles, when he saw lights in a small house a few hundred yards to the north. He was very hungry and he determined to apply at the house for the beggar's first bite.

As he unatched the gate the ugliest, fiercest-looking bulldog he had ever seen stuck his vigilant nose around the corner of the house and emitted an ominous growl. In an instant the gate was latched again, with Jerry on the outside.

"Nice old fellow," Jerry said, in his most friendly tones, snapping his fingers. The dog slowly advanced and Jerry retreated a few feet.

"Good doggie, nice—"

"Who's there?" came gruffly from the back yard, and a moment later Jerry



"I Reckon You Have Some Ideas What a Hoos Thief Gets in This Neck o' the Woods."

ry was looking into the face of a big, raw-boned man of middle age. "What do you want?" the householder asked, eyeing the newcomer very closely.

"I'd like to get a bite or so to eat," said Jerry. "I'm as hungry as—"

"Clear out, clear out!" snapped the man, advancing towards the fence with a vicious look in his eyes. "You don't look like a tramp."

"I'll trade a good 25-cent cigar for a sandwich," said Jerry, his legs trembling.

The man leaned on the fence and subjected Jerry to the keenest inspection, and began to mumble: "Smooth-faced—six feet—well dressed—good looking—"

Then he shouted so loud that Jerry was startled: "Bill, oh, Bill, come 'ere 'n' see if he don't answer the 'scription." Then to Jerry: "You stand right where you are and don't make any gun play, or you'll wish you hadn't!"

Jerry stammered something in his bewilderment, but the man, heedless of the words, merely shook his head confidently, all the time keeping his eyes on him. "Bill," a fierce-looking man with a flowing black mustache, joined the man at the fence.

"What's up, Dick?" he asked.

"Squint at this feller an' do a little thinkin'."

Bill went out of the yard and stationed himself within six feet of Jerry. After a careful head-to-foot survey he said:

"It can't be fur off, Dick, I'm damned if it kin. Git out that 'eye paper.'"

Dick pulled a sheet of paper from his pocket and glanced over it, frequently lifting his eyes to Jerry, who stood dazed, unable to understand the unusual proceeding.

"Git the shurt," he finally said; "he'll soon set things straight."

"The sheriff!" gasped Jerry. "What what?"

"That's right—show yer innocence," laughed Bill, who a few minutes later was riding towards El Paso as fast as a saddleless horse could carry him.

feet. "The shurt'll soon tell, and if you're him me 'n' Bill 'll be jus' a thousand better off. An' I reckon you have some idea what a hoos thief gets down in this 'ere neck o' the woods, I figger."

"Horse thief! For heaven's sake, I'm not a horse thief! I never stole a thing in my life! This is a mistake, and you'll soon find it out, too!" Jerry's face was red with anger and indignation and his brain was so hot that his fear of the man became dispelled. "This will go hard with you, even if you have got the drop on me with that cannon in your hand. I'll show—"

"Now, jus' quile down 'n' keep your team at the rack a munit 'r so," broke in Dick. "If you ain't 'Spick' Ransome, the nerviest hoos thief that ever put foot on Texas, my name ain't Dick Splavins. That's how sure I am. Why, this 'ere reward sheet 'scribes you to a dot. It couldn't be surer if 'twas a photograph 'longside the letterin'."

Within half an hour four other men came tearing down the road on horses, dismounting at Dick Splavins' home.

"Bill said you had 'im fer sure," excitedly yelled one of the newcomers, going so close to Jerry that the odor of bad whisky almost stifled him.

"Danged if he don't seem to answer the 'scription all right, all right, eh, fellers?" The other men carefully looked Jerry over—through their bleared eyes and nodded their heads.

"The shurt 'll know fer sure," said one of the men. "Him 'n' Tom Norton's the on'y ones 'round 'ere that's ever seen 'Spick' Ransome. Bill oughter be back 'th the shurt purty soon. He was movin' like hell when I seen him."

Tom Norton, owner of a small ranch a few miles away, was sent for, responding with all possible haste. He was an old man and his eyesight was badly impaired. He squinted at Jerry for fully five minutes and then said:

"I ain't jus' certain it's 'Spick,' but if it was a hoos race I'd put a hundred to one to win hands down."

"That's near 'nough fer us, eh, fellers?" shouted a reeling man, flashing a revolver over his head. "Shell we wait for the shurt?"

