

GOOD RAINS OVER SPUR AND THE SPUR COUNTRY

Wednesday night a good rain fell in Spur and over the greater portion of the Spur country, the rainfall in Spur being fifty-three one-hundredths, a fraction more than a half inch. Again, Monday night we had thirty-six one hundredths of an inch of rain, and again last week we had fifty-six one-hundredths, making a total rainfall of one and forty-five one-hundredths inches, or nearly one and one-half inches during the month of August in Spur and the Spur country.

Each of the rains fell slowly in such manner as to be totally absorbed, sufficient for all needs.

At the present time all of Dickens county and the Spur country is in the very best and most promising condition with respect to crops, and the probability is that this section of country will harvest the biggest crops this year within the history of farming in the west.

A COMPREHENSIVE DEMONSTRATION OF RECIPROCITY

We are in the printing business to make a living. We can't expect to make more. We boost our country, boost our town and every line of business in it. We strive week in and week out to bring in new people, new blood, new money to be spent among our business men. We help all lines of business in the town. The lawyer, the doctor, the blacksmith, the real estate dealer, the butcher, the druggist, the well driller, the liveryman, the hotel, the banker, and the general merchant all derive benefit from our persistent boosting. We spend all the money we make with these people. We buy everything we need from them, although we could get it cheaper by sending away for it. They reciprocate by refusing to advertise, by cutting down their advertisement, by writing their letters on unprinted paper or by sending to Wichita, Kansas, or Dallas Texas, to have their printing done, and to the government for envelopes.

Truly, this world is composed of all sorts of people, and the newspaper man is the most persistent fool of the whole bunch.—Lakewood Progress.

Reciprocity is the life of trade in towns, states and nations and its practice should begin at home and among home people.

LITTLE CHILD INJURED BY KICK OF A MULE

While attending the all-day singing Sunday at Dry Lake a little child of Mr. and Mrs. Estes, of five or six miles northwest of Spur, was kicked in the head by a mule. The child was brought to Spur and treated by Dr. Grace, and although severely injured the child is now reported doing nicely and will soon be completely recovered from injuries sustained.

SEEKING NEW LOCATION.

Frank McClure and family and Mr. Foster and family, of the Plains country, passed through Spur Monday on their way to Knox county to visit before starting over the country looking for a new location. Frank McClure is an uncle of the writer. He has been in this western country more than thirty years, in the cattle business and punching cows until the country was open to agricultural interests and since that time he has farmed successfully. Recently he sold his farm and crops and will again locate in some section of the west or Oklahoma.

Mr. Neighbors, of the Duck Creek country, was in the city Thursday and reports that the rain Wednesday night missed that section, raining on either side. However, he stated that since they had the benefit of the rains of the first of the week and also last week the crops of that section are not suffering and are in good shape.

Mrs. Nelle Robertson and little daughter, Miss Grace, were in the city Wednesday visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Williams. While here they met Miss Bessie Box, of Cromo, Hopkins county, and who will spend the summer with her sister, Mrs. Robertson, at her home in the Afton country.

Poet Hagins, of the Gilpin country, was in the city Tuesday and reports a good rain in his section Monday evening. The rain was pretty general over this entire section and as a result all crops are in first-class shape with most promising prospects of bumper yields.

Chas. A. Jones returned Wednesday from the new town of Freeport on the Coast where he spent some time looking after the Swenson interests in the opening of that town. He left Spur again Thursday for New York where he will spend some time on business.

Mrs. Jim Oliver, of the Tap country, has been in Spur throughout the week under the treatment of physicians. Her condition is reported serious and it is hoped by her friends that she will soon be well again.

Dave Boen, of Callahan county, was in Spur and the Spur country recently looking over the country with a view of locating here. He says that crops in that country are already burnt up.

Attorney Dalton, of the Plains country, was in Spur this week on legal business and spent some time here in conference with Attorney Holman and their clients.

Joe Stokes, of Fort Worth and who formerly made his headquarters for buying horses and cattle in Spur, has been in the city throughout this week.

W. C. Gruben returned Wednesday from Royston where he spent a vacation of several weeks with relatives and friends.

County Judge F. C. Gipson was in the city Wednesday from Dickens and spent several hours here on business and greeting his friends.

RAISING FINE HOGS IN THE SPUR COUNTRY

Sunday we visited at the home of W. A. Johnson on the Doekum Stock Farm and after partaking of a bountiful supply of water melons we were shown over his fields of maize, millet, corn and cotton, all of which looks fine and will make lots of feed and cotton. From the field Mr. Johnson carried us to his hog pasture where he has seventy head of thorough bred Poland China hogs. There are forty acres in the pasture and the hogs are in good shape from the grazing. He is just now beginning to feed the herd and expects to make the seventy head average two hundred pounds each by the time he intends to ship them to the market.

There are those who possibly think hog raising is neither successful nor profitable in the Spur country, but a trip to the Doekum Stock Farm will convince one that the manner in which Mr. Johnson handles his hogs is both profitable and successful. As before stated the hogs are running on a forty acre pasture and with a little feed to the pigs to encourage growth and again later just before shipment the hogs show up as well as could be wished for in any other hog country. He has a number of pens and sheds for the separation and protection of sows and pigs and plenty of water furnished from a nearby well, and apparently they are little trouble and expense, and we are convinced that if more farmers would engage in the hog raising business in connection with farming that the farmers and the country would become more prosperous.

Mr. Johnson has just received a pig shipped to him from Amarillo by Mr. Duffel, a noted and successful hog raiser of that section. The pig is of the big bone Poland China breed, while the breed now in Mr. Johnson's pasture are of the medium bone variety, there being three varieties, the small bone, medium and large bone of the Poland China's.

SPUR FARM LANDS GROW THE BEST PRODUCTS.

J. H. Boothe, of several miles southeast of Spur, was in the city Tuesday and brought the champion kershaw raised in the country. The kershaw is about two feet long and measures two feet and three inches around, being of the long-necked variety. The sample brought is substantial evidence that the Spur country will grow as big and as fine kershaws as is grown in the more noted and densely populated sections of the country. The fact is that each year this country is demonstrating that as fine produce and in as great variety can be grown here as any other farming country of America. The land here is rich and productive and our greatest need at this time is more farmers to improve and cultivate the present idle lands.

HEAR NOTED LECTURER.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Griffin left Tuesday for Dallas where they will spend several days buying a fall stock of goods and visiting relatives. While in Dallas they will also attend a lecture on millinery styles and fashions by an expert milliner direct from Paris, France, the creator of the world's fashions of today.

J. L. Borden and family left the latter part of last week for Aransas Pass where Mr. Borden will engage in the carpenter and contract business in the new towns along the coast. Mr. Borden owns a nice home in Spur and it is probable that he and family will return later and again make this their home.

Joe Allison, of Dickens, was in Spur Monday and said he made a trip last week to the Plains country near Wake. He said in that section they had the finest feed crops he ever saw but that on account of the hail the cotton crop was totally destroyed.

Editor Thomas, of the Dickens Item, passed through Spur Saturday on his way to Bosque county where he will spend some time with his parents. Albert Spencer is now at the helm in the Dickens Item office.

H. F. Jennings and wife attended the singing Sunday at Dry Lake and partaking of the big basket dinner spread on the ground. They report a pleasant time, plenty to eat and some fine singing.

Mrs. R. M. Hamby, of Dickens, was brought to the Standifer Hospital last week for an operation. Mrs. Hamby is reported doing nicely at this time and will soon be completely recovered.

W. N. Blackwell, who has been employed the past several months on the 24 Ranch, is now at home for a month. Later he will return and assist in gathering cattle on the ranch for shipment.

Mr. Key, a prominent citizen and prosperous farmer of Kent county, was in Spur Monday trading with Spur merchants. He reports everything in pretty good shape in his section.

E. Luce and wife and Willis Smith and family, of Spur, were among those who spent the day Sunday at Dry Lake, attending the all day singing and dinner on the ground.

Uncle Jeff Martin and niece, Miss Martin of Stamford, have been visiting this week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Bryant in the city.

Press Goens, a prominent citizen of the northwest part of the county, was in the city Wednesday and spent some time here on business.

W. D. Blair, of several miles east of Spur, was in the city the latter part of last week. He reports the crops on his place in fine shape.

W. T. Wilson and wife, of six miles east of Spur, were in the city Monday on business and trading with the merchants.

Mrs. R. L. Thomas, of Moran, is in the city visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ferry Fite.

FARMER PLANNING FOR EXTENSIVE OPERATIONS

L. C. Arrington, a prominent citizen of the Afton country, was in Spur Saturday and while here was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office, and before leaving contributed two dollars and seventy five cents to our subscription fund for the Texas Spur and Fort Worth Record, and for which he has our thanks. Mr. Arrington has two farms, one in the Afton country and one about seven miles southeast of Spur and on both of which is growing fine crops this year. Mr. Arrington says he wants to sell one of his places with a view of buying a section in the Spur pasture and on which he intends to farm and stockraise in combination. It is the combination farmer and stockraiser and diversificationist who is successful in any country, and while Mr. Arrington is already successful he will be more so when he gets fixed as desired.

WHY DYNAMITE EXPLOSIONS CAUSE RAIN

Everyone familiar with Texas knows that on many days of each month the clouds hang heavy and thick. To the tenderfoot a rain is in immediate prospect, and yet never a drop falls.

The moisture is present in these rain clouds, but the external energy to cause a precipitation of the moisture is lacking. In less level country there is usually a forest range or a mountain peak to disturb the uncertain equilibrium of the rain-soaked clouds. The natural methods of agitating the moistened banks of vapor are lacking in a country like Texas.

The dynamite explosions carry a violent upthrust of air that acts as a disturber of the vapor banks, and a rain naturally ensues. It is not my contention that single dynamite explosions will cause rain, but that a series of explosions takes the place of a missing natural cause—missing because of topographical and geographical conditions—and that rain falls as a matter of course. If the unstable equilibrium of moisture-soaked clouds were not disturbed, they would be carried upward and away without having deposited the moisture so urgently needed for the crops.—C. W. Post.

DICKENS HIGH SCHOOL EMPLOYS A PAINCIPAL

George T. Barnes has been employed as the superintendent-principal of the Dickens High School. We have known George Barnes many years. He is a fine citizen, a teacher and school superintendent second to none in the country and we are glad to know that he has been employed at the helm of the Dickens school and will become a permanent citizen of Dickens county.

DEMOCRATIC NOMINEES.

The following officers were nominated in the July Primary for Dickens County officers to be elected in November General Election.

For Representative (105 District):
A. C. Wilmeth

For County Judge:
O. S. Ferguson

For Sheriff and Tax Collector:
J. B. Conner

For County and District Clerk:
Crawford Cobb

For Tax Assessor:
T. J. Harrison

For County Surveyor:
L. T. Cochran

For County Treasurer:
B. A. Crego

For County Commissioner, (Pre. 3):
Jeff D. Reagan

For Public Weigher:
C. H. Perry.

DRILLING IS RESUMED ON SPUR DEEP WELL.

Drilling operations at the deep well were resumed this week and now the drilling is going down at a rapid rate. For several weeks the work has been delayed on account of a broken bit in the bottom of the well. However all the pieces have now been removed and the first day's drilling resulted in going down eighteen feet. The well is now about three thousand one hundred feet deep.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

I am in pressing need of money since my company will no longer furnish me supplies without cash. I will appreciate it if those of my creditors who can will pay me what they can on accounts at once.—Joe Allison, The Rawleigh Man.

NOTICE

For sale or trade, a good wagon also one good buggy. See J. B. Conner at wagon yard, Spur, Texas. 30 4t

FOR SALE OR TRADE

One house and lot with plenty of water, in northeast part of Spur.—S. Power, the Baggage Man.

T. C. Copeland was in the city Saturday from his home several miles east of Spur and reports everything in good shape.

DOES THE CONTINUED HOT WEATHER EFFECT YOU?

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SPUR SUBURBAN HOME STRUCK BY LIGHTNING.

The home of Granville Brown, just north of Spur, was struck Wednesday night by lightning. The family was away from home, only one of the Brown boys and Mr. Tunnel were in the house. The lightning came down through the middle of the house, doing little damage but tearing the wallpaper and burning a small portion of the ceiling of one room. The boys did not know that the house had been on fire until the following morning.

Miss Arty May Fite returned this week from an extended visit with relatives at Albany, Moran, Cisco and other places.

County Commissioner H. T. Garner was in the city Saturday from his home a mile or two northeast of Spur.

Mr. Greenwade, a prominent citizen of several miles east of Spur, was in the city Saturday trading and looking after business matters.

The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Goff has been quite sick the past week but is improving at present.

Mrs. Joe Allison and children, of Dickens, are on a month's visit with relatives in Roberts county.

J. I. Greer, a prominent citizen of the Tap country, was in the city Saturday on business and trading.

Willis Smith and wife, of the Tap country, were in the city the latter part of last week.

DRY LAKE ITEMS

Monday Dry Lake and the surrounding country had a good shower of rain, and while not a heavy rain it is considered a nice shower for cotton and will be of considerable benefit to the crops.

An ice cream supper was enjoyed at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Johnson Friday evening. There was a large crowd present and all report a most delightful time.

Misses Minnie and Lena Weathers, who have been visiting their brother at the Spur ranch left Tuesday for their home near Robert Lee.

Mr. and Mrs. I. G. Van Leer left Thursday for Garza county where they will spend several days visiting relatives and friends.

The little four year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Estes was kicked on the head by a mule Sunday but is not thought to be fatal.

Little Bessie Davis who was operated on some time ago was removed to her home Tuesday and is reported rapidly recovering.

Willis Smith and wife of Tap, spent several days last week with Mrs. Smith's mother, Mrs. Reeves.

The singing school began at the Dry Lake school house Monday with a splendid attendance.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Cherry spent Saturday and Sunday with relatives south of Spur.

Fred Jennings and wife, of Spur, attended the all-day singing here Sunday.

A. H. Smoot, wife and little son, spent Saturday in Spur.

Mr. Morgan, wife and children, Miss Lizzie Morgan, of Spur, Mr. Haile, wife and little son, Fred, attended the singing here Sunday.—Maiden Vine.

Ben Hagins, of the Gilpin country, was in the city the latter part of the week on business and spent some time here.

County Attorney B. G. Worswick came over from Dickens last week and spent some time here on business.

Uncle Pink Higgins was in the city Saturday from his home in the Cat Fish country and spent some time here.

Mrs. Earn Clay returned last week from an extended visit to relatives in the eastern part of the state.

E. R. Rorie was in the city Saturday from the ranch and spent several hours here on business.

Mrs. Walter Smith left this week for an extended visit to relatives and friends at Rule.

TAP TELLINGS

Another good rain visited this section Monday and crops of all varieties are fine. We have garden truck in abundance now and we are all living at home and boarding in the kitchen.

Jeff Pirkle, of Soldier Mound community was here the past week visiting his sister, Mrs. J. E. Sparks.

The Ladies Aid Society at this place held an interesting and profitable meeting Monday.

Chas. Brasher and family, of Rosco, are here on a visit to his sister, Mrs. T. S. Lambert.

Post Master Ernest Davies and wife were visiting on the Plains a few days ago.

Brooky Martin returned a few days ago from a trip on the Plains.

Mrs. J. C. Holden and children are visiting at Tahoka this week.

Ed Fuqua is traveling over the west in search of the honey pond.

P. Hinson recently erected a good barn on his place.

A. Q. Smelser and wife attended the big meeting at lower Red Mud Sunday.—Gadabout.

J. R. McArthur, of the Tap country, was in the city Saturday and reports everything in fine shape.

J. W. Davis, of Colorado City, Colorado, spent last week with C. H. Allen and family in the city.

Frank Vernon and wife were among those who attended the singing Sunday at Dry Lake.

GILPIN HAPPENINGS

Mr. Nichols, an experienced music teacher, attended church at Duck Creek last week and was of great help to the song service. We are hoping that Mr. Nichols will teach us a music school at Duck Creek in the near future.

The Duck Creek protracted meeting conducted by Rev. Westfall was a feast to all who attended, and we feel that much and lasting good has been accomplished.

Rev. W. B. Bennett and family have returned from the Clipper country where Rev. Bennett assisted by Rev. Nicholson conducted a protracted meeting last week.

Our crops have been damaged a great deal by the hot dry weather, but we still have hopes that we will make a good crop.

A good rain fell here Monday for which we are sincerely thankful.

P. E. Hagins and W. B. Bennett went to Spur on business Tuesday.

Be happy today, right here and now,
Smooth the wrinkles from your brow,

Carry your burden around no more,
Meet your troubles at the door,

And say as you gently send them away,
"I'm going to be happy today, right here and now."

Be happy today, right here and now,
Smooth the furrows from your brow,

Go bury your sorrow, bury it how?
God will help you to do it I know,

Swallow that lump in your throat and say,
"I'm going to be happy today, right here and now."

—Johnny Jump-Up.

Otto Williams and wife, of Dalhart, were in the city the latter part of last week visiting Clinton Funk and family.

J. R. McArthur, of the Tap country was in Spur Monday trading and to see Mrs. Oliver who is sick in the city.

C. C. Haile and wife, of Spur, attended the singing Sunday at Dry Lake.

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PARALLEL STORIES of FAMOUS CRIMES

By HENRY C. TERRY

THE CRIMINAL Tells How He Planned the Deed and Sought to Close Every Avenue of Knowledge Leading to His Guilt. The Detective Shows How Futile These Efforts Were and How the Old Adage, Murder Will Out, "Always Holds Good."

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THE GREAT ENGLEWOOD ROBBERY.

DID you ever think how a burglar, who breaks into your house regards you? You play an important part in his scheme of things, it is true, but he hasn't a very high opinion of you, at least of your fighting abilities. The thieves who broke into the house of Banker Baldwin, at Englewood, N. J., a few years ago and perpetrated cruel outrages upon every member of the family had no fear of dogs or guns. They did their work with fiendish precision and congratulated themselves that they left no clue. But the teeth marks left on one of the gang by a faithful bull dog who died defending his mistress, proved their undoing. Now let the principal actors tell the story.

DANNY M'BRIDE'S STORY.

In the days when masked burglaries were in vogue, and all the villages within one hundred miles of New York were considered by these special students of the dark lantern and jimmy as the proper places for them to visit, there was no more desperate gang in the world than that led by Danny McBride, who was a sort of a hero among the lower class of citizens in the old Second Ward.

Danny followed thieving on the bay and river front for several years, but the business was not very remunerative, as most of the stuff which was stolen was disposed of as old junk. It was about as safe a line of thievery as there was going, because Danny and his gang, which consisted of Ben Harper, "Slimmy" Kelly, "Old Man" Dobbs, Pete Beller and Jack Opp, were such cold-blooded cut-throats and careless handlers of the knife and revolver that no one, not even the police, cared about running up against them.

They were known as the greatest collection of rough-and-tumble fighters, and many a bitter battle did they have single-handed or together with the champions of the Ninth, or American Ward, as it was known at that time. It was the toss of a cent who was the better man, Abe Hicks, the American, or Danny McBride. And, although they had a dozen fights in which all the work was done while they were lying in the street, they always came out about even. The last fight they had, John Morrissey was the referee, and he was in sympathy with McBride. Hicks seemed to be getting a trifle the best of the argument, and Morrissey interfered. Then on the Morton street pier occurred one of the bloodiest fights that ever took place in the Ninth Ward. McBride went to the hospital covered with wounds and glory, and it was three months before he was able to get out.

"It was along about this time that Jeff Reynolds, whose life I saved when Billy Porter was trying to fill him full of lead, came down from Sing Sing after doing a stretch of ten years, and the first thing he did was to hunt me up. I was then under cover for a highway trick on Staten Island, but Jeff knew where to find your uncle. When I found out that the cops had no pipes on me for the Staten Island job I went in with Jeff, Ben Harper, Long Sam Wiley and Spanish Forbes. Forbes was a nigger.

"Jeff got up a scheme to do the towns on the East and Hudson River fronts, and travel in a sloop. I always liked the water, and this just suited me. We worked off the tricks in the houses on each side of the rivers one after the other, so as to throw down the police. All our sailing was done in the night, and Forbes, who traveled on shore as a beggar, planted the places for us. It was dead easy work, and more like a picnic than anything else, calling up people in the night with masks on and relieving them of their wealth. We had plenty of luck on the Hudson River front and raided over forty houses. The game got so hot that committees went out at night with rifles to hunt for crooks and we pulled off for a while as it never pays to be a target even for a bad hunter.

"While laying off I picked up a paper and read of a swell wedding at Englewood at the house of a man named Baldwin one of the wealthiest ducks in the neighborhood and some fellow had figured out the presents in jewelry and silver plate as being worth \$200,000. I showed it to Jeff, and said that we ought to give the place a call before any of the presents were sold. He agreed with me

and we sent Forbes to take a look at the place. He reported that the job was as easy as finding the stuff on the road, and the night after the wedding we landed in Englewood in a grocery wagon.

"When we got alongside of the house I was afraid of alarm bells, so I sent Wiley to the top of the piazza to try his luck. The window catch was a double-ender, which could not be worked with a blade, and he had to cut out a pane of glass with a diamond point. The window opened into a vacant room, and we all got into the house that way. We put on our masks and started through the house. We struck old Baldwin's room first, and he actually showed fight. He tried to get to a knob which probably was a signal of some kind, and Jeff put him to sleep with a sandbag. They were all fighters in the house, and a young fellow shot Jeff through the arm in the hall. He was put to sleep before he could do any more shooting. The women—three of them—had to be tied up and gagged to keep them still.

"When we thought that everybody was safe we divided up and went on a hunt for the swag. Forbes went to the front of the house, and in a few seconds I heard some terrible growls and a lot of things upsetting. I ran to the room, and there was Forbes having it out with a bull mastiff on the floor, with a young woman sitting on the bed and urging the beast on. She was a beauty and not scared a bit. The mastiff was getting the best of the fight and had a grip on Forbes' neck which was making him look sick. I pulled my gun and ordered the girl to call off the dog, but she defied me and told me to blaze away. I saw the bluff would not work, so I got out my old blackjack, an ugly-looking thing, and hit the beast a clip on the skull that knocked the life out of him.

"The girl flew at me when I banged the dog, like a wild animal, and I had all I could do to hold her without hurting her. I would not have harmed a hair of that spunky girl's head for a million, but I had to gag her for safety. I always felt sorry for her as she lay looking at the dog, which was probably her pet, and made a good fight to defend her.

"We had easy sailing after that, and in every room there was a lot of stuff which we put into bags. All of it looked good and was very heavy. There was any quantity of jewelry lying around, and in a small safe which we had no trouble in forcing with a wedge, there was a load of diamonds which had been described in the papers. We took our time in packing everything up in good shape, and after a good meal and a big draught of the old man's wine cellar, we quit the place. Harper was waiting down the road a bit with the wagon, and we loaded all the stuff into it."

DETECTIVE MALLON'S STORY.

"The dastardly treatment which the thieves," said Detective Mallon, "who did the work at Baldwin's mansion in Englewood gave the family caused great excitement, and the local police were paralyzed and did not know which way to turn. Mr. Baldwin lived part of the time in New York, and was a broker in Wall street. He requested us to give him aid in running down the thieves, and offered \$20,000 reward for their capture. The case was given to me the second day after the robbery, and I went carefully over the ground.

"I found the family in a terrible condition, and Miss Alice Baldwin almost crazy over the loss of her dog, which defended her so gallantly, and was buried in the finest part of the lawn. The others were all suffering from concussion of the brain from a terrible blow on the head. The only member of the family who could give any clue, which was of any value was Miss Alice, who slept through all the early part of the confusion and was awakened by the growling of the dog. The light was burning in her room, and she saw a heavy built man standing beside her bed. She called the dog, who was lying at the foot of the bed, and set him on the thief. In the struggle the dog tore the mask off, and she saw the burglar was a negro.

"She said that she had seen the negro before in Englewood, and thought that she had seen him on a wagon loaded with garden truck going toward New York about two weeks before. Upon this information I made a tour all through the country to get a trace of a missing negro and wasted a lot of time in following the wanderings of a colored man who had

worked for several days with a farmer near Lodi. I found him, but there were no wounds on his body, and this left him out of the game.

"When I returned to New York, I had a complete list of all the stolen goods, and made a tour of all the fences which were likely to give up information to the police, but learned nothing that would do me any good. A friend of mine who kept a liquor store in Greenwich street told me of a watch which he had bought from a fellow who looked like a tramp about a week before, and it had all the marks of one of the watches which had been stolen. I took the watch to Mr. Baldwin, and he said that it was his property.

"I made up my mind that the tramp did not have any hand in the robbery, and had got possession of the watch in some other way. I hunted high and low for this fellow, in the cheap dives, and finally landed a fellow answering to his description. I took him to the liquor dealer, and he was fully identified. I locked him up and squeezed him very hard for information. He persisted that he had found the watch in the street, but after he was put through the mill, and charged with killing a man to get the time piece, he admitted that he stole it from a man who was lying drunk in a hallway in Greenwich street.

"From the description that he gave me and the knowledge of crooks which I had, I concluded that it was probably Danny McBride. I dropped downtown, and, after hanging around for a few days, I felt satisfied that Danny was in hiding for something. I could not find him in any of his haunts.