"Hain't no use to delay matters," said another. "Tom is 'bout as sure as a feller kin be, an' he ain't talkin' jus' for excitement's sake. Where'll we take him?"

"Back in the holler," said Dick. "I'll git the rope and—"

Jerry sank to the ground in collapse.

"See the stinkin' cur!" sneered one

of the men, kicking Jerry soundly in the back. Jerry attempted time and time again to protest his innocence of any criminal offense, but his words were drowned by derisive laughter.

It was not long before this luckless son of Gemini, utterly devoid of physical strength, was being rudely dragged towards a tall tree in a hollow about 100 yards back of Splavins' house. The youngest of the Texans soon was climbing the tree to a strong limb 15 feet up. While the rope was being tied to the limb Jerry's hands were being bound behind him. The noose had just been prepared when the sheriff, whom Bill had telephoned to from the outskirts of the city, came up with Bill on his panting, lathered horses.

"Not so quick, men," shouted the sheriff, dismounting and running to where Jerry lay on the ground. "I'll tend to this matter if it needs 'tendin' to." A roar of protest rose from the throats of the would-be lynchers, but the sheriff asserted his authority so strongly that the men dropped back, and he brought a lantern to bear on the white face of the captive.

"Tom Norton says it's 'Spick' Ransome as certain as he'll," said one of the men.

The officer looked Jerry over carefully and then, his face the picture of fierce wrath, arose and addressed Norton in this manner:

"You squint-eyed old fossil of a heathen, you, you couldn't tell a hoos from a cow! You'd jus' as soon swear this man's life away as to drink that rot-gut you're full of now! This ain't no more 'Spick' Ransome 'n' you're a decent citizen! For 'trent I'd drag you back with me and let this young feller make you sweat till your measly old hide didn't hold an ounce o' meat. And if it wasn't fer your old age I'd make you skin up that tree and untie that rope. You git out o' here in two minutes or I'll make them spindle legs of yours move faster 'n they ever moved before. Here, Splavins, you drunken fool, untie this young feller's hands and square yourself 'th him right. And do it damned quick!"

For an instant the rough men of the ranches stood back like bronze statues, looking at one another.

"Did you hear what I said?" roared the sheriff.

A moment later Jerry's hands were free and he was on his wobbly legs.

"An' he ain't 'Spick'!" blurted Dick. "No more 'n' you are, 'Splavins,' snapped the officer.

"Then, who in hell is he?" asked Bill.

"That's none o' your business," roared the sheriff. "What are you goin' to do to square yourselves 'th him? You can't jus' look it over 'n' call it quits."

Fifteen minutes later the hand of every one of the men had grasped Jerry's almost lifeless hand, and before another hour was gone the penniless Gemini was seated at a table that fairly gloated with wholesome food.

He was the guest of honor.

## CHAPTER XXXI.

### A Reward.

Gen. Bostos, Mike O'Connor and Marina did not go sight-seeing that afternoon. It was not until Jerry Chambers had stepped out of the corporate limits of the city, however, that they abandoned all hope of his returning for the carriage ride. Marina fretted herself into a nervous, feverish headache and was forced to take to her bed. Mike tried to assure her that there was no cause for worry, but his optimism was only affected. Down deep in his heart fear lurked.

"Maybe he has become so absorbed in that business affair of his, whatever it is," said Mike to the general, as the two sat in a quiet corner of the hotel rotunda, "that he has had no chance to come back or get word to us. Jerry ain't thoughtless, so, he must be unable to send word to us."

"But his actions were so strange, so unusual upstairs," said the grizzled old warrior. "It certainly is very odd that he did not give you at least an inkling of his business here."

"General," said Mike, "that's what gets me most. Ever since I met him on that yacht he has been a big mystery to me, becoming more and more of a puzzle every day. I can't believe that he don't trust me, but, so far as this business is concerned, he has not confided in me a little bit. At times, particularly to-day, he has acted in a very strange manner."

"Can it be possible," ventured the general, after a long silence, "that he is mentally unbalanced?"

"I don't think a brighter chap ever lived," said Mike, "but his actions might suggest that there's a screw loose somewhere. I know the number of the place on Montezuma street where he said he had his business, and I'll go down there and do a little inquiry."

The suggestion received the general's warm approval, and half an hour later Mike was standing before Emanuel Fosgate's desk.

"Did you have business with a good-looking young fellow here to-day?" asked O'Connor. "He said he had business at this number."