"One evening, while going through Bleeker street, I met Frank Carroll, and he told me an amusing story about a voodoo woman, who sold charms to the superstitious negroes. She was from Cuba, spoke Spanish and had wonderful powers. She could destroy witches who followed negroes, and could cure diseases by the laying on of her hands. Carroll said that there was a report going around among the negroes that she had healed the wounds and destroyed the evil spirit which was bothering a negro at a single sitting, for which service she had received a fabulous sum. Ordinarily, I wouldn't have listened to this story, but by some strange influence I associated this negro with the one who had been bitten by the dog at Baldwin's house.

"A good detective always run down every idea, no matter how foolish it may seem, and I decided to have a chat with the voodoo doctress. She lived in a rear building in Wooster street, on the top floor, and received me with a great show of suspicion. I told her that I believed in her power to kill my enemies, and I offered to pay her liberally for one of her enemy-destroying charms.

"In a few moments she limbered up a little and made a statement that fairly caused me to jump for joy. She said that the voodoo which had this man in his power had bitten him all over the body, and his flesh was filled with deep indentations from the teeth. That was all she would say then, and she would not tell who he was or anything about him except that he had gone to Cuba. I got a detective from the Mercer street station to watch the house and in the evening I got Al Pender, a colored man who could be depended on to play a part.

"He called upon the voodoo woman, and the first thing he did was to pull out a big knife and sharpen it. He said nothing while doing this and the woman became very uneasy. When he got through the pantomime he told her in very solemn tones that the object of his visit was to kill her. He gave her one alternative. If she would tell him who the man was who called on her with the teeth marks in his body, her life would be spared and she would get \$1,000 in gold. Pender shook a bag full of metal and gave her three minutes to answer. She whispered the name of Spanish Forbes. Pender knew that he had the woman in his power, and pressed the question, under the same conditions, as to where Forbes was. She told him he was in a certain cellar in Wooster street.

"I had heard all she said from the hall, and at this point opened the door. I ordered her to take me to Forbes, but it took a prod from Pender's knife to make her move. She had told the truth. Forbes was in the cellar in a semi-delirious state from morphine. He talked all the time, and I made the woman sit on his bed. He seemed to be frightened when he saw her. I asked him who was with him at the Englewood robbery, and when I told him that the woman had told me everything, he gave the names of Jeff Reynolds, Danny McBride, Sam Wiley and Ben Harper, and told where they could be found.

"That was enough for me, and I sent Forbes to a hospital under guard. The same night I captured McBride, Wiley and Reynolds. They were tried, convicted and put away for fifteen years in Jersey. I caught Harper two years later, and he got the same dose. Forbes, who turned state's evidence, got off with seven years.

WARM WEATHER FOOD

LIGHT, APPETIZING REPASTS FOR THE HOT DAYS.

All Kinds of Delicious Salads That May Be Easily Prepared and Are Inexpensive—Stuffing for the Tomatoes.

As soon as the really warm weather comes in housekeepers are on the watch for anything that will be a change, or tend to tempt the appetites of those in her family.

Elaborate dishes requiring time and skill, to say nothing of their cost, she will pass by, but simple, inexpensive additions to the daily menu are sure to be welcomed, writes Elizabeth Lee in the Chicago Daily News. For instance, a salad made from toast and hard boiled eggs is not as well known as it should be.

To prepare it stale bread is toasted a light brown. The crusts are cut away and the square cut diagonally. One-half is piled with the grated yolk of egg, the other with the white finely chopped. The two are placed together and laid upon them may be boned sardine, a little salmon, lobster, or any fish at hand, covering with mayonnaise. The toast is transferred to a crisp leaf of lettuce.

As most housekeepers keep mayonnaise on hand this dish is quickly prepared, and at very little cost, too. For lunch this makes quite a substantial meal. Those who like peppers will find a sprinkling of the green shells both attractive and tasty.

Another inexpensive salad quickly prepared is made by mixing two ten-cent squares of cream cheese with enough cream or milk to form a paste. To this is added a small onion chopped fine, a half cup of any kind of nuts chopped, and salt to taste. This is piled upon lettuce leaves, each one garnished with a sprig of parsley.

In making chicken salad if one runs short of the meat a nice way of helping out is to inclose the salad in a ring of ham jelly. You make just a plain jelly with the gelatin slightly salt, and when almost cold beat in a little cream or the white of an egg and a half-cup of potted ham. Place in ring shape upon the dish and fill with the chicken salad, when you will have a most delicious and attractive looking salad.

Any bits of food left over in the ice box can be used up to make a stuffing of tomatoes. The inside of the tomato is taken out and mixed with almost anything at hand. I have tasted the combination of rice, a few nuts, a hard boiled egg, a sprig of parsley, and a tablespoonful of chopped parsley as a filling and found it very appetizing. Salt and pepper to taste are added and then the tomatoes are filled. They can be baked in the oven or put on the ice to chill just as one prefers the raw or cooked food. Both ways taste good.

Hominy Drop Cakes.

One pint of fresh boiled hominy (cold may be used and, if the latter, break into grains as lightly as possible with a fork and heat in a double boiler without adding water); one tablespoon of water, two eggs, whites and yolks beaten separately. Stir the yolks into the hominy first, then the whites; add a teaspoon of salt, if not already salted; if so, half the amount. Drop by spoonfuls on well buttered tin sheets or pan and bake to a good brown in a quick oven.

Artichokes a la Polvrae.

Take 4 or 5 young artichokes, trim them, remove the chokes, cut off the lower leaves, divide the artichokes into fours, throw them in vinegar and cold water to preserve the color. When wanted drain them from the vinegar and water, put them into a dish and serve like radishes. Pepper, salt, oil and vinegar should be sent to table with them, sufficient for a small side dish.

Green Peas Waffles.

Boil the peas until tender or use left over peas; drain until very dry, then mash the pulp through a strainer; pour a cup of boiling milk into a cup of strained peas, adding a generous tablespoon of butter, one of sugar and a half a teaspoon of salt. When the mixture cools add two eggs, yolks and whites beaten separately; two teaspoons baking powder, sifted with a full cup of flour. If too thin add more flour. Bake in buttered waffle irons; sprinkle with powdered sugar and serve hot with maple syrup.

Sugar Pie.

One teacup sweet milk, one and one-half cups sugar, not quite half-cup flour or cornstarch, one teaspoonful of vanilla flavoring. This will make filling for one pie baked in large pie tin. Bake without top crust.

Blueberry Pudding.

Place slices of buttered bread in pudding dish, pour over hot stewed berries, sweetened, and have plenty of the sauce, as the bread will absorb. Let get cold, and dot top with whipped cream.



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He Was Willing to Work. The Democratic members of the house of representatives have been besieged ever by a horde of office seekers, willing to serve their country.

"It is refreshing," said one representative in discussing the office question, "to hear of an aspirant for public office who frankly admits his ambition, yet disdains to seek a position in which he will have nothing to do but to draw a salary.

"Two wayside pilgrims were talking over things when one of them asked: 'Dick, you ain't a hankerin' after no government place, are ye?'

"I don't mind sayin' I'd take one of 'em if I could git it," responded the other, "but I don't want no job that's all fat. I'm willin' to earn my wages." "An' what sort o' job would be about your size?"

"Well, I'd like to fill fountain pens for some assistant secretary of the treasury."—Judge.

Sounds Better.

The feeling of many men with regards to public office is much the same as that which a certain distinguished Frenchman had toward the academy—that group of forty who are called "the immortals." He was asked one day why he did not propose his candidacy for the academy.

"Ah," said he, "if I applied and were admitted, some one might ask, 'Why is he in it?' and I should much rather hear it asked, 'Why isn't he in it?'"—Christian Register.

Of the Bird Kind.

"Say, pa?" "What is it?" "Is an aviary a hospital for aviators?"

It's difficult for a man to be upright after he is down and out.

To The Last Mouthful

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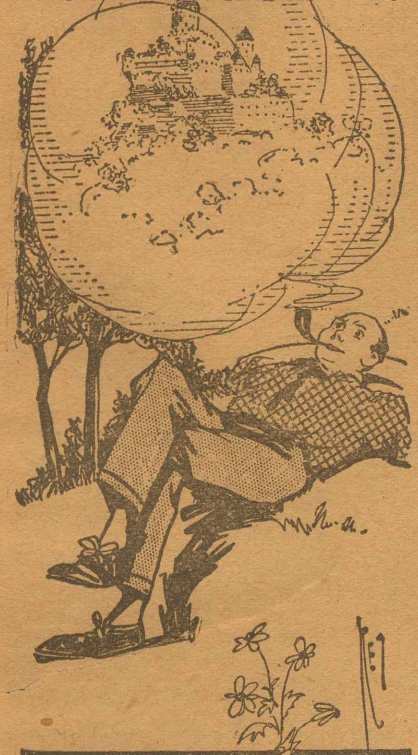
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What is life without them—
All the dreams?
Though we smile and flout them,
Still it seems
That the days are brighter
In their glow
And our hearts are lighter
Ere they go.

Dream by night or daytime
Make us glad;
All the golden playtime
We have had
With its songs of pleasure,
Caught its gleam
And its lift and measure
From a dream

Dreams—they take us yonder,
Far and far,
Down the ways of wonder
Till we are
Holden of the fancies
That we weave
Of our necromancers'
Make-believe.

Half the joys of living
Are the dreams;
Day and night they're giving
Out their beams.
Day or night we choose them—
For their host
Proves we, if we lose them,
Lose the most.

ON SNORING.

We read in the account of some charges preferred against a judge somewhere or other that he is accused of going to sleep on the bench and of waking himself up with a loud and sudden snore. This statement appears to excite not only levity but to bring opprobrium upon the snorer.

It is because of such ill-timed humor as this that snoring is rapidly becoming a lost art in the world. Now-a-days when people snore they do so as surreptitiously as possible. They snore apologetically—little whiffling, subnormal snores that mean nothing and accomplish nothing. It is no longer possible, for instance, to be strolling home along about 11 o'clock or midnight, and pause in front of some house just to enjoy the deep diapason and the rhythmic regularity of the snore of some old master. Ah, there was a bassoon quality, an oboe timbre, about some of the old-time snores which we sadly miss today.

Pause and reflect, dear reader, that our children will grow up and live in practically a snoreless world. Contemplate the change in human attitude toward what was once the melodious accompaniment of honest sleep, when even the judicial ermine does not stop the captious critics from attempting to hold the snore in derision and silence it with contumely.

Does childhood give you any happier memory than that of the old gentleman who lived across the street, and who took a nap every afternoon with a red handkerchief over his face to keep the flies out of his mouth, while he not only snored in a varying bass and baritone, but between snores the exhaust of his breath was a shrill whistle? What would you not give today to be able to see and hear that ancient and honorable thirty-third degree snorer when he threw in the high and cut out the mufflers? It was epic; it was classic, but it is gone from us forever.

And that judge who is derided and may be disbarred because forsooth he snored on the bench and awakened himself with a snore! Would that we might have heard it! Fancy pictures him, oblivious to the learned lawyer who is arguing before him, oblivious to jury, prisoner and all, his head resting against the back of his chair, his mouth open, and then all of a sudden, that long-drawn, crescendo snore, terminating in a gulping whoop which almost tore his head off! Probably it will go down in history as the last of the great snores of time.

Mike Amazed.
Jerry was treating Mike to a trolley ride, says Judge. The conductor, a good-looking young Irishman, came through, collecting the fares. Mike watched his progress with great interest. Presently he turned to Jerry with tears in his eyes.
"Jerry," he said huskily, "I've a lump in me throat."
"What for?" demanded Jerry.
"Tis the gladness of me that's too big to swally!" said Mike. "Every American has the big, generous heart! D'ye mind the poor young felly w' the blue cap? 'Tis beggin' his livin' he is. I saw him hould out his hand to twenty-siven people and ivery blessed wan of thim gave him a nickel!"

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BEYOND LIMIT OF PATIENCE

Uses of the Telephone Will Be Apt to Condone Mr. Busiman's Brief Loss of Temper.

He was just about exasperated with the telephone, was Mr. Busiman. Ten times that morning he had tried to get on to a number, and each time something had prevented him from speaking. Either it was "number engaged," or the person he wanted to speak to was out, or else he had been suddenly cut off. At last he got through.
"Hallo!" said he. "Is Mr. X. there?"
"Yes," replied a voice. "Do you want to speak to him?"
That was the last straw. Back came the reply in icy tones:
"Oh, no! Nothing of the sort. I merely rung up to hand him a cigar!"

"Exclamatory" Was Right.
Mrs. Mason's colored washerwoman, Martha, was complaining of her husband's health.
"Why, is he sick, Martha?" asked Mrs. Mason.
"He's ve'y po'ly, Ma'am, po'ly," answered the woman. "He's got the exclamatory rheumatism."
"You mean inflammatory, Martha," said the patron. "Exclamatory means to cry out."
"Yes, ma'am," replied Martha, with conviction, "dat's what it is. He hollers all the time."—Judge.

Culture will do much for a woman, but it will not permit her to sneeze gracefully.

SCURF ON BABY'S HEAD

Campbell, Va.—"I used Cuticura Soap and Ointment for scurf on my baby's head and they made a complete cure. It came on her head soon after birth. It broke out in pimples and itched and she would scratch it and cause sores to form. Her head was very sore and her hair fell out in bunches. She was very cross and fretful and could not sleep at night. I tried many remedies, all failed, then I tried Cuticura Soap and Ointment and they commenced to heal at once. I put the Cuticura Ointment on, and a half hour after washed her head with the Cuticura Soap. I used them a month and she was cured entirely." (Signed) Mrs. W. B. McMullen, Mar. 8, 1912.

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A Year Hence.
Miss Dinningham—Mamma, do you think papa knows Harold is going to call for me in his aeroplane?
Mamma—O, I think so, dear. He's been hanging around the skylight with a club all the afternoon.



Bronson—There's something very small about that man, Masson.
Woodson—What's the matter with him?
Bronson—Why, he loaned me a garden hose that needed mending.

Works in the Garden Now.
Grown old in the service of his master and mistress, James was a privileged retainer.

He was waiting at table one day, when a guest politely asked for a fish fork. Strangely enough, the request was ignored.

Then the hostess noticed the episode and remarked in a most peremptory manner:

"James, Mrs. Jones hasn't a fish fork. Get her one at once!"

"Madam," came the emphatic reply, "last time Mrs. Jones dined here we lost a fish fork."

James has now been relegated to the garden.

Real Problem.
"Do you think we can defeat this man?" asked the campaign manager.
"Yes," replied Senator Sorghum, "but I won't be satisfied with that. What I want to hand him is some kind of a defeat that he won't be able to use as a personal advertisement for future business."

Their Feeling.
"Well, old sport, how do you feel? I've just eaten a bowl of ox-tail soup and feel bully."
"I've just eaten a plate of hash and feel like everything."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

Eph Wiley says he has noticed that the man with a long chin is the one most likely to accentuate it by wearing whiskers.

Important to Mothers
Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA, a safe and sure remedy for infants and children, and see that it bears the Signature of *Dr. J. C. Fletcher*. In Use For Over 30 Years. Children Cry for Fletcher's Castoria.

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"Do you believe we are in any danger of losing our birthright?"
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Tetterine, 50c. per box. Your druggist or J. T. Shuprine, Savannah, Ga.

By Experiment.
"What was your little boy crying about last evening?" "Over his lesson in natural history." "A child of that age studying natural history? You astonish me!" "It's so, just the same. He was learning the difference between a wasp and a fly."

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Congratulated.
Prize Fighter (entering school with his son)—You give this boy o' mine arthrashin' yesterday, didn't you?
Schoolmaster (very nervous)—Well—I'er—perhaps—
Prize Fighter—Well, give us your 'and; you're a champion. I can't do nothin' with 'im myself.—Punch.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for Children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic, 25c a bottle.

In the eyes of a silly girl clothes make a mighty poor specimen of a man look like the real thing.

HAD THE BANDMASTER GOING

Governor Suffered Because His Request Was Not Couched in Plain Enough Language.

Mr. Melvil Dewey, state librarian of New York, said recently that libraries would do well to furnish free music rolls for player-pianos, just as they now furnish books.

"In Toledo," said Dr. Dewey the other day, "my project has been lately inaugurated. It will accomplish much for the musical art."

Then, apropos of music and ignorance, Dr. Dewey told a story.

"A certain governor," he said, "was being lunched at a seaside town. During the repast the local band played on the beach outside the hotel. The drum was in charge of a blacksmith, and he beat it so resonantly that at last this message was sent out:

"The governor requests the drummer to desist."

"The bandmaster was puzzled by this message for a moment; then his face brightened in a smile, and he said:

"More drum, Joe; the governor likes it."

TWO TERRIBLE CASES OF RINGWORM CURED

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Chicago, Ill., June 5, 1912: "My little daughter had a running sore, which I was told was a wet ringworm, on the back of her head from ear to ear, and also one which spread from one hip to the other, extending from the waist down. They itched her continually. She had to be carried on a pillow, and nights she could not sleep on account of the sores. She suffered terribly, and would scratch continually. I bought Resinol Soap and Resinol Ointment, and after about two weeks my child was well and hearty." (Signed) Mrs. Emely Skelnik, 2953 Gresham Ave.

Nossville, Pa., May 11, 1912: "It is the greatest pleasure for me to testify to the merits of Resinol Soap and Resinol Ointment in the treatment of ringworms, from which I suffered for about five weeks until I found a perfect cure in Resinol.

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Making Himself at Home.

Doris was radiant over a recent addition to the family, and rushed out of the house to tell the news to a passing neighbor.

"Oh, you don't know what we've got upstairs!"

"What is it?"

"It's a new baby brother!"—and she settled back upon her heels and folded her hands to watch the effect.

"You don't say so! Is he going to stay?"

"I guess so"—very thoughtfully. "He's got his things off."

The New Sport.

"These here New Yorkers is bound to have their sports, I see," said Uncle Silas.

"In what way?" asked the boarder.

"Why," said Uncle Silas, "sence they give up hoss-racin' they've gone in heavy for the turkey trot. Don't seem to me's if that could be very excitin'."—Harper's Weekly.

Education should give the child more capacity for doing work and helping itself to the good things of life, too many try to help themselves without performing any useful labor.

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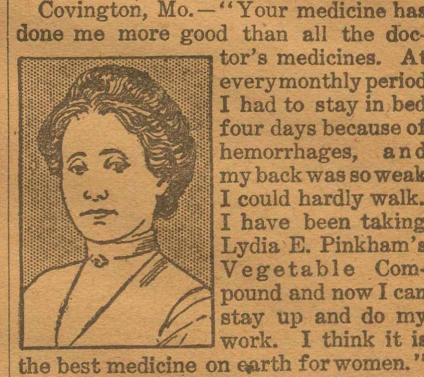
"Birds of a feather flock together."
"How about a rooster and a crow?"



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—Mrs. JENNIE GREEN, Covington, Mo.

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"I had hemorrhages and at times could not get any medicine to stop them. I got in such a weak condition that I would have died if I had not got relief soon.

"Several women who had taken your Compound, told me to try it and I did and found it to be the right medicine to build up the system and overcome female troubles.

"I am now in great deal better health than I ever expected to be, so I think I ought to thank you for it."—Mrs. O. M. CLINE, S. Main St., Brownsville, Ind.

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I have established an ice business at Spur in connection with the Jayton Ice Plant and will appreciate a share of your business in that line. Later the Ice Plant will be moved to Spur and manufacture Spur ice. Phone orders to number 73.—G. C. Pass.

R. B. F. Craig made a business tap this week to Floydada, where he spent several days.

Mr. Coleman, who on account of sickness has been spending some time in Jayton, returned the latter part of last week to Spur and resumed his duties superintending engines for the Stamford and Northwestern Railway Company.

J. E. Shelby and family moved last week to Spur from the Plains country near Wake and intend to make Spur their home in the future. Mr. Shelby and family formerly lived in Spur and we welcome them back home.

Frank Smith, of several miles south of Spur, was in the city the latter part of last week and spent some time here on business and trading with the merchants.

Home manufactured ice furnished by G. C. Pass. Phone orders to 73.

Rev. G. S. Hardy, Presiding Elder of the Methodist Church, conducted services Sunday in Spur and also Quarterly Conference Monday morning at ten o'clock.

Gill Bennett, a prominent citizen and business man of Rule, spent several days in Spur this week visiting his son and family, Mr. and Mrs. George Bennett.

Mrs. Oscar Jackson and children left the latter part of last week for Merkel where she will spend some time with her parents, A. L. Jobe and family.

B. Boone, formerly of Spur but recently of Rannels county, is again in Spur and will hereafter be employed at the Teague Blacksmith shop.

John Anderson, representing the Climax Refining Company, was in Spur last week looking after the interests of that company in this section.

T. J. Harrison, of north of Dickens and the Democratic nominee for Tax Assessor of the county, was in the city the latter part of last week.

J. D. Bryant and family, of Stamford, spent several days this week in Spur with his son and family, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Bryant.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Stephens, of the city, have been spending the past week with relatives and friends in Comanche county.

FOR SALE—Full blood Poland China pigs and Silverlace Wyandott cockerels.—Mrs. Fred O. McFall, Mound Farm. 39-4tp.

FOR SALE—20 acre block west of Spur, well improved. Will take some trade and sell at a bargain.—T. A. Edmondson. 39-4t.

Roman Derrick, who was kicked several days ago by a horse is reported doing very well but not able to get up. The kick struck his hip, breaking the bone.

DOCKUM VALLEY

Well, Mr. Editor, crops are looking fine. Everybody rejoicing over the shower we had last Monday.

A crowd of Dockum ladies and gentlemen attended the picnic at Dickens. All report a most pleasant time.

Mr. Jessie Leabo, Escal McBroom and Sidney Smith were the guests of Mr. Jim Smith Sunday.

S. W. McKay and wife were on Dockum Saturday night and Sunday, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. P. T. and C. J. Smith.

Mrs. Mattie Smith and Miss Turner of Spur, were the guests of Mrs. Susie Smith Tuesday evening.

Mr. W. A. Copeland, of east of Spur was on Dockum first of the week visiting relatives.

Misses Mollie, Eunice and Nell McBroom were the guests of Miss Idell Smith Sunday.

Mr. Burren Smith went to town Monday.

Rabbits are getting awful numerous but we are afraid to shoot them on account of so many candidates.

George Dodson, of north of Dickens was down in this part of the country Monday.

Well Mr. Editor, come around, cantaloupes and water melons are getting ripe. We will live easy.—Farmer.

J. L. Carr and boys, of several miles north of Spur, were in the city Saturday and were pleasant callers at the Texas Spur office. Mr. Carr says his crops are looking good and that he is well contented and satisfied with his new home in the Spur country.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike M. Young, of the Red Hill country, were in the city the latter part of last week and spent some time here visiting friends, Mr. Young leaving on the afternoon train and Mrs. Young returning to her home.

Mr. Nicholson and family arrived in the city Thursday from Peacock and will make their home here in the future. Mr. Nicholson will be employed at the Sol Davis store and will make Spur his permanent home.

Bill McArthur came in Saturday from his place in the Tap country and spent several hours here. Bill reports crops in good shape and with finest prospects of bumper yields.

J. P. Gibson returned the latter part of last week from a trip to Clarendon and other places where he spent a week or ten days on business and visiting friends and relatives.

Subscribe for The Texas Spur.

T. V. Davis was in the city Saturday and spent some time here. He received recently a shipment of Indian Runner Ducks and he intends to raise ducks another year as well as chickens. The Indian Runners are said to be fine layers and the best for this section of country.

Mr. Beavers, who was severely injured the latter part of last week at the well drilling outfit working near Spur, is reported doing as well as could be expected. It is said that one of his thumbs was torn completely loose from the hand, having been caught in some manner in machinery.

W. F. Walker was in the city Saturday from his home several miles from Spur and reports that his crops are looking pretty good considering everything.

Miss Pearl Blackwell left the latter part of last week for an extended visit with relatives in Coke county.

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C. D. Copeland, of five or six miles east of Spur, was in the city Saturday looking contented at the crop prospects in his section. Mr. Copeland hit it hard last year, the rains having missed his place, but this year he is getting plenty rain and has fine crop prospects, and we hope that he will make a bale of cotton to the acre and more feed stuff than he can sell.

STONEWALL COUNTY OFFICERS

Aspermont, Texas, July 30.—The following is a list of nominations for county officers: County Judge, W. J. Arrington; County and District Clerk, R. T. Tillotson; Sheriff and Tax Collector, Fred O. Senter; Assessor, J. C. Rosh; Treasurer, S. R. Dickey; County Attorney, T. E. Knight; Surveyor, J. F. Lee.—Dallas News.

RAILROAD OFFICIALS VISIT SPUR IN SPECIAL TRAIN

Friday of last week Spur was honored by a visit of a number of railroad officials who came to Spur in a special train, spending several hours here looking over the town and surrounding country.

Among the number were Messrs. Parker, President of the Colorado and Southern Lines; Keeler, Vice-President and general manager of the Fort Worth & Denver; Gausewitz, general superintendent of the Fort Worth & Denver City Railway Company; Sterley, general freight agent, Gouty, chief engineer, Hudson, Auditor, all of the Fort Worth & Denver, and Fitzpatrick, superintendent of the Wichita Valley and Stamford & Northwestern Railway. Accompanying the delegation was Homer D. Wade, secretary of the Stamford Commercial Club.