"Yes. There was a young, good-looking fellow here at noon," said Mr. Fosgate. "His business here was completed in a very few minutes."

"Thin, he hasn't been here since noon?"

"I have not seen him since, sir."

"Well, what do you think o' that! Would you mind tellin' me the nature of his business?"

"I cannot tell you that, sir."

"You don't know?"

"I cannot tell you."

"Did he appear right-minded, rational?"

"I saw nothing extraordinary about him."

"He didn't act strange—out of the ordinary?"

"Well, come to think of it, he was rather charitable," smiled Mr. Fosgate.

"Charitable—how?"

"He instructed me to turn over to one of our institutions a good sum of money and a handful of gold nuggets, and I judge that he gave me everything he possessed."

"That settles it," said Mike, decisively. "The lad is 'off.' I'm much obliged to you, sir. Good-day," and a moment later Mike was in the street.

Gen. Bostos was awaiting him in the hotel rotunda, and Mike's expression and agitated manner brought him to his feet in expectancy.

"General, the lad's daff—clean gone!" exclaimed Mike, in a loud whisper. "Instead o' losin' that money he gave it all away—every cent of it, and a bunch o' nuggets beside. He sked up his business down there in a wink o' the eye. What's to be done?"

The general, plainly perturbed, thought for a long time and then said: "There seems to be but one proper thing to do; we must notify the authorities and have him recovered."

An hour later Gen. Bostos and Mike O'Connor were closeted with the chief of police, who after the general had offered a reward of \$500 for the apprehension of the young man, dispatched his "plain-clothes" men to various parts of the city. The general added another \$500 to the reward and the officer immediately telephoned to the sheriff's office.

"Sheriff Cannell is not in his office at the moment—out after a horse thief," said the chief, returning from the instrument, "but his chief deputy will telegraph the young man's description to the adjoining county seats."

When the sheriff reached the city late that night and learned of the big reward offered he uttered an exclamation of surprise and then proceeded to kick himself.

"It wasn't 'Spick' Ransome at all down there," said he; "it was this young fellow the reward is offered for!"

Jerry was traced to a village ten miles beyond the home of Dick Splavins, but there the reward-hunters came to the end of their string. He had proceeded to a water-tank two miles out of the village, where, in a nest of high grass, he fell asleep.

By walking and stealing rides on freight trains Jerry, his once-on-a-time white shirt in streaks and spots and his clothes yellow with dust, reached a village just over the New Mexico line. His weary legs got him into the place in the dead of night, when the few streets were entirely deserted. The only lights came from a few oil lamps, and he made towards the most brilliant of these, which was at the corner of a general store that also served as the postoffice. He sat down on the store porch to rest for a few minutes before hunting a place to sleep. At one side of the door, tacked to the boards, were three or four placards. He got up, stretched and yawned, and went up to them: The one in boldest type read:

\$1,500 REWARD!  
THIS AMOUNT WILL BE PAID BY THE CHIEF OF POLICE OF EL PASO, TEX., FOR THE CAPTURE OF A YOUNG MAN NAMED JERRY CHAMBERS—ABOUT SIX FEET TALL, SMOOTH-FACED, BLACK-HAIR, WHITE SHIRT, GRAY NECKTIE AND STRAW HAT. WORE WATCH WITH FOB WHEN LAST SEEN.  
CAUTION!  
SAID PERSON IS MENTALLY UNSOUND!

Jerry, his eyes bulging from their sockets, merely gasped, and if he had not leaned against the porch post he would have sunk to the floor.

"Good heavens!" he managed to exclaim, as soon as the first words would come. "They think I'm crazy. I'm a lunatic and they're after me!" He laughed so heartily that his sides ached, and it was while he was laughing loudest that a pair of eyes peeped around the corner of the building. The next instant he was startled out of his wits by finding his arms firmly in the grasp of somebody behind him.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)



# THE ENTERPRISE

W. V. ERVIN, Editor.

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There should be concerted action in every part of the city to secure cement walks wherever they are needed. A casual glance at the walks that have been laid will convince any mind however biased it may be, of the importance of good sidewalk.

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What could be better than to make Big Springs a great school town, an educational center? The town that prides itself in its school life invariably strives for better things morally, socially and intellectually. People who are desirous of a change of locality will always seek out the town of schools if they are hunting for the better things of life.

An exchange observes that a boy can sit on a sled six inches square tied to a sled moving nine miles an hour, but can't sit on a sofa five minutes for a dollar. A man can sit on an inch board and talk politics for three hours, but put him into a comfortable church pew 40 minutes and he gets nervous, twists and goes to sleep. A man can pouch his cheeks with tobacco and the juice running down his chin feels good; but a hair in the butter simply knocks him out completely.

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In every country town there is a sign at the railroad crossing like this: "Look out for the cars." Now everybody knew that it was a railroad crossing the day the line was laid and finished. When the sign was put up it took two days for every inhabitant to become familiar with it. In a week every small child could read it backward. Did the railroad take it down? No. If they had the warning would have been forgotten in a week and smashups and damage suits would have resulted. One time advertisements act the same way. You must keep everlastingly at it, like the railroad crossing sign.—Ex.

An item in the daily paper states that distillers in the Northwest are now putting up whiskey in tablet form, also that they are putting up toddies in the form of a stick of candy. The saccharine matter and fire water are combined in the correct proportions for a long toddy and all the drinker needs to do is to dissolve the stick of candy in a glass of water, and tank up. Such news is truly distressing but we are not discouraged. The wiles of the enemy only nerve our arm and steel our soul to sing even more sweetly the praises of buttermilk and set before mankind the cup that makes the innard's glad and fills the soul with joy.—Honey Grove Signal.

### A Sad Accident.

Nellie Coffee, the fourteen year old daughter of L. Coffee and wife was the victim of an accident Saturday afternoon which caused her death. She and two or three other small girls were on their way to town in a one-horse buggy and coming down the long hill, between her home and town, the horse became unmanageable, truned the buggy over, threw the children out, and injured Nellie Coffee so bad that she died a few hours later.

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### Our Visitors From Big Springs Welcomed.

The citizens of Lamesa were pleased to meet and entertain the committee sent by the Big Springs Commercial Club to confer with our people on railroad matters. Big Springs is beginning to realize that Lamesa is destined to become a town of considerable size and importance when she gets her first railroad, and that she will be an important factor in the upbuilding and development of this section of Texas. And we are glad to note this. But we didn't start out to talk "railroad"; it's the visitors we want to tell about. The first one of them the News man met was B. Reagan, president of the Commercial Club, under whose efficient leadership the club has been gaining in its power for good at a rapid rate. Mr. Reagan was kept busy shaking hands with old friends and was given the glad hand by the hosts of new ones he made.

Next we met W. Fisher, head of "The Store that Sells Everything." You just can't help but like "Bill" Fisher. He is a business man first of all, yet he is genial and sociable, always ready for a pleasant chat, and those who have business dealings with him know him as a man of honor and ready at all times to extend a favor. He was heartily welcomed by our people, many of whom have known him for years.

Later in the day we met the third member of the committee, J. W. Shnell, cashier of the West Texas Bank. A better man could not have been sent to represent the club and town. Mr. Shnell has only been in Big Springs a short time, but from the day of his arrival he has been closely identified with everything that pointed to the upbuilding of the town and community. He made friends in Lamesa rapidly and will be an ever welcome guest in our city.

With the committee came Captain Saye, of Comanche. He is always welcome here. Captain Saye is about as much interested in a general way, in the development of this country, as any one man. He is ready at all times to spend his time and means in that cause.

We were glad to have the visitors here, and they seemed to enjoy being here. As to what may be the effect of the conference between the visitors and our citizens nothing can be said at present, at least not until we hear from our townsmen who went to Big Springs yesterday upon invitation by the Commercial Club.—Dawson County News

Seasonable drinks, both hot and cold, at Reagan's.

### Legislative News Letter.

Special Correspondence.

Austin, Texas, March 24. The regular session of the 31st Legislature spent a great portion of its time in investigations and the special session finds the docket still crowded. The probable result of the investigation into the penitentiary system of the state is beginning to fill the corridors of the Capital with gossip and the Text book Board investigation promises disclosures rich and racy. The tilt between the Kennedy followers and the administration forces promises to result in a general wash day in which all the dirty linen will be thoroughly aired.

That we are sure to have more laws is the mandate of the administration. The Governor has opened the flood gates and a rain of bills for 40 days and 40 nights is inevitable. Twenty measures have been submitted for legislation and there is said to be more to follow; those who are supposed to know, declare that unless the Legislature makes a noise like more laws, they will celebrate the 4th of July in Austin. That the administration is rowing against an ebbing tide is apparent to the most casual observer and no amount of political power can turn the legislative current inbound. Telegrams, resolutions and petitions have been pouring in on members from their constituents asking that the appropriation bill be passed and adjourn.