While in Spur W. G. Sherrrod and others with automobiles carried the officials over the town and surrounding country. They were pleased with the promising crop prospects of the country, and said nothing about railroad building at this time.

Mr. Boothe, of several miles southeast of Spur, bought the R. B. F. Craig photograph business last week and will hereafter manage and conduct the business. Mr. Craig intends to move his family to another section of country, probably to Oklahoma.

RAISING FINE CHICKENS

Mrs. Fred O. McFall, of Mound Farm, was in the city last week and while here was a pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office. Mrs. McFall is raising fine chickens for sale and says that soon she will have plenty fine water melons, and we want to impress the fact that the Texas Spur is giving a premium for the biggest melon brought to the office.

B. T. Duncan, Jr., of near Draper, was in the city Saturday of last week and reports everything in good shape in his section of the country. Every section of the Spur country is in fine shape and the probabilities are that this will be a record breaking crop year for Dickens county.

A girl was born Wednesday of last week to Mr. and Mrs. Sam Clemmons at their home in the city. Sam says young Miss Clemmons weighed ten pounds upon her arrival and that she gives promise of becoming in later years the belle of the country.

J. A. Nichols, a prominent citizen of the Wake country, was in Spur Friday after supplies and material with which to improve his place. Mr. Nichols is one of the most prosperous farmers of the whole country, and although his crops this year were destroyed by the hail he is expected to make good feed crops.

W. A. Johnson, of the Dockum Stock Farm, was in the city the latter part of last week and reports everything in good shape.

Albert Spencer, who has been making his home recently at Anson, passed through Spur the latter part of the week for Dickens where he will be employed on the Dickens Item in the future, Editor Thomas having resigned his position for another place elsewhere.

W. T. Duke was in the city the latter part of last week and reports his cotton beginning to open and he says he intends to get the premium bale in Dickens county.

Phone 73 for your ice.—G. C. Pass.

Miss Lena Roberts left this week for an extended visit to relatives in the eastern part of the state. During her absence Clay Smart will be employed in the dry goods department of the Sol Davis store.

Mr. Neighbors, a prominent citizen of the Duck Creek country, was in the city this week on business and trading with the merchants.

J. M. Upshaw has been coming to town regularly the past week selling water melons and cantaloupes grown on his farm several miles northeast of Spur.

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REVOLUTION BREAKS OUT IN NICARAGUA

GEN. LUIS MENA LEADS REVOLT WHEN ASKED TO RESIGN.

CAPITAL CITY IS ATTACKED

Serious Conditions Prevail in Republic Through Failure of Corn and Bean Crops.

New Orleans, La.: Confirmation of the revolt of Gen. Luis Mena and his followers in Managua, Nicaragua, dispatches to Senor Juan Zavala, Consul of Nicaragua. These advices contained the added information that the Government forces were under the leadership of Gen. Emiliano Chamorro, Conservative, and personal enemy of Gen. Mena.

Reports that Gen. Mena attacked the capital indicate that Campo de Marte and La Loma de Tiscapa, the principal fortresses protecting Managua, are held by the Government forces. For months past the greater part of the Government's munitions of war have been stored in Camp de Marte, and it is believed President Diaz and Gen. Chamorro worked a ruse to gain possession of this fortress and of La Loma, further up the hill, overlooking the capital, before the resignation of the Minister of War was requested.

As an evidence of the serious conditions which prevail in Nicaragua through the failure of the corn and bean crops this season, Modesto Sequira, Governor of the Department of Bluefields, issued an official appeal on July 10 for money and provisions to relieve the distress of the destitute inhabitants of Twappi, Krukira, Quija and other towns in the Wama River district. The Bluefields American of last week paints the condition as critical in all sections of the Republic.

Capt Terhune of the gunboat Annapolis, at San Juan del Sur, radiographed the Navy Department that Managua, the capital, was attacked on July 29 and is now cut off from communication.

Gen. Mena led the uprising on July 29, when his resignation as Minister of War was demanded by President Diaz. Mena is now said to occupy the small forts near Managua. Grand is in possession of Mena's son, whom he recently appointed Commandant. About 800 troops are here.

3000 BIRDS TO BE ON EXHIBITION.

Premiums Offered in Poultry Department of Fair Total \$1,700.

Dallas, Texas: F. F. Sliney, director in charge of the poultry department of the State Fair of Texas for the twenty-seventh annual meeting, October 12 to 27, declares that more than three thousand birds will be exhibited in his division. These include chickens, turkeys, ducks and pigeons. Premiums offered in all classes of standard bred poultry aggregate \$1,700, as rich as any State Fair offering in the United States. The poultry building has been overhauled throughout, and the old-style wall coops used last year have been replaced two thousand feet of new Empire exhibition coops. For exhibiting fancy poultry, these coops are considered the best manufactured and are well ventilated, roomy and comfortable in every way, so that the fowls really do better than they do in their native barnyard.

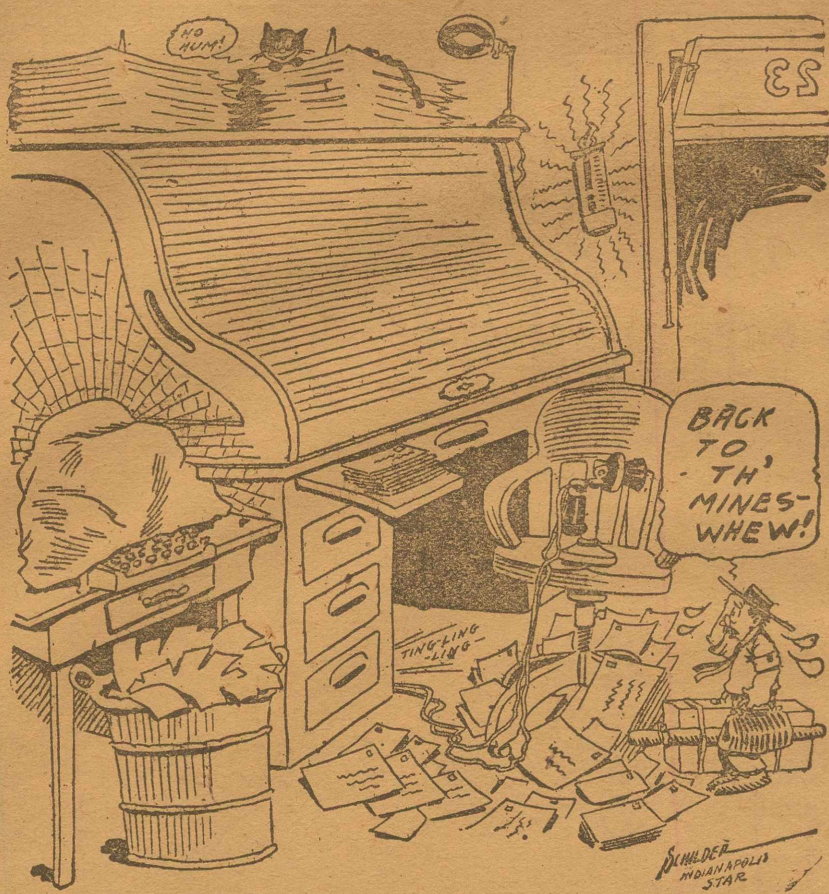
CONGRESSMEN PLAN TO ADJOURN

August Fifteenth or Seventeenth Will Probably See Session End.

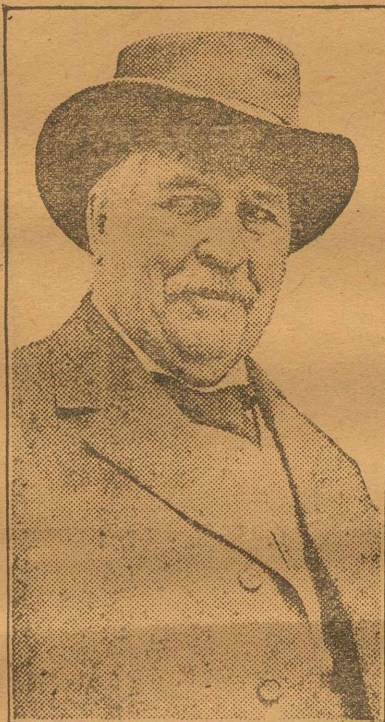
Washington: Congress has begun what is expected to be the last fortnight of the present session. Adjournment by Aug. 15 or 17 is confidently expected. The postponement of the Archibald impeachment trial until Dec. 3 has cleared the decks of the Senate so action on the remaining legislative matters can be pushed to a speedy finish. Uncertainty exists as to the failure of some of the appropriation bills still at issue between the Senate and the House. The determination to abolish the Commerce Court and to place a seven-year tenure of office in the civil service law has aroused antagonism, which may be reflected from the White House in a veto of the bill appropriating money for the salaries of Federal employes.

According to R. P. Babcock, State Registrar of Vital Statistics, deaths from tuberculosis for the month of June was reduced to 179, being eighty-five less than May and ninety-five less than June, 1911.

A VACATIONIST'S RETURN



THOMAS B. CATRON



This is a new photograph of United States Senator Catron of New Mexico, looking his pleasantest as a result of the nomination of Woodrow Wilson for president by the Democrats.

REBELS THREATEN AMERICANS.

3,000 Mormon Colonists Fleeing to El Paso from Sonora District.

Washington: Either the Mexican situation has developed a most dangerous phase, or some 3,000 Americans, largely women and children from the Mormon colonies, which are fleeing toward El Paso, are the victims of some tall threatening that is being done by Gen. Salazar, the rebel chieftain in the Sonora district.

Confirmatory of the press dispatches that Americans have been threatened with massacre by Gen. Salazar, Representative Smith of the El Paso district received the following telegram from Mayor C. E. Kelly of El Paso: "After summoning the principal ten of the Mormon colonies, Rebel Gen. Salazar told them that all promises and guarantees were withdrawn; that they had to join his forces or surrender; that he proposed to confiscate American property and treat Americans the same as they had the Chinese, the inference being that they would will them, as was done the Chinese at Torreon; that he hated the Taft Government as much as the Madero Government."

"Refugees just arrived, late Mexican soldiers threaten to massacre all that are not out by Tuesday."

Both Tuesday telegrams were laid before the House Committee on Military Affairs and communicated to the State Department. The members of the House committee were strongly impressed with the information conveyed in the telegram and discussed the matter with the House leaders.

Churches to Fight Tuberculosis.

Washington: The National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis has designated Oct. 27 as the date for a National demonstration against the white plague. On that day churches and religious societies will be asked to give special attention to tuberculosis in their services. It is expected that more than 100,000 churches and societies throughout the country will observe the day.

NATIONS OF WORLD WARNED BY SENATE

ADOPT RESOLUTIONS REGARDING ENCROACHMENTS OF POWERS.

SECRET SESSION WAS HELD

Measure Arises from Reported Attempt of Japanese Corporation to Get Magdalena Bay.

Washington: The United States Senate Friday issued a warning to the Nations of the world against encroaching upon the continents of North and South America. The United States will not see "without grave concern," said the Senate, any suitable naval or military site pass into control of a foreign corporation when such possession "might threaten communications or safety of the United States."

So vital were the issues discussed in the Lodge resolution, which set forth the policy of the United States as to points surrounded like Magdalena Bay, that the resolution was debated in secret session for three hours. It finally passed with only four votes against it. Notwithstanding the comparative unanimity of the Senate upon the note of warning, it is understood the measure did not have the official indorsement of the administration. It was framed entirely outside the State Department, and it is understood the executive branch of the Government was not consulted.

The resolution arose from a reported attempt of a Japanese syndicate to get land about Magdalena Bay. In the form finally adopted by the Senate it declares against the acquisition of any threatening location by a foreign corporation "which has such relation to another Government, not American, as to give that Government practical power of control for naval or military purposes."

CLOUDBURSTS CAUSE DAMAGE.

Colorado Towns Are Flooded, Cattle Drowned and Crops Injured.

Denver, Colo.: Cloudbursts that pelted crops and villages left a trail of damage across Colorado. Several small towns were flooded, railroad tracks were washed away, cattle were drowned, crops were destroyed and people were much alarmed.

At Kuner the clouds belched hailstones to the earth. John Swatsman, a farmer hit by the hail, was knocked unconscious in a field. Cattle in the hail belt were stunned and many that were trampled upon by their frightened neighbors were killed.

Hundreds of tourists were marooned in Colorado Springs because the railroad tracks in both directions had been washed out. Anxiety was felt by the farmers in the Springs section because of a warning that Monument dam was weakening under the strain of the flood.