In the House the past week has been spent in re-organization. The Chairman of all important committees have been changed and the personnel of the committees have in most instances been rearranged. The new alignments bears the imprint of the administration but the insurgents are by no means idle and have among their leaders some of the strongest members of the House. The fight will open early in the week and promises to be one of the most interesting contests ever pulled off in the political arena of Texas. It is a contest for more laws vs fewer laws.

In the Senate a few bills of minor importance received consideration during the week, but there was a noticeable lull before the storm. The personnel of the Senate has been carefully canvassed by the administration for recruits for the final struggle but the Senate has so far refused to take dictation and the anti-administrationists claim it by a safe majority.

The Bank Guaranty and the Two Cent Fare bills will be the battle ground. These measures are nearest to the Governor's heart and a vote on these bills will disclose the administration's strength. These subjects were considered by the regular session and is likely that all the evidence is in and all the arguments have been heard. It is simply a question of filibustering and voting.

To the party that stole my buggy whip out of my buggy on Main Street Saturday, I want to thank him for not taking my sack of feed. When you want another whip let me know and I will take up a collection and buy it. T. H. Johnson. 24-1t.

### See

J. D. McDonald, in the Van Gieson building, for new and second hand goods.

Miss Douthitt Esq., of Big Springs spent Monday in this city, attending to some business matter. Mr. Douthitt went to California, a few months ago, expecting to make that his home but decided that Texas was good enough for him and has now returned to Texas better satisfied than ever. He has a large number of friends in Sweetwater, having been raised in this city. Sweetwater Reporter.

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Our Reference — ANYBODY

Mrs. R. J. Compton of Big Springs is visiting Mrs. J. L. Compton this week. Dr. W. C. Barnett of Big Springs was in Midland yesterday on business. Midland Examiner.

W. T. McPherson, of Gomez, has traded land in Yoakum county for residence property in Big Springs, and we understand will move to that town in a short time, but will continue to look after the land business in this part of the country.—Terry County Herald.

Talk to the Ladies Aid of the Christian church about the Easter white sale.

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Abney & Wright have sold their dray and transfer line to Stone & Carpenter and will give their entire attention to the Wood and Coal business.

The Cowboy Indian and the Lady, will under the direction of Prof. Balle is well worth hearing. The play is the best ever seen with a canvas show. Will be here Wednesday March 31.



# ROOSEVELT OFF FOR GREAT HUNT

EX-PRESIDENT SAILS AWAY TO DARK CONTINENT.

TO BE IN AFRICA A YEAR.

Then He Will Travel and Speak in Europe—Three Skilled Naturalists and His Son Kermit Accompany Him.

New York.—Theodore Roosevelt, ex-president of the United States, sailed out of New York harbor Tuesday on the steamer Hamburg of the Hamburg-American line on the way to his much-heralded hunting trip in British East Africa.

On the dock was a large assemblage of Mr. Roosevelt's friends, who had gathered to bid him God-speed, and who cheered him as he stood at the rail of the steamer waving his hand and smiling with delight. Beside him stood the three men selected from hundreds of applicants to accompany him and assist him in collecting the specimens of African fauna which he hopes to send back for the enrichment of the Smithsonian Institution. These fortunate individuals were Maj. Edgar A. Mearns, J. Loring Alden and Edmund Heller. They comprise the Smithsonian's expedition. The fifth member of the little party, and not to be considered of least importance, was

living ally to the type of the extinct Ichorhino or woolly rhinoceros which lived in England at the close of the Glacial period.

**Journey Across Uganda.**  
Leaving Nairobi in October, the party will proceed by the Uganda railway to Port Florence, on the shores of Lake Victoria Nyanza, where a short stop will be made; then a steamer will be taken to Entebbe, 150 miles away. There a caravan will be formed and the journey across Uganda to the Nile will be begun. It is expected that the White Nile will be reached about the first of the year 1910. Lake Albert Nyanza will be touched at Kibira.

In a general way the course of the Nile will be followed to Gondokoro, and thence to Khartoum. At this city Mr. Roosevelt and Kermit will be joined by Mrs. Roosevelt and they will continue down the Nile slowly to Cairo, visiting many points of interest on the way.