Brazilian Wreck Victims Total 200.

Rio Janeiro: Two hundred people were killed or wounded in a railroad collision Thursday night near the Central Railway station in this city. It is reported that many passengers jumped through the windows and were run over by other trains. Rescue work continued the remainder of the night and it is believed that many more were under the debris.

TIME NOW RIPE FOR POLICE INVESTIGATION

SO DECLARES HEAD OF NEW YORK DEPARTMENT.

CRITICISM OF THE COURTS

Declares Gamblers Do Much of Corrupt Election Work of Political Parties in Power.

New York: Police Commissioner Rhinelander Waldo, in a statement relative to the Rosenthal case, recommended an impartial and thorough investigation of the charges made regarding the alleged connection between the police and the gamblers. At the same time he declared that gambling can exist only because the gamblers can obtain what amounts to protection from the courts, and asserted that gamblers do much of the corrupt election work of the political parties who place the judiciary on the bench.

While the issuance of this statement was the most important development Sunday, it was reported at police headquarters that detectives were close on the trail of "Lefty Louie" and "Gyp the Blood," the two remaining gangmen sought in connection with the murder. Inspector Hughes spent his third day in personal charge of a force of detectives near Tannerville, in the Catskills. It is known positively that "Gyp the Blood," "Lefty Louie" and "Whitey" Lewis left the others to go to Fleischmanns, where he was captured. "Gyp the Blood" and "Lefty Louie," however, are believed to have remained in Tannersville.

Both "Lefty Louie" and "Gyp the Blood," are known as desperate characters and reputed to be dead shots. They are believed to be armed. A hard fight is looked for by the police when the detectives finally attempt to arrest the alleged murderers.

ONLY TWO COUNTIES STILL OUT.

Winners in Close State Races Are Now Fully Decided by Returns.

Dallas, Texas: With complete returns from every important county in the State except Red River and Coke, it seems certain that the winners in the close race are that Looney for Attorney General, Mayfield for Railroad Commissioner, Phillips for Supreme Court, Prendergast for the Court of Criminal Appeals and Sumners and D. E. Garrett for Congress at Large. The totals are: Attorney General—Looney 138,425, Waitall 129,977.

Railroad Commissioner—Mayfield 143,824, Wortham 134,778.

Supreme Court—Phillips 99,843, Townes 88,248.

Court of Criminal Appeals—Prendergast 136,323, Muse 129,911.

Congress at Large (two to be chosen)—Sumners 59,999, D. E. Garrett 53,083, Cureton 47,861, McLemore 47,805.

Three Drown in Delaware.

Philadelphia, Pa.: Three men were drowned when a motor boat in which they were riding was run down by a freight steamer in the Delaware River near Burlington, N. J. The dead are: Robert Heatherington, George Candine and John Scudder. All were of Bristol, Pa. According to the crew of the freighter, the John W. Garrett, from Trenton, for Philadelphia the motor boat failed to display at night lamps and ran directly across the steamer's path.

Storm Wrecks Two Churches.

Bronte, Texas: A severe windstorm at Norton, fourteen miles west of this place, Saturday afternoon wrecked the Avant dry goods store, scattered the contents so that they are almost a total loss, and completely demolished the Methodist and Presbyterian churches. W. Dorsett and T. Gatlin were severely injured by the storm, probably fatally. Harvey Bryan was hurt about the head and face, and Morrell Boyett's leg was broken.

Island Revolt from Turkish Rule.

Athens, Greece: The Turkish island of Nicaria (also known as Ivaria) in the Egean Sea, has proclaimed its independence of the Turkish Government. The inhabitants, who number about 13,000, seized an imprisoned all the Turkish officials. The island of Nicaria is famous in mythology for the death of Icarus, whose wax wings melted while he was flying. At the present day it is occupied almost solely by charcoal burners of Greek nationality.

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Husband—Your extravagance is awful. When I die you'll probably have to beg.

Wife—Well, I should be better off than some poor woman who never had any practice.—London Opinion.

Rare Books for Harvard.

Harry Elkins Widener, who was lost on the Titanic, had a very valuable collection of books, and these will go to Harvard university. His grandfather, P. A. B. Widener, will provide a building in which the books will be adequately housed. The collection includes a first folio Shakespeare, a copy of Shakespeare's poems in the original binding, and what is described as the finest collection in the world of Robert Louis Stevenson's works.

Red Cross Seals Being Printed.

Seventy-five million Red Cross seals are now being printed for the holiday sale of these anti-tuberculosis stickers for 1912. The National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis, which in co-operation with the American Red Cross will conduct the sale, makes this announcement and states further that the outlook this year is bright for a higher sale than ever before.

The seal this year is said to be the best of its kind that the Red Cross has ever issued. The design is in three colors, red, green and gray. A Santa Claus head in the three colors is shown in the center surrounded by holly wreaths. In each corner is a small red cross. The seal bears the greeting, "Merry Christmas, Happy New Year, American Red Cross, 1912."

FAMILY RUNT

Kansas Man Says Coffee Made Him That.

"Coffee has been used in our family of eleven—father, mother, five sons and four daughters—for thirty years. I am the eldest of the boys and have always been considered the runt of the family and a coffee toper."

"I continued to drink it for years until I grew to be a man, and then I found I had stomach trouble, nervous headaches, poor circulation, was unable to do a full day's work, took medicine for this, that and the other thing, without the least benefit. In fact I only weighed 116 when I was 28."

"Then I changed from coffee to Postum, being the first one in our family to do so. I noticed, as did the rest of the family, that I was surely gaining strength and flesh. Shortly after I was visiting my cousin who said, 'You look so much better—you're getting fat.'"

"At breakfast his wife passed me a cup of coffee, as she knew I was always such a coffee drinker, but I said, 'No, thank you.'"

"What! said my cousin, 'you quit coffee? What do you drink?'"

"Postum," I said, "or water, and I am well." They did not know what Postum was, but my cousin had stomach trouble and could not sleep at night from drinking coffee three times a day. He was glad to learn about Postum, but said he never knew coffee would hurt anyone." (Tea is just as injurious as coffee because it contains caffeine, the same drug found in coffee.)

"After understanding my condition and how I got well he knew what to do for himself. He discovered that coffee was the cause of his trouble as he never used tobacco or anything else of the kind. You should see the change in him now. We both believe that if persons who suffer from coffee drinking would stop and use Postum they could build back to health and happiness." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

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SHEPPARD'S PLURALITY IS BEING REDUCED

AS RETURNS SLOWLY COME IN, ALTHOUGH WILL WIN.

NO CHANGES ON GOVERNOR

Mayes for Lieutenant Governor, Edwards for Treasurer and Robinson for Commissioner.

Dallas, Texas: (Tuesday's returns.) The mass of returns still coming from the Democratic primary election held last Saturday, and adding piecemeal to the totals, make no substantial changes as to the contests for United States Senator and Governor, except to somewhat reduce the plurality by which Mr Sheppard wins the nomination for Senator.

Mayes for Lieutenant Governor, Edwards for State Treasurer, Robinson for Land Commissioner and Hawkins for Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, Place No. 2, are winners.

Lane appears to have defeated Barker for Comptroller and Walthall to have defeated Looney and Harris for Attorney General, but upon account of conflicting reports, it appears that these races are doubtful. Kone leads for Commissioner of Agriculture, Mayfield for Railroad Commissioner, Townes for Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, Place No. 1, and Prendergast for Associate Justice of Court of Criminal Appeals, but each of these races are in doubt.

For Congressman at Large, Hatton W. Summers, D. E. Garrett, Jeff McLemore and C. M. Cureton lead in the order named, but fuller returns are needed to indicate which of these have won.

The returns for Governor now account for 347,446 votes, or probably 85 per cent of the total number polled.

The totals for candidates on the State ticket are as follows:

United States Senator—Wolters 129,740, Sheppard 154,130, Randell 29,740, Zollner 3,513.

Governor—Colquitt 191,152, Ramsey 156,294.

Lieutenant Governor—Imboden 77,272, Mayes 105,338.

Comptroller—Barker 136,550, Lane 160,005.

Attorney General—Walthall 109,629, Looney 108,896, Harris 46,290.

State Treasurer—McCammion 20,987, Adams 28,546, Edwards 61,314, Aston 52,806.

Land Commissioner—Geers 57,617, Robinson 105,929.

Commissioner of Agriculture—Kone 58,238, Halbert 35,096, Irion 9,924, Singleton 62,443.

Railroad Commissioner, Place No. 2—Wortham 103,302, Mason 11,096, Thomas 14,745, Mayfield 110,659.

Associate Justice Supreme Court—Phillips 78,176, Townes 79,956, Pleasants 19,807, Speer 28,986, Craig 19,471.

Associate Justice Court Criminal Appeals—Muse 102,693, Green 28,962, Prendergast, 104,250.

Congress at Large—Browning 16,924, Bounds 5,265, Cureton 25,151, Featherstone 4,154, A. S. Garrett 9,217, D. E. Garrett 29,058, Grubbs 12,636, Harmon 8,518, S. C. Harris 4,503, W. A. Harris 5,947, Kellie 3,837, Lancaster 9,983, Loudermilk 10,553, McLemore 24,989, Newman 4,431, Opp 8,721, Pazzral 9,360, Roche 5,832, Smith 3,967, Stret 5,620; Summers 31,002, Yantis 5,851.

In the contested legislative races returns indicate the election of the following:

For Representative—Sixteenth District, Campbell; Seventeenth District, Dick; Twenty-Sixth District, Long; Fortieth District, Ridgell; Forty-Second District, Place No. 1, Webb; Place No. 2, Reeves; Forty-Third District, Spradley; Forty-Fourth District, Place No. 2, Parks; Place No. 3, Davis; Place No. 4, McKamy; Forty-Fifth District, Kelly; Forty-Seventh District, Collins; Fifty-Sixth District, Burns; Sixtieth District, Vannoy; Sixty-Ninth District Buchanan; Eighty-Ninth District, Place No. 1, Mendell; Place No. 2, Olander; One Hundred and First District, Henry; One Hundred and Eighth District, Powell.

Returns indicate that the following races for the Legislature are very close.

Senate: District No. 2: Riddle has a slight lead over Darwin with Floyd in third place. Fifth District—Coppedge has considerable lead over Westbrook. Twelfth District—Astin is considerably ahead of Crane and is probably elected.

Representatives: Thirty-Fifth District—Cox has a slight lead over Jones. Thirty-Ninth District and Mangum are running almost neck and neck and a few hundred ahead of Atterbery. Forty-Fourth District, Place No. 1—Lewelling is slightly leading. Ninety-Eighth District—Ritchie has a lead over Veale.

COLQUITT LEADING BY 40,000

Ramsey's Campaign Manager Claims Victory, But Returns Indicate He Has Been Defeated for Governor.

MORRIS SHEPPARD FAR AHEAD FOR SENATOR

Returns From Other State Officers are far From Being Complete, However, in the Congressmen at Large Race, Daniel E. Garrett, Hatton W. Summers, C. M. Cureton and Jeff McLemore are Leading Candidates.



GOVERNOR O. B. COLQUITT

Dallas, Texas: Returns received up to early Wednesday morning from Saturday's Democratic primary election places Gov. Colquitt's majority in the neighborhood of 40,000, and that Hon. Morris Sheppard, for the United States Senate, will have a plurality of approximately 40,000 over Hon. Jacob F. Wolters, but may not have a majority over all of his opponents.

The returns received at this time accounted for 291,941 votes, or probably 70 per cent of the total number polled, as compared with 285,000 votes reported at the same time two years ago.

The number of votes reported in the race for United States Senator and Governor are as follows:

For Senator:

Sheppard 154,130
Wolters 129,740
Randell 29,740
Zollner 3,513

Sheppard's plurality is 26,114, but hasn't a majority.

For Governor:

Colquitt 198,437
Ramsey 158,458

Colquitt's majority in the present returns is 39,979.

The returns from the State ticket, except as to Governor and United States Senator, are still far from complete, and in many instances it is impossible to form a satisfactory conclusion as to results.

For Places in Congress.

Of the contested district races for Congress, the following were nominated at Saturday's primary election:

Hon. Horace W. Vaughan of Texarkana, First District.

Hon. Martin Dies of Woodville, Second District.

Hon. James Young of Kaufman, Third District.

Hon. Sam Rayburn of Bonham, Fourth District.

Hon. Joe H. Eagle of Houston, Eighth District.

Hon. Oscar Callaway of Comanche, Twelfth District.

Each of the three Congressmen above named, who were candidates to succeed themselves, were re-elected. There are Dies, Young and Callaway.