**To Speak in European Capitals.**  
Plans for the remainder of the ex-president's two years' tour have not been decided upon definitely, but the time will be spent in Europe, and several matters of importance have been announced. He will visit Berlin at the invitation of Emperor William and while there will deliver an address upon the one hundredth anniversary of the founding of the University of Berlin.

From Germany he will go to France and deliver an address at the Sorbonne. It has not been learned how long Mr. Roosevelt intends to stay in Berlin and Paris. After his visit in France, Mr. Roosevelt will go to England, where a reception of great warmth undoubtedly will be accorded

## PREVENTING PAINT TROUBLES.

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A very simple guide in the purchase of white lead (the only safe and safe paint material) is the famous "Dutch Boy Painter" trademark; that trademark is an absolute guarantee of purity and quality.

### FIDO DULY WARNED.



Look here, Fido, if you can't be a better horse than this I shall have to discharge you and get an automobile!

### Some Resemblance.

A little girl in a California public school complained to her teacher that a Mexican boy had struck her. The teacher took Joe, the only Mexican boy in the school, sharply to task for the offense, but the boy denied it. "Mary," said the teacher, "Joe says he didn't strike you."

"Oh, no," said Mary, "'twas't Joe; 'twas't that other boy over there," and she pointed to the blackest of negro boys in the school.

"But, Mary, that boy isn't a Mexican," said the teacher.

"Well, anyhow," said Mary, "he's very much tainted."

### The Entire Family.

Grand Pop used it for Rheumatism, Dad for Cuts, Sprains and Bruises, Mamma for Burns, Scalds and Aches. Sis for Catarrh and Chillsains. I use it for everything, and it never disappoints any of us. It surely yanks any old pain out by the roots.

Hunt's Lightning Oil is what I am telling you about.

### Sex Question.

Benham—The paper tells of a woman whose dress was made of postage stamps.  
Mrs. Benham—I thought postage stamps were used only on mail matter.

### Important to Mothers.

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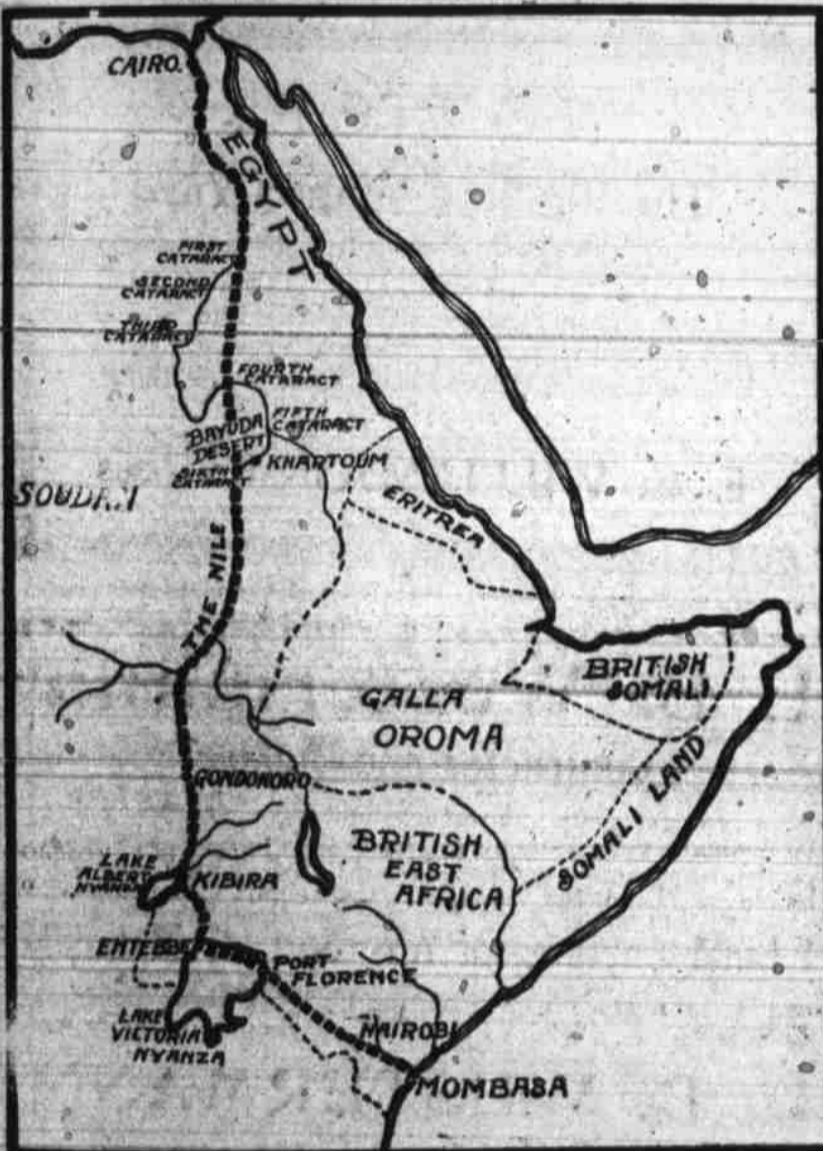
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ROUTE OF THE ROOSEVELT PARTY IN AFRICA.