The two opponents for Congressional honors in the Eighth District are well-known attorneys and sustaining a reputation beyond the borders of the State as orators of note. Mr. Eagle will succeed Hon. John M. Moore of Richmon, who was not a candidate for re-election.

In the First Congressional District Hon. Horace Vaughan seems to have carried seven and probably eight of the eleven counties and with a good plurality of the popular vote. Of the more than 16,000 votes accounted for Mr. Vaughan received 5,318. H. Bascom Thomas Sulphur Springs 3,724 3,724, Fred Dudley of Paris 3,524 and Senator R. B. Sturgeon of Paris 3,518.

In the Second Congressional District Hon. Martin Dies of Woodville has been renominated to succeed himself.

The incomplete returns indicate that he carried every county in his district except San Augustine, which went for Brooks; Hardin, which went for Collins, and possibly Cherokee and Harrison, both of which are close. It is probable that he will have a majority over his four opponents, John H. Brooks of San Augustine, V. A. Collins of Beaumont, John L. Little of Kountze and George B. Terrell of Ato.

It seems that William E. Hawkins has defeated Joseph B. Dibrell, the present incumbent of the Associate Justiceship of the Supreme Court, Place No. 2.

In the other races Mayes seems to have the advantage for Lieutenant Governor. Lane for Controller, Kone for Commissioner of Agriculture, Earle B. Mayfield for Railroad Commissioner and Prendergast for Associate Justice of the Court of Criminal Appeals.

The returns now in hand point more conclusively to the nomination of Controller Lane to succeed himself and indicate that Kone is to succeed himself as Commissioner of Agriculture. Mayfield still holds a substantial lead over Wortham for Railroad



HON. MORRIS SHEPPARD

Commissioner and the unreported territory divides pretty evenly between the respective strongholds of these candidates. The races as between Walthall and Looney for Attorney General, Phillips and Townes for the Supreme Court and Muse and Prendergast for the Court of Criminal Appeals are very much in doubt.

The returns received complete, nearly complete or substantial returns from 192 counties. The counties from which reports have not yet been published have either not yet reported their returns or the reports have been so meager and incomplete as not to justify their consideration in the tabulations. Counties not heard from are:

These in North Texas: Anderson, Andrews, Baylor, Briscoe, Castro, Coryell, Crosby, Culberson, Dallam, Deaf Smith, Delta, Dickens, Freestone, Gregg, Hansford, Haskell, Hill, Hutchinson, Jones, King, Knox, Lipscomb, Marion, Moore, Nacogdoches, Ochiltree, Red River, Terry, Throckmorton, Wheeler, Winkler, Wise.

These in South Texas: Aransas, Atascosa, Bastrop, Brazoria, Crockett, Fayette, Frio, Hardin, Jackson, Liberty, Live Oak, McMullen, Menard, Presidio, Reagan, San Jacinto, San Patricio, San Saba, Terrell, Trinity, Zapata.

As to some of the races, it probably will be impossible to determine the results until the county executive committees open and canvass the returns on next Saturday, for in many of the counties the election officers, disregarding the requirements of section 88 of the election law, failed to announce the votes, and as they sealed the returns, nothing can be learned concerning them at this time. Among the counties from which correspondents report such trouble are Willacy, Limestone, Dallam, Red River, Bowie, Delta, Hill, Palo Pinto, Crockett, Ector, San Jacinto, San Saba and Gregg.

SLAYER OF DALLAS MAN KILLS A SHERIFF

LEONARD POTTS, NEGRO, SHOOTS CLARKSVILLE OFFICIAL.

HE ESCAPES; MOB PURSUES

Black Man's Stepmother Also Killed by Bullet Fired by Mortally Wounded Officer.

Clarksville, Texas: Leonard Potts, the negro who fatally wounded Policeman Tedford Friday afternoon in Dallas, shot and killed Sheriff Charlie Stevens here Tuesday night at 9:30 o'clock, and is being pursued by a posse.

The officer, with City Marshal Tom Ferguson and Constable Enos Elder, was attempting to arrest Potts, who reached this place and went to the home of his stepmother.

This negro was killed, too, by a bullet from the pistol of Sheriff Stevens, after he was wounded by Potts. After firing, the negro ran, and was closely pursued by the two officers. In a short time others joined in the chase.

About 10 o'clock a posse was made up and began following the trail of the black, who left bloodstains behind.

Potts came to Clarksville and went directly to his stepmother's home. Early in the evening he took a seat on the front porch of the home, which is about six blocks from the public square. When the officers came up another negro man and the stepmother and a negro baby were in company with Potts. The officers walked toward the porch, and Potts short instantly, the bullet lodging in Sheriff Stevens' head. Fatally wounded, Mr. Stevens fired his pistol, the leaden missile blowing off the top of the negro's head. So close was the range of the bullet that the baby's face, sitting in her lap, was powder-burned.

When these shots were fired, Potts jumped up and ran around the house, Ferguson and Elder giving chase and firing with every step. But soon the officers' ammunition gave out, and the fleeing negro was beyond the range of club or other means of rendering him into submission.

Many knew of the crime that Potts had committed in Dallas, and when the news that the black was in this locality became known it was but a matter of an hour and a half until 1,000 people were seeking the negro, all armed with various weapons. It is believed that escape is impossible, and it is the declaration of the crowd that summary punishment will follow the finding of the negro.

Mr. Stevens had just been renominated Sheriff by a large plurality. He was a very popular man and officer. He was married only a few months ago to a young lady of Bagwell.

Policeman Tedford was shot last Friday afternoon in Oak Cliff, when, in company with his partner, E. R. Wright, of the mounted police, he was attempting to arrest Potts. The officer died Sunday. Poses have been searching for the negro and a general alarm was sent out.

TEXAS FARMERS END GATHERING

Numerous State Bodies Hold Final Sessions at College Station.

College Station, Texas: The 1,100 sturdy Texans who have spent three hot and strenuous days at the Agricultural and Mechanical College, attending the sessions of the Farmers' Congress and taking their annual free course in practical scientific farming, departed for their homes Thursday upon the adjournment of the annual session of that organization.

Hot weather drove a number of the farmers back to cooler regions before the day of adjournment, but the majority remained to the finish. Taken as a whole, the congress was the best attended in its history.

Before adjourning the body officially recognized some of the ideas that were advanced for the benefit of the farmers of the State and when the word "farmer" is used in connection with the proceedings of the Farmers' Congress, all the allied farm interests are meant.

At the congress the term is applied to fruit growers, truck growers, swine breeders, poultry raisers, beekeepers, nurserymen, etc., exactly as it is to the man who specializes in cotton or corn. Even the rural letter carriers occupied a prominent place on the program of the congress this year, and the man who delivers the mail in the rural districts seemed to take considerably more interest in horse feed, good roads and kindred topics than he did in the postal regulations and the particular problems of the route carriers.

MEXICAN SITUATION SERIOUS

Army Officers at Washington Discuss Recent Seizure of War Material.

Washington: Startling reports showing how the Mexican rebels have defied the United States and indicating a revival of the insurrection in Mexico were telegraphed to the War Department from the Mexican border.

The rebels, it appears, have forcibly taken enough arms and ammunition from American citizens in Northern Mexico to begin a new campaign against President Madero with renewed vigor.

The Americans have been obliged to give up either their arms or their lives. The fleeing American Mormons, especially who have been coming to El Paso in great numbers, have given over to the rebels rifles and ammunition which have substantially increased the military supplies of the insurgents. The rebels openly boast that they have taken from Americans by force what the United States Government denied them by prohibiting the shipment of arm and ammunition across the border.

Army officers of the general staff regard the situation as serious. How serious will depend, they say, on whether the rebels, now that they are supplied with munitions of war, can again perfect the organization which held them together before they were decisively beaten by the Mexican Federal troops. The defeat of the rebels and the shortage of ammunition went hand in hand so that it is believed the rebels may be able to again make a stand against the Government.

SON TO SUCCEED HIS FATHER.

Gov. Colquitt Makes Change of Cleburne Men on Medical Board.

Austin, Texas: The Governor has announced the appointment to the State Board of Medical Examiners of Dr. E. B. Osborn of Cleburn, vice Dr. J. D. Osborn of that city, who recently resigned, at the Governor's request, the Executive finding "that he was not in harmony with the Administration."

Dr. J. D. Osborn supported Judge Ramsey for Governor and presided at the concluding meeting of the campaign in the Judge's home city.

The appointee is the son of the physician he succeeds. The younger Dr. Osborn is a supporter of the Governor and one of his campaign managers in Johnson County.

BRITISH EXHONORATE ISMAY.

Judgment of Court Regarding Titanic Disaster is Made Public.

London: The judgment of the British Board of Trade court of inquiry into the disaster of the White Star Liner Titanic, concludes that the collision of the Titanic with the iceberg was due to the excessive speed at which the ship was navigated; that a proper watch was not kept; that the ship's boats were properly lowered, but that arrangements for manning them were insufficient; that the Leyland Liner Californian might have reached the Titanic if she had attempted to do so; that the track followed was reasonably safe with proper vigilance, and that there was no discrimination against third-class passengers in the saving of life.

The Count of Inquiry exonerates J. Bruce Ismay, managing director of the White Star Line, and Sir Cosmo Duff-Gordon, one of the passengers, from and charges of improper conduct.

The judgment recommends more watertight compartments in seagoing ships, the provisions of lifeboats for all on board and more efficient drills of the crews, as well as a better lookout.

ATTY. GEN. LIGHTFOOT RESIGNS.

Will Open Law Office in Austin With Two of His Assistants.

Austin, Texas: Jewell P. Lightfoot Friday sent to the Governor his resignation from the office of Attorney General, to become effective Aug. 30. The Executive immediately accepted the resignation and appointed to the office James D. Walthall of San Antonio, first assistant Attorney General, to assume charge on that date.

The resignation, Mr. Lightfoot briefly notified the Governor, was due to his determination to open law offices in this city Sept. 1, with John W. Brady and E. B. Robertson, two of his assistants, as partners. He wrote:

"My Dear Sir: Pursuant to the announcement made earlier in the year that I would engage in the practice of law at Austin, and having determined to open my office on the first day of September, I hereby tender my resignation as Attorney General of the State of Texas, to take effect Aug. 30, 1912."

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Yours respectfully,
H. A. Boothe.

Mrs. F. W. West, of several miles east of Spur, was in the city Thursday and while here was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office. Mrs. West informed us that she will teach the Duck Creek school this year. Mrs. West taught the Red Hill school last year and the school patrons say that she is one of the best teachers of the country.

Mrs. H. S. Bartley, formerly of Spur but now of El Paso, has been spending several days in Spur visiting friends and looking after business matters. Mrs. Bartley said that while possibly she had no complaint to make of her new home, yet she stated that she had a longing to return to Spur and make this her permanent home.

George Barnes was in the city Monday from the north part of the county and spent some time here on business and visiting Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Miller.

M. L. Blakeley, a prominent citizen of the north part of the county, was in Spur trading last week and spent some time here on business.

Mrs. J. R. Walker and children are visiting relatives in the eastern part of the state.

Granville Brown and family are spending the week at Roaring Springs attending the big camp meeting now in progress at that place.

Mrs. A. P. Edgar and children returned Monday from Jones county where they have been visiting relatives several weeks.

J. Carlisle, of near Gilpin, was in the city Tuesday on business and to visit his daughter and family, Mrs. Z. V. Smith.

Miss Jessie Beavers left this week for Rule where she will visit relatives and friends.

WEASELS CLAW HIS FACE

Then Scared Little Beasts From a Nest Find Victim's Coop and Slay 18 Chickens.

Lewistown, Pa.—James Stinebarger, better known as "Dynamite" on the state road operations where he is employed, has a badly lacerated face and says he hates to tell people how he got it.

Those who were working with "Dynamite," however, aver it was too much weasel. They say Stinebarger was stooped over, taking out riprap stones, when a little ball of red and white fur leaped from a hole in the bank, landing squarely in his face, and scurried away as rapidly as possible. This one was followed in rapid succession by others, and each seemed to give him a dig in the face with all four feet.

A strange coincidence was that the following night 18 of Stinebarger's favorite chickens were killed in the coop by weasels.

Something New in Stories.

Marguerite Andoux is forty-six years old and has been a seamstress since she was twenty-one years of age, and she cannot spell correctly, and yet she has written a book within the last few months that is considered of almost perfect style by the critics. There is no moralizing, no description of emotion, no character sketching in "Marie-Claire," but every line is truth and pictures come crowding upon one another as one reads the sweet, simple story.

TELLS OF POLAND

Student Describes Life of Girls in Her Country.

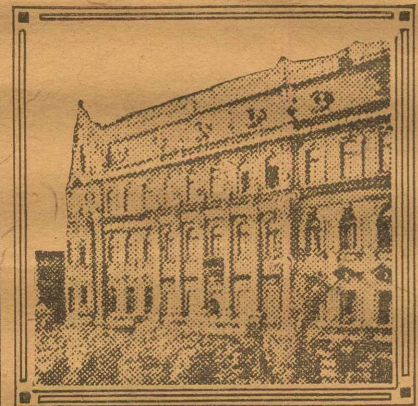
Women Not Desired by Universities, as Professor Asserts Education Is Wasted When They Marry—Men Outnumber Them Six to Two.

London.—"We are all trying to be as English as possible in Poland just now; it is the fashion," said Miss Ila de Ilakowick, who came to London recently. This young student from Cracow university published a successful book of poetry in the spring. Accompanied by the daughter of the author, Sienciewicz, she has been spending some time in Paris and in other towns on the continent, and her comparisons prove her powers of observation.

"In Poland we wear English tailor-made clothes," she continued, "because we think they are much more distinguished looking than any other. English is, of course, spoken, for you know that we learn languages, French, German, Russian, dialects of our own tongue, from childhood. At the universities, of course, we study Greek and Latin. But English just now is the correct thing, and we are all speaking it. It is the thing in Poland now to put babies into nurseries furnished a l'Anglaise, and they are kept there. Polish babies, like the French ones, had to be always with the grown-up people; a great deal of attention had to be paid to them. Now they are in their own rooms, fed and dressed like English infants, and I dare say the mothers of the present generation find more time for interests outside of the house.

"Oh, no," she exclaimed in reply to a question. "You must not suppose that all Polish girls go to the universities, and you must not make the mistake of mixing us up with Russians—we are quite different! In the Polish families of the nobility parents still cherish the ideal of home life for their girls. No girl of good family goes out without a chaperone. She interests herself more in household duties even than English people do.

"Our whole system is different from the English. We have no colleges at all as you have for women, and we have no university halls where girls may live. A Polish girl may inscribe her name for lectures when she is 16. There are many middle-class parents



Facade of Cracow University.

who set their faces against this idea, and so they will not allow their daughters any income for their years of study. What happens? Why, the girls simply run away from home. At Cracow there is a convent where they can live for about £2 a month. Often a girl of 16 has to commence by working very hard to earn her living while she attends the university. The condition of students, both men and women, at the Polish universities, has been a good deal talked about, and I am one of many students, who are trying to raise a fund to establish women's residences like those you have in England.

"The proportion of girl students is something like 500 to 3,000 men. They attend the same lectures as the men, and often live in the same poor lodging houses as they do. I suppose it is for that reason that the parents have not learned to like the position of their daughters at the universities. The professors approve of girls at their lectures? No, the majority of them do not. They declare that girls usually get married, and then all their university training is wasted. They make things as hard for the girls as they can by constantly indulging in what we call 'chicane,' that is, teasing and small jokes leveled at the women students."

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GETTING CLOSE TO NATURE

As One Who Understands It, John Burroughs Writes of the Beauty of the Country.

To take the birds out of my life were the lopping off so many branches from the tree; there is that less surface of leafage to absorb the sunlight and bring my spirits in contact with the vital currents. We cannot pursue any natural study with love and enthusiasm without the object of it becoming a part of our lives. The birds, the flowers, the trees, the rocks, all become linked with our lives and hold the key to our thoughts and emotions.

I certainly have found "good in everything"—in all natural processes and products—not the "good" of the Sunday school books, but the good of natural law and order, the good of that system of things out of which we came and which is the source of our health and strength. It is good that fire should burn, even if it consumes your house; it is good that force should crush, even if it crushes you; it is good that rain should fall, even if it destroys your crops or floods your land.

Plague and pestilence attest the constancy of natural law. They set us to cleaning our relations to outward nature. Only in a live universe could disease and death prevail. Death is a phase of life, a redistributing of the type. Decay is another kind of growth.

The show and splendor of great houses, elaborate furnishings, stately halls, oppress me, impose upon me. They fix the attention upon false values, they set up a false standard of beauty; they stand between me and the real feeders of character and thought. A man needs a good roof over his head winter and summer, and a good chimney and a big woodpile in winter. The more open his four walls are the more fresh air he will get, and the longer he will live.—John Burroughs, in the Century.

CURIOSITY OF MODERN SLANG

English Journal Comments With Some Sharpness, and Admiration, of American Slang.

Time was—and not so very long ago, either—when the only distinctively American expression known in this country was "I guess." To say "I guess" and endeavor—not always with success—to speak it through your nose, was the recognized way of impersonating an American. It was always sure of an appreciative and understanding laugh—the laugh that indicates, "Yes, yes; I'm just as intelligent as you, and know exactly what you intend." Nowadays, we don't know why, our common speech is well flavored with transatlantic idioms. Not always slang, we mean. American slang has its uses, though the only one we can think of at the moment is that it saves trouble. When one has classified one's friends and acquaintances as "the limit" and "the goods," one has been spared much labor of characterization. Otherwise the argot of the Bowery is more curious than beautiful. But we go further. "We fix things up." Instead of finishing a task we are "through with it." We do not begin, but "start in." This habit is spreading like a canker through all classes of the community—even to those conservative gentlemen, the dramatists, who name their new productions "The Glad Eye" or "Looking for Trouble." No doubt we shall be told by apologists for the habit that all the expressions we have noted are to be found in Shakespeare or Milton. That may be, but we doubt if Miss Correll's predecessor at Stratford-on-Avon ever caused one of his heroines to be called a "lallapalooza."—London Globe.

CITY IS ENRICHED BY RAID

County in Pennsylvania Reaps Harvest of Nickels From Broken Slot Machines.

Pittsburg, Pa.—All sorts of games of chance have been put under the law's watchful eyes here. County detectives have confiscated hundreds of slot machines, brought them to the courthouse and broken them with an ax. As each machine was broken the chief of detectives was "on the job" with a dishpan to gather the nickels. The county is hundreds of dollars richer.

We Are Energetic as Well as Truthful.

There is no more progressive citizen on the globe than the native Texan. He is by nature an architect and by practice a builder. Out of raw prairies and a howling wilderness he has erected a magnificent empire; he found cotton a weak and struggling industry and made it the king of products. He has taken the Texas steer, a wild, reckless denizen of the plains, and made of him a commanding genius of the world's markets.

JAPS IMPORT THEIR BRIDES

Oriental in Hawaii Send All the Way to the Flowery Kingdom for Them.

Kaual, Hawaii.—"No more Orientals of the laboring class are coming to Hawaii, and a good many of our white citizens who cultivate sugar estates are sorry that the faithful Chinese are barred under the law," said W. P. Harcourt, a sugar planter of the island of Kaual, one of the Hawaiian group. "They are our best workers, and before the exclusion policy was applied we could count on a certain regular influx of brawny Mongolians to toil in the cane fields.

"The Chinese now in Hawaii have been there for many years, and most of them are getting to be old men. Not many of the Chinese have wives, but in former days not a few of them became the husbands of the native Ka-



Types of Japanese Dancing Girls.

naka women. It was a good cross, was this half-breed progeny, and so likewise the offspring of the Japanese and native women. In recent times, however, the Japs have been in the habit of sending back to their own land for wives. In most cases I think the self-elected bridegrooms get their parents back in the Flowery Kingdom to pick out wives for them.

"The matter is finally arranged through the Japanese consul, the man in the case putting up money for the passage of his intended spouse. The hour that she lands must also be the wedding hour, for the authorities will not allow the fair ones to remain unless claimed and formally mated according to some civil or religious ceremony that both parties consider binding.

"Every now and then a wireless message comes to my plantation which tells one of my young Japanese hired men that he may expect on the arrival of the next ship at Honolulu the girl who has been picked out as his wife. I do not think that in many cases the principals have ever laid eyes on each other. On the receipt of the message the man gets permission to go to claim his wife, and pretty soon the pair are domesticated on the estate, and my understanding is they get on as happily as if they had known each other from infancy and been wedded in the conventional way of the Caucasians.

"Not long ago a ship from Yokohama arrived with forty or fifty so-called picture brides. Every one of them had been chosen through photographs forwarded to Hawaii some time in advance of the arrival of the originals. Occasionally there is a pathetic case, as when not long ago a very pretty young Japanese maid was forced to take the next ship returning to her old home. Inspection showed that she had trachoma, and the rigid rule that ordered her deportation could not be waived."—Baltimore American.

MAN GETS LONG LOST \$10

Money in Hands of New York Police Chief Since October 11 Is Restored to Owner.

New York.—A ten dollar bill lost on Broadway October 11 is now in the hands of the owner, after having been for eight months in the hands of Police Commissioner Waldo. More than 1,000 persons applied to the commissioner for the money, but it remained for John F. J. Sheehan of Newark, N. J., to make the successful claim.

The bill was turned over to a traffic policeman October 11 by William Fleuger of Berlin, Germany, who said that the bill had blown into his face at Forty-second street and Broadway. Sheehan explained that the money was blown from his hand by a gust of wind. He had witnesses to prove his claim.

The Chinese New Year.

"Gar-ne-to-Toy"—Happy good luck to you, may you be prosperous, may your honorable family be prosperous and may the spirits of your ancestors rest content—is the gist of the Chinese New Year's greeting. The New Year festival begins the last of January and continues two weeks.

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FACTS ABOUT THE HIGH COST OF OUR LIVING.

The best news in the papers these days is that about crops. It commands attention among business men to the exclusion of presidential prospects, the doings of Congress or the foreign dispatches. The country needs a bumper crop. It would help everybody. It would turn the food markets downward and relieve the tension in industrial circles where the high cost of living has been unsettling all wage agreements. It would give the railways a guarantee of full tonnage and put new confidence into every branch of production and trade. One great crop, happily, is already made, and that is hay. A year ago at this time nearly the entire country was suffering from drought. The hay crop of 1911 was the smallest the country had produced since 1895, being but 47,000,000 tons, as compared with an average of 63,000,000 tons in the next previous five years. Hay and pasturage are vital factors in the supply of milk, butter and beef. This season the yield is back to the average, and the benefits will be realized throughout the year. As far back as 1889 the acreage in hay was greater than last year, and the crop was 66,000,000 tons.

Probably few people appreciate how difficult it now is to increase the country's production of the staple crops to meet the requirements of our growing population. The cities are growing rapidly, and the acreage in farms is increasing only in the far west. East of the Mississippi River there is less land in cultivation than ten years ago, and much of the increase west of the river during that period has been in regions having uncertain rainfall or in areas made available through irrigation.

It is difficult to understand why so much mystery should be made over the rising cost of living in view of the revelations of the last census. There has never been in the history of the world a parallel to the rapid settlement of the United States. Nowhere else has there been such a vast area of fertile lands, with an admirable climate, situated upon parallel lines of latitude with Europe, and offering equal facilities and inducements for migrations from there. Capital came readily to build railroads, and population followed in to find homes. The result was a development which made the

Europe, we are a steady diminishing factor, and the result is seen in the rise of price there. While the population of this country increased only 3.5 per cent and the actual yield in 1909 was but 1.5 per cent greater than in 1899. The country produced 58.4 bushels of the cereals (corn, wheat, oats, barley, rye, buckwheat, kaffir corn, emmer and rice) per head of population in 1899, and only 49.1 bushels in 1909. Corn is the chief next producing crop, and the corn crop of the United States is 75 per cent of the corn crop of the world. The acreage in 1909 was but 3.7 per cent greater

bankers toward speculative loans, the fever of speculation has subsided; but all reports are to the effect that there has been no recession in selling prices, but a continual advance.

The situation has its grave features, for while the change which has come over the position of the farmer, and particularly of the farm owner, is a very agreeable one to him, and perhaps for the present generation gives only just recompense for hardships in the past, we cannot look upon the relatively diminishing supplies with other than apprehension. In all of the arts of manufacture and in facilities

ening situation, and that is by raising the productiveness of our lands through more intelligent and scientific culture. There is no known limit to possibilities of nature, and our average production is far below the results of the best practice. The average yield of corn per acre in this country has never reached 30 bushels but once, and that was in 1872. The important question is, if we have gained nothing in the cultivation of corn in the last forty years, how fast will it be possible to revolutionize farming methods in the future?

It is interesting to note that in many states the banks through their state associations have taken up this question of how to increase the productiveness of the farms, and have organized for a campaign of education, making it the chief work of the associations. The Illinois Association has enlisted the co-operation of the agricultural department of the State University. The Minnesota and Iowa associations have enlisted upon a similar campaign; and the object is so practical and praiseworthy that the bankers of all the states may well follow their example. It gives a new interest to the meetings of the associations, bringing the bankers into direct and friendly co-operation with the largest body of producers, and gives great promise of increasing the wealth of the community.—The National City Bank of New York.

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than the acreage of 1899, and the yield was actually less.

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