the ex-president's second son, Kermit, who will be the official photographer of the expedition and, next to his father, the chief hunter.

To Mombasa Via Naples.

Mr. Roosevelt will go via Gibraltar to Naples, where he will board a steamer of the German East African line for Kilindini harbor, the port of Mombasa. At the latter place the party will be joined by R. J. Cunningham, an Englishman of long experience in Africa, who has been engaged as general manager and guide. The party will spend a short time in Mombasa and then proceed by train on the Uganda railway to Nairobi, headquarters of the administration of British East Africa-Protectorate, a city of 15,514 inhabitants, of whom 579 are Europeans.

On MacMillan's Ranch.

William Northrup MacMillan, formerly of St. Louis, owns a large estate near Nairobi, and his big, luxurious farmhouse will be headquarters for about six months while the hunters and scientists make trips of varying length in all directions. It is in this section that Mr. Roosevelt hopes to obtain most of his specimens, for it abounds with animals of all kinds. The smaller mammals will be trapped. The supplies of the party are packed in tin-lined boxes. These boxes when they have been emptied will be used as packing cases for the various specimens. Many valuable natural history specimens have been supplied by sale and exchange. It has been found from experience on other expeditions, and it is to guard against this that the tin-lined boxes are being taken along.

Caring for Specimens.

When the specimens have been prepared they will be carefully packed in the boxes and shipped to Nairobi, where they will be forwarded to the United States. One of the taxidermists will always be with Mr. Roosevelt, and as soon as any big game is shot by him it will be skinned and prepared on the spot.

Mr. Roosevelt will be greatly disappointed if he fails to kill several specimens of the white rhinoceros. This animal is the same as the extinct rhinoceros and is the nearest

to him. He has accepted an invitation to deliver the Romanes lecture at Oxford university and in all probability the honorary degree of D. C. L., which Oxford has bestowed on Emperor William, will be conferred on Mr. Roosevelt.

The versatility of Mr. Roosevelt will be shown by the fact that he will speak German in his address before the students of the University of Berlin, French in his lecture at the Sorbonne, and English in delivering the Romanes lecture at Oxford.

Pays His Own Expenses.

Mr. Roosevelt will defray the expenses of himself and his son on the African trip, but those of the scientists and the cost of preparing the specimens and shipping them to America will be paid out of a fund secured for the purpose by the Smithsonian Institution.

One of the objects of Mr. Roosevelt in taking this trip is for the purpose of collecting material for writing several books regarding his experiences. During last summer he contracted with Charles Scribner's Sons, of New York, giving that firm all the rights for the serial and book-form publication of whatever he might write on his visit to Africa. It is said that the contract price agreed upon is \$1 per word, but this never has been verified.

No Slaughter of Animals.

Even if the British colonial government should offer to throw open to Mr. Roosevelt and his companions the African game preserves under its control, the ex-president will refuse to take advantage of this opportunity. Like other true sportsmen, he believes that the utmost protection should be given to wild animals on reservations and that permission to kill them should not be given or accepted under any circumstances unless, possibly, when predatory animals are becoming too numerous.

Moreover, the killing of animals for sport is not the main object of his trip. Mr. Roosevelt hopes to send back to the Smithsonian Institution two adult specimens, one of each sex, and a specimen of their young, of animals he meets with on the Dark Continent. Beyond this the killing will be limited to the demands of the commission.

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He states that everything is in a flourishing condition in the Big Springs country and that the heavy rain of Thursday night improved conditions to a great extent.—San Angelo Standard.

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Neal could hold in no longer, and shouted a laugh which might have been heard two miles, which was about as far as Jack chased him, when he got out.

